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August Flowers are Gladiolas, Poppy:

- Poppies have long been used as a symbol of both sleep and death: sleep because of the opium extracted from them, and death because of their (commonly) blood-red color. In Greco-Roman myths, poppies were used as offerings to the dead. Poppies are used as emblems on tombstones to symbolize eternal sleep.
- August Explanation: The flower for this month is the Gladiolus. It blooms in a variety of colours like red, pink, white, yellow and orange. It stands for sincerity and symbolises strength of character.



President's Message

It is August and clearly it is still summer. But fall is right around the corner....believe it or not! And in September we have a wonderful seminar coming up. On Thursday, September 27th the AMGA is presenting "My Garden Sanctuary" at the Taylor Road Baptist Church from 8:30 am until 3:00 pm. The cost is \$30.00 and includes lunch, snacks and four wonderful speakers. What a fun way to earn your CEUs! We will learn about "Ideas and Inspirations", "Color and Edibles", "Your Wildlife Friends" and "Water Features".

There is a registration form on line: alabamamg.org or capcitymga.org or mail your check to Margaret Cully, 3300 Evergreen Hill, Montgomery, AL 36106. Be sure to include your lunch choice with your check. The choices are: Turkey, ham, vegetarian.

Hope to see you all there.

Janine Koslofsky

President CCMGA

LOST AND FOUND - last chance

Lovely blue shawl left at March meeting. Please Claim!!



SPECIAL VOLUNTEER REQUEST

Veteran's Place volunteers are rehabilitating a house for homeless female veterans.

LOCATION - 12 East Fairview Avenue, Montgomery, AL 36105

CONTACT - Wanda Kraemer 334-324-4606

INFORMATION - This group wants to complete their project in a "green" way. The house flooded after recent rains. They are requesting:

- guidance to fix drainage problems and prevent future flooding
- guidance in planting low maintenance perennials and shrubs

This is an opportunity for a few CCMGA members to earn hours for a worthy public service.

Reviewed and submitted by Cathy Maddox

MARK YOUR CALENDARS

Proposed Bylaws

Click on the link.

VOTE at the next CCMGA meeting, August 28.



Proposed Bylaws



MARK YOUR CALENDARS

1. August 28 - CCMGA Monthly Meeting

Time: 9:30 - Meet and Greet

10:00 - Speaker - Jimmy Smitherman, Fire Ants

Business Meeting includes *voting on Proposed Bylaws*

Location: Frazer United Methodist Church 6000 Atlanta Hwy Montgomery
Alabama 36117

- For more information contact Susan O'Connor at soconnor@knology.net

2. September 5 - ACMGA Master Gardener Class

2018 Master Gardener Class in Autauga County starts... through November 14,

2018 9:00 am - 2:00 pm

Autauga County Extension Office, 2226 Hwy 14 West, Autaugaville AL 36003

3. September 5 - CCMGA Lunch and Learn 2018

** Changed Topic: Snake Identification

by Mary McCroan Advanced MG

Time: 12:00 pm - 1:00 pm

Location: Armory Learning Arts Building 1018 Madison Ave, Montgomery AL
36104

Free Program/Bring a Sack Lunch/Drinks Provided

For more information, please contact ACES (334) 270-4133

4. September 6 - ACMGA Lunch and Learn

Time: 12:00 pm - 1:00 pm

Drought Tolerant Plants for the South, Dr. Sue Webb, Petals from the Past

Location: Trinity United Methodist Church 610 Fairview Ave, Prattville AL
36066

Free Program/Bring a Sack Lunch/Drinks Provided

For more information, please contact Autauga County Extension Office (334)
361-7273

5. September 7 - Webinar

Winterizing Your Home to Keep Out Pests - Janet Hurley

6. September 11 - CAMGA Lunch and Learn

Topic: Fall Gardening and Harvest, Lee and Amanda Borden Advanced Master
Gardeners

Time : 12:00 pm - 1:00 pm

Location: Elmore County Extension Office 340 Queen Ann Road Wetumpka AL
36092

Free Program Bring a Sack Lunch Drinks Provided

For more information, please the Elmore County Extension Office (334) 567-
6301 or www.aces.edu/elmore

**7. September 15 - Tips and Demonstration on Plant Propagation by Rona
Watson**

Time: 9:00 am - 11:00 am

Location: Doster Center 425 S Northington St, Prattville AL 36067

To sign-up or for more information,
contact Prattville Parks & Recreation Office
(334) 595-0800.

FREE to the PUBLIC, but Pre-Registration is requested.

