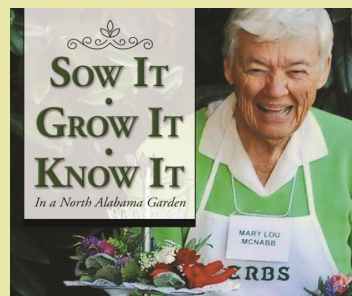




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MGNA Volunteer Open House

By Ann Tippie (W'12)

Please join us for the MGNA Volunteer Open House on Saturday, October 28th from 2:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m. at the Madison County Cooperative Extension Office located at 819 Cook Avenue, Huntsville, AL 35801.

The Open House is for all Master Gardeners and Interns, including the current class. Each committee or project chair will have displays depicting what they do. The tri-fold will be on display. Each committee will have signup materials available at their tables. Refreshments will be available.

If you have any questions, please email Ann Tippie (W'12) at tippieam@gmail.com.

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Junior Master Gardener: Audrey's Speech

By Carolyn Wade (W '12)



The Community Foundation of Huntsville hosted their Summit on Philanthropy at the Jackson Center on 19 September. Each of the five non-profits chosen this year had the opportunity to present their grant request to potential donors from the greater Huntsville area. The Huntsville Botanical Garden hosted me, the 5th grade teacher from Morris with whom we volunteer with, Jan Coryell-Mahone, a student from last year, Audrey, and her mom. Audrey spoke at the event and below is her speech. It was so heartwarming to hear what she thought of our efforts with the students.

(Audrey's speech) 'The Junior Master Gardening class was very fun. My favor-

ite part was the 2 P's - of course, peas and potatoes. We would grow the potatoes to see whose potato grew the biggest but the peas we would just pop in our mouth and eat them, the perfect snack. The greenhouse was peaceful and calm. We learned how to water each plant, we painted gourds and sold plants and vegetables to raise money for our garden and greenhouse.

My favorite part of the Junior Master Gardener class was learning about plants from all over the world. We were able to sample some of them and to make



salads with them. I loved being a Junior

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MGNA Christmas Social

By Tom Simpson (W '12)

The MGNA Christmas Social will be held on Thursday, December 14th from 5:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. in the Nichols Arbor located in the Huntsville Botanical Garden, 4747 Bob Wallace Avenue, Huntsville, AL 35806. Attire is business casual. Cost per person is \$18. Food will be catered. Send payment to MGNA in care of Tom Simpson, 227 Walker Avenue, Huntsville, AL 35801. Please pay in advance. No money will be taken at the door.

From The President

We have had a great year so far. Our annual picnic was held at Green Mountain on September 16th. We had a great time and lots of good food. Thanks to Barb Smith and Barbara Locke for putting it together. The entire board and project leaders are gearing up for our first Open House to be held on Saturday, October 28th from 2 p.m. - 4 p.m. at the Extension Center.

We think you will find it informative and fun. We will have refreshments and door prizes. We hope it will become an annual event.

Kudos to the team at the Demonstration Vegetable Garden, under the guidance of Tom Simpson. They harvested record amounts of produce this year. Six houses were landscaped for Habitat for Humanity this year thanks in great deal to Ameree Young. Ameree gave us a tour of the homes and the landscaping looked quite professional.

You will never meet more dedicated people than the Master Gardeners who participate in the Horticulture Therapy project. Jean Lake says they need more men to volunteer. They meet at the Huntsville Senior Center on Drake Ave. in Huntsville every other Tuesday from March to October. We know how thera-

peutic gardening can be! Join them in working with adult day care individuals who greatly benefit from this project.

Carolyn Wade and her team are back at Morris P8 School. The students learn much more than how to plant vegetables. They learn about the food they eat. They are also learning manners, responsibility, gratitude and charity. It is no wonder this project has won several awards! New volunteers are always welcome. They meet for one hour on Tuesday mornings during the school year.

