

The Paulling Vine
*A Publication of the Paulling County Master
 Gardener Association*



President's Corner

Hello, fellow Master Gardener volunteers.

I hope you have all had a safe and warm holiday season.

Has anyone been doing any outside gardening lately? My trip into the yard found the tops frozen on my birdfeeders. After spreading the feed around, the birds did put on a beautiful display of color in the drab frozen backyard surroundings. Maybe the mosquitoes will not be quite so bad this summer in the gardens! For that result we can endure an Artic Freeze.

Our Happy New Year 2014 Planning Party will be Tuesday, Jan 21st, 10:00. Yes, our first regular meeting is a few days earlier than usual so we can benefit from Mary Carol being able to attend as we go through our budget and calendar for the upcoming year.

Thank you to our new officers who will be helping you out this year, Judy, Rachel, Carol, and Anne. We have large garden boots to step into from last years "most excellent" and energetic leadership of Betty, Donna, Nanci, and Travis.

Come with ideas and your wonderful attitudes as we continue to help the community learn about and appreciate our fascinating world all around us.

Marsha Rauscher

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Helleborus in January



A Winter's Delight

Photo by Rachel Dutton

McGarity Jr. Master Garden Club News

Submitted By Laurie Bartron

McGarity Elementary Garden Club began our 6th year. We are 20 strong this year. Several of our club members have been members since third grade. Thanks to the support of the Paulding County Master Gardeners our club has several projects planned this year.

Our first project will be ongoing through the seasons we are in school. At our first meeting we planned our miniature or fairy gardens. We went a walk around the school grounds gathering items from nature such as moss, twigs, and young plants that could be used in our miniature gardens. During our December meeting students completed their gardens by creating winter scenes in these gardens. In the spring students will bring back their gardens, and students will then learn how to add annuals and plants that we have propagated, and how to take care of a miniature garden.



McGarity Garden Club 2013-2014



Mrs. Jolly instructing on creating a lining for miniature gardens.



Great creative ideas!! Each club member created their own winter wonderland scene in their miniature or fairy gardens.

In October members worked hard in the courtyard. Paulding County Master Gardeners, Marcia Riley, and Betty and Earl Cosgrove volunteered their time to help our club learn about weeding, and ways to clean our courtyard.





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Elrod Garden Center - Paulding County Farm Bureau - Rambo Nursery - Paulding County Master Gardeners - Dallas Rotary Club - PCHS FFA Dallas Women's Club - Dallas Garden Club

MARCH 22, 2014

Spring Forward Paulding Festival

Live, Learn, Local

Learn about vegetable and landscape gardening, water conservation, energy conservation, beekeeping, local farmers markets, and local businesses from experts! Demonstrations from 10 am - 2 pm. From 2 pm- 3 pm, local gardener and frequent contributor to Walter Reeves Lawn and Garden Radio show, Mickey Gazaway will speak in the auditorium.

Where: Paulding County High School, Auditorium/ Gymnasium, 1297 Villa Rica Highway Dallas, GA 30157

Gardening and living skills

Exhibits, Experts, Food, Music, Door Prizes

Farm to Table Petting Zoo

FREE ADMISSION- Concessions available for purchase, proceeds benefitting PC4-H Horse and Pony Club



PAULDING COUNTY



Paulding County Extension & 4-H

530 West Memorial Drive
Dallas, Georgia 30132
www.ugaextension.com/paulding
When: March 22, 2014
10 am – 3 pm

Master Gardener Volunteers Training for 2014

If you know of anyone interested in Master Gardener Volunteer training please share this information with them. Paulding County Extension is accepting applications for new Extension Master Gardener Volunteers for the 2014 training to be held from **June 2 – June 27, 2014** at locations rotating weekly in Paulding, Cherokee, Cobb, and Bartow Counties. Classes will take place on Monday, Wednesday and Friday from 9:00 am until 3:00 pm. This training will be tailored to educators and volunteers who enjoy working with youth, but participants are not required to be educators.

The Master Gardener Volunteer Program offers horticultural training to individuals interested in volunteering their time and expertise under the direction of their County Extension Agent.

Applications are now available at our office and on our webpage

<http://www.caes.uga.edu/extension/paulding/news.html> or call our office at 770-443-7616. Applications will be accepted **until 5:00pm on March 31, 2014**. Enrollment in the program is limited and the cost of the training for those who are accepted is \$150.00.

Applicants who are accepted as Master Gardener Interns will receive 40 hours of horticultural training from Extension Specialists, Agents, local horticulturists, and veteran Master Gardeners. Core classes include basic botany, plant physiology, soils, basic entomology, weed identification and control and a variety of other horticulture related topics. Participants must attend twelve classes and take and pass a midterm and final exam.

Participants are obligated to return 50 hours of volunteer service to the County Extension Office within the first year after the training in order to attain Master Gardener Extension Volunteer status. After the first year, Master Gardener Extension Volunteers give a minimum of 25 hours in order to maintain their title. Projects range from answering questions in the extension office, writing for local publications, conducting community plant clinics, working with educators and students in schools, to community horticultural projects.



