

**The Master Gardeners of North Alabama  
Spring Plant Sale 2026  
Alabama A&M Agribition Center  
4929 Moores Mill Road, Huntsville, AL**

Calling all volunteers! Help is needed for the MGNA Spring Plant Sale, April 9 (set up) and 10 & 11 (sale).

Questions? Need to change your sign up? Contact:

Anita Reeves

MGNA Spring Plant Sale Coordinator, 2026

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## **Wagons**

**April 9-11, 2026**

Do you have a plant wagon (no wheelbarrows) we can borrow during set up and during the sale? If so, please make sure your name is on the wagon and bring it to the Agribition Center on Thursday the 9th, set-up day. Plan to pick your wagon up during clean up time, 2pm-4pm on Saturday the 11th.

1. Deborah Quinn
2. Cheryl Carter
3. Dawn Nelson (3 wagons)
4. Debi Bonkoski
5. Dee Scott (one for sure, maybe two)
6. Paula Wheeler
7. Stephen Walls
8. Anita Reeves
9. Maddi Sears
10. Erin Catoire

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## **THURSDAY SET UP**

**April 9, 2026, 8am - 12pm (No additional volunteers needed)**

### **Set up crew at the Agribition Center**

Help the Plant Sale Coordinator designate/measure areas on the arena floor for vendors, plant sections, Park-a-Plant, Ask-a-Master Gardener, etc. Set up tables, chairs, signs, etc. Cover tables with plastic table protectors as they are set up.

1. Kelly Cruzen
2. Ray Leonard - or transport plants if needed
3. Mike Morrissey
4. Cindy Morrissey
5. Deborah Quinn
6. David Lounmala
7. Susan Beam (and transportation of plants)
8. Bill Cooley
9. Karen Hansberger
10. Hayes Powers
11. Kim Robbins
12. Cookie Kruvand
13. Helen Carr
14. Katherine Moody
15. Elizabeth Gauthier
16. Michael Schleider
17. Stephen Walls
18. Fay Leo (assisting with houseplants mid-morning arrival)

**April 9, 2026, 9am - 2pm**

### **Plant drop off logistics (No additional volunteers needed)**

Assist individuals dropping off plants at the Agribition Center as well as help unload trucks/SUVs/UHauls as plants are brought in from the Huntsville greenhouse

1. Cheryl Carter
2. Kizzy Spencer
3. Ann Schroetter
4. Wendy Worley

**April 9, 2026, 8:30am - 12pm (or until finished)**

### **Transportation of plants from MGNA Huntsville greenhouse to Agribition. (No additional volunteers needed)**

An SUV, closed truck or closed trailer is required. Indicate in comments which of these you will be using. If you have a hitch and are comfortable driving a towing vehicle, please contact Anita.

1. Marilyn Gillis
2. Susan Beam - SUV
3. Charlie Williams - Karen Kirk-Williams' spouse, has truck with hitch
4. Toby Reeves - Anita Reeves' spouse, has vehicle with hitch
5. Kelsey Nicely - can tow a privately owned enclosed trailer she has available for use
6. Barbara White - has pick up with hitch - can tow
7. Ray Leonard
8. Geanine Lehmann
9. Dawn Nelson

# FRIDAY MORNING PLANT SALE

April 10, 2026, 7:45am - 12:00pm Agribition Center

## **Parking Assistant - (No additional volunteers needed)**

Arrive at 7:20am. Direct shoppers to a parking spot as they arrive in the rear Agribition Center parking area keeping the drive through area where customers will pick up their purchased plants clear. Wear an orange safety vest. (Provided)

1. Hayes Powers
2. Geanine Lehmann

## **Greeter (No additional volunteers needed)**

Prior to shift, walk throughout the Agribition arena, taking note of where things are located.

Stand in the foyer area along with one of our sponsors. Answer questions about where to find certain plants, plant sections, restrooms, etc.

1. Charlene Learner
2. Cynthia Achorn
3. Fay Leo (beginning at 10:30am)

## **Receipt Checker (No additional volunteers needed)**

One person will be at the front entrance and one person will be at the rear. Ask customers to show their receipt checking to see if it has a "paid" stamp on it and the number of plants they have matches the number they have paid for. If not, kindly direct them to the check out area at the rear of the Agribition Center.

1. Ralph Carson
2. Dottie Markell
3. Maddi Sears

## **Plant Team Assistant (No additional volunteers needed)**

The plant team assistant will help the plant team with tasks such as re-grouping plants as other plants are sold, helping customers find a particular plant and answering their questions, giving plant team members a break, etc. You will not be required to stand the entire time, chairs will be available, but you will need to be on your feet some.

