



GARDEN THYMES

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Thank You from Mary Lou McNabb

Thank you to our friends in MGNA for your expressions of sympathy in the loss of my husband on November 4th. He always enjoyed coming to meetings, hearing programs and talking with you. He was very supportive of your volunteer projects and pleased to be given the title of Honorary Master Gardener. He was a wonderful father to our three children and a loving husband of 72 years. With much appreciation of your kindness.

Note from the Editor

Due to health reasons, I am sadly stepping down as the newsletter editor with this being my last edition. I have only recently notified Cyndi, therefore a replacement has not been found. I have enjoyed serving the MGNA membership in this capacity for two years and am going to sincerely miss it.

2019 Christmas Social

Helen Carr (W'98)

The last MGNA monthly meeting of the year was our annual Christmas Social. The social took place on Thursday, December 5 at Our Lady Queen of the Universe Catholic Church in northwest Huntsville. Over seventy master gardeners and their guests enjoyed the social time with two tables full of appetizers, as they watched the slide show prepared by Sue Khoury. Cyndi Lindblom welcomed all. David Grey said the blessing and table numbers were called two at a time to start forming double lines down the buffet tables filled with generous offerings of salads, vegetables and main dishes brought by all the members. The tables were decorated in the Charlie Brown theme with scant Christmas trees by Anna Bright. Double table numbers were continuously called until all had their plates full.

Rhonda Britton was out of town so Ann Tippie graciously officiated over the installation of our new 2020 officers using our Charlie Brown theme to describe each officer's character in relation to one of Charlie's friends! She was spot on and very humorous too. Our returning officers for a second year are: President-Cyndi Lindblom (F'13), Vice President-Jessica Thornburg (W'17) and Treasurer-Kay Jacobson (F'16). Carol Weand (F'18) will be our new Secretary.



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From the President

Cyndi Lindblom (F'13)

Happy New Year y'all! I can't believe it's already been a year since I became president. This year has flown by! We have been busy answering plant and bark scale questions. Thanks goes out to the Madison County Commission who has loaned us the east end of the farmers market indefinitely and to Michelle Quarles who has helped MGNA so much with this endeavor.

We have some new officers this up coming year; Carol Weand will be our new Secretary and we will surely miss Debi Bonkoski. We have 2 new directors, Liz Gould and Barbara Stan-sky, as we say good bye to Sue Khoury and Dottye Pierce. I have you on standby for any questions we may have.

Throughout this year I have learned a lot. Yes, I've learned procedure (well mostly, a few slip ups), Robert (rules) has become my favorite friend, and most importantly I've gotten to know YOU. I love getting to



know who started what project and how it got started, who likes what part of gardening and what your favorite flower is and especially what your favorite dog to foster is. You have all been so encouraging to me. Thank you for trusting me for another year. My email and phone are always open for calls, complaints and suggestions.

I am looking forward to next year and the new adventures it will bring!



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Master Gardener Profile

Susan Parker lives in Madison with her husband Kent Parker. They met as next-door neighbors while attending Auburn University. Kent originally of Centre AL, is a registered pharmacist working at pharmacies in the area. They have been married for 38 years and have lived in Madison since 1989. At their home in Madison, Kent maintains the lawn and landscape beds. Susan builds the soil, weeds and plants the flowers.

Susan Day Parker was raised in the small community of Argyle Florida just outside of DeFuniak Springs. DeFuniak Springs, located in the panhandle of Florida, is the home of the second most perfectly round natural lake in the world. You go through there on the way to the beaches of Grayton and Seaside. Susan would ride the school bus around the Circle Drive on the lake yard. Always admiring the Victorian homes with stunning southern gardens inspired her to learn more about plants.

Photos of Susan as a toddler, show her holding shastas and cannas. Growing up, neighbors would swap plants and give her growing tips. She was raised picking blueberries with her grandpa, then taking the hamper to town to sale. Her mother, grandmother and great aunt introduced her to gardenias, impatiens, sultanas, petunias, hen and chicks, the century plants and cottage gardening. Individuals shared their knowledge of crinum lilies, camellias, azaleas, and daylilies. On Sunday rides to see the creek banks and bogs, the pine forest and grassy savannas, her dad showed her pitcher plants, Grancy Greybeard, native azaleas, oakleaf hydrangea, mountain laurel, sweet bay magnolia and the “cowcumber” or *Magnolia macrophylla*.



