

Master Gardener Thymes

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June 2009



ALL MEETINGS ARE HELD ON THE SECOND THURSDAY OF EACH MONTH, unless otherwise noted. PLEASE MARK YOUR CALENDARS!!!!!!!!

Upcoming Meetings!!

June 11:

Annual Picnic – Magnolia Park
"The Joy of Canning"
Vickie Hedden

Vickie will discuss different canning methods and processes. She will share some recipes with us and will give us the opportunity to taste the results.

The Master Gardeners will be supplying the meat and drinks for our picnic.

Bring your own lawn chair and remember to bring a side dish to go along with the BBQ! Drinks will also be provided



July 9:

Farmer's Daylilies – Cleo Farmer 500 labeled varieties of daylilies!

218 Woodlawn St., off Center St. in Harris Village subdivision, near Harris Baptist Church.

(Contact #229-2270 – Cleo Farmer)

August 13:

"Protecting Our Pollinators"

Donna Boozer (to be held at Donna's backyard Apiary) – Bring your own lawn or bag chairs.

SEARCH YOUR LAKELANDS MASTER GARDENER FILES!

The Public Relations Committee will be cataloging past Lakelands Master Gardener minutes, newsletters, news releases, pictures, etc. Carol Scales and Public relations Committee members, Richard Elrod, Debbie Ashley, Judy Sieckman and Sandra Johnson. Please date submissions and identify people in photos, if you can. Thank you.

Carol Scales

Editor's Note: I'm repeating some articles that are still relevant. But the newsletter continues to shrink. Thank you to all those who contribute, but we need to hear from more of you. Please send your articles. Thanks. Jean

Please Report Your Quarterly Hours

Identifying Lychnis coronaria (Rose campion), white powder mildew on a beautiful yew, a Mimosa tree sprouting in the front, these plants and problems were in the yard of my in-laws, and the cause of yellowing leaves of a pink lemon tree for a friend in California, these are just a few of the questions proposed to me and answered this past week. What questions have you answered, where and how you have helped the community, what topics of interest have you researched? What amount of time (to determine miles driven) or how many miles did it take you to get to the lecture hall or workday site? I will be calling you if I do not hear from you by the 15th of June. Thank you to the many that have already kindly sent in their logs, what a treat it is to see the report totals grow early.

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Annual Picnic

If you have not already signed up to attend the picnic, please call Sandy Stachurski no later than next Wednesday, June 3rd: Also, please let Sandy know what side dish or dessert you will be bringing.

Home: 227-2769 Office: 229-7444

Mobile: 554-1325

Email: drglenn7@embargmail.com

Our MG Organization is going to provide BBQ and Drinks. The Social Committee needs a head count so they will know how much BBQ to order.

The Board has decided to hand out some door prizes - you must be in attendance, of course, to win.

Catherine

PARK SEED DAY – SATURDAY, JUNE 27 INFORMATION BOOTH

As in the past, we will have an information booth during the Festival of Flowers which will be located at Park Seed. We will be responsible for distributing information. Please see the attached schedule with participants listed. If you would like to participate in the open slot, please contact Sandy Stachurski at drglenn7@embarqmail.com or call 229-7444 office,

227-2769 home or 554-1235 cell.

8:00 AM – 9:30 AM Melody McInville

9:30 AM – 11:00 AM Charlotte Perosino Mike Brown

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11:00 AM – 12:30 PM Kathleen Kapsalis Jean Anderson

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12:30 PM – 2:00 PM Rick Larson Patti Larson

2:00 PM – 3:30 PM Ken/Betty Reece Miriam Smith

3:30 PM – 5:00 PM Stuart Menaker John Babb

COMMUNITY SPEAKER LIST

As Master Gardeners, one of our jobs is to share our horticulture knowledge and experience with those in our community. The Clemson Extension office is always getting calls asking for program speakers for their groups or organizations. It is impossible for the Extension staff to do all the presentations. We, as Master Gardeners, each have special interests and are qualified to speak to other groups. What is your specialty? Are you interested in lawns, fruit or vegetable gardens, water gardens, native plants, container gardening, composting, plant propagation, or landscape design? These are just a few gardening topics. Do you have your own topic you would be willing to share with others? We are updating our "community speaker list." If you are interested in sharing gardening information with others in our community, please contact Sandy Stachurski at drglenn7@embarqmail.com or call 229-7444 office, or 554-1235 cell.

