

PCMG Weekly Digest



Dear Master Gardener,

I hope you are all doing well. I apologize for the brief hiatus, between work, traveling, and visiting family it has been a busy past few weeks. Since we are still on summer break there isn't too much going on at the moment so a missed digest or two wasn't the worst. The board will be starting interviews soon for our 2024 Master Gardener class! We have a lot of applicants to get through but we are excited for these new members to begin their journey.

The continuing education committee is planning our next class on aquaponics and water gardens. This class will be held at Green Thumb Nursery here in Little Rock on September 26th. See next weeks digest for the flyer and registration information.

Master gardeners if you know of a master gardener going through a tough time due to a loss of a family member or they themselves has passed, please contact the Sunshine Committee. Arline Jackson heads that committee and makes sure that the master gardeners are there to support our members and their families during their times of need.

Thank you for joining constant contact. Feel free to reach out if you

have any questions or concerns.

Happy Gardening,
Derek Reed



Have you checked out the online edition of Magnolia Chronicle? The July/August issue is out and can be accessed from the main menu bar on armgs.org website! Please note that you must be logged in to access Magnolia Chronicle.

In this issue:

- **President's Message**
- **A Lifetime of Gardening: Dick Blankenbeker's Journey with PCMG**
- **Parks and Rec's Newest Initiative to Banish Invasive Plants**
- **Make Your Garden a Hummingbird Haven**
- **Travel Blog: Callaway Resort and Gardens**

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DIRECTORY TIME!!!!

We are planning on making a printed directory again this year after not doing it for the past year.

So in order to insure that everyone's information is correct please go to the directory on our ARMGS and check your information. If you wish to make changes to your listing please contact Cindy Strauss at cjstrauss@sbcglobal.net.

You can find the directory by either logging into our armgs.org website and clicking on the directory tab on the bar above or you can check the PDF by clicking the link below.

Thank You!

[PCMG 2024
Directory](#)

June monthly meeting recording has been added to our website. If you were unable to attend and want to watch please click the link below to check them out!

June Recording



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DIVISION OF AGRICULTURE
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LUNCHEON AT THE 4-H VINES CENTER *In Ferndale*

Monday, October 7th at 11:00

A Tribute to Kathy Ratcliffe

Guests will tour the Kathy Ratcliffe Garden
and enjoy a presentation by Randy Forst.

Live Auction with Randy Forst
Proceeds will benefit the Kathy Ratcliffe
Garden at the Vines

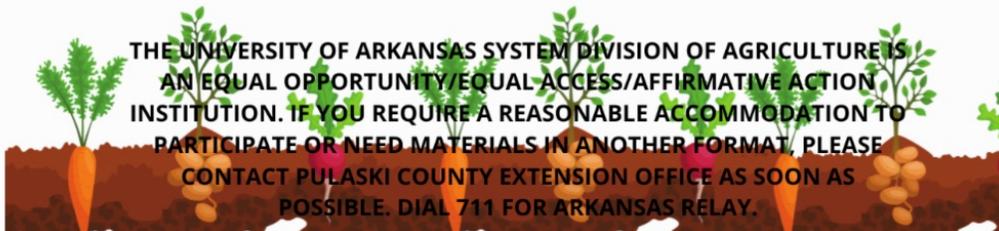
Lunch will be served in Cabe Hall
Grilled Chicken Breast - Green Beans
Baked Potato Casserole - Salad
Dessert and drink
Or Vegetarian Plate

Cost will be \$25 per person
Reservation Deadline is September 15

Online Registration or checks
payable to PC Extension Office
with chicken or vegetarian on check
Mail checks to PC Extension Office
2901 W. Roosevelt
Little Rock, AR 72204

Wear pearls in honor of Kathy

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POSSIBLE. DIAL 711 FOR ARKANSAS RELAY.





The third Saturday of the month
April through October

enjoy the

2024 Mount Holly Garden Series

presented by Little Rock's Downtown Dames

- ∞ Bring a lawn chair and sun protection and enjoy Mount Holly's seasonal beauty while you learn something new about gardening.
- ∞ Presentations start at 9 a.m. and last about an hour.
- ∞ **Please enter the cemetery through the pedestrian gate on 13th Street between Broadway and Gaines Street. On-street parking is available on 13th, Arch, and Gaines Streets.**
- ∞ Master Gardeners may count attendance toward their educational hours requirement.
- ∞ We meet at the Bell House, in the center of the cemetery. The Downtown Dames provide refreshments and door prizes.
- ∞ A donation of \$5 is suggested.
Donations directly benefit Mount Holly Cemetery.

Schedule:

- Apr 20 **Grafting in the Garden: Roses, Fruit Trees, Veggies and More**
James Shelton, Arkansas Forestry Division, Baucum Nursery
- May 18 **Butterflies and Bees**, Leslie Fowler Cooper, Quail Forever
- Jun 15 **Carnivore Plants, Including Venus Flytraps and Pitcher Plants**
Mark Gibson, Owner, Green Thumb Water Gardens
- Jul 20 **Gardening for the Birds**, Lauren Marshall, Witt Stephens Nature Center
- Aug 17 **Unique Arkansas Native Plants: Where and How They Grow**
Lynn Foster, Arkansas Master Naturalist
- Sep 21 **Rainbow of Colors: Irises of all Hues**
Susan Rose, Pulaski County Master Gardener
- Oct 19 **Let's Do Fall!** Ted Lewis, Owner, Floral Express



Time to pay dues!

PAST-APRIL DUES AMOUNT:

\$30 (After April 30th)

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