

PCMG Weekly Digest

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Dear Master Gardener.

What a busy week it has been! This week I had pesticide applicator training, new Master Gardener Training, and our Pruning and winterizing class. Each one right after another. Coming into this week I was thinking "Why on earth did I do this to myself?" but now that its all wrapped up, I feel very accomplished with another successful week! I hope you all are doing well and have had another successful week too, but hopefully not as busy.

We only have one more week of new Master Gardener training before we finally have our new batch of Gardeners! They are a wonderful class, and I am not just saying that because this is the first PCMG weekly digest they are getting! They have all be attentive, asking plenty of questions, and never complain (even when you shove them in our tiny conference room like a can of sardines like we did this week). I have enjoyed having the opportunity to get to know them and I am looking forward to what all they will achieve on their projects. If you would like to meet them, too be sure to attend our **New Member Reception** after the meeting this Tuesday (Nov. 14th).

On that note a quick reminder that our meeting is a week early this month to avoid having a meeting on Thanksgiving week. If you saw Carol's earlier message then you know all about it already, but we will be voting in the new board as well as voting on our nominations for various awards! The Stuff Committee will also be at the meeting taking orders for new master gardener gear so you won't want to miss it. More details and a link on our website will be available below.

Don't forget we also have our Holiday Luncheon on December 5th at Chenal Country Club! The cost is \$25 a person, but space is limited so sign up fast! Sharon Priest sent me the menu for the luncheon, and I am already hungry. If you have any questions about the luncheon, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Are you short on hours? Well War Memorial has just the thing for you! Friday November 17th from 9 AM – 11 AM War Memorial project is having a workday and could use some extra hand to help plant daffodils and petunias. If you are interested in picking up some extra hours, please contact Nancy Archer nlarcher@yahoo.com.

Despite the cooler weather I think we are all busier than ever, but that is not always a bad thing. I hope you all have a fulfilling and enriching week next week and I will see you at the Master Gardener meeting on Tuesday!

Happy Gardening, Derek Reed

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).

Parties!

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NEW MEMBER RECEPTION- Our new member reception will be held in Jones Hall immediately following the November 14th, PCMG general meeting at St. James. Lunch will be provided. We have an excellent group of new members this year and you will definitely want to meet them! https://armgs.org/pcmg-new-member-reception-november-14/#more-7097

HOLIDAY LUNCHEON- Join us for our PCMG Holiday Luncheon, December 5th at the Chenal Country Club. Admission is \$25 and can be mailed to our extension office 2901 W Roosevelt Rd, Little Rock, AR 72204. Payment deadline is November 30th. Due to capacity, we are having to limit admission to 125 for register as soon as possible. We look forward to seeing you! I have attached an announcement from Sharon Priest with the menu for the Luncheon, you won't want to miss it!

https://armgs.org/pcmg-2023-holiday-luncheon/#more-7095

STUFF! Not really a party but everyone likes to buy stuff! If you are interested in purchasing new Master Gardener Swag, be sure to bring your money to our next master gardener meeting. In the meantime, be sure to check out what is available on our website at: https://armgs.org/pcmg-stuff-2023/

Or you can click on the attachments I have added to this email.

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!

Upcoming Trainings and Volunteer Opportunities

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GARDEN CENTER

_Hocott's Garden Center is throwing an open house and **Master Gardner Appreciation** Day on Saturday December 2nd and everyone is invited! Hocott's has been a stapple in Little Rock and they have invited us to come celebrate with them! They will be providing a master gardener discount on their purchase. If you are free that day, be sure to stop by to show your appreciation for this local business.

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The Little Rock Garden Club is hosting a community gardening lecture Saturday, February 24th, 2024, with guest speakers Janet Carson and Jason Reeves! They will be offering Gardening Tips and Inspirations. For more information and how to register click the icon above.



If you are in need of extra hours War Memorial will work Friday, November 17, from 9:00 - 11:00 a.m. to plant daffodils and petunias. The project could use help from 3-4 workers. If anyone needs additional hours to finish their work requirements, please contact Nancy Archer, War Memorial Chair, at nlarcher@yahoo.com to confirm your participation.

Plant Health Clinic



Plant health clinic has not updated the past few weeks. However, you are interested in browsing through past issues I encourage you to do so!

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 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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