Well, I have mentioned some projects we are particularly proud of but there are many more. If you are not currently involved with one, please think about joining one. We truly have something for everyone in MGNA and are always in need of more volunteers.

Hope to see everyone at our Christmas Social on December 14th in the Nichols Arbor at the Huntsville Botanical Garden. We will have the installation of officers for 2018 and announce our award winners for the year. It is a catered event and a fun evening.

So until next year, have a great fall and blessed holidays!

*Ann Tippie (W'12)
MGNA President*



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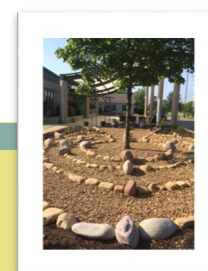
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MGNA Seeks Jane R. Parks Memorial Fund Grant Applications

The Jane R. Parks Memorial Fund is accepting grant proposals through October 15, 2017 from nonprofit organizations that support educational horticulture projects in Madison County. Fund details and the application are online at www.mginfo.org, on the right-hand side of the page. Please read the Grant Instructions carefully before submitting an application, and note the verbiage and character limits on the application form.

Awards are granted to existing projects that promote community involvement in horticulture. Prior recipients include Deep Roots of Alabama, James Clemens High School, The Seminole Boys and Girls Club, Madison Public Library Children's Garden, CASA of Madison County, and Endeavor Elementary School.

This grant was established in 2012 by mutual agreement between the Parks family and the Master Gardeners of North Alabama (MGNA) in memory of Jane R. Parks, who was a passionate educator for 30 years and a gardener for most of her life. She became a Master Gardener in 2003.

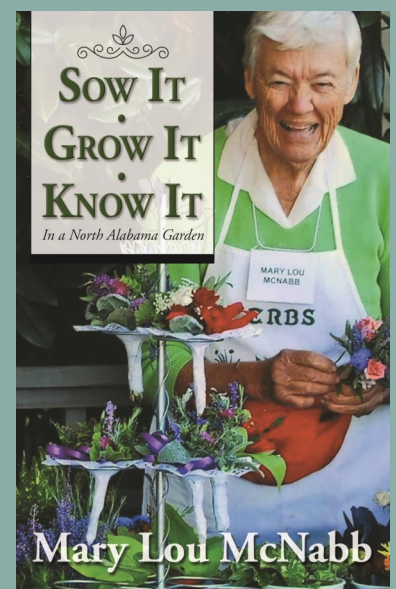
Grant awards are from \$100 to \$1,000. Organizations submitting applications must be nonprofit and have no political affiliations. For more information, contact the MGNA Grant Committee at grantcommittee@mginfo.org.

MGNA is a nonprofit organization comprised of Certified Master Gardeners who are committed to community education of horticulture in the greater Huntsville/Madison area. The Alabama Master Gardener Program is overseen by the Alabama Cooperative Extension System.

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Our very own Mary Lou McNabb has written her book about gardening in North Alabama. Now you may have heard her story of bringing the Master Gardener program from up north and getting Gary Murray to have A&M University teach us everything we needed in 11 weeks. But did you know that she is also a blueberry farmer with lots of vegetable gardens, perennials, fruit and nut trees? Her book is called *Sow It, Grow It, Know It in a North Alabama Garden*. The book costs \$19.95, and Mary Lou has graciously donated the profits to the Master Gardeners of North Alabama. Pictures in the book are by Bob McNabb. Please contact us at mginfo.org for a copy. You will be amazed at the information about growing here in North Alabama. Mary Lou knows about our soils, and sun/water needs of plants you may wish to grow.



Time to Renew 2018

MGNA Membership

The deadline for renewing MGNA memberships is December 31st. The dues this year are \$30 which includes the dues for Master Gardeners of North Alabama and Alabama Master Gardeners Association. No officers or members receive any of the proceeds of your dues. All the dues go to fund our various meetings, projects, and services.