Susan Parker (F'17)

Susan graduated from Okaloosa Walton Jr. College, now Northwest Florida State College in Niceville, FL. She worked for two years at the Walton County Extension Office under a county program. The agents encouraged Susan to continue her education and assisted her in finding an apartment and a job upon her arrival at Auburn. She worked at Auburn Nursery, owned by the late Dr. Joe Norton, and assisted Dr. Norton, horticulture professor and researcher, by collecting data for research on watermelons, cantaloupes, plums and human hair as a deer repellent. The horticulture program at Auburn introduced Susan to all aspects of the industry and nourished her love of plants. She majored in Horticulture – Fruits and Vegetables, however studied care and maintenance with Dr. Harry Ponder, landscape design and floral design with the late Dr. Henry Orr.

Upon graduation from Auburn University in 1981 with a BS in Horticulture, Susan and Kent were married and moved to Huntsville, where Kent was employed by Huntsville Hospital. Susan worked a year for a bank then worked at a local farm supply store building a lawn and garden business. During this time, Susan assisted the corporate office traveling the state teaching plant id, product knowledge and merchandising lawn and garden products. In her limited spare time Susan taught plant identification and landscape design with the UAH continuing education program. Susan was selected to be the Director of Lawn and Garden at the cooperative office for an Alabama based agribusiness supplier. There she developed green goods, garden supply and plant protection programs including buying, selling and merchandising. She also answered lawn and garden calls from retail customers and store personnel, presented programs across Alabama to retail customers, garden clubs, master gardeners and civic organizations. Susan remained in this position, supplying over 60 locations, until January 2017; completing over 35 years in the lawn and garden industry.

So, onto the next chapter. Since dealing with numbers, dollars and products Susan wanted to relearn communication of plants and with people. She entered the Fall 2017 Master Gardener course to improve her plant terminology such as plant physiology. Susan graduated December 2017 with Morgan County Master Gardeners and is now a member. She graduated in November 2018 with Madison County.

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Give A Hand

The Give a Hand winner for October 2019 was Alice Brigman for going above and beyond helping out at the Farmers Market. The November Give A Hand Winner was Carolyn Wade for always being willing to assist and help whenever needed. There was no Give-a-Hand in December due to the Christmas Social. Please take a moment to fill out a Give A Hand Nomination form at our next meeting to recognize a hard-working fellow Master Gardener!

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Susan travels every 5 to 6 weeks to visit her 89-year-old mother Rosetta Day and her Florida siblings Charlie, John and Sarah. She tries every trip, to enjoy the beauty of the Defuniak Springs area by walking the lake yard to look at the camellias or visiting the native garden at the oldest library in the state of Florida. This last trip, she attended a master gardener workshop on camellias.

Her summer garden in Madison peaks with daylilies blooming the first and second week of June. She returned to the plants of her childhood by planting a garden which would withstand the Alabama hot dry weather. Tough performers include Shasta daisies, Sheffield mums, daylilies, Stokes asters, zinnias, crinum lilies and *Lycoris radiata* spider lilies.

Susan says she can always learn some fact, tip or gardening opinion every day. The master gardener seminars and lunch 'n' learns add different viewpoints to gardening. However, she is challenged with professional presentation needed for her professional state license of Ornamental Turf Pest Control, Setting of Plants and Landscape Design. Over the years she has attended presentations and met and attained, autographs of well know horticultural speakers. The azalea expert, the late Fred Galle of Callaway Gardens, was her first autograph. Others include Don Shadow, Dr. Michael Dirr (University of Georgia) and Lois Trigg Chaplin former Southern Living Garden editor.

In the 80's Susan, watched the Master Gardener program develop under Gary Murray as well as the Huntsville Botanical Gardens. Now Susan has the time to participate, share, learn and expand more garden ideas. These past two years at HBG Susan has tended Mr. Mike Gibson's collections of conifers, allium and many other hard to find plants. She also assisted Cody McWhorter in the greenhouse and Pam Marshall with the Kitchen garden. She is looking forward to guiding the DVG with different demonstrations in 2020. She is currently on the Crape Myrtle Bark Scale task force bringing awareness to the public to recognize the symptoms and damage the pest exhibits on the extensively planted crape myrtle, and on responsible control and methods to prevent its spread and to update the public on the newest data regarding the pest. She is a volunteer as a plant guru at the annual Morgan County plant sale. She pots numerous plants for both the Morgan County and the MGNA plant sales.