Herbs                      Connie Ulrich, Elise Fulda

Houseplants      Ray Leonard, Suzanne Kirkhuff

Perennials        Stephen Walls, Deborah Quinn, Wendy Worley

Roses                Josie Asquith, Barbara McFarlen (11am - 4pm)

Vegetables        Julie Anderson, Ann Schroetter, Helen Carr

Woodies (Trees & Shrubs)      Geoff Boak, Trena Mary Powers, Jacke James (arriving about 9:30am)

## **Park-A-Plant (No additional volunteers needed)**

When customers have several plants for purchase and wish to continue shopping, they bring their plants to "Park-a-Plant" where MGNA volunteers take their name and store their plant until they are done shopping and wish to check out.

Susan Beam and Marcia Obermann - leads

1. Christy Freeman
2. Deen Rice

## **FRIDAY MORNING PLANT SALE (Continued)**

**April 10, 2026, 7:45am - 12:00pm Agribition Center**

### **Park-A-Plant Floater (1 additional volunteer needed)**

Walk throughout the plant sections looking for customers who have multiple plants to purchase. Inform them about Park-A-Plant and offer to “park” their plants for them.

1. Kelly Cruzen
2. Kizzy Spencer
- 3.

### **pH Testing Assistant (No additional volunteers needed)**

Rita Icenogle - lead with Michael Schleider

1. Deborah Quinn
2. Marilyn Porter

### **Ask-a-Master Gardener (1 additional volunteer needed)**

1. Cheryl Carter
- 2.

### **Cashier (No additional volunteers needed)**

Carol Weand - lead - assisting other cashiers during busy Friday morning

1. *Credit card line:* Marleen Suchman
2. *Credit card line:* Dee Scott
3. *Cash line:* Shireen Fletcher
4. *Cash line:* Trish Cantrell

### **Tag Tally (No additional volunteers needed)**

1. Julie Rudolph
2. Shuana Maguire
3. Cindy Morrissey
4. Terry Boyd

### **Plant Loader (No additional volunteers needed)**

When customers pull into the pick up area just outside the back doors, plant loaders will assist customers in placing their plants into their vehicles.

1. Mark Reed
2. Mike Morrissey
3. Linda Steakley

### **Floater (No additional volunteers needed)**

Willing to work in any location as needed? Then this is the spot for you.

1. LuAnn Poniowski
2. Hayes Powers
3. Katherie Moody (after 8:15am)
4. Ann Marshall (after 8:30am)

# FRIDAY AFTERNOON PLANT SALE

April 10, 2026 11:45am - 4:00pm

## **Greeter (No additional volunteers needed)**

Prior to shift, walk throughout the Agribition arena, taking note of where things are located.

Stand in the foyer area along with one of our sponsors. Answer questions about where to find certain plants, plant sections, restrooms, etc.

1. Fay Leo

## **Receipt Checker (No additional volunteers needed)**

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1. Ralph Carson
2. Bill Cooley
3. Dottie Markell

## **Plant Team Assistant (2 slots for each)**

The plant team assistant will help the plant team with tasks such as re-grouping plants as other plants are sold, helping customers find a particular plant and answering their questions, giving plant team members a break, etc. You will not be required to stand the entire time, chairs will be available, but you will need to be on your feet some.

Herbs - Valeta Wheeler, Paula Wheeler  
Houseplants Ruth Kempel  
Perennials Stephen Walls  
Roses  
Vegetables Julie Anderson, Charlene Learner  
Woodies (Trees & Shrubs) - Geoff Boak, Jacke James

## **Park-A-Plant (No additional volunteers needed)**

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1. Elesia Cressman
2. Barbara White
3. Donna Everett

## **Park-A-Plant Floater (1 additional volunteer needed)**

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1. Diane Rodger
- 2.

## **pH Testing Assistant (1 slot)**

Rita Icenogle - lead with Michael Schleider

- 1.

## **Ask-a-Master Gardener (No additional volunteers needed)**

1. Cheryl Carter (lead)
2. Elouisa Stokes

## **FRIDAY AFTERNOON PLANT SALE (Continued)**

**April 10, 2026 11:45am - 4:00pm**

### **Cashier (No additional volunteers needed)**

1. *Credit card line:* Carol Weand
2. *Credit Card Line:* Dee Scott - as needed
3. *Cash Line:* Fletcher, Shireen
4. *Cash Line:* Trish Cantrell

### **Tag Tally (3 slots)**

- 1.
- 2.
- 3.

### **Plant Loader (3 slots)**

- 1.
- 2.
- 3.

### **Floater (3 slots)**

Willing to work in any location as needed? Then this is the spot for you.