If you wish to donate to the Jane R. Parks Fund, you may include this on the membership registration form. You may pay at any meeting by cash, check or by Paypal at www.mginfo.org. At the bottom of the page look for "Membership Dues" and then "pay on line." If you want, you can copy the membership form from there and send it with your dues to me at Elouisa Stokes, 2415 Glenn Street, Huntsville, AL 35801.

Let's have more than 200 members in 2018. If you have any questions, call 256-539-2058 or 256-604-8669, or email elouisastokes@att.net. You must pay by March 1st to get your name and information in our annual directory.

Membership News: Many thanks to Connie Carr and Tom Simpson for their help with the Membership table for the last two meetings. Hooray for your help!



Elouisa Stokes (S '81)
Membership Chair

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Master Gardener and it would be amazing for all the students to have this experience.

By learning to garden we can alleviate hunger. We can provide plants for one family even if it's just an herb for the windowsill.

There is a sense of accomplishment in knowing that you helped something to grow.

The students can have this experience and knowledge and carry it with them for the rest of their lives.

Gardening also helps our economy. We can move further than just my school to schools all over Huntsville and all over the world.

Audrey Hepburn once said 'to plant a garden is to believe in tomorrow' and I say believing in tomorrow is investing in our students today.'

The HBG is continuing to raise money to plan and build an Outdoor Classroom at Morris P8. The grant, if fully funded, also allows for the purchase of a curriculum for the K-5 teachers tying the Outdoor Classroom to STEM class lessons. The grant also allows for a resource person to assist the teachers utilizing the OC for TWO years. The school is also setting up a Garden Club, made up of 5-8th graders, to care for the OC. The OC will tie in with the Greenhouse program that we currently have at the school. The cement pad for the greenhouse was poured this week at the school and we have been told to start installing some of the square foot beds.



Outdoor Classroom Fundraiser

By Carolyn Wade (W'12)

MGNA is once again working with 5th graders at Morris P8 this year. We have a great group of volunteers working with the 26 children in Mrs. Coryell-Mahone's class. We are still waiting for the go ahead to purchase the greenhouse, but that's not stopping us. We have scavenger hunts arranged at the Huntsville Botanical Garden DVG and Butterfly house, lectures on composting, edible seeds and pollinators, plus so much more. The children and PTA at school have raised \$500 towards their Outdoor Classroom and our 5th graders are currently having a fundraiser. Our kids are now selling poppy seeds for \$2 a pack - \$1 goes to the WW1 Monument in Washington D.C. and \$1 goes to the Outdoor Classroom. If you would like to purchase some poppy seeds, please let me know. If you would like to join us, we meet with the children on Tuesday's from 12:45 p.m. to 1:30 p.m. It's always a lot of fun.

Master Gardener Profile

"Retirement is another chance to do new things and be a new version of myself." - Walt Mossberg

By Acacia Moore (F'12)

Jane Jones was born in West Monroe, LA and stayed there until she went to college at the University of Arkansas, her daddy's alma mater. She has a B.S. from University of Arkansas and an M.S. in Biology Education from Alabama A&M University. She married Richard Jones, an LSU graduate, who is also from West Monroe, LA. They lived there until 1988 and moved to Huntsville, AL for a job opportunity. Jane and Richard have three grown sons - Doug, Chris and Kevin. Two live in Huntsville, AL and one lives in Shreveport, LA. Jane and Richard have four grandchildren, ages 3, 8, 17 and 21.

After they moved to Huntsville in 1988, Jane started work with the school system in 1989. She taught Biology, Computational Science and Multimedia. Her interest in computers led to her involvement in computational science and in 1993, her high school had its own server, a networked computer lab at the Supercomputer Authority and its own EDU domain name.

She became interested in robotics and sponsored robotics teams in Middle School and High School. She was also on the Board for the Alabama Council for Technology in Education (ACTE) until she retired from the Huntsville City Schools system after 25 years of service.

Jane loves "all things technology" and tries to keep up with technology through her grandchildren - most recently making a rudimentary computer with her grandson using

Raspberry pi technology. Her latest personal technology interest is working with smart home devices - Google Home, Alexa and Echo Dot.

