

PCMG - Weekly Digest!

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Dear Master Gardener,

It's that time of the week again, read on to see what's happening in your Pulaski County Master Gardener Weekly Digest!

It seems the heat has settled down to a more normal temperature this week and I'm so grateful for that. Keeping up with the watering can be a real task, but I've finally started putting dedicated irrigation in my eight raised beds. YAY! Hope you are all recovering nicely from the past heat and keeping things watered as well. This week we have the July issue of your Magnolia Chronicle, a last chance quick link to the June meeting recording and a call for dates to be added to the State Master Gardener Calendar. The LR Parks volunteer opportunity is coming up along with Derek's Hydroponics Workshop, PNG, MGM, and other dates. Issue #20 from the Plant Disease Lab is on tomatoes and the Spotlight is on photos from projects. Last but not least is the link to all things State Horticulture. Hope you all have a great week out there! <u>Remember to click the icons below to find out more on those subjects (not all icons may be active, those will be noted).</u>

The Chronicle



The latest issue of the Magnolia Chronicle has been posted to the Directory website (armgs.org). Follow the link in the logo to find out what's going on in the garden this month, what plant has been spotlighted, learn more about the Pollinator Stewardship Program and read a book review on Sam Thayer's Field Guide to Edible Wild Plants of Eastern & Central North America. Thank you, Laura Anne Warren, for another great issue!

Monthly Meeting Recording



June's General Membership meeting is still available for your viewing pleasure!! Follow the link with Carol's picture and track that time. I know I've entered my hours for June's meeting, be sure to enter yours...two education hours for each monthly meeting! The topic this month was by another CES employee and fellow Master Gardener about another great Extension program that benefits Pulaski County residents. This is the last week I will have a notice for this meeting, so if you don't watch it this time, you can still access it from the PCMG Directory website (armgs.org).

2024 Calendar



*** Call for Dates for 2024 State Master Gardener Calendar ***

Does your project or committee have dates they want publicized for special programs or events? Now's your chance to get that put on the State Master Gardener Calendar for 2024. If you have dates for events you would like listed in the 2024 Printed Master Gardener Calendar please send them to jtreat@uada.edu by August 8, 2023. Please include date, time, county, and event name. (no link associated with this icon)

A Chance to Volunteer



*** Coming up next Saturday, the 15th *** Would you like to help Little Rock Parks identify invasive plant species all while earning Community Outreach Work Hours? The group will meet at 9am July 15th at Boyle Park Pavilion #3. Because of the great response from PCMG's already, we will be represented on the t-shirt which will be available for purchase at the event for approximately \$10. Also, lunch will be provided as a thank you for your efforts. Click the icon to go to the LR Parks Pushy Plants website and volunteer, look for the "sign-up HERE" on their page. I have also attached the LR Parks flyer for QR code convenience.

Seminars & Education



*** LAST CHANCE TO REGISTER...the Workshop is this Thursday,

the 13th!! *** Derek's Hydroponics Workshop is this coming Thursday, July 13th. I hope you were able to get registered, if not follow the link by clicking the flyer graphic. Don't miss your chance to see Derek with Rob Galloway from The Nurserie. Register online to pay with credit/debit cards or swing by the County office on Roosevelt to pay in person with cash or check (sorry, no cards at the office). Registration is \$15.00. Be sure and grab your raffle ticket at the door of the Workshop for your chance to win a countertop hydroponics system for your home. This Workshop is at the State Extension Office located at 2301 S. University Ave, LR and seating is limited.



Have you ever thought about growing celery in your home garden? I've tried with unsuccessful results, so I will be tuning in to the next Grow Your Own Groceries. You too can learn how to grow celery with Faulkner County's Krista Quinn. Click the logo to register for the July 11th online class. And check out the other classes Krista has coming up while on the GYOG site.



The next Plant Nurture Grow Leadership Conference is coming August 4-5, 2023, in Hot Springs. The cost is \$30.00 per person, and you can click the icon to go to the registration page and to see the agenda. This is hosted by County 76 and open to all county agents and Master Gardeners.

More Dates

- July 17th Master Gardener Monday on Zoom at 12 p.m. Register at this link.
- July 25th County 76 Quarterly Membership Meeting.

Plant Disease Notes



Issue #20 is the latest from the Team at the Plant Disease Lab. I'll be reading through it because I had so much trouble with stink bugs on my tomatoes last year. The best recommendation is basic "housekeeping." Clean up garden debris to prevent overwintering adult stink bugs. Take a look at the latest issue by clicking the icon and following their Facebook link for the most recent postings. You can also search past postings if you have other ailing plants.

Spotlight - Picture This!



What's your MG Project up to these days? Send in pictures from your workdays and have them posted on our Directory website for everyone to see what's going on in your MG world. Did you know we even have a Facebook/photography committee? Until you get your pictures sent in, click the icon to see what everyone else is up to and here's the FB link.

State Horticulture



The latest from our State Horticulture Educator, Randy Forst, plus lots of other cool links to the UAEX website. Click the logo, then look down the right side of the page for Janet Carson's blog, the PCMG Facebook page, local nursery links and much more.

<u>Remember these tours, seminars, and articles (even reading this email) count</u> <u>toward your Education Hours and volunteering for an outside project counts</u> <u>toward your Community Outreach hours...be sure to track your time.</u>

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 (two education hours) 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

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Take care and happy growing!

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