



New Weeds

Lee County Master Gardeners weekly up-date October 2, 2017

Hello gardening friend,

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

Nancy and Julia

LCMGA Announcements

Attached is the October edition of the MG Vol. Opp's Bulletin and a few reminders.....

1. Sign up for Fall Seminar – still time, deadline to register is Oct. 5

2. Remind members to report volunteer hours

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

Kerry Smith smithkp@auburn.edu

Home Grounds Team Co-Coordinator & State MG Program Coordinator

Reminder: Payment is due by the Oct 4 MG meeting for the October 26 (Thursday) Field Trip to Petals to the Past. This is a firm deadline! You may still be able to sign up at the meeting or online, see info in Save the Date below. Checks or cash may be brought to the meeting or delivered to Cathy Shepard (334-887-0939).

LCMGA School Tree Donation: We plan to donate trees to three Lee county schools. If anyone would like to help with the selection of sites and trees please contact Gene Galloway. The schools are Beauregard Elementary, Loachapoka High and Beulah Elementary. Dates for each are as follows, Loachapoka High on Friday, October 6th, Beulah Elementary Wednesday the 11th, and Beauregard Elementary on Thursday the 12th. The time for each is 1:30.
Contact: Gene Galloway ggalloway4813@charter.net or phone/text 256-295-3512.

October 11, Wednesday: AU Medicinal Herb Garden and Plant Diagnostics Lab Tour Day Hosted by the Alabama Cooperative Extension System Wednesday, October 11th 2017 10:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m. Tour and lunch are for Certified Master Gardeners and Interns only. Flyer with registration form is attached. Registration is required and cost is \$25.00 and includes lunch. **PLEASE Register by Friday, October 6th.**

Contact: To sign-up or for more info, Montgomery County Extension Office 334-270-4133.

Davis Arboretum Annual Fall Native Plant Sale order form is attached. You will notice some nice additions to our Auburn Series Azaleas among many other interesting native plants available this year. Order forms are due no later than **5:00 on October 25th**. We will not accept any orders after this date. Payment is due at the time of pick up. We will accept cash, check and credit cards (sorry, no American Express). Order forms can be dropped off in person, mailed or emailed to us at arbinfo@auburn.edu. (Please note that we must have the order in our hands by **OCTOBER 25**. Please keep this in mind when sending order forms through the mail).

Pick up dates for the plants will be **November 15-17 from 8am-4pm**. The pick-up location will be the south end of the Arboretum property along Lem Morrison Drive next to the Old Cotton Rotation.

Please don't hesitate to call or email with any questions or concerns!

Contact: *L. Morgan Beadles, Curator, Davis Arboretum*

334-740-5296 cell 334-844-5770 office

www.auburn.edu/arboretum

Volunteer Opportunities

Caroline Dean Wildflower Trail Regular workdays: 2nd and 4th Tuesdays - 8 to 10 am

October workdays: Tuesday, October 10 and 24, 8-10 a.m.

Contact: *Spencer Roy* <spencerroy55@gmail.com>

Grandma's Garden Regular time: Thursday before the Second Saturday at 7:45 AM

Remaining 2017 workdays:

Next Workday: Thursday, October 12th prior to Second Saturday

Thursday, October 19th prior to Pioneer Days

Thursday, November 9th (Last one until February or March)

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

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

Kiesel Park

Next workdays: Mondays, October 9 and 23, 7:30 - 9:30 am.

It is time to prep the beds for the end of season.

We are looking for someone who can take over as coordinator for this garden.

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

Kreher Preserve & Nature Center Butterfly Garden

Regular work days: Thursdays, 8:00 am.

Park in the north parking lot off County Rd 72 - across from water tower.

Walk a short trail to the garden.

Contact: *Margaret Holler* [334-740-8548](tel:334-740-8548)

Save the Date

Oct. 5, Thurs. 2017-18 Master Naturalist Course Tallapoosa County Extension Service is planning a Master Naturalist Course for our area on Thursdays beginning October 5th at Wind Creek State Park. For more details *Contact: Shane Harris 256-825-1050 (office) 256-596-1363 (cell)*

October 10, Tuesday. Everyone is invited to the **Farm City meetings** each second Tuesday of the month at 7:30 AM at the Lee County Extension Center. The tours that Farm City promotes are very interesting. The Farm City Banquet will be Nov. 20, 2017 at Lazenby Farms. Tickets are \$15.00 and can be picked up at The Lee County Extension Center. More information to come.