She enjoys sharing information about plants and influencing individuals to grow and love plants and enter a related field of horticulture.



Christmas Social (continued)

Helen Carr (W'98)

We gave the Charlie Brown tree centerpieces that Barbara Stansky made as door prizes. Each had one large collectible Hallmark ornament on it in Charlie's fashion.

Everyone looked so full of joy as if they had seen Santa Claus. Alice Brigman almost couldn't eat as she tried to capture all with her camera. Santa was not there but he had been there and left his bundle of gifts. With surprise and excitement we counted them and there were 70 something, enough for almost everyone there. I looked for Santa to remind him of his "bundle" but in the dark I only heard him exclaim "A Merry Christmas to All and to all a Good Night!"

Later, I discovered that he had many elves helping him make gifts including Carol Milton, Cyndi Lindblom, Carolyn Wade, Rosie Rymut and Helen Carr. So many elves helped bring greenery, decorate, set-up and clean up the room including Debi Bonkoski, Anna Bright, Elouisa Stokes, Allyson and Owen Hofer, Carolyn Peters, Alice Brigman, Alice Lawler, Ann Tippie, Margaret and Jim Mullen, Penny Osmer, Kendra Spadoni, Barbara Stansky, Candy Trowbridge and Helen Carr.



2019 MGNA Awards

Barbara Stansky (W'17)

This year there were four awards given out: **Friend of Master Gardener Award:** Michelle Quarles (from the Farmer's Market); **Intern of the Year:** Eileen Tully; **Master Gardener of the Year:** Susan Parker and **New Initiative Award:** Farmers Market.

Michelle Quarles: In late 2018, Michelle petitioned the Farmers Market and the Madison County Commission for permission to allow MGNA to use the east end market storefront for classes or any other project that MGNA deemed appropriate. Since then, MGNA has hosted information sessions, weekend Make & Take classes, as well as utilized the opportunity to promote our missions and display our projects. Michelle utilized the Farmer's Market Facebook page to enable us to promote our events and our presence in the community.

Eileen Tully: Since Eileen graduated from the Fall 2018 class, she has volunteered with Horticultural Therapy, the plant sales at the farmer's market and the Huntsville Botanical Gardens, worked the help desk at the Madison County Extension office, the Demonstration Vegetable Garden, and volunteered with the Tri County Master Gardener class.

Susan Parker: Susan worked diligently on the Crape Myrtle Bark Scale Task Force. She contacted many garden centers to see what products they had for control of this problem and also explained to these centers the impact of Crape Myrtle Bark Scale. Susan attends our meetings regularly, planned, planted and cared for the Kitchen Garden at the HBG, works at Dot's Greenhouse and assists at the Demonstration Vegetable Garden.

New Initiative Award: The Farmers Market program. Ann Tippie and team did a wonderful job on promotion, make and take projects, speakers and just all round support for the MGNA. In case you haven't heard about the program....Every Saturday (April through October) MGs are at the Farmers Market from 10 - 2 and they answer questions about the Master Garden program, plant problems, etc. They have a project pertaining to gardening to make and take home once a month. Also they have speakers periodically talking about some aspect of gardening.

Jane R. Parks Memorial Grant

Janet Boothe (W'06)

The Jane R. Parks Memorial Grant was established in 2012 as a memorial to a mother and a MGNA member. This grant supports educational horticultural projects in Madison County. The 2019 recipients of the grant were:

First Stop, Inc. – Their mission is focused on reducing homelessness. Connecting them to valuable services, and empowering them to become sustainably inde-

pendent. Using their greenhouse and raised beds they teach gardening skills along with planning and marketing skills.

Madison Elementary School – Using their outdoor classroom the students will begin planting crops in late winter. They will experience firsthand the system that gets food from the farm to the table and environmental effects on the process.

Monte Sano PTA – Their goal is

to update and expand their Outdoor Classroom with additional learning stations and a vegetable garden. They hope to produce enough vegetables to create a Monte Sano farmers market.

The Grant committee is comprised of Janet Booth, Sue Bish and Suzanne Kirkhuff.

Donations to the Jane R. Parks Memorial Grant are deeply appreciated and are tax deductible.

