
PCMG - Weekly Digest

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Dear Master Gardener,

Welcome to the latest issue of the Pulaski County Master Gardener Weekly Digest! Read on to see how the week played out and to find out what's coming up.

We are back to a normal work week next week and I hope everyone had a happy and safe Memorial Day. Summer is on its way, kids are getting out of school and if you haven't planted your crops/gardens, I hope you find time to do it soon as our days are heating up fast. Our T-Shirt meeting is only three Tuesdays away! That one last plant sale is June 10th, Derek's Hydroponics Workshop is approaching fast, and check out the new way to register/pay below. Learn about your backyard habitat from Sherri Sanders in White County and the County 76 Auction for the State Conference is now live. Are your oak tree leaves looking a little peaked? See the latest Plant Health Clinic Disease Note, Issue 15. Washington County's Garden Gate Tour is tomorrow and there is still plenty going on in Extension. *Remember to click the icons below to find out more on those subjects.*

New Projects



I'm still tooting the horns of our two new sanctioned projects. There has been more activity at each, but both could use more MG's. Remember to reach out to our offices, Derek, your PCMG Board or the project chairs to learn more and schedule a day to help/visit. This change could be just what you're looking for to refresh your love of the Master Gardeners program. Again, those projects are the Pulaski County Juvenile Detention Center Teaching Gardens ([JDC](#)) and the St. Joseph's Blessed Bee and Butterfly Gardens (St. Joe's). Both projects have been loaded into the Hours Reporting system and our own PCMG website ([armgs.org](#)).

Monthly Meeting



The “Dues T-Shirt Meeting” is coming soon...remember monthly meetings are always the third Tuesday of the month, except July, August & December. The next PCMG Membership Meeting will be Tuesday, June 20th, 11:30am-1pm at St. James United Methodist Church, [321 Pleasant Valley Drive, LR](#). Those that paid dues prior to May 1st will receive their t-shirt at this time. (no link associated with icon).



May's General Membership meeting is available for your viewing pleasure, just click the logo. Record those hours...two for each monthly meeting! Be honest with yourself and watch it all the way through. Wish I could attend in person, but video is the next best thing. 😊

Seminars & Education



*****ATTENTION: YOU CAN NOW REGISTER AND PAY ONLINE!***** Our own Derek Reed will be conducting a seminar with Rob Galloway on hydroponics July 13th at the State Extension Office. Registration of \$15.00 is required. Click the flyer or scan the QR Code (also attached) to register and pay online. You can still contact the County office at 501-340-6650 to register and there will be a chance to print the flyer for hanging on the fridge, after registering online.



Washington County Master Gardeners have a Garden Gate Tour next week. Join them Saturday, June 3, 2023, from 9 a.m. - 4 p.m. Register by clicking

the garden gate picture and following the instructions on their page. There is a \$15.00 registration fee.



Here's something different...research results on vegetable, fruit and turfgrass field trials will be presented June 28 during the University of Arkansas System Division of Agriculture's 2023 Horticulture Field Day at the Southwest Research and Extension Center in Hope. Find out more by clicking the field day photo.

The Magnolia Chronicle



The June Magnolia Chronicle has been released. Click the logo to read your President's Message, what you should be doing in the garden this month, the plant of the month and more buzz about bees. The Mount Holly schedule is also listed in the Chronicle.

Remember all of these tours, seminars, and articles count toward your Education Hours...be sure to track your time.

Plant Sales



Boone County is the last plant sale of the year and is happening on June 10th. Check it out by clicking the flyer/link then scroll all the way to bottom of that page. Thank you for supporting your fellow Master Gardeners!

State Horticulture Office



The latest from our State Horticulture Educator, Randy Forst, plus lots of other cool links to the UAEX website, Janet Carson's blog, the Plant Health Clinic Disease Notes and more from your Extension Service friends.

State Convention Auction



ATTENTION The County 76 virtual AUCTION IS LIVE now and ends June 9th at 1pm. Proceeds will go to the Janet B. Carson Scholarship fund. Items will be available for pick up at the MG State Conference in Russellville. If not attending the conference, you will be contacted in June. Click the icon to go to the auction page. For more information, contact County 76 Fundraising Chair Patsy Louk at 479-841-9865 or pjlouk@gmail.com

Plant Disease Notes



Have you noticed your oak tree(s) leaves getting splotchy and turning brown already? If so, check out the latest Plant Disease issue (#15) on Oak Leaf Blister. You can also search past postings if you have other ailing plants. The Facebook link on our website will take you to the most recent posting from the lab.

More Extension Research



Do you grow blackberries? The Arkansas Agricultural Experiment Station does in their fruit breeding program. Click the berries to learn more about their latest gene mapping research and how it will apply to new varieties.

Spotlight



What are the 3 D's of a Successful Backyard Habitat? Diversity, Design and Diligence. Click the butterfly to read Sherri Sanders' article. Sherri is the White County Ag agent, you may remember her from the Brown Bag Lunch Zooms during COVID shutdowns. Read all the way to the end to find the downloadable Wildlife Habitat Tips.

Please be sure to enter your time online for any Education Hours such as reading this email, going to a seminar or attending the Monthly Membership Meeting by clicking this link <https://arkmg.uada.edu/accounts/login/?next=/home/>. If you need help logging in, give me a call or check out the instructions on our website.

All of these things and more can be found on your PCMG Directory website or a link on the Directory website will take you to the proper page. Please explore and know that the following items will be available all the time on our website thanks to Paul Nolte.

About the PCMG Directory website (armgs.org) Home Page

The Home Page consists of a List of Posts that have been made to the website.

- The first post in the list will always be the most current Magnolia Chronicle newsletter.
- After the Magnolia Chronicle will be a list of all other posts in reverse chronological order.
- Scroll down through the list and Click on any item you wish to see.

Other Links:

- To see a list of **All Weekly Digests**: [Click Here](#)
- To see a list of **2023 Magnolia Chronicles**: [Click Here](#)
- To see a list of **All Announcements**: [Click Here](#)
- To see a list of All **Projects that have submitted Workday Photos**: [Click Here](#)

Take care and happy growing!

~Tina

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