1. LuAnn Poniatowski
2. Hayes Powers
- 3.

## **SATURDAY MORNING PLANT SALE**

**April 11, 2026, 7:45am - 11:30am**

### **Parking Assistant - (1 additional volunteer needed)**

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1. Maddi Sears
- 2.

### **Greeter (No additional volunteers needed)**

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1. Julie Rudolph

### **Receipt Checker (1 slots)**

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1. Amy Hesler
- 2.

# **SATURDAY MORNING PLANT SALE (Continued)**

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## **Plant Team Assistant (2 slots for each)**

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Herbs - Valeta Wheeler

Houseplants -

Perennials - Stephen Walls, Karen Hansberger

Roses -

Vegetables - Ann Schoetter, Charlene Learner

Woodies (Trees & Shrubs) - Geoff Boak, Jacke James (arriving about 9:30am)

## **Park-A-Plant (No additional volunteers needed)**

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1. Deborah Quinn
2. Deen Rice
3. John Givan

## **Park-A-Plant Floater (No additional volunteers needed)**

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1. Christy Freeman
2. Barbara White

## **pH Testing Assistant (1 slot)**

Rita Icenogle - lead with Michael Schleider

- 1.

## **Ask-a-Master Gardener (1 additional volunteer needed)**

1. Cheryl Carter
- 2.

## **Cashier (No additional volunteers needed)**

1. *Credit card line:* Carol Weand
2. *Credit Card Line:* Dee Scott - as needed
3. *Cash Line:* Fletcher, Shireen
4. *Cash Line:* Trish Cantrell

## **Tag Tally (1 additional volunteer needed)**

1. Denise Garrison
- 2.

## **SATURDAY MORNING PLANT SALE (Continued)**

**April 11, 2026, 7:45am - 11:30am**

### **Plant Loader (2 additional volunteers needed)**

1. Mark Reed
- 2.
- 3.

### **Floater**

Willing to work in any location as needed? Then this is the spot for you.

1. LuAnn Poniatowski
2. Hayes Powers
3. Wendy Worley

## **SATURDAY AFTERNOON PLANT SALE**

**April 11, 11:15am - 2:30pm**

### **Greeter (No additional volunteers needed)**

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1. Trena Mary Powers

### **Receipt Checker (1 additional volunteer needed)**

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1. Ralph Carson
- 2.

### **Plant Team Assistant (1 slot for each)**

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Herbs            Valeta Wheeler

Houseplants   Maddi Sears

Perennials     Stephen Walls, Karen Hansberger

Roses           Barbara McFarlen (11am - 2pm)

Vegetables    Charlene Learner

Woodies (Trees & Shrubs) - Geoff Boak, Jacke James



## **SATURDAY AFTERNOON PLANT SALE (cont.)**

**April 11, 11:15am - 2:30pm**

### **Park-A-Plant (No additional volunteers needed)**

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1. Deborah Quinn

### **Park-A-Plant Floater (1 slot)**

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1. Erin Catiore

### **Ask-a-Master Gardener (1 additional volunteer needed)**

1. Cheryl Carter
- 2.

### **Cashier (No additional volunteers needed)**

1. *Credit card line:* Carol Weand
3. *Cash Line:* Fletcher, Shireen
4. *Cash Line:* Trish Cantrell

### **Tag Tally (1 additional volunteer needed)**

1. Maria Cayse
- 2.

### **Plant Loader (1 slot)**

- 1.

### **Floater**

Willing to work in any location as needed? Then this is the spot for you.

1. LuAnn Poniatowski

## **SATURDAY AFTERNOON CLEAN UP**

**April 12, 1:45pm - 4:30pm (or until done)**

### **Clean up crew at the Agribition Center (5 slots)**

Clean tables (as needed) and break down tables and chairs. Place clean chairs and tables in Agribition closets. Gather signs and other non-plant MGNA property and place in a central location to be transported to the MGNA greenhouse or storage unit. Help load vehicles with remaining plants which will be taken to the greenhouse. Gather any lost and found personal items and give them to the Plant Sale Coordinator.

1. Stephen Walls
2. Mary Shaw
3. Maddi Sears
- 4.
- 5.

**Transportation of unsold plants from Agribition to MGNA Huntsville greenhouse (5 slots)**

Upon arriving at the greenhouse, unload the plants in your vehicle and place them inside of the greenhouse on the tables. An SUV, closed truck or closed trailer is required. Indicate next to your name which of these you will be using.

1. Marilyn Gillis
2. Barbara White (and spouse Keith)
3. Susan Beam
- 4.
- 5.

*Updated April 8, 2026 3pm*