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GENERAL MEETING
6 PM WEDNESDAY
AUGUST 7
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LPMGA BOARD
MEETING
IRA NELSON
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(INHC)
1PM TUESDAY AUGUST 20

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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Greetings Fellow Master Gardeners

I hope you are enjoying some time with Family, many of you are taking vacations, whatever you choose to do please, watch the heat. The propagation team is hard at work, so if you have some time, please feel free to drop by the greenhouse. The Plantfest committee has already started planning and meeting on a regular basis, your involvement is always welcomed. Thanks to Colette and all who assist her. The new class will start on August 8th. and the search for additional mentors is still going on. I plan to have anyone who wants to be part of the school gardens to come join us on August 7th. at IRA Nelson Classroom at 1 p.m. for our School Garden Meeting. It is with a heavy heart that I end this column. We have lost Coach Robichaux, what a great role model to so many of young men. I am so lost for words and feel that it will be a great hardship for his family, as well as so many people that he had such an impact on. Our prayers go out to his family and all those that will miss him dearly. For a dear friend to us all the Master Gardener family, Mrs. Becky Taylor please accept our condolences and prayers to you and your family. I thank all of you for all you do for the Master Gardener Program and please be safe and hope you have done well due to the recent rains. I look forward to seeing you at our next meeting.

Have a Blessed Summer!

Juan Nieto, President LPMGA

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THE DEVENPORT REPORT: THE PROPER TIME TO WATER



With the heat index well into the 100's, watering plants is very important to their survival. There are many factors involved in watering such as the time of day, how much to water, etc. If asked, "When is the best time to water," I would answer "In the morning." This time of day allows the plant to accumulate the moisture it needs to help it make it through the whole day of heat and drought. If you are retired, if you do not work and can water at this time, that is great, or if you are fortunate enough to have a timed sprinkler system, watering at this time of day is much easier.

Watering in the middle of the day is not advisable due to the potential damage to plants and the waste of water due to evaporation. Watering at night will leave excessive moisture on the leaves of plants that may lead to disease development.

If you cannot water in the morning, my second recommendation would be in the late afternoon after you get home from work where the late evening sun will not cause issues and the foliage of the plants can dry more before dark thus reducing the chance of disease development.

Over-watering can be as devastating as under-watering! Remember that plant roots need oxygen and if water is occupying air space in the soil, roots will die and eventually the entire plant will die. When you walk on your lawn and it feels mushy, you need to hold off on water until it dries up completely. Deep watering is better than just giving a token watering that causes root development in the upper portions of the soil profile. By deep watering, roots can develop deeper into the soil, thus helping the plant to become more capable of surviving periods of drought and heat much better than if they were shallow watered.

LSU Ag Agent Dan Devenport

MEETINGS, REPORTS AND BOARD

2019 LPMGA General Meetings First Wednesday Monthly Except for July Daytime: 12:30pm Evening: 6 pm or 6:30pm	2019 LPMGA Board Meetings 1pm on Third Tuesday of each month Except for July
<i>Dates, times, topics and locations are subject to change</i>	
AUGUST 7, 6 pm	AUGUST 20, 1 pm
SEPTEMBER 4, 12pm Noon	SEPTEMBER 17, 1 pm
OCTOBER 2	OCTOBER 15, 1 pm
NOVEMBER 6	NOVEMBER 19, 1 pm
TUESDAY DECEMBER 3, 6PM SOCIAL/GRADUATION/AWARDS	DECEMBER 17, 1 pm

LPMGA GENERAL MEETING**SEPTEMBER 4, 12PM NOON****SOUTHSIDE LIBRARY****6101 JOHNSTON ST****LPMGA APPRECIATION MONTH**

Our Executive Board will dedicate the September General Meeting to thanking our membership for their hard work and dedication. Please make every effort to attend this meeting. Light refreshments will be served.

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KUDOS**Kudos to Judy Corne**

For LPMG's volunteers that work at the Ira Nelson Demo beds and gardens, Judy's work as the Cottage Keeper is greatly appreciated. She always has the coffee hot and tasty snacks available. She keeps the cottage clean and organized, and keeps up with inventory for the cottage and the demo gardens.

Thanks Judy!

PLANTFEST

September 28, 2019

The LPMGA fall plant sale is coming fast and we need to start making our list of volunteers and planning our merchandise.

This is a great opportunity for members of the 2019 Master Gardener Class to earn hours and meet their fellow MGs.

