Henry County Master Gardener Volunteers

March, 2016

President's Letter

2016 is in full swing! Thank you for all the support and response to the committees and projects we have coming up! I love all the enthusiasm we have in our organization. Many new projects will be developed so check your email for updates. We are working on some even for this summer using the UGA Sprouts program, which works with children. Also, think about what you like to do out in the garden. We all have our favorite thing to do and are looking for those who would like to share at schools, churches and groups.

Looking forward to more to come!
Sue Kilgore

Directions for the Plant Sale:

1. Use good quality plants and potting soil. If you are digging up plants, do so in plenty of time so the plant can adjust to the pot. Drooping plants do not sell!
2. Use the YELLOW plant stakes to identify the plant. You do not have to use the botanical name. Use a solid colored circle for shade, half colored circle for part sun/shade and a circle for sun. PLEASE INDICATE THE BLOOM COLOR! You can also provide a small picture
3. Bring your plants already labeled on Friday, April 22, between 4-6pm. If you need to drop of plants earlier, please contact Sue Kilgore
4. We take houseplants, annuals, vegetables, perennials, shrubs, trees, vines, and pretty much anything else that is not poisonous or considered a weed!
5. We will be providing breakfast and lunch, along with water bottles to drink. We should have some coffee too for the morning shift!

Lowe's at Stockbridge - meets the second Saturday of April, May, June, July. Possibly in September and October weather permitting from 9-noon.
Contact Tom Eddins for more information. tomeddins@gmail.com

COMMUNITY PROJECTS COMMITTEE

With the formation of the new Community Projects Committee, we are looking for those interested in sharing their gardening knowledge with the community. The office receives calls monthly for someone to come out and speak on various gardening topics. Please contact Jim Parks if you are interested and look for a signup sheet at the next meeting. jparks207@yahoo.com

Duncan Landscapes Pond Tour – we are being docents for this tour. Sign up at the meeting or contact Steve Mellot for more information.
http://www.duncanslandscaping.com/2016-pond-and-garden-tour.html

April Meeting

John Newman with

Classic Landscapes, Inc.

Hampton

Calendar of Events

Trainee Graduation	March 28 (3:00) (Henry County)
General Meeting	April 5 (10:00)
Executive Meeting	April 19 (10:00
Plant Drop Off	April 22 (4:00-6:00)
Plant Sale	April 23 (8-3 MG) (9-2 open)
Picnic	May 3 (11:00)
Duncan Landscapes Garden Pond Tour	May 7
Executive Meeting	May 17 (10:00)
Geranium Festival	May 21 (9:00-6:00)
Executive Meeting	August 16 (10:00)
General Meeting	September 6 (10:00)
Executive Meeting	September 20 (10:00)
General Meeting	October 4 (10:00)
Executive Meeting	October 18 (10:00)
General Meeting	November 1 (10:00)
Executive Meeting	November 15 (10:00)
Christmas Lunch	December 6 (11:00)
Executive Meeting	December 20 (10:00)

Nolan House

APRIL 20 (Wednesday)) Time for spring clean-up of the Master Gardeners beautiful historical home, the Nolan House! Our rain date back-up is April 22. PLEASE MARK YOUR CALENDARS! Our Master Gardeners spring picnic is May 3rd and we want all to be beautiful! Remember how much fun we had last year at our spring and fall clean-ups? We're going to follow the same schedule ....

WORKTIME - 9am - noon, followed by ...

LUNCH - our treat to all you wonderful workers! Another feast at the tables by the big beautiful oak tree. And are we in luck --we can happily enjoy our outdoor lunch at our 5 new picnic tables, donated to us by Eagle Scouts thru efforts of a former master gardener, and constant supporter - Moeineh Seyedin. Also, thanks to June Shafer who helped in this effort.

COMMITTEES - We are keeping the same and have over 30 willing hands signed up! A HUGE THANKS to all of you! Did you miss out on January committee sign-ups? You are not too late to join our happy crew. Worry not about which work committee, we will see where you are most needed when you arrive. Please contact Candy at the e-mail address below. Remember, in addition to being part of the momentous 2016 Nolan House team, you also get volunteer hours for your efforts.

WORK FOR THE DAY

In addition to our basic spiffing up, both inside and outside, we have 2 very special tasks:

1) Planting of the Tom Wise memorial rose. Claire and June are coordinating this activity.

2) Painting of the newly moved work shed. Hooray! It has now been moved out from under the magnificent oak, and clean-up in the area has occurred. We will have all needed materials on hand for our paint crew.

TOOLS - We do have basic tools in the shed; however, consider bringing a fav hand-tool, gloves, garden stool.

CONFIRMATION- We need an April 20 head-count for lunch preparation, and would like a "YES ! I will be thrilled to be there" or "no, unfortunately I have a conflict" from all 30+committee volunteers (+ any new folks). Please send your confirmation response to Candy's e-mail below AS SOON AS POSSIBLE! We will make friendly phone-calls as needed, if we haven't heard from you!

We can't wait to see all you happy gardeners!

Candy and June