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

Oct. 12, Thurs. AU Smart Yards Workshop, 9 am-2 pm, AU campus - Lowder 113A, \$30/35. For info, visit <http://mg.aces.edu/resources/>

October 25th Wednesday: Davis Arboretum Annual Fall Native Plant Sale order forms are due by email or in the Arboretum office no later than **5:00** *Contact: L. Morgan Beadles, Curator, Davis Arboretum 334-740-5296 cell 334-844-5770 office beadllm@auburn.edu*

October 26, Thurs. Field Trip to Petals to the Past "Natives for Fall Planting."

The link to sign up for the field trip is open. Please visit

<http://www.signupgenius.com/go/5080c4dada62da4f58-trip> You do not have register to be a member of SignUpGenius in order to sign up for the trip.

Plan to leave at 8:30 for 10 a.m. program. Transportation will be on your own, but they encourage carpooling. Tour, lecture, and box lunch for \$15.

Absolute deadline for signing up and paying the fee is October 4 (our October meeting).

Friends/spouses are invited. As always, Master Gardeners get a discount!

Contact: Cathy Shepard, 334-734-0688 or email chattycathys@bellsouth.net

November 15-17: Davis Arboretum Annual Fall Native Plant Sale pick-up dates for the plants ordered from 8am-4pm. The pick-up location will be the south end of the Arboretum property along Lem Morrison Drive next to the Old Cotton Rotation.

Contact: L. Morgan Beadles, Curator, Davis Arboretum 334-740-5296 cell 334-844-5770 office

November 20, Monday: Fall Photo Contest Deadline: Photographing Fall Colors 2017 in Lee County

Two Divisions:

Fall Flowers

Fall colors in the landscape

Eligibility: LCMGA - Master Gardeners, Friends of MG and immediate family members

Deadline: November 20, 2017

JPEG images should be from 1 MB to 6 MB, but smaller than 1 MB could work too. Smartphone photos are acceptable.

Send JPEGs to David Peterson (davypeted@gmail.com)

Judging:

Judging by David Peterson; decisions of judge will be final

Prizes will be sets of greeting cards to be presented at our December 2017 meeting

Contact: David Peterson (davypeted@gmail.com)

November 20, Monday: The Farm City Banquet at Lazenby Farms. Tickets are \$15.00 and can be picked up at The Lee County Extension Center. More information to come.

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

February 12, 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 encourage your gardening friends to sign up for the class.

MG meeting programs

October - Grant Recipients reports

November - Nancy Loewenstein - Invasive plants

December - Ginger from Blooming Colors will demonstrate wreath-making

Community Announcements

Free Plants: If you are interested in digging FREE coneflowers, iris, oak leaf hydrangeas and other perennials, please contact Carolyn McConnell. This area will soon be sprayed and turned into a lawn. For those with strong backs, spirea, azaleas and other shrubs are available. Carolyn also has flowerpots, bird houses, stepping stones, metal chairs, garden art, and specialty ferns for sale.

Contact: Carolyn McConnell Home 334-745-3567 Cell. 334-559-3567

October Arboretum Programs

October 6th: Friday Night Fright Nights - 7:30 -9:30pm – admission is free – Azalea level members have access to VIP seating

October 13th: Friday Night Fright Nights - 7:30 -9:30pm – admission is free – Azalea level members have access to VIP seating

October 18th: Tree Identification Walk and Talk – 4:00-6:00pm – this tour is free but spaces are limited

October 20th: Friday Night Fright Nights - 7:30 -9:30pm – admission is free – Azalea level members have access to VIP seating

October 25th: Fall native Plant Sale Order Forms are Due!! LAST DAY TO SEND IN ORDER FORMS!

October 27th: Friday Night Fright Nights - 7:30 -9:30pm – admission is free – Azalea level members have access to VIP seating

Contact: L. Morgan Beadles, Curator, Davis Arboretum

334-740-5296 cell 334-844-5770 office

www.auburn.edu/arboretum

Helpful links

Lee County Extension Office: 334-749-3353

Don't forget to log in your service and educational program hours at <http://www.leemg.org/>

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

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

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