VOLUNTEERS Are Needed:

Heather Warner-Finley, our **Propagation** chair, will need folks on Friday starting around 1PM to help move plants and benches. We will need trucks and trailers as well as bodies. We will also need volunteers to work on Saturday from 7:30 AM. Heather 501-9296

Cinde Risinger needs donations for our raffle. We are looking for a combination of big ticket and small bundled items. These should be garden related items like garden tools, statues, pots, wagons, books on gardening...can be new or slightly used. Cinde 250-1243

Gail Wakefield is looking for gardening books and magazines to offer for sale. Go though those old books and magazines and give her a call. Or text at 288-8058

Alice Blakewood is in charge of our Children's Activities this year and she will need volunteers to help her out. Alice text 303-2120

WHAT PLANT AM I?

I'm a perennial deciduous shrub or, when pruned, small tree, native to Texas and New Mexico. I grow best in slightly alkaline dry, rocky, or sandy soil which is well-drained. My branches are horizontal to ascending, with 12 inch long leaves and smaller paired leaflets with a terminal leaf. In fall, these leaves turn a bright golden yellow. I can also be grown in containers if they're large enough for my long root.

From March through June, I produce a profusion of pink flowers with prominent stamens, which are fragrant. They are attractive to bees, which produce a fragrant honey, and to moths and butterflies. I am a larval host to the Henry's Elfin butterfly. My fruit is a 3-lobed capsule which is reddish-brown when ripe. They contain 3 light-brown to black shiny seeds which are poisonous, although children have been known to use them as marbles. My pods persist throughout winter.

I am propagated by seeds gathered from August to October when the capsules begin to open. They are best planted fresh. I am rapid growing, drought tolerant, non-invasive, and not plagued by pests.

Do you know what plant I am?

Look for the answer on page 7

DECEMBER SOCIAL

DATE CHANGE

This year the LPMGA
December Social And
Master Gardener Class
Graduation
will be held on **TUESDAY**
instead of Wednesday.

The 2019 Social will be
TUESDAY,
DECEMBER 3, 6 PM
at the Petroleum Club

Please mark your calendars early
and plan to attend.

“TOP TEN VOLUNTEERS” IS BACK FOR 2019

LPMGA will award the 10 members
with the most recorded volunteer
hours with a **\$20** gift certificate to be
used at our plant sales. These will be
awarded at our Social on Tuesday, De-
cember 3rd.

*Volunteer Hours for Top Ten
Consideration must be performed and
recorded from
January 1, 2019 to
11:59pm on November 30, 2019*

Contact Volunteer Coordinator
Louann Long (337) 501-7998
With Any Questions

LPMGA APPRECIATION MONTH

SAVE THE DATE

LPMGA GENERAL MEETING
SEPTEMBER 4, 2019
12:00 PM
Southside Library
6101 JOHNSTON ST, LAFAYETTE

*As an organization we are only as
good as our members, and we have
got the best!*

The September 4th General
Meeting will be devoted to
thanking all of our members for
their hard work and dedication.
Light refreshments will be served
and a special program is planned.
Don't miss this meeting as we
celebrate our accomplishments,
highlight our Committee activities
and thank our volunteers.

LEARN THE ART OF
GARDENING IN THE SOUTH

Master Gardeners Lecture Series At The Eastside Library

LPMGA is offering a
continuing lecture series at the
Eastside Library
215 La Neuville Road, Youngsville
Thursday, August 15, at 6:30pm

The lecture series is open to the public and
earns 1 hour of Continuing Education.

Please contact the Library at
(337) 445-3168 for more details

Upcoming Events of Interest

SAVE THE DATE

St. Tammany Master Gardener Association
in conjunction with the LSU AgCenter presents

THE 2019 FALL SEMINAR AUTUMN *The Second Spring*

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Questions? Contact Mary Kathryn Villere
(985)373-2950 or info@stmastergardener.org



Garden Talks Return In September!

ALL SEASONS
NURSERY
2974 Johnston St,
Lafayette

**SPEAKERS ARE NEEDED
FOR THE SEPTEMBER,
OCTOBER AND
NOVEMBER TALKS!**

This is a great way for
LPMGA to
offer an important
educational outreach.
Contact Colette Anzalone
at
337-288-0283
if you are interested in
speaking.

Garden Talks earn one hour of
Continuing Education

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speakers and events



Its not too early
to start your
cuttings and save
your flower and
vegetable seeds
for the

LPMGA Fall Plant and Seed Swap

For more information email
plantswap@lpmga.org

Alice Boucher School Changes Garden Plan for 2019-2020



Alice Boucher Master Gardener volunteers recently celebrated the