

## PCMG Weekly Digest



Dear Master Gardener,

W I hope you have all had a fantastic week! I thoroughly enjoyed this week's meeting featuring our guest speaker, Lieutenant John Trent. He gave an excellent and informative presentation. If you have any questions for him or about his program, feel free to reach out to me for his contact information. We're also excited to announce the selection of our 2024 Master Gardener class! We're thrilled to welcome 60 new members to the program. If you know any of them, please take a moment to congratulate them on this accomplishment!

Be sure to read through the entire newsletter as we have some exciting new volunteer opportunities and lineup of fun events coming your way. You won't want to miss them!

**St. James Fall Workday!** As you know we try to give back to St. James for being such a wonderful host to us by helping them plant and clean up their beds. The next day is October 8th at 9 AM. Remember time worked for St. James count towards sanctioned project hours. Sign ups will be available at the next two meetings.

If you have outstanding reimbursements that have been out for more than three weeks please email me to let me know. Our office has been working diligently to get caught up on them and I want to make sure that no one has been forgotten. Thank you all for your patience with us as we figure out the new systems and as our administrative assistant settles into her role. If you have questions about how reimbursements are taken care of we will be answering questions at the September meeting

**LAST DAY to register!** If you plan to attend the October 7th Luncheon at the Vines, please note that when you go to register the link will say it is for September 7th. That is a mistake and I am trying to get that fixed. It is still on October 7th.

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 seen the latest edition of Magnolia Chronicle? The September/October issue is now live and waiting for you!

In this issue:

- President's Message
- Pulaski County Master Gardeners, Are You Ready for a New Crop of

## Volunteers?

- Book Review: "Tough Plants for Southern Gardeners" by Felder Rushing
- The Buzz on Bees
- Travel Blog: Chihuly Garden and Glass
- The PCMG Programs Committee Wants to Hear From You!

## Magnolia Chronicle

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# Growing with Aquaponics

*Join us for a morning of Aquaponics and Koi!*

Guest Speaker: Mark Gibson  
Topics: Water Quality  
Fertilizing  
& Water plants

Check In: 8:40 AM  
Start: 9:00 AM  
Cost: FREE

When: Thursday Sept 26th, 2024    Part of class will be held outdoors!  
Where: Green Thumb Garden Center    Please bring comfortable shoes,  
28025 Nichols Loop Rd.    a cane or other walking aid if needed,  
Little Rock, AR    a sun hat, and water!

Call Pulaski Extension to register 501-340-6650  
Space is limited



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This October, let's celebrate  
the mighty oak!

# Oaktober



Join us at the kickoff event and visit  
the website to find events, resources,  
and ways to celebrate



**OAKTOBER KICKOFF EVENT**

**SEPTEMBER 29**

**2PM - 4PM**

**SOUTHWEST COMMUNITY CENTER  
6401 BASELINE RD, LITTLE ROCK**



**CO-HOSTED BY DEE BROWN LIBRARY**

Learn more on the website:

<https://sites.google.com/view/oaktober>



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# Fall

in Love with

# Native Plants

**Bernice Garden**

1401 South Main St, Little Rock

**Saturday, October 5th**

**11 am - 3 pm**

**NATIVE PLANT  
SALE!**

Fall is  
the **BEST** time to  
plant perennials!

**Free Crafts &  
Educational Activities  
for All Ages**

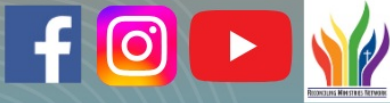


# FUN FEAST OF ST. FRANCIS

Bring your pets for  
Blessing of the Animals  
and shop for plants, local  
honey, and more!

**SATURDAY  
OCT. 5  
10 a.m. to noon**

Connect with Us!



**2010 Cantrell Road  
Little Rock, AR 72223  
[www.pinnacleviewumc.org](http://www.pinnacleviewumc.org)**

**Pinnacle View Methodist Church is having a festival and would like the Master Gardeners to be involved! While I encourage anyone to go to check out their event they have also requested that we have a booth there to represent the master gardeners and let the people of the community know what we are about. If you are interested in working the booth that day please contact me!**

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# BLUEGRASS BRUNCH

BENEFITTING

# DUNBAR GARDEN



NOVEMBER 3

11AM-2PM

\$35



TICKETS & MORE INFORMATION - [WWW.DUNBARGARDEN.ORG](http://WWW.DUNBARGARDEN.ORG)

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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](mailto:cjstrauss@sbcglobal.net).

You can find the directory by either logging into our [armgs.org](http://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](#)

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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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# 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.

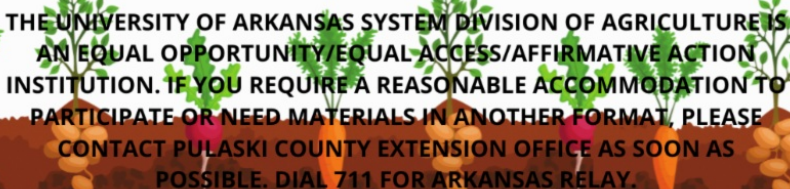
Live Auction with Randy Forst  
Proceeds will benefit the Kathy Ratcliffe  
Garden at the Vines

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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[Click Here to  
Register](#)

Note: Date when registering states September 7th the actual date is October 7th.

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The third Saturday of the month  
April through October

enjoy the

## 2024 Mount Holly Garden Series

presented by Little Rock's Downtown Dames

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- ∞ 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 30<sup>th</sup>)**

**ONLINE PAYMENTS!!!!**

**Click Here to Pay Dues  
Online!!!!**

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