

PCMG Weekly Digest



Witt Stevens project work day

Dear Master Gardener,

I hope everyone had a wonderful week! It was certainly nice to receive some much needed rain on Wednesday. While much of the state is still experiencing drought conditions, we're in a much better position than we were at the beginning of the year. The forecast shows temperatures climbing again this weekend and into next week, so if you're spending time in the garden, be sure to stay cool, drink plenty of water, and take breaks as needed.

New Master Gardener applications are due in just two weeks! If you have friends, family members, neighbors, or coworkers who enjoy gardening and giving back to the community, now is the perfect time to encourage them to

apply. Word of mouth is one of the best ways to grow our program, and we'd love to welcome another outstanding class of volunteers this fall.

As always, be sure to scroll down and check out everything happening over the next few weeks. We have several exciting events, educational opportunities, volunteer activities, and trips coming up that you won't want to miss. I hope to see many of you at one or more of them!

Happy Gardening,
Derek Reed

It's the start of a new year! If you are in need of extra hours check out upcoming volunteer opportunities.

Do you or anyone you know have experience talking about common flowers and shrubs, and if they are toxic to pets? I have a group that would like a speaker to come and talk to them about pets and plants on October 21st. I was unfortunately unable to help them that day, but I hope one of our Master Gardeners will be willing to speak to their group. If you are interested, please let me know.

[Additional Hours](#)

In Remembrance

We remember and honor the members of our Master Gardener family who have recently passed away. We are grateful for the time, knowledge, and dedication they shared with our program and our community. They will be remembered with appreciation and respect.



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Inside, you'll find a message from our president, Michele Wasson, Greenhouse chaos, Drought troubles, a Biosphere, and so much more!**

[Magnolia Chronicle](#)

The background of the flyer features several detailed botanical illustrations. In the top left, a monarch butterfly with orange and black wings is perched on a green leafy branch. In the top right, there are clusters of green leaves. In the bottom left, a pink rose with yellow center is shown on a thorny branch with green leaves. In the bottom right, there are purple and pink roses. The text is centered over a light cream background.

MOUNT HOLLY
GARDEN

Series 2026

JULY 18 PROGRAM

HOW TO GROW BEAUTIFUL AFRICAN VIOLETS

ALICE BROWN

PRESIDENT, ARKANSAS AFRICAN VIOLET SOCIETY

AT THE BELL HOUSE AT MOUNT HOLLY CEMETERY

1200 BROADWAY ST, LITTLE ROCK,

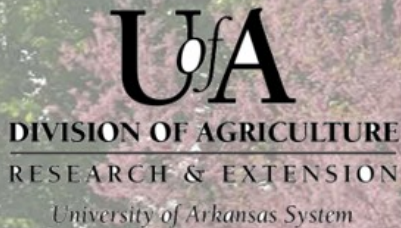
ENTER THRU 13TH STREET

PROGRAM BEGINS AT 9AM

Bring a lawn chair and sun protection
Refreshments and door prizes
Donations appreciated



FREE TREES for CENTRAL ARKANSAS!!



Central Arkansas
Tree Planting
Project Website

Plant our free trees to support
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Tree Potting Party
7/13 & 7/16/26
Baucum Nursery
9 a.m. - Noon

Join us in potting trees to be planted in AR communities!



1402 Hwy 391 N, North
 Little Rock, AR 72117

Friday 7/10 10:00 - 1:00 Perryville - Central Arkansas Water Tree Nursery
42303 Higginbotham Rd A, Perryville, AR, 72126

Monday 7/13 9:00 - 12:00 NLR - Arkansas Forestry Commission Baucum Nursery
1402 AR-391, North Little Rock AR, 72117

Thursday 7/16 9:00 - 12:00 NLR - Arkansas Forestry Commission Baucum Nursery
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PCMG Native Seed Project

Restoring pollinator habitat in landscapes with locally sourced native seed

Please consider collecting seeds from any Arkansas native plants at your projects to share with the PCMG native seed project. We will sort and store each species appropriately to preserve viability. We distribute them to PCMG and community projects during the optimal time for planting to promote germination.

Together, we can support our local wildlife and restore biohabitat. Please contact Ruth Landers

#501-519-1786 with any questions

Ruth@landersfam.com

Thank you !



Survey of Tomato Producers Using Compost as a Soil Amendment



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Are you a tomato grower in the Southern Region?

We want to learn about your interest and experience using compost on your farm or in your gardens. We've put together this regional survey to inform our future outreach and educational efforts. Your participation will help our extension faculty pursue interests and concerns you have! Please consider taking a few moments (5 to 6 minutes) to complete this brief (<15 questions) survey about compost use on your farm or garden.

This link or QR code direct to the survey:
<https://forms.office.com/r/UBRK3ugxNt>

Contact Dr. Matt Bertucci
(Bertucci@uark.edu) with any questions
or concerns



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