

PCMG Weekly Digest



Aquaponics continuing education class

Dear Master Gardener,

I hope you have all had a wonderful week. This week has been busy as ever with Mondays luncheon, the start of the State fair, and the end of the programmatic year for extension. Thank you to everyone who came and supported the luncheon! I also celebrated Merlin's (my dogs) 11th birthday yesterday. Having a great dane I never expected him to reach that age. So a special shout out to him. Picture of the birthday boy at the end of the digest!

Our October meeting is next week the 15th at St. James. We are having a program over caring for your skin while gardening and avoiding insects. I think its going to be a good one and we would love to see you there!

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!

All award nominations are due by **October 15th. I highly encourage you to nominate people and projects for these awards with the**

chance to be recognized at the State conference. Do you have an outstanding project? Is your newbie the best there is? Then nominate them here: <https://www.uaex.uada.edu/yard-garden/master-gardeners/awards.aspx>
(Note, it says due on January 15th. This is when our county has to submit at the state level. County level is October 15th.)

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!



Gardening With Master
Gardeners- Part One

Prepare for Gardening

What to expect:

- All the different ways to grow plants
- How and why to test your soil
- Saving and using water
- Sanitizing/Care for your gardening equipment
- Killing weeds, grass and bad bugs using solarization
- Using cover crops to enrich your soil

Saturday November 9th, 9:30 - 12:00
Arkansas State Extension Auditorium
2301 S University, LR, AR 72204

\$5 dollars a person
Call 501.340.6650 or
scan to register online



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BLUEGRASS BRUNCH

BENEFITTING

DUNBAR GARDEN



NOVEMBER 3

11AM-2PM

\$35



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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](#)

September 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!

[September Recording](#)



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
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He is looking pretty good for 11! He has been with me through undergrad and grad school and has moved with me from Texas, to California, and now here in lovely Arkansas! He celebrated his special day with toys and some BBQ.



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