8. September 25 - CCMGA Monthly Meeting

Time: 9:30 - Meet and Greet

10:00 - Speaker - Gloria Purnell - Rosarian

Location: Frazer United Methodist Church 6000 Atlanta Hwy Montgomery
Alabama 36117

For more information contact Susan O'Connor at soconnor@knology.net

9. September 23-30 - Horticulture Study Tour of Big Island, Hawaii 

10. September 27 - AMGA Fall Seminar, 8:30-3:00



Pregister My Garden Sanctuary

11. September 28-October 8 - 65th Annual Fall Flower Show Alabama National
Fair (preregister by Sept 20)

12. October 4 - AMG Magic in the Garden

**13. October 26 & 28 - Fall Alabama Wildflower Society State Meeting at Lagoon
Park.** Click for Newsletter and information.

14. May 8,9,10, 2019 - AMG Party in the Garden

LINKS

- **AMGA Pathways** Click For Current Issue
- **July MUD**
- **July Supplement MUD**
- **Extension Blog**
- **Alabama Master Gardener Helpline Ext. Link**
- **Volunteer Opp's Bulletin**
- **ACES**
- **Montgomery County Extension Newsletter**
- **Webinar** in the All Bugs Good and Bad Webinar Series
- **BOOM Magazine** All gardening articles for Boom magazine should be sent to Mary Jane McCracken at: mjmccracken@knology.net.

July Issue

Current Issue :

Check out Carleton's Garden of Day-lilies on page 12

- **AMGA Pathways** [Click Here For Current Issue](#)

Reports

PROJECT NOTES

- **Montgomery Botanical Gardens:** 100 plants were planted into the park. A maintenance company scattered the mulch and blew the sidewalks.
- **Lilly's Garden:** Volunteers gathered to spruce up the garden before school started
- **Morris House Garden:** Volunteers are continuing to move things along



Moments with Mallory

Mallory has been encouraging all of us to visit each others events, Lunch & Learns, and other activities. Be sure to check out the ACES web site calendar for events! And coming soon will be a new updated website for CCMGA! We promise to let you know when it has become active.

Announcements, Things, ETC.

- **HELPLINE** started March 5 and ends August 27. So far we've had willing and enthusiastic volunteers, yummy snacks, and lots of fun! [Sign Up!](#) You, too, can play with the vetch and ID that black stuff dripping off the crepe myrtles! A Special thank you to our very knowledgeable volunteers. I am constantly impressed!!
- Special thanks to Connie D'Amico for her dependable attention to our HelpLine volunteers.
- 2 more HelpLine sessions. Come on down! We specialize on customized customer service!

Webinar in the All Bugs Good and Bad Webinar Series, Next class September 5, Winterizing Your Home to Keep Out Pests - Janet Hurley

BOOM Magazine All gardening articles for Boom magazine should be sent to Mary Jane McCracken at: mjmccracken@knology.net.

This is the information for August Issue. ([Click on Month](#))

SNACK SIGN UP -

Snack Goddess: Cheri Youngblood <ycheri2@aol.com>

August: www.volunteersignup.org/D9TDW

September: www.volunteersignup.org/AWB4M

October: www.volunteersignup.org/T9BHQ

November: www.volunteersignup.org/DH8BB

CCMGA Membership



For information on joining, contact Janice Jackson
at janice.jackson.al@gmail.com.

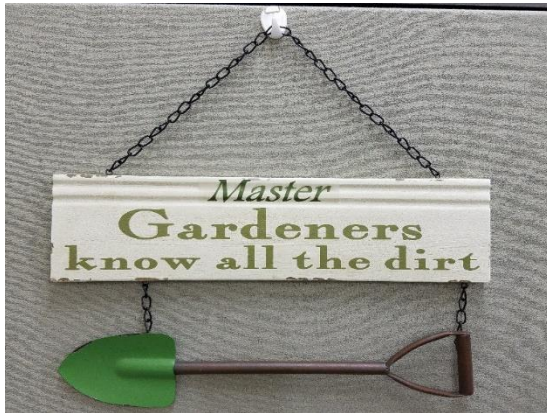
Membership Form

[CLICK HERE](#)

The Gallery

Pictures from our DayLily Tours and other events occurring since the last MUD will appear in a Photo Supplement at the end of the month. Be sure to stay tuned!

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janice.jackson.al@gmail.com or phone her at 271-1549 or 462-3000.

Reminder! Record Your Hours

<https://ssl.acesag.auburn.edu/mgmanager/login/>



The Praire Mud will be published monthly on the 16th. Please send photos and announcements to Eileen Webb or Ruth Padgett at capcitymga@gmail.com. If you have a flyer to submit, please make sure it is in a PDF format. Articles, Photos, and Flyers should be submitted 1 week prior to publishing.

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