Volunteer Opportunities

Saturday, June 6 – Railroad Historical Center 9:00AM Continuing Education 9:30AM Workday

James Hodges has agreed to hold a mini continuing education seminar at the Railroad Historical Center. The Center is located on South Main Street between the Palmetto Bank and South Main Baptist Church. Topics will include the care and maintenance of the old and unusual trees and shrubs that are in the garden. The gardens are filled with mature camellias, azaleas, red buds, dogwoods and even a blue spruce that survived the southern climate.

This is a great opportunity to earn continuing education credit along with volunteer hours. The presentation will be open to the public so feel free to invite your friends and neighbors.

After the seminar we will have a workday to spruce up the gardens for the Festival of Flowers.

Bring your enthusiasm and tools for a great day at the Railroad Historical Center. Hope to see you there!
Thanks - Sandy

WORM CASTINGS

Since we weren't able to offer the worm castings for the plant sale, we are offering them to all interested Master Gardeners. This is NOT a fundraiser. We are selling them for exact amount that we are charged.

You can order 4lbs at \$2.00 each or a 40lb bag at \$20.00. All orders MUST be paid for prior to Tuesday, June 2 and delivery will be at our annual picnic on June 11. If you are interested, please contact Sandy Stachurski at drglenn7@embarqmail.com or call 229-7444 office,

<u>227-2769</u> home or <u>554-1235</u> cell. Please make checks payable to Lakelands Master Gardeners and mail to Sandy Stachurski at 111 Chipley Road, Greenwood 29646.

Roses Unlimited

Last month I told you about having to replant all my roses. I also told you that I had lost an old variety that I had had for many years. I decided to try to find a replacement. Though I found the same variety on about 3 to 4 websites, some with reasonable prices, the shipping made the total very unreasonable! Then I stumbled on Roses Unlimited.

Roses Unlimited is a South Carolina nursery, located in Laurens, which carries a huge variety of roses, including many ownroot roses, like the one I lost. Since it was

an own-root rose, when my German Shepherd puppy (many years ago) chewed it to the ground, it grew back better than before.

If you're interested in checking them out, their website is

www.rosesunlimitedownroot.com.

But I warn you, if you visit, you'll have to buy more than one---just to make the trip worthwhile, of course! Jean



MORE Than A Garden Tour....
MORE Than A Plant Sale....
IT'S

Charleston County Master Gardeners
PRESENT....
A MAGIC KINGDOM
EXCURSION

Tour a 1.5-acre property on Johns Island surrounded by a deepwater creek, marsh and a brackish pond. It's a constantly changing landscape as the owner works with shade from mature live oaks, hot sunny areas and salt water intrusions.

With such an expanse of grounds to tour, there will also be demonstrations from other Master Gardeners including Magnolia Plantation & Garden's Mary Ann Johnson on container

gardening; Betsy Berg teaching leaf casting; Atlanta-based artist Sandra Nissen will showcase garden-themed pottery and jewelry; Bill Creek will demonstrate the old art of blacksmithing; and Darren Sharrif will talk about citrus growing. There will be a plant swap area as well.

This is the last of this year's unique educations tours highlighting some of the beautiful gardens belonging to our fellow Master Gardeners. Open to the public, the tours allow you to see firsthand what goes into designing, planting and maintaining the gardens. The garden owners are available to answer your questions as well as discuss what they have learned along the way. Don't miss this opportunity. Join us Saturday, June 6th, from 1:00 - 4:00 PM at 1175 River Road, Johns Island. Total price for the tour, workshops and demonstrations is \$20.

For more information and tickets, call 843-442-1229 or e-mail Chas.mg.tours@gmail.com