

## **PCMG Weekly Digest**

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Dear Master Gardener.

I hope you are doing well. Weather wise it has been a surprisingly cool week compared to our last couple. The rain has been nice, and I have saved some money on water for my flower beds. Unfortunately, I will likely need to mow this weekend. I know with the heat its hard to think about planting, but if you are wanting to start you fall garden from seed now is the time to be planting. The new class of Master Gardeners was selected this Wednesday and I am slowly calling them all to congratulate them. After the vetting process, this year I am proud to say that we got the cream of the crop, and I am looking forward to what they will bring to our program. I am still getting the hang of the weekly digest, but if you have any ideas for what would be interesting to see or learn about in next weeks letter, please let me know. I am looking forward to another excellent week and I wish you all another excellent weekend.

Happy Gardening,

Derek

More information and events are below. Hope you all have a great week out there! Remember to click the icons below to find out more on those subjects (not all icons may be active, those will be noted).

\*\*\*NOTICE\*\*\* If you have not picked up your free anniversary T-shirt yet they are currently at the extension office. You have exactly **ONE MONTH** from today to pick them up. If you have not picked up your shirt by **September 11**<sup>th</sup> then you will have lost your chance for a free shirt. We have had them for two months now and we don't plan on keeping them in the office for much longer.

## **The Chronicle**



### 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 <a href="mailto:jtreat@uada.edu">jtreat@uada.edu</a> by August 8, 2023. Please include date, time, county, and event name. (no link associated with this icon)

# **Seminars & Education**



Happy Birthday Master Gardeners! Be sure to save the date! Friday October 13<sup>th</sup>, 9 am -5 pm @ St. James UMC. Registration will open sometime next week. The event is 35 dollars and includes lunch. Master gardeners and Agents only. Speakers is Joe Lamp'l from Grow a Greener World. Janet Carson will MC the Lunch. More information to come, save the date. Icon has no link attached.

Learn how to grow healthy, nutritious food in your own backyard and get some tips for new ways to cook and prepare your harvest. In this presentation, you will learn how to grow and cook with garlic. Tuesday September 12<sup>th</sup> at noon.

If you missed last weeks Grow your own groceries on fall gardening click HERE for a recording.

#### **Plant Disease Notes**

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Plant Health Clinic Disease

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Grow Your Own

Plant Health Clinic's newest disease note issue covers slime flux or bacterial wetwood. I personally have received several calls about this issue as it is very active during the summer months. It occurs when yeast begins to ferment inside the tree causing a pressure build up which leads to 'sap' to leak from the tree. It typically has an unpleasant smell to it that attracts various sap loving insects. There is no cure for it, but it can sometime resolve itself. It is important to give trees with this condition plenty of waters as they are losing more moisture.

# A Chance to Volunteer -Pushy Plants

Would you like to help Little Rock Parks identify invasive plant species all while earning Community Outreach Work Hours? Pushy Plants is going to start meeting up on Friday mornings at various parks to continue mapping. All times are at 9 am except for National Public Lands Day which is at 8:30 am. If it is raining, the event will be cancelled. Be sure to bring water and be sure to sign in when you arrive.

Meet at Cantrell entrance August 25 – Benny Craig – Meet by the boat dock Sept. 8 – Allsopp North if needed; if not needed, then meet in Allsopp Park; I will let you know soon Sept. 15 – Western Hills – Meet in upper parking lot September 23 – National Public Lands Day – Kiwanis Park – 8:30 am

# **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.

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

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 <a href="https://arkmg.uada.edu/accounts/login/?">https://arkmg.uada.edu/accounts/login/?</a> 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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