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Mark Your Calendars!

July 26th CCMGA Meeting - Program is on Herbs by Tia Gonzalez from Auburn

July 27th Advanced Tomato Workshop, Lee County, Info in this newsletter

August 3rd Lunch & Learn - *Art in the Garden*, Presenter - Elaine Barron
Armory Arts Learning Center, Noon to 1:00



President's Message

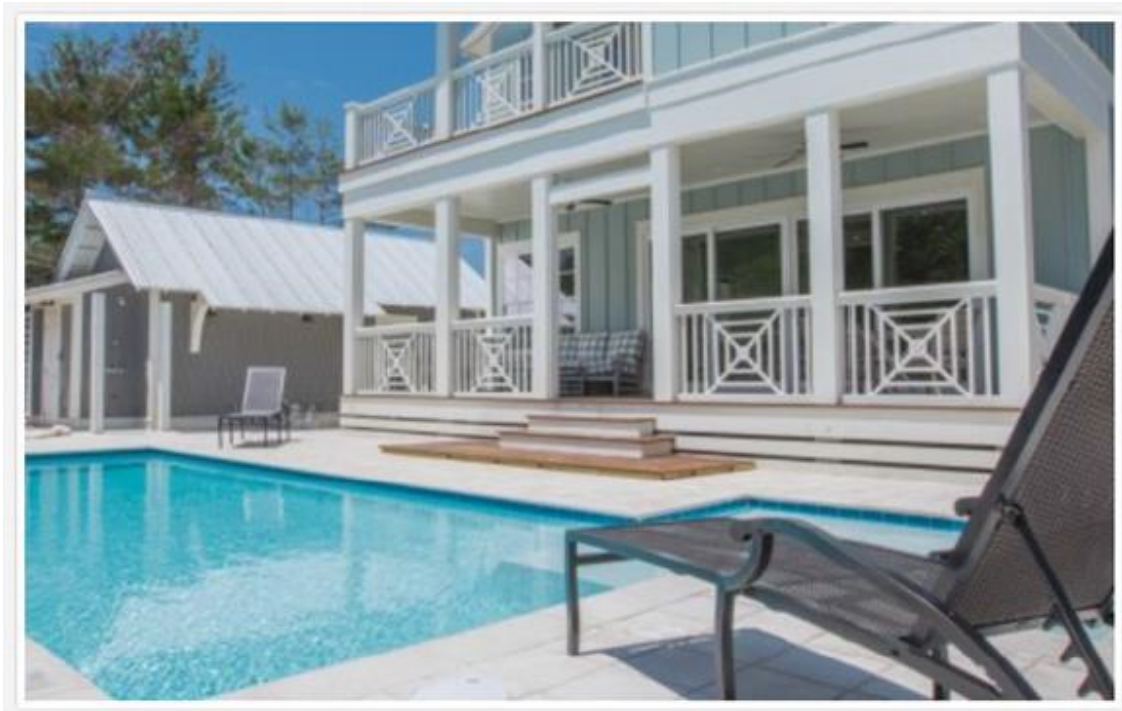
I don't know about you guys but I have as much as possible been holed up in the comfort of air conditioning most of this month. I hope that we are midway through our summer heat and will soon be able to enjoy our yards again!

We held Judy Youngblood's memorial on Saturday July 9th at Oak Park. Thanks go out to Suzanne Reaves and Maggie Stringer for a wonderful service of remembrance of her. There was a large group of her family, including her sister and children who were getting together to remember their mom and enjoy each other's company! Thanks to all who came out to support the memorial. I know that the family appreciated it.

Hope to see you all July 26th at our next meeting. Our speaker is Tia Gonzalez from Auburn talking about using herbs such as turmeric as well as other herbs. We visited with Tia on our bus trip this year and found her to be very knowledgeable.

See you soon!

