

GARDENERS' GAB



Shelby County Master Gardeners' Assoc.
www.scmastergardeners.com

Meetings: Monthly, 2nd Friday at 10:00 a.m.
Shelby County Extension Office—Columbiana, Alabama

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Alabama MG Program: www.aces.edu/mg

AMG Online Store: <http://www.victorydesigns.com/amg/>

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Thoughts from the President...

Our new intern class is well underway. I want to give a HUGH THANKS to all that came on the first day of class and brought such wonderful food! Thank you also to all that spoke to the class and all that are helping.

September's monthly meeting should be a lot of fun and October is an evening meeting/cook-out, really looking forward to these.

Be on the lookout for all the upcoming seminars and conferences. Attending these is always a good opportunity to learn and meet members from all over the state.

Remember: You are all welcome to come to any of the Wednesday intern classes for a refresher or to maybe meet with the person you are mentoring. Oh, and thanks for signing up and agreeing to mentor the class this year.

Hoping to see everyone soon,
Your President,

Rita Forrest



This Month's Meeting is on Friday, September 8th

This SCMGA meeting is going to be a Back to School special as we work together to get to know each other better. Please bring these with you to the meeting: A picture of yourself (portrait style or we will take one/ an be digital), 2 or more pictures of you volunteering in a favorite MG activity, and a list of several MG activities that you have participated in. Don't sweat it! It will be a lively and fun activity and we (Barbara, Beth G, Diane, Jan) will help you! The goal is for us to put together a slide show for our November meeting and produce a directory for members. Bring smiles!

Thanks, Jan





IN OCTOBER, WE WILL HAVE AN EVENING MEETING AND COOKOUT!



TREASURER'S REPORT as of 08/20/2017 Submitted by Myra Healy, Treasurer

Check/Deposit	For	Balance
	Beginning Balance	\$2,685.00
22.00	Deposits	
(33.00)	Disbursements	
	Ending Balance	\$2,674.00

**NO REGULAR SCMGA MEETING AUGUST 2017.
THEREFORE, NO MINUTES.**



Sending Sunshine and Smiles!

Please send Pat Hare, Sunshine Committee Chair, information about members (or their relatives) who are sick, facing surgery or have lost a loved one. We want to make sure all our members know they are loved and are a vital part of our organization. Pat will send a card to let the member know we are thinking about them. Here are two ways for you to get in touch with Pat:

Email: pat.hare@outlook.com
Phone: 205-621-3848



SEPTEMBER BIRTHDAYS

- 6—Bettie Elder
- 7—Brenda Fitzgerald
- 8—Rex Anderson, Sr.
& Deborah Dahlin
- 11—Wayne Gainey
- 17—Sue Brasher
- 29—Kate Voge;

Have you 'LIKED' us on Facebook?



Cards sent by Pat Hare

Birthdays:

- Angie Ballew
- Cathie (Mary) Long
- Joy Dearing
- Winter Howell
- Jean Plecker

Thank You:

N/A

Get Well:

N/A

Sympathy:

N/A

Help Spread The Sunshine!



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**Master Gardeners are
welcome at any and all
instructional sessions and you
can count most as CEU hours!**

**SHELBY COUNTY 2017 REGIONAL MASTER GARDENER COURSE SCHEDULE
Nelson D. Wynn Regional Extension Agent**

SUBJECT	DATE	TIME	INSTRUCTOR
Orientation Soil Sampling Lunch Annuals, Perennials, & Bulbs	08/2/17	9:00 - 12:00 12:00 – 1:00 1:00 – 3:00	SCMGA Nelson D. Wynn SCMGA Carol Beard
Fruits (meet @ Experiment Station) Tour Chilton Reg. Res. & Ext. Center	08/9/17	9:30 - 12:00 1:00 – 3:00	Edgar Vinson James Pitts
Plant Physiology	08/16/17	9:30 – 3:00	Dr. Dan Jones
Weed Science Pesticide Safety	08/23/17	9:30 – 3:00	John Nabors
Plant Entomology (soil samples due)	08/30/17	9:30 -3:00	Dr. Charles Ray
House Plants Vegetables	09/6/17	9:30 -12:00 1:00 – 3:00	Trisha Williams Phillip Inman
Plant Pathology (meet @ Petals) Plant Propagation (@ Petals)	09/13/17	9:30 – 12:00 1:00 – 3:00	Austin Hagan Arlie Powell
Landscape Design	09/20/17	9:30 -3:00	Dr. D. Williams
Soils & Fertilizers	09/27/17	9:30 – 3:00	Dr. C. Mitchell
Woody Ornamentals & Invasive Plants	10/4/17	9:30 - 3:00	Sallie Lee
Home Lawns	10/11/17	9:30 – 3:00	Dr. David Han
Pruning The World of Roses Honey Bees	10/18/17	9:30 -12:00 1:00 – 2:00 2:00 – 3:00	Bethany O’Rear Paul Saeger Don Driggers
Graduation	TBA	TBA	SCMGA

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DID YOU KNOW? Anyone can submit articles or pictures to be featured in the monthly *Gardeners' Gab*. The 20th day of the month preceding publication is the deadline. Please email your submissions to Heidee Vansant at heidee.vansant@gmail.com. Please submit photos with captions and the names of all people in the photo. Thank you!

