



New Weeds

Lee County Master Gardeners weekly up-date January 15, 2018

Hello gardening friend,

If you would like an announcement to appear in New Weeds, please send it to nancy@redcrayon.biz and freemia@auburn.edu by Friday night. **Please be sure to include "New Weeds" in the subject line or your announcement may be missed.** We plan to get out New Weeds on Sunday or Monday of each week.

Nancy and Julia

LCMGA Reminders

Our January Covered Dish Dinner is Tuesday night, January 16. If you have not signed up, please do so today. It will be cold, but come out and enjoy the warmth of good gardening friends. 5:45 at Trinity Episcopal Church at 1 Church Drive, Auburn.

To sign up, please call Pat at 334 329 7099.

If you have not paid your 2018 Active Members and Friends dues, please bring to the dinner Tuesday night or mail to the Extension Office. Dues are \$20 and the form is attached. If you have any questions contact Anne Morgan, morfamanne@gmail.com.

Master Gardeners Class - February 12 to April 30, Mondays 9 to 2, \$150. Please tell at least 5 people this week and get them interested. What a great experience we all had and this will be the same.

Master Gardeners may order the textbook used in the current Master Gardener course for \$40.00.

Contact: Lee County Extension Office, 334-749-3353

Volunteer Opportunities

Caroline Dean Wildflower Trail

Regular workdays will be suspended in January. Work will resume when Opelika Parks has fencing materials ready for install. Special work sessions will be scheduled. **Also, please mark your calendar for Saturday, March 3, 9-12 a.m. for our spring cleanup!**

Contact: Billie Oliver billieoliver@gmail.com

Grandma's Garden

2018 workdays to be announced.

Grandma's Garden is located on Highway 14 at the Lee County Historical Society.

Contact: *Kathy Hayward* <bryaub@hotmail.com>

Kiesel Park

2018 workdays to be announced.

Contact: *Charlot Ritenbaugh* 334-750-1984 or cdritenbaugh@gmail.com

Kreher Preserve & Nature Center Butterfly Garden

The KPNC Butterfly Garden Volunteer schedule will resume starting Feb. 1.

Thursday mornings at 9:00.

Contact: *Margaret Holler*, 334-740-8548

Save the Date

February 12, 2018, Monday: 2018 Lee County Master Gardener Class will be held on Mondays, 9-2, beginning February 12 and concluding on April 30. The cost is \$150, which includes the textbook. Please tell at least 5 people this week and get them interested. What a great experience we all had and this will be the same.

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On the horizon: May 19-20, 2018, MG Garden Tour

Community Announcements

Saturday, February 10: Empty Bowls Project 10:00 – 2:00 p.m. at the Denson Recreation Center in Opelika. Sale of beautiful handmade bowls made by local potters. Bowl prices start at \$10 and include a coupon for soup. **All proceeds go to the East Alabama Food Bank.**

Master Gardeners have been a great help in the past and are needed this year. If you can help, call Lela 337-540-0664 or sign up at the Covered Dish Dinner.

Everyone is invited to the **Farm City meetings** each second Tues. of the month at 7:30AM at the Lee County Extension Center. The tours that Farm City promotes are very interesting.

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Helpful links

It is very important for active members to log in our service and educational program hours at <http://www.leemg.org/>.

If you did not log all your 2017 hours, you may log them now. They will be counted in 2018 totals.

It is important that we log our hours so that the Alabama Cooperative Extension Service can compute the value of our volunteer work for them.

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<http://www.leemg.org/apply-for-a-grant.html>

<http://www.auburnalabama.org/news/>

<http://www.opelika-al.gov/>