Farmers Market

Ann Tippie (W'12)



On November 9, we had eleven people attend the Santa gourd “make and take” at the Madison County Farmer’s Market. There were two patterns offered and, of course, some people elected to use their own ideas. Participants were given supplies to coat their Santas with protective sealer at home.



Making birdseed ornament feeders at the Farmer’s Market in October.

Purple Perilla

Cookie Kruvand (W'99)



Purple Perilla *Perilla frutescens*

aka: Shiso, Perilla Mint, Beefsteak Plant, Chinese basil, wild basil, blueweed, Joseph's coat, wild coleus

The Latin word *frutescens* means shrubby or bushy and refers to this plant's growth habit. It has a square stem that is characteristic of the plants in the mint family. Perilla is considered an ornamental plant and it is cultivated for its colorful foliage, purple, green, or a combination of both. Some varieties are more ruffled than others. These plants give off a distinctive, aromatic, sweet-minty odor when the stems and leaves are crushed. It is an annual that grows anywhere from sun to deep shade, and self-seeds prolifically. In Tennessee it is considered an "escaped ornamental" which has become a weed pest.

Herbal Uses

Perilla is a cultivated crop in East Asia where it is called Shiso. The leaves are used as seasoning in several Asian cuisines, and the seed is used for cooking oil and fuel. Native Americans of the Rappahannock tribe used perilla mint as an ingredient of a blood medicine. Currently, Perilla is used for treating asthma, nausea, sunstroke, inducing sweating, and to reduce muscle spasms. In manufacturing, perilla seed oil is used in the production of varnishes, dyes, and inks.

Perilla Poisoning

Despite its many uses for people, Perilla is very poisonous to cattle and other ruminants (goats), as well as horses. All plant parts are toxic, especially the flowering structures. Dried plants in hay can be toxic, but the greatest risk is associated with consumption of fresh plant material, especially if flowers and fruit are present. Perilla contains ketones that cause acute respiratory distress syndrome in cattle (ARDS), also called panting disease. Treatment is often ineffective. Although these plants can occur anywhere in a pasture or feed lot, they typically favor semi-shaded environments, and are most frequently located around farm structures, edges of woods and along fence rows.

Perilla and Coleus

Although they are related in as much as they are both in the broader mint family, and despite the name "wild coleus", Perilla is not Coleus. The ornamental plants sold last year as Magilla Perilla and Vanilla Perilla were mislabeled and have been definitively determined to be varieties of Coleus, not perilla. Coleus is not edible, and can even be toxic. Changes in classification and labeling are underway. More on that at <https://garden.org/ideas/view/rattlebox/2111/Perilla-Magilla-vs-Perilla-vs-Coleus/>

2020 AMGA State Conference

Sue Khory(W'13)

As most of you know the 2020 Annual State Conference will be held in Mobile this year, and it's earlier than normal: March 30-April 1. The Mobile Flower Show is the weekend of March 28 so hotel rooms are filling up fast. If you plan to attend the Conference and want to stay at the Conference hotel the AMGA discount will apply if you book using the link or phone number below. It's suggested that you book as soon as you've decided to attend if you care about staying at the Renaissance.

The Registration form can be found on the AMGA website at <https://reg.planetreg.com/amga2020>.

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Soapmaking Demonstration

Ann Tippie (W'12)

There were 16 attendees at the very entertaining morning session of the Soapmaking Demonstration Workshop given Thursday, November 21, 2019, by Doty Henry and Pam Price. Listening to Doty and Pam banter back and forth was almost as entertaining as the soap demonstration itself!

The afternoon session was equally entertaining. There were 15 attendees and several wrote comments regarding their cute personalities and fun manner. They were a great team!

We laughed a lot while learning how to make, melt and pour soap.

Everyone received two bars of turmeric soap and two people at each session went away with a full size bar of homemade soap as door prizes.



DVG Update

Carolyn Wade (W'12)

While the Demonstration Vegetable Garden may have been put to sleep for the winter, the work goes on. Raised beds that need to be replaced have been identified, blocks have been purchased and are ready for the next work day. Plans are in place to add a stone walk way to the entrance by the shed, seeds have been inventoried and the reins have been handed over. (YAY!!) Susan Parker is the 2020 chair for the DVG – and I think it will be in excellent hands. Susan has already started researching demonstration beds to get some new ideas.