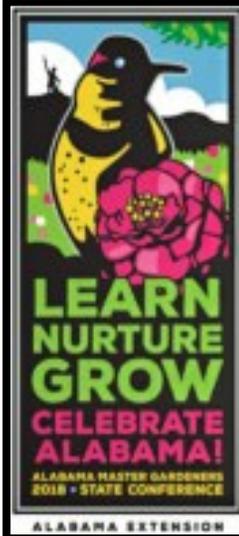
THERE ARE NUMEROUS GARDEN-RELATED CLASSES & EVENTS IN OUR AREA!
Please visit these websites to check out classes and events you may be interested in attending:



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HOOVER PUBLIC LIBRARY
PETALS FROM THE PAST
SHELBY CO. MASTER GARDENERS

www.aldridgegardens.com/education/events/
www.bbgardens.org/all-events.php
www.hooverlibrary.org/events/calendar/
www.petalsfromthepast.com/events.html
www.scmastergardeners.com/events/

We have a vacancy! SCMGGA needs a Project Chairperson! Let Rita know if you are interested.



Alabama Master Gardeners 2018 Conference

May 2 to May 4, 2018
Birmingham

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HARVEST FOR HEALTH

NCI-funded Research Study

Study provides supplies and mentoring to measure gardening benefits for cancer survivors.

WHO: Cancer Survivors across Alabama Age 65+ Novice gardeners only
WHEN: Recruiting now - Call today!
Three garden groups each year (2017-2020)
CALL: Toll-free 1-844-476-9478
EMAIL: harvest4health@uab.edu



Harvest for Health study



Survivors diagnosed with the following cancers in these Alabama counties are eligible to be part of the Harvest for Health study.

(NOTE: This is a partial list of the cancer types included in the study)

- Bladder (in situ only)
- Breast (female only; localized and regional, stage 0-IIIa)
- Cervix (localized, stage I/II)
- Colorectal (localized, stage I/II)
- Corpus/uterus/endometrial (localized, stage I/II)
- Esophageal (localized, stage I/II)
- Hodgkin lymphoma (localized, stage I-III)
- Kidney and renal pelvis (localized, stage I/II)
- Melanoma (localized)
- Non-Hodgkin lymphoma (localized, stage I/II)
- Oral cavity and pharynx (localized)
- Prostate (localized and regional)
- Small intestine (localized, stage I/II)
- Thyroid cancer (localized and regional, stage I-III)



INFO: For more information, or to enroll, please call 1-844-GROW-GR8 (844.476.9478)

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AMGA Fall Seminar*
October 12, 2017
Auburn Alabama



8:30 a.m. Check-in with Pre-registration
9:00 a.m. Welcome
9:05 a.m. Session 1: Finding Alabama's Native Pollinators (Charles Ray)
10:00 a.m. Break
10:15 a.m. Session 2: Healthy Soil Check-up (Audrey Gamble)
11:15 a.m. Session 3: Smart Yards for Wildlife (Rachel Conley)
12:15 a.m. Lunch
1:15 p.m. (travel to breakout session – registration required)
1:30 p.m. Session 4: Breakout sessions (one session only)

Breakout Sessions* (you will attend one session – rank three of your choices on the registration form):

Tree Walk (Davis Arboretum)

Wildflower Walk (Davis Arboretum)

Water Smart Irrigation (behind Horticulture Teaching Garden)

Tagetes, Turmeric, and Tia, OH MY! (AU Medicinal Plant Garden)

Scouting Fall Pests (Horticulture Teaching Garden)

Photo's That Tell a Story (1:30-3:30, Location TBA)

What the Bees Need, Build a Bee Box (\$15 supplies fee)



Online registration begins July 5. An email announcement with full details will be sent to all local MGA Presidents and AC Representatives.

Early Bird price, \$30 – postmarked no later than September 21, 2017.

Late registration price, \$35 – postmarked between September 22 and October 5, 2017.

No refunds and no registration after October 5, 2017. No on-site registration.

*Schedule is subject to change.

You will be notified if your Breakout session is cancelled or changed.



Mail-in Registration

AMGA Fall Seminar*

October 12, 2017, Auburn Alabama

Name: _____ Local MGA: _____

Address: _____

Telephone: _____ Email: _____

Lunch sandwich option: ___ Newk's Club ___ Newk's Farmer's Market (vegetarian)

Breakout Sessions* (rank three of your choices, in order of your preference, from options below – each applicant is assigned one session based on time of registration receipt and capacity for each session):

- _____ Tree Walk (Davis Arboretum)
- _____ Wildflower Walk (Davis Arboretum)
- _____ Build a Bee Box (\$15 supplies fee - payment after registration confirmed)
- _____ Water Smart Irrigation (behind Horticulture Teaching Garden)
- _____ Tagetes, Turmeric, and Tia, OH MY! (AU Medicinal Plant Garden)
- _____ Scouting Fall Pests (Horticulture Teaching Garden)
- _____ Photo's That Tell a Story (1:30-3:30, Location TBA)
- _____ What the Bees Need (Location TBA)

Early Bird registration, \$30 _____ (postmarked by 9/21/17)

Late registration, \$35 _____ (postmarked between 9/22/17 and 10/5/17)

For more information contact: Sydney Holmes, 334-844-3041 or
sch0015@auburn.edu .

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For mail-in registration: send your check, made out to "Master Gardeners Program", along with this form to:

Kerry Smith – Fall Seminar
Auburn University Horticulture
101 Funchess Hall
Auburn University, AL 36849-5649

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The 2017 Class of
Master Gardener
Interns
attended their fruit
class conducted by
Edgar Vinson and
James Pitts at the
Chilton County
Experiment Station
on August 9, 2017.

Shelby County Master Gardeners' Association Board of Directors and Committee Chairs 2017

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