

Hello:

I hope this finds you well. If you are reading a good book and would like to share it, let me know and I'll post it on Facebook and mention it in my next newsletter. I'm reading, "Starry Night: Van Gogh At The Asylum." It's fascinating and I'm collecting clues for my next book, "Stealing Van Gogh." It's estimated that 20 unclaimed canvases remained at the asylum after his death.

I'm deep into the editing of, "Stealing Picasso." I'm still on target for a fall release. There is a picture of the cover on my blog. Here is the [link](#).

FREE: I am presenting a program about "A Promise Moon," on Thursday, July 28: 6:00 – 7:00 pm at the Daviess County Public Library, 2020 Frederica St, Owensboro, KY 42301. This novel was inspired by a research grant to explore the Underground Railroad in Kentucky. Most escaped slaves didn't receive any help until they were already free! I'll be sharing some more of my findings and reading excerpts from the novel. It will broadcast live on the library's Facebook page. Here's the [link](#).

There is a calendar of upcoming presentations on my website. Here's the [link](#).

Meanwhile, I'm working out the final details for an October talk in Berea. I'll discuss, "Let The Earth Breathe," and go for a nature walk, afterwards.

There are a few pictures of what's currently blooming in our gardens at the bottom of the page. The bright red Cardinal Flower (*Lobelia cardinalis*) is just starting to bloom. This grows well in shade and is a hummingbird magnet. The Cutleaf Prairie Dock (*Silphium pinnatifidum*) is so tall that we have to stand on a ladder to reach the blossoms. The Blunt Mountain Mint (*Pycnanthemum muticum*) around the mailbox is a popular item for pollinators and smells wonderful. The top leaves lighten in color as the blossoms mature. The bumble bees take naps in the Swamp Hibiscus blossoms (*Hibiscus moscheutos*.)

Reviews on Amazon are a big deal and really help me out. If you haven't already, please take a minute or two and review one—or all of my books. The links to each book are below. You will have to scroll down the page to reach the review section.

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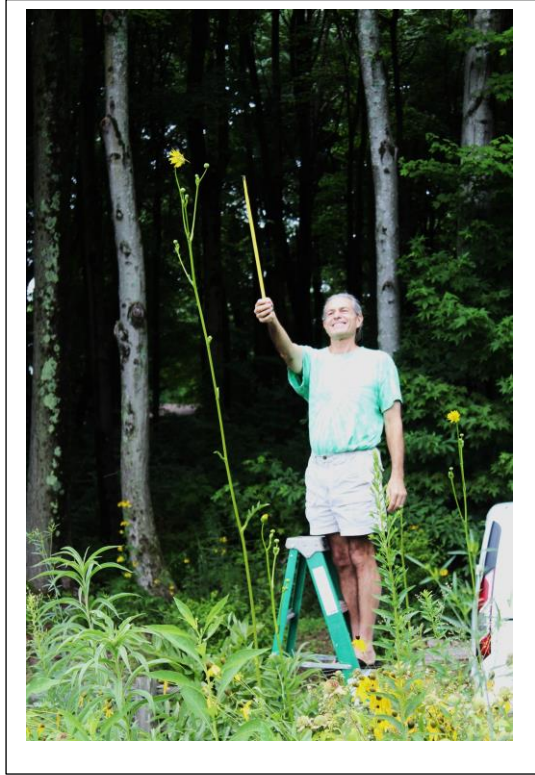
[Mystery Island](#)

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[Shadows of Chaco Canyon](#)

The pictures from our garden are also on my website if your email settings block them. Here's the link.



If you can't make it to a presentation in person, here is the link to my recent videos. They are short, 5-6 minutes. [Video link.](#)

Thank you! Happy reading.

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