

PCMG Weekly Digest

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Dear Master Gardener,

Happy Friday! Its labor day weekend this week, so the extension office will be closed on Monday, September 4th. I am looking forward to the long weekend as my brother and his wife will be coming to visit! We are going to tour around Little Rock and some of the countryside. Thankfully, it has been a cool week and hopefully we won't be in the hundreds this weekend. As far as things happening in the office, fall gardening questions were big this week. I guess I wasn't the only one who is getting the fall bug from the small cold front. If you are interested in learning more about fall planting be sure to check out Augusts grow your own groceries. Link is down below. We have several new events coming up so be sure to read our upcoming events section listed below. I am going to try and include all events in these weekly digests and not send as many individual emails if I can avoid it. If you have any questions or concerns don't hesitate to reach out. I hope you all have an excellent holiday weekend.

Happy Gardening,

Derek

More information and events are below. 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>

*****NOTICE***** If you have not picked up your free anniversary T-shirt yet they are currently at the extension office. You have roughly **2 WEEKS** from today to pick them up. If you have not picked up your shirt by **September 11th** 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. **This is the anniversary T-shirt you got from paying dues on time this year it is not a new T-shirt**.

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!

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)

Seminars & Education



Happy Birthday Master Gardeners! Be sure to save the date! Friday October 13th, 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. There are two sessions a morning

and an afternoon session. **Only Register for One Session,** both sessions are the same. Click the image to register. **Spots are limited so register soon!**



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 12th at noon. If you missed last week's Grow your own groceries on fall gardening click HERE for a recording.



Registration for the **Lavish Herbal Feast**, October 5 and the Herb Harvest Fall Festival, October 6 & 7 is now open. This year completes the Heritage Herb Garden's fall tradition of interpreting plants and cultures of the world. We are traveling, through our senses and imagination, to the Land Down Under!



THE LIBRARY, REWRITTEN. Are you interested in a **Seed Swap**? Join us at McMath Library Saturday, September 16th from 10 to Noon! Seeds, Cuttings, and more will be available for trade. Most importantly this is a trade only event. Trades only, No sales, so be sure to bring your own seeds or plants to trade with. No link for icon.



River Valley's Fall Festival is returning this year for the first time since Covid! Join River Valley **Saturday Oct. 21st** for their fall festival. There will be a sale on all plant products including, native plant plugs, container plants and more. They asked if we would be interested in hosting a booth for their festival so we will join them, and other environmental groups

represented at the festival. If you wish to volunteer for the festival, please contact me. I will send out more information on the festival early next week. No link associated with the icon.



The Central Arkansas Iris Society invites you to their Annual Rhizome Sale, Saturday, September 9th. The event starts at 8 am and goes until sold out so arrive early! The sale is happening at the Unitarian church on Reservoir Rd in Litte Rock. Attached is a flyer for the event with further information. Please contact Susan Rose if you have any questions or concerns about the event.

Plant Disease Notes



At the time of writing this the plant health clinic has not released a new disease note so it is a repeat of last week. Needle blight has been popping up on one of my favorite evergreen landscaping plants, the Yew. Yew Needle Blight is a fungus that causes browning of the needles, when observed by a magnifying glass small pustule-like fruiting bodies can be observed. Avoid overhead watering and treat as soon as you see the presence of the disease.

A Chance to Volunteer



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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.

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.

<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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