College of Agricultural and Environmental Sciences
College of Family and Consumer Sciences



North Georgia Gardening Symposium

Thursday, February 27, 2014 @ 8:00 a.m. to 4:15 p.m.

This program is a joint venture of Chattahoochee Technical College, Smith Gilbert Gardens and The University of Georgia Cooperative Extension.

North Metro Campus, Building D, Room 400
5198 Ross Rd, Acworth, GA 30102

8:00-8:30 am	Registration and Check in
8:30-9:30 am	From Winter Woe to Winter WOW, Spice up the Leafless Garden <i>Scott McMahan, McMahan's Nursery</i>
9:30-10:30 am	Pruning with Knowledge <i>Rick Smith, The Pruning Guru</i>
10:30-10:45 am	Break
10:45-11:45 am	Japanese Maples for Georgia Gardens <i>Mike Francis, Maple Ridge Nursery</i>
11:45-1:00 pm	Lunch (on your own)
1:00-2:00 pm	Planning the WOW: Flowers to Take their Breath Away <i>Jenny Hardgrave, Simply Flowers</i>
2:00-3:00 pm	Garden Safety: Pesticides, Plants, Tools Etc..... <i>Todd Hurt, UGA Center for Urban Agriculture</i>
3:00-3:15 pm	Break
3:15-4:15pm	Pest Resistant Landscape Plants <i>Matthew Chappell, UGA Horticulture</i>

Program Cost: \$35.00, Includes two tickets to Smith Gilbert Gardens

- 3 Hours Pesticide Recertification Credit for Category 24 Ornamental and Turf
- 1 Hour Pesticide Recertification Credit for Private Applicators
- 6 CEUs for ISA Arborist (A) and Municipal (M)

To register call 770-528-4550 or go online to:

<http://aceweb.chattahoocheetech.edu/wconnect/CourseStatus.awp?&course=14NS73741561>

Harvest Dinner 2013

In 2013 Paulding County Master Gardeners' donated more than 3276 hours of volunteer time and the Harvest Dinner was a time to show appreciation for what you accomplished. A great time was had with a lot of very good food and fellowship at the Harvest Dinner on November 14th.

The following Master Gardeners were recognized with awards for 2013.

2013 OFFICERS

President – Betty Cosgrove
Vice President – Donna Phillips
Secretary – Nanci Shipley
Treasurer – Travis Jordan

Newly Certified for 2013

Vicky Bates
Michael Brown
Robbie Cheathman
Anne Thompson

Mentors for 2013- Bulldog Award

Earl Cosgrove
John Shipley
Nanci Shipley

Hours of Service Award – 500 Hours

Betty Jean Brown
Donna Phillips
Marsha Rauscher

ANREP Communication Award

Jody Martin and Jeff Harkins
Rachel Dutton



Winter Adventures in Seed Catalogs

After the frigid weather we have had lately it is really relaxing and fun to look at seed catalogs and dream and plan what you will do when the weather turns warmer. If you enjoy propagating plants, starting seed is a great way to get a lot of plants for the cost of a seed package.

A few of my favorites are:

Pinetree Gardens- If you want to try a few seed this is the location for you. The seed packets start as low as \$0.95 and can contain as few seed as 5. In each description it will tell you how many seed it contains.

Website www.superseeds.com

R.H. Shumway's Garden Guide – This one is a favorite because it is a paper catalog with great drawings of the plants. This catalog also has a variety of seeds offered that you may not find in other catalogs.

Website www.rhshumway.com

Select Seeds – If you are interested in rare and heirloom seeds in they can be found in this catalog. The description for the rare and heirloom plants are always interesting to read. They also sells plants.

Website www.selectseeds.com

Totally Tomatoes – They sell seeds and some plants as well as grafted plants. There are quite a number tomato and pepper seeds available, some are new to the marketplace, heirloom seeds and some are old favorites. The packs come in size from 10 seeds to 30 or more seeds to a packet.

Website www.totallytomato.com

Sometimes looking at seed catalogs gives me an idea about what will be in the local garden centers in the spring. So while waiting for spring to arrive check out a few seeds catalogs for ideas for the spring.

Submitted by Rachel Dutton

2012 Paulding County Master Gardener Officers

President – Marsha Rauscher

Vice-Presidents– Rachel Dutton and Judy Howd

Secretary – Anne Thompson

Treasurers –Carol Corbett

Calendar of Events

January 21 - Tuesday, Master Gardener Meeting at 10:00 am (business meeting) at First Baptist Church

February 25 – Tuesday at 10:00 (program TBA)

February 27- MG Field Trip: North Metro Tech Garden Symposium

March 22-Spring Forward Paulding, 2014- Live, Learn, Local, Paulding County High School

March 27- Thursday, 10:00 (program TBA)

March 31- New Master Gardener Extension Volunteer Applications due

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