Since retirement, Jane has had time to pursue other interests - woodworking, crafting, and gardening. She found a woodworking group at the Senior Center who love to



Jane Jones (W '15)

• 2017 MGNA Web Administrator

"drink coffee and make things" and she has been using their lathe to make wooden pens as well as repairing and restoring furniture. A neighbor tried to get Jane involved in "stamping" and making cards but when the neighbor showed Jane a cutting machine, Jane really got interested - not so much in cards but in cutting vinyl. Jane was an "early" adopter of making Yeti (and other brands) monogrammed tumblers and t-shirts. She is trying to hold off on purchasing a heat press.

One of the first things Jane did after retiring was taking the Master Gardener class. She leans more towards herbs and vegetables than ornamentals but she's thinking about planting a bed of roses. She had roses in hot and humid Louisiana and was active in Rose Society shows but had not considered pursuing shows in Huntsville until recently.

Jane started her intern hours at the Demonstration Vegetable Garden (DVG) and loved it; however, once the temperatures increased and the beginning work hours got earlier, it didn't coincide with her "not an early riser" routine. She has put in other volunteer hours working the Helpline, Morris Greenhouse, Dot's Greenhouse, and helping with the Botanical Gardens Spring and Fall plant sales. She volunteered to take pictures at the Alabama Master Gardener Conference recently and really enjoyed it.

Jane's current role has been updating the Master Gardener website. Her main "job" is to keep the website up-to-date and add/remove items as needed. She has enjoyed helping in this respect as it keeps her mind working and involved in technology.

Jane encourages Interns and Master Gardeners to look at the many opportunities for service that are available, pick one that appeals to you and give it a try. Jane says, "Step away from your comfort zone and try something new - remember, there are seven days in a week but someday is not one of them!"

Jane enjoys traveling with both family and friends. As Saint Augustine said, "The world is a book, and those who do not travel read only one page." Jane takes their children on vacations and are now traveling with them and their children as they repeat destinations and discover new destinations. Her family loves national parks and really enjoyed visiting the parks out West - Grand Canyon, Yosemite, Yellowstone, Tetons, Zion, Glacier, Mesa Verde, and the Rocky Mountains - several more than once.



Photos courtesy of Jane Jones.

Hummingbird Tour

By Mary Jane Reumann (F '04)



Mary Jane Reumann
(F' 04)

On Saturday, August 26th, 15 people from Huntsville traveled to Killen, Alabama. They were joined by Master Gardeners and Interns from Hartselle, Madison, Athens and Harvest. Several people commented on how great it was that Margie Anderton invited people to her home to see hummingbirds and see how they were banded.

During the hour and a half tour, 40 hummingbirds were banded and information about each bird was collected. Unfortunately due to the cold spell, the local birds seem to have taken off already and since it hadn't been cold up north, the northern hummingbirds had not

started south. After touring Margie's lovely Woodland Garden, 20 people traveled to Ricatoni's Italian Grill for lunch.



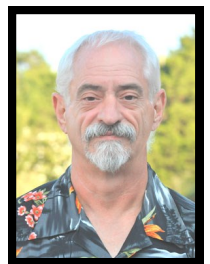
Sue Khoury holding a hummingbird.

Photo taken by Jim Tylman.

Demonstration Vegetable Garden Prepares for the Fall

By Carolyn Wade (W '12)

Fall is coming so we are winding down our schedule at the DVG. We have our fall garden planted and are busy cleaning up the garden in preparation for our break over the winter. We have had a great year harvesting over 2300 pounds AND had some great volunteers. Come out and check us out - you'll find us at the DVG on Tuesday mornings starting at 8:00 a.m.



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Photo from left to right: Marcia Obermann enjoying the zinnias, Connie Carr and David Grey pruning the blueberry bushes and Tom Simpson picking figs. Photos taken by Carolyn Wade.