Thanks to all those who volunteered with the DVG this year. While we may not have grown thousands of pounds of produce, we did give visitors something to talk and think about. We had our first DVG blog, thanks to Karen Hansberger. We added larger educational signs thanks to the HBG and we gave many tours thanks to the wonderful volunteers who came out weekly to help.

Many thanks to the group of Advanced Master Gardeners who gave up their morning in October to come out and prune the blue berry bushes and our 3 fig trees. They look great and will hopefully produce some great fruit this year.

Watch your email for a note from Susan about our first work day after the first of the year or email her at susan.par96@gmail.com if you are interested in helping out.



Pumpkin Mania Workshop

Helen Carr (W'98)

What comes to mind when you think of October? If you were a child I believe Halloween would be it. With so many fall festivals and pumpkin patches around, that might also cross your mind along with choosing the right costume and carving your pumpkin. Oh what excitement!

But for us adults the pumpkin thought might be more of that healthy pumpkin-bread, muffins and pie for Thanksgiving. We decorate with pumpkins outside but have you really thought of decorating inside with pumpkins besides just setting them around or on the table? Our first presenter, Gloria Uhl showed us how to use three pumpkins to make holiday table centerpieces. One was a small white pumpkin fitted with an orange tall candle and holiday ring. These could be grouped or set in a line down the center of your holiday table or used on multiple small tables. The second, middle size was a round orange pumpkin carved out enough for a beautiful full flowered chrysanthemum to be the focal point with a little packing straw tucked in around the base. The third was a larger whitish green-blue pumpkin that she carved the stem out to lower and glue in a large orange candle then glued a layer of sphagnum peat moss and artificial green leaves, succulents, red-brown grapes and pine cones. We all drooled. She made the presentation comical and all three decorated pumpkins were given away to grace three participant's holiday tables.

Master Story Teller, Cookie Kruvand mesmerized the audience, by telling of all the past folk lore and the pumpkin fairy tales like Cinderella's pumpkin coach, Peter the Pumpkin Eater, etc. We heard of what different states and countries call pumpkins (gourds, etc.), how they use them and how to grow them. She passed out handouts with detailed instructions on how to grow pumpkins, another about the Colonial and Political Pumpkin and yet another with Pumpkin recipes like New England "Stewed Pompion", Baked Glazed Squash or pumpkin, Thomas Jefferson's Monticello Pumpkin Soup, Colonial Pumpkin Pie and Steamed Pumpkin Pudding.

Everyone was reminded of the upcoming Master Gardener Field Trip to Tate's Cotton Pick'n Pumpkin Farm (Note this was canceled due to weather.)



Morris Update

Carolyn Wade (W'12)

Morris volunteers are taking a well-earned break. What a semester it has been. Stephanie Boyd and her volunteers have been working with two 6th grade special needs classes on Tuesdays. They have been doing special projects in the greenhouse – growing onions, pineapples and other veggies using the ends or ‘seeds’ that the kids brought to class. They are maintaining the worm bin in the greenhouse while also seeing if they can keep worms in their outside garden bed over the winter. Their outside bed is covered and the food for the worms is placed in a large pipe in the middle of the garden. The group went to the Huntsville Botanical Garden one day, not to see the flowers, but to see how the garden worked. Stephanie lined up HBG workers to talk with the kids about their jobs. What a great experience.

Carolyn Wade and her group are working with a 5th grade class planting veggies in their raised beds and propagating lilies, hosta, basil, begonias and more. They are doing such an awesome job and are so excited each week for garden class. Many thanks to the volunteers for our 5th grade class. Due to some needed surgery, I have been unable to attend classes since Thanksgiving – but they are picking up the slack. The classes have gone on with guest speakers and some of the volunteers will be conducting classes in January as well.

If you would like to join either group – we would love to have you. Stephanie works with the 6th graders on Tuesdays around 1pm and the 5th graders meet on Wednesday at 1215. We also have need for someone this spring to work with four 5th graders on Tuesdays at 1145 for about 30 minutes. A 5th grade teacher would like her kids to take over the courtyard gardens, but is asking for a MG to ‘teach’ them each week.

If you are interested in helping please let Stephanie Boyd (slboyd10@yahoo.com) or myself (Carolyn Wade) know (cbwade9@gmail.com).

Thanks to all those who participated in the book drive for the 5th graders. Every student was able to receive a new book for Christmas, talk about happy smiles. Thanks again for your help in fostering reading with this group of kids.