Margaret



Win a Week's Vacation at Seagrove Beach

Help Habitat for Humanity

Your \$100 donation to Montgomery Habitat for Humanity enters you into a

drawing for a 1 week stay (subject to availability) at this beautiful brand new home in Seagrove Beach, Florida. It is about 40 minutes beyond Destin.

Tickets can be purchased by clicking the link below (you will be directed to our Square store page). The Drawing will be held Thursday July 28, 2016 at 12:00 noon at the Habitat ReStore (2216 E. South Blvd.) but you do not have to be present to win.

Link to Photos of Beach Property

<http://www.habitatmontal.org/seagrove.html>

Link for Donation and Chance for Drawing

<https://squareup.com/store/montgomery-habitat-for-humanity>

July CCMGA Meeting

Program: Lagoon Park Trail by Jeff Feet







Cindy McKenzie shared photos of the Montgomery Public School Arboretum and thanked CCMGA for our recent donation. The money was used to purchase binoculars for the children to use on their adventures outdoors.

**June Lunch & Learn - Tree Identification
Presentation by Brigetta Giles**



June 2016 Treasurer's Report

Prepared by Dave Toellner

June Minutes

Prepared by Mirenda Tatum

Advanced Tomato Workshop - July 27th

Lee County, 10:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m. \$10.00

Please bring a fresh sample of any insect, disease, or problem and any named variety of tomato you have grown for tomato tasting. Lunch will be served.

Sign up by calling 334-749-3353 or email vwy0001@auburn.edu

July Volunteer Opp Bulletin

Please see attached the Opp's Bulletin for July – exciting to see what MGs are doing in their local communities! – please remember to send us news happenings in your area – we really want to promote UPCOMING volunteer activities – monthly deadline is 20th of every month and we need photo's to illustrate your story.

Kerry Smith

Harvest for Health Survey

Kerry Smith has asked all who may be interested in acting as a mentor to recovering cancer patients by teaching them how to grow healthy food in their garden. Use the link below to complete the survey so that we may know who is available.

https://auburn.qualtrics.com/SE/?SID=SV_bIS8MDvue4tUnBj

Kerry Smith

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Prime Magazine Gardening Articles

Thank you to Charlene Beach, an Intern in our 2016 Master Gardener Class for her article on orchids. To read her article (after August 1st) and also previous gardening articles written by CCMGA members in Prime Magazine, go to:

<http://primemontgomery.com/>

If you are interested in writing an article, please email Mary Jane McCracken at: mjmccracken@knology.net.

Mallory Kelley's July Gardening Article on Mosquitos

[Read the Article](#)

Lily's Garden Work Day

Please join us for our next work day at Lilly's Garden on Wednesday, July 27th, starting at 7:30 a.m. or as soon as you can come. For additional information contact Ann Oldham at [334.318.9762](tel:334.318.9762) or ann.oldham@yahoo.com.

Here are pictures from our last workday on 7/11/2016. The day lily is named "Lilly's Smile". Our newest resident of the garden is a young blue jay, who had not yet learned to fly.





Irish Spring Soap Animal Repellent in the Garden

Courtesy of Tom McLemore

Try this simple method of keeping critters away from your plants by cutting up pieces of Irish Spring soap. See the link below for more details.

<http://homeguides.sfgate.com/use-irish-spring-soap-repel-garden-pests-97701.html>

Container Garden Contest

Take a photo of your container garden creation and win a contest. See the flyer below for more information.

[View the Contest Information](#)

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Changes/Corrections to the Member Directory?

If you have a correction or change to make in the directory, please contact Janice Jackson at janice.jackson.al@gmail.com or phone her at 271-1549 or 462-3000. All changes will be published monthly in the Prairie Mud at the bottom of the newsletter.

Reminder! Record Your Hours

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



The Prairie Mud will be published monthly on the 15th. Please send photos and announcements to Eileen Webb at capcitymga@gmail.com. If you have a flyer to submit, please make sure it is in a PDF format.

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