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President's Message

Sitting here thinking about ya'll and hoping that none of you are experiencing any flooding problems. If you are, please let me know, and we will see what the rest of us can do to help. We will all remember the flood of 2010.

Master Gardeners are still displaced and with the flooding probably will be for some time to come. Most of the people working on our building are County employees and their talents will probably be needed elsewhere, so the place to be on Thursday, May 13th, will again be Madison Street United Methodist Church. We are grateful to have this meeting place.

I have been busy trying to decide which plants can be divided and potted for our up-coming plant sale. Once again my potting bench is coming in handy, and the plants are multiplying. I trust that yours are as well. Our Garden Tour is May the 15th, this Saturday. Please know in what garden you're assisting and what time. Margaret Pace will have the schedule Thursday evening and give us more directions. Plants for the plant sale can be delivered to John Mathews' home; his address is 6007 Seven Mile Ferry Road. Please call if you are taking them early. John's phone number is 387-2890. There are more tickets available for the Garden Tour for you to sell. I want to thank David Baker for the beautiful tickets and posters.

The Rivers & Spires booth last month was a fun evening. Terry Simo, David Baker, and Colleen Teet helped me man our booth. We sold one ticket for the Garden Tour. I saw a lot of people I have not seen in a long time. Thank you, Yvonne, for the opportunity to have this booth.

Plant the Campus Red was a wash-out on Saturday but was rescheduled for Sunday. Thanks to all of you who were still able to volunteer. It is a great relationship we have with APSU. A big thanks to Margaret Pace who chaired this project. Margaret is the best.

Thanks to Diann Nance who is our communication line to getting out the news. Thanks to Diana Ruby for cleaning out our storage room. Good job, Diana.

Our thoughts have been with Gene and Joy Moody with the loss of their son, Gene Moody, Jr. Our hearts are with you both.



Phil and Judie have finished the photos and information for the class of 2009 and Hillary. We will have that information ready for you to place in your directory soon. See you at the **Madison Street United Methodist Church**.

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MONTGOMERY COUNTY MASTER GARDENER ASSOCIATION

General Meeting Minutes – April 8, 2010

Agenda Discussion Items:

- Following the 6:30pm food and fellowship, Barbara Plechaty called the April MCMGA meeting at the Presbyterian Church meeting to order. The minutes were approved and motion carried, as there were no corrections.
- Treasury Report was approved and motion carried, as there were no corrections.
- The MCMGAs next Meeting will be held at the Pageants Lane, Civic Room, Room 1 at the Veteran's Plaza.
- Announced they have the tickets for the MG's to sell for the Plant Tour on May 15th, 2010. The tickets are numbered and insurance to be ordered for the day of the 15th of May.
- Yvonne Heitt reserved a booth for Thursday, April 15th from 4pm to 8pm at Rivers and Spires. Barbara Plechaty and Terry Simo will be there at the booth.
- Please take MG water bottles if you don't have one at the meeting.
- Big Thanks to Sue Albright and Colleen Teet for the MG Mini Course in March and all the volunteers as well. Profit was \$1,826.69

- Plant the Campus Red at APSU Saturday, April 24th. Be there at 8:45am. Margaret Pace said all the beds were ready for planting. And bring gloves, shovels for mulching, and trowel for planting.
 - Margaret Pace announced she needed one more volunteer for the Plant Tour on May 15th, 2010.
 - Water Igloos will be furnished at the Garden Sites.
 - Diann Nance said an article would be in the paper the 28th of April about the Garden Tour.
 - Plant sale at the Dr John Matthews Garden Site, you can also sell at the other Garden Sites too. Sharon Baggett asked if she could sell plants from her home. And announced that was fine.
 - Insurance Policy for the Day of the Garden Tour, May 15th will be around \$150-200.
 - Karla Kean announced that the 13th & 15th of April will have a hotline training course and need to people to sign up. Also told us about the Adopt a plot for the Garden of Hope.
 - Shan Smith had sign-up sheet for GroWild in Fairview for May 8th, native plants nursery. Some people will be going to Plant Ranch after.
 - Shan Smith announced the guest speaker, Carol Reese from Jackson TN. She was great and funny too.
 - Barbara closed the meeting.
- Submitted by Judie Treangen

Dates to Remember

Date	Event	Time	Location	Program/Contact
May 13	Meeting*	6:30 PM	Madison St. United Methodist Ch.	Rails to Trails by Mark Holleman
May 15	Garden Tour		7 gardens	/ Margaret Pace, Chair
May 15	Plant Sale		John Matthews	/ John Matthews, Chair
June 10	Meeting	6:30 PM	TBA	
July 8	Meeting	6:30 PM	TBA	
July 8	Summer Celebration**		Jackson, TN	
Aug. 17	Master Gardener Class begins		Extension Office	/Karla Kean
Oct. 2	Trip to Don Shadows	TBA		/Shan Smith

*Hosts: David Baker, Jim Conatser, and Diana Ruby

**If anyone wants to go to Jackson early and spend the day, Thursday, July 8, at their "Summer Celebration," you may contact Jim Willard (552-6230) for a ride.