Farm Tour of the Winfred Thomas Agricultural Research Station

By Diana Nalley (W '16)

On the beautiful Friday morning of Sept 15th, a group of approximately 20 interested people gathered at the Winfred Thomas Agricultural Research Station in Hazel Green to meet with our wonderful County Extension Agent, Rhonda Britton, for a tour of the A&M University grounds. It has been a number of years since we have been afforded this opportunity, and Rhonda was excited to share. Our group consisted of new and established Master Gardeners, a home-schooling mom and her son, and a few people that were highly interested in what goes on at the A&M research station.

Our tour started with a brief overview of the 900 acres that belong to A&M. After hearing the highlights of the different programs that the station undertakes, we began our hayride (minus the hay) for the tour of the grounds. On the way to the garden, Rhonda pointed out to us

the goat barn and their weather station that collects data for the local people of Hazel Green.

Our first scheduled stop was to learn about Rain Water Harvesting that included tips on how we can collect and manage our own rainwater. Next, Rhonda surprised us with a very interesting demonstration on how to raise Shitake mushrooms. We then loaded up and headed to the research plots of turmeric, basil and Indian vegetables. The research assistant who maintains the plots was very helpful with information about their research of these plants such as their study of the different turmeric varieties and their levels of curcumin, which is known to have healthy benefits. We were also able to sample some of the Indian veggies.

Next on the tour, were the orchards of Jujube, Pawpaw and Pee-wee Kiwi. The Jujube trees were

full of fruit and we all had fun deciding our favorite tasting variety. Of the varieties of So, Li, Lang and Sherwood, the So seemed to be the favorite. Jujubes are also called Chinese red dates, and can be used as substitutes for dates or apples in recipes. They are also known for their medicinal uses. We learned about the Pawpaws and the kiwis, but were not able to sample them, as they were not in season. The last stop was to see the roadside plot, which is a dedicated plot of land where plants are tested for their hardiness to be used along roadways.

We ended our delightful and educational morning with a visit to Posey's who served a wonderful buffet for a reasonable price. Everyone seemed to have enjoyed the morning learning, visiting and meeting new friends. We are thankful for Rhonda for this great experience!



Photos courtesy of Brenda Myers

2017 Award Nominations

By Suzanne Kirkhuff (W '07)

We need your input to select members for our awards this year. To submit your nominations for *Master Gardener of the Year*, *Project of the Year*, and *Friend of Master Gardener*, do the following:

Go to our MGNA website: mginfo.org

Scroll to the bottom of the page and click on **Forms and Applications**

Look under **Volunteer Recognition and Award Nomination Forms—2017**

Next click on the **Nomination Form** (There are three different ones)

Complete the form(s) giving details of your reasons for the nomination(s)

Last, click **Submit**

Your participation is **VERY** important as you are the ones who select these winners for the awards. **The cut-off date for submissions of nominations is October 31, 2017.** The winners will be announced at our Christmas social.



Suzanne Kirkhuff (W '07)

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Awards Committee Chairman
Photo courtesy of Alice Brigman

MGNA MSH Peace Garden

By Nareatha Studdard (W '15)



The garden was a mess! Arranged in no particular order, it was a scattering of overgrown and half-dead bushes and plants. Parents and students only entered it as a shortcut from the parking lot to the front door. The Montessori School of Huntsville's Peace Garden, as it is called, was without peace.

In the Fall of 2016 when the MGNA Jane R. Parks Grant opened, it seemed like an opportunity to recreate the peace garden into an inviting space. I met with Leela Pahl, primary teacher/outdoor education specialist, and Jennifer Stark, Head of the School, to discuss a new garden plan. Leela and Jennifer both suggested the installation of a labyrinth in the space. The laby-

rinth theme matches the school's efforts to promote mindfulness and meditation. Research shows meditation helps to develop a child's concentration. Walking meditation is an effective technique for teaching children the concepts of meditation and mindfulness and is easily and effectively accomplished in a garden labyrinth.