A Thank You From Outgoing Field Trip Chair

Allyson Hofer (W'04)

As outgoing chairman of the MGNA field trip committee for the past two years, I would like to thank the willing and able coordinators of some really enjoyable outings; also the members who participated in them. My hard-working committee members were Anna Bright, Helen Carr, Bill Fuller, Liz Gould, Owen Hofer, Brenda Myers, Brady Queen-Peden, Mary Jane Reumann, Ann Tippie and Ameree Young. Special thanks also go out to Libby Loose, who's always willing to open her lovely garden so many times! I also want to wish Ameree Young a good time planning some more fun and interesting field trips.

Thanks,
Allyson Hofer

Helping Hands

Jessica Thornburg (W'17)

A special thank you to the following for helping at the "Dorothy Thomas" Garden Day.

Kendra Spadoni, Beth Agee, Mellisa Kirkindall, Maureen Griffin, Dawn Nelson, Barbara and Hershell Mc Farlen, Pam Price, Nathan Benjamin, Sharon Darty, Michaelle Goforth, Jessica Thornburg, Jame-son Thornburg and Carla Auchterlonie.

Again, thank you for stepping up to help Dorothy and her daughter.



2020 Workshop Schedule

2020 MGNA Lunch 'n' Learn Workshops

Tuesdays 11:30-12:30

Dublin Park, 8324 Madison Pike, Madison, AL 35758

Date	Topic	Presenter
Feb 4	Seed Starting, Saving & Viability	Charlotte Haygood, Sand Mountain Seedbank
Feb 11	Planting for Pollinators	Jennifer Johnson, Janet Boothe & Melissa Kirkindall, Master Gardeners
Feb 18	Birds, Bats & Bees	Daphne Moland, Wheeler Wildlife Refuge
Feb 25	Everything Tomatoes	Dan Porch, Blount County Ext. Agent

2020 MGNA Education Workshops

Thursdays 10:00-12:00 (unless noted otherwise)

Alabama A&M Research Station, Hazel Green

Alabama A&M Agribition Center, 4925 Moores Mill Rd, Huntsville, AL 35811

Huntsville Botanical Garden, 4747 Bob Wallace Avenue, Huntsville, AL 35805

ACES Madison County Extension Office, 819 Cook Avenue, Huntsville, AL 35801

Hartlex Antique Gallery, 6515 University Drive, Huntsville, AL, 35806

Date & Time	Topic	Presenter	Location
Jan 16 10:00-12:00	Wormbeds & Hay Bales	Allyson Shabel	Agribition Center
Tuesday Mar 17 4:00-6:00 pm	Home Mushroom Propagation	Rhonda Britton	Research Station
June 4 4:00-6:00pm	Backyard Bee-keeping, Homegrown Honey	Trace Barnett	HBG Arbor
Sept 17 10:00-12:00	Native & Invasive Plants	Anna Bright Soozi Pline	ACES
Oct 15 12 – 1:30 2:30 – 4:00	Fall Flower Arrangements	Leslie Chittam	Hartlex Antique Gallery
Nov 19 10:00-12:00	Planting Bulbs for Spring	Janet Boothe	ACES

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Calendar of Events

January

Jan 6 MGNA Board of Directors Meeting. 12 pm - 2 pm, Madison County Extension Office, 819 Cook Ave, Huntsville.

president@mginfo.org

Jan 9 MGNA Monthly Meeting. 11:30 am - 1:30 pm pm, Speaker: Ms. Thompson with Harvest to Health , Murray Hall, Huntsville Botanical Garden, 4747 Bob Wallace Ave, Huntsville. www.mginfo.org

February

Feb 10 MGNA Board of Directors Meeting. 12 pm to 2 pm. Madison County Extension Office, 819 Cook Ave, Huntsville.

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Feb 13 MGNA Monthly Meeting 11:30 am to 1:30 pm. Program TBS; Murray Hall, Huntsville Botanical Garden, 4747 Bob Wallace Ave, Huntsville www.mginfo.org

March

Mar 9 MGNA Board of Directors Meeting. 12 pm to 2 pm, Madison County Extension Office, 819 Cook Ave, Huntsville.

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Mar 12 MGNA Monthly Meeting. 6 pm, Speaker: TBS. Murray Hall, Huntsville Botanical Garden, 4747 Bob Wallace Ave, Huntsville. www.mginfo.org

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