Treasurer's Report

Beginning Balance (per checkbook) 04/08/2010	\$12,255.42
Debits -	
#2006 04/08/10 Mo. Co. Extension - Postage	\$ 24.36
#2007 04/08/10 Loving Paws Rescue - Carol Reese Speaker	125.00
#2008 04/08/10 Shan Smith - April meeting supplies	38.32
#2009 04/28/10 Linda Earp - Short Course supplies	19.15
#2010 04/28/10 Higgins Insurance - Event ins.-Garden tour & sale	218.00

Ending balance as of 05/06/2010	\$11,830.59

Montgomery County Master Gardener Association

Executive Committee Meeting – May 5, 2010

420 Madison St, C David Elliott Bldg., Conference Room 4:30-5:35pm

Present: Barbara Plechaty, David Baker, Shan Smith, Diann Nance, Karla Kean, Terrie Young, and Judie Treangen

Agenda Discussion Items:

- Directory list to David Baker and CD with Pictures given to David and will have a loose sheet with the new members and missed people with the original directory book to be at the meeting on 5-13-2010.
- Karla Kean announced she reserved the Civil Center for the May and June meetings. She also said the workers are working on the flooded projects. So we may not get back to the Ag Center for awhile.
- Check for \$1,000 to be given to Karla Kean at Ext Office for the 4-H.
- \$11,830.59 Treasure Budget phoned in by Tina Dunlop.
- David Baker, Barbara Plechaty, Terry Simo and Colleen Teet represented the MCMGA's at the Rivers and Spires, Thursday, April 15th.
- Shan Smith to call the people on the list to go to GroWild Saturday, May 8th, not sure if meeting at Big Lots as Riverside Dr is closed.
- Mark Holleman to do a Program on Rails to Trails Walkway Project.
- July there will be a regular MCMGA Meeting, as last year there wasn't one due to the fact a lot of Members went to the Summer Celebration in Jackson, TN.
- Shan Smith said Oct 2nd is the trip to Don Shadows, and it's an all day trip.
- June meeting we discussed having a potluck, as our speaker is Troy Marden, he's appeared on the Volunteer Gardening Show.

- Please bring in all your Plant Tour tickets to the meeting.
- Diann Nance said the Sunday, May 9th Leaf Chronicle would have an article on the Garden Tour for MCMGA.
- The MCMGA Garden Tour is May 15th, 2010. Volunteers working the morning shift will take the signs.

Submitted by Judie Treangen

Four Seasons of Scent

The following plants were recommended in the February *Garden Gate* magazine if you want to have fragrance in your garden year round:

Spring

Bearded Iris *Iris* hybrids

Common lilac *Syringa vulgaris*

Crab apple *Malus* hybrids

Hyacinth *Hyacinthus orientalis*

Saucer magnolia *Magnolia xsoulangeana*

Silky wisteria *Wisteria brachybotrys*

Summer

English lavender *Lavandula angustifolia*

Heliotrope *Heliotropium arborescens*

Mockorange *Philadelphus* hybrids

Oriental lily *Lilium* hybrids

Rose *Rosa* hybrids

Sweet alyssum *Lobularia maritima*

Fall

Bugbane *Actaea simplex*

Butterfly bush *Buddleja davidii*

Moonflower *Ipomoea alba*

Sasanqua camellia *Camellia sasanqua*
‘Stephanie Golden’

Sweet autumn clematis *Clematis terriflora*

Tea olive *Osmanthus fragrans*

Winter

Daphne *Daphne odora*

Japanese flowering apricot *Prunus mume*

Paperwhites *Narcissus tazetta*

Sweet box *Sarcococca confusa*

Sweet violet *Viola odorata*

Witchazel *Hamamelis xintermedia*

Karla's Korner

May 2010

In the last week our area has been devastated by flood waters. For most areas of the United States, including Tennessee, floods are rare but devastating events. Floods damage standing agricultural crops, carry away the top soil making the land barren and may also carry away stored chemicals and fertilizer adding to the toxic flood water mix. Montgomery County Storm Water Coordinator John Doss states that, "Agricultural fields in the floodplains will release much of the residual pesticides, fertilizers and other agricultural chemicals stored in the soils. In addition, septic systems in the flood areas

will be leaking, creating a health hazard for some time to come. On top of this, we are going to be subject to all the pollutants released from upstream from the entire Cumberland River basin.” Remember that flood water may contain sewage as well as other undesirable substances. Do not swim, play or drink flood waters. Please refer to the Center for Disease Control website for more information on entering your home after a flood. <http://www.bt.cdc.gov/disasters/floods/cleanupwater.asp#>

Important Flood Recovery Information:

Louisiana State University has graciously offered to UT Extension and the people of Tennessee the use of their Disaster Information Factsheet Series. Please visit the [LSU Disaster Information Resources Series Web site](#).

The Clarksville Downtown Market has to be cancelled for Saturday, May 8th. The decision was made earlier this morning to cancel due to the current crisis Clarksville-Montgomery County is facing. We will now have the first Clarksville Downtown Market of the season on May 15, 2010 and hope to see everyone out there to enjoy what our different vendors have to offer.

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Insect Management - The Good, The Bad, The Bugly of the 2010 Organic Workshop Series will be on Monday, May 10, from 2:00-5:00 PM (EST).

The speakers for this workshop (Frank Hale and David Cook) will present at our Nashville site located at: Room 100, Ellington Agricultural Center, 440 Hogan Road, Nashville, TN, 37220. The workshop will be broadcast via ITV to our other locations in Johnson City, Chattanooga, Knoxville, Jackson, and Memphis. For directions and maps to your viewing location, visit http://organics.utk.edu/workshops/may10_directions.html. There is no fee for participating in the workshops, but **registration is required**. Please contact me at (865) 974-7429 or htoler@utk.edu for more information or to register for a 2010 workshop (If you've already registered for all of this year's workshops, then no worries and no need to register again).

Tennessee Yards and Neighborhoods: The Home Landscape Workshop will be held in Clarksville, TN, on Saturday, June 5th, 2010. The six-hour workshop will begin at 8:30 AM and will be held at the Civic Hall, 350 Pageant Lane (near public library). The cost is \$35.00 per individual, \$50.00 per couple. Contact: Karla Kean, Extension Agent 931-648-5725 or kkean@utk.edu

Master Gardener 2010 Garden Tour & Plant Sale: Saturday-May 15th; 9 am – 3 pm. Cost: \$10/person. Tickets available at: the Extension office, Betsy's Yard & Yarn (R&J Landscaping), Larry's Nursery and at all garden sites. Contact: Karla Kean, Extension Agent 931-648-5725 or kkean@utk.edu

MASTER GARDENER PROJECTS FOR 2010

Community projects, such as the one pictured above at the Police Headquarters (#3), are the number one public advertisement for Master Gardeners. Our organization has accepted the projects named below to assist Clarksville and Montgomery County in beautifying our area. Please review the following projects for one that interests you. Hours spent on these projects count toward the ACE program. Thank you for your participation.

<p>Project 1: Smith-Trahern Mansion overlooks the Cumberland River in downtown Clarksville. This beautiful, historic site is used for public functions including weddings, meetings, and guided tours. Co-Chair is Katie Smith, 647-5893, kfs37042@hotmail.com.</p>
<p>Project 2: Adopt-a-Plot (Wednesdays starting at 6:30 p.m.) for the Montgomery County Master Gardeners is located at the intersection of Madison Avenue and Dogwood Avenue. Our organization has been a long-time contributor to this Street Department Program. Co-Chair is Barbara Plechaty, 358-9340, dogwood931@charter.net.</p>
<p>Project 3: Clarksville Police Department Headquarters is located on Commerce Street in downtown Clarksville. This is a well-visited public site that supports our local city government. Co-Chairs are Phil Greenawalt and Judie Treangen, 906-2967, plgreenawalt@charter.net.</p>
<p>Project 4: Most residents of our community utilize The Montgomery County Library. Donated indoor plants provide a lush background for this quiet haven. Co-Chair is Janice Ledbetter, 552-4590, jledbetter123@yahoo.com.</p>
<p>Project 5: Our own Agricultural Extension Center has been landscaped to provide show for visiting speakers and organizations. Two areas that are maintained are the Roadside Garden and the Main Entrance Garden. Co-Chairs are Jim Conatser, 561-0929, jim_conatser@yahoo.com and Ruth Davis 551-9819, rdd22@earthlink.net</p>
<p>Project 6: The Agricultural Shade Garden displays a variety of hostas and other shade-loving plants beside a walkway joining buildings at the Agricultural Extension Center. Co-Chair is Ruth Davis, 551-9819, rdd22@earthlink.net.</p>
<p>Project 7: The Master Gardener Hotline was instituted to give community members a wealth of knowledge to draw upon for everyday gardening questions. This program is key to understanding and sharing of knowledge. Co-Chair is Karla Kean, 648-5725, kkean@utk.edu</p>
<p>Project 8: To keep pace with advances in technology the MCMGA website was developed to keep members up to date and informed. Co-Chair is Phil Greenawalt, 906-2967, plgreenawalt@charter.net.</p>
<p>Project 9: As part of our monthly meetings the MCMGA Garden News was created to keep our membership informed. Contributions are welcome. Co-Chair is Diann Nance, 648-8701, diann@diannsgreenhouse.com.</p>
<p>Project 10: The L & N Railroad Station is another of our city's historic sites. Located on 10th Street and Commerce, this landmark is used for weddings and picnics. Co-Chair is Diann Nance, 648-8701, nance.d@cdelightband.net.</p>
<p>Project 11: Every spring APSU invites the master gardeners to lead the campus residents in the Plant-the-Campus-Red Day. Master gardeners use their skills to direct the students in proper garden design and placement under the direction of the university landscapers. Co-Chair is Margaret Pace, 647-4328, pacem@apsu.edu.</p>
<p>Project 12: Habitat for Humanity builds houses and master gardeners help landscape them when called upon to do so. Co-Chair is Debby Johnson 368-0239, debtj@hotmail.com.</p>