Unsure of the potential number of volunteers, we allowed two years to implement the plan. The design included erecting a retaining wall around the garden to prevent cars from driving on the edge of the garden space. John Vons, parent volunteer/inventor/architect, used his artistic skills to design the labyrinth plan using stones to outline the edge of the pathway. Also, he donated additional money and elicited the support of Trevor Cole, Owner of Across the Pond, to subsidize the costs of stones used in the design of the newly created labyrinth.

Other parents and school volunteers laid gravel and mulch. Leela and I laid out the landscape design and parent and student volunteers planted the new garden. The native flowers planted consisted of Daylilies, Yuccas, Coneflowers, Honeysuckle, Purple Hearts, Joe Pye Weed and Phlox. Subsequently, due to large volunteer support, the labyrinth and garden were completed one year ahead of schedule.

Today, children and their parents visit the peace garden daily but not as a short cut to the front door. Children play, laugh, and walk the labyrinth to find peace on a daily basis.



Nareatha Studdard (W '15)

Harvest for Health Lunch & Learn

Article and photos by Acacia Moore (F '12)

On Friday, August 18th, 22 people attended the Harvest for Health Lunch and Learn held at the Madison County Cooperative Extension Office located on 819 Cook Avenue in Huntsville, AL. The audience consisted of 2 cancer survivors, 7 MGs, and 5 interns. There were two great speakers for the luncheon - Wendy Demark-Wahnefried, PhD, RD (Professor and Webb Endowed Chair of Nutrition Sciences Associate Director, UAB Comprehensive Cancer Center, American Cancer Society Clinical Research Professor) and Jennifer Bail, PhD, RN (Post-Doctoral Fellow).

Harvest for Health is a gardening intervention program between the University of Alabama at Birmingham (UAB) and the Alabama Cooperative Extension System (ACES) that pairs Master Gardeners with cancer survivors in their area. Through these home gardens, studies have shown promising results due to increased fruit and vegetable intake and increased physical activity.

During the one year program, cancer survivors are required to maintain their garden in the spring, summer and fall. All supplies—soil, seeds, plants, gloves, garden tools and planter boxes were provided to each survivor. Master Gardeners are required meet with their survivor once a month and answer any questions that may arise during the program.

This project is funded by grants from the National Cancer Institute and the American Institute for Cancer Research.

Cohort 4 will start in February 2018 with the spring garden. It will be in the following counties: **Madison, Marshall, Limestone, Morgan, Lauderdale, Jackson, Dekalb, Cherokee and Etowah.**

This life changing program will continue through August 2021. There will be many opportunities for you as a Master Gardener to be involved in a program that benefits both the mentors and the participants. This program needs all the help it can get.

If you would like to be a part of this wonderful program, please contact Renée Thompson, Outreach Coordinator for Harvest for Health, at 334-826-1590 or thomprw@auburn.edu.



Left: Wendy Demark-Wahnefried, PhD, RD
Right: Jennifer Bail, PhD, RN

Did You Know...

426 cancer survivors and Master Gardeners are needed in this program.

75% of cancer survivors expand their gardens after the program.

89% of cancer survivors continue to garden after the program.



MGNA Annual Picnic Recap

By Acacia Moore (F '12)



Acacia Moore (F '12)
Editor-in-Chief

For those of you who were unable to attend the MGNA Annual Picnic that was held on September 16th at Green Mountain, you missed a real treat. The weather was great and a nice breeze blew through the pavilion to keep us cool. There was a good variety of food and enough food to feed an army. There were nine door prizes given away. The hike along the lake was the perfect ending to a great day. A big “Thank You” to Barbara Smith and Barbara Locke for planning the event.

Photos courtesy of Acacia Moore and Bob Goodwin.



Huntsville Botanical Garden 2017 Fall Plant Sale Recap

By Ann Tippie (W '12)



Ann Tippie (W'12)
MGNA President

Master Gardener's volunteered at the Huntsville Botanical Garden Fall Plant Sale by conducting pH testing and working at the Ask-A-Master Gardener booth. Photos courtesy of Ann Tippie.



2018 MGNA Slate of Officers and Board

(to be voted on at the November 9 Corporate Meeting)

OFFICERS

PRESIDENT:	Ann Tippie (W 12)
VICE PRESIDENT:	Revelle Gwyn (F 15)
SECRETARY:	Debi Bonkoski (F 10)
TREASURER:	Suzanne Beckinger (F 07)

BOARD OF DIRECTORS

DIRECTORS: Serving a 3 year term of January 2018 – December 2020

Dave Grey (F 10)

Melissa Kirkindall (W 98)

DIRECTORS: (completing Flo Helman's term) - January 2018 – December 2019

Sue Khoury (W 13)



2017 Directors Continuing on the Board (no vote needed on these)

January 2018 – December 2018: **Bill Fuller (W 97)**

Acacia Moore (F 12)

January 2018 – December 2019 (completing Jessica Wood's term) - **Dottie Pierce (W 95)**



ALABAMA COOPERATIVE EXTENSION SYSTEM

Breast Cancer 101 & What Komen Is Doing In Our State

October 20th from 11:30 a.m.-1:00 p.m.

Madison County Cooperative Extension Office

Workshop Topics:

W1. Know your risk

- Talk to your family to learn about your family health history

W2. Get screened

- Ask your doctor which screening tests are right for you if you are at a higher risk.

W3. Know what is normal for you

See your health care provider if you notice any of these breast changes:

- Lump, hard knot or thickening inside the breast or underarm area
- Swelling, warmth, redness or darkening of the breast
- Change in the size or shape of the breast

4. Make healthy lifestyle choices

- Maintain a healthy weight
- Add exercise into your routine



For more Information, call Alabama Cooperation Extension System

Regional Extension Agent: Shonda Miller 256-426-8444

email: sam0059@aces.edu

Calendar of Events

October

October 10 MGNA Board of Directors Meeting. 9 a.m. to 11 a.m. Madison County Extension Office, 819 Cook Ave, Huntsville.

president@mginfo.org

October 12 MGNA Monthly Meeting. 6 p.m. Plant Swap. Murray Hall, Huntsville Botanical Garden, 4747 Bob Wallace Ave, Huntsville.

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October 14 To Herb Or Not to Herb. 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Murray Hall, Huntsville Botanical Garden, 4747 Bob Wallace Ave, Huntsville.

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October 20 ACES Breast Cancer 101 & What Komen is Doing in Our State. 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. Madison County Extension Office, 819 Cook Ave, Huntsville. www.mginfo.org

October 28 MGNA Volunteer Open House. 2 p.m. to 4 p.m. Madison County Extension Office, 819 Cook Ave, Huntsville. tippieam@gmail.com

November

November 6 MGNA Board of Directors Meeting. 12 p.m. to 2 p.m. Madison County Extension Office, 819 Cook Ave, Huntsville. president@mginfo.org

president@mginfo.org

November 9 MGNA Corporate Meeting. 12 p.m. to 2 p.m. Speaker: Denise Taylor, Operation Green Team, "Green for Gardeners". Murray Hall, Huntsville Botanical Garden, 4747 Bob Wallace Ave, Huntsville.

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November 14 MGNA Intern Graduation. 6 p.m. to 8 p.m. Heavy hors d'oeuvres will be provided. Madison County Extension Office, 819 Cook Ave, Huntsville.

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December

December 11 MGNA Board of Directors Meeting. 12 p.m. to 2 p.m. Madison County Extension Office, 819 Cook Ave, Huntsville. president@mginfo.org

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December 14 MGNA Christmas Social. 5:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. Nichols Arbor. Huntsville Botanical Garden, 4747 Bob Wallace Ave, Huntsville.

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More information and registration for workshops at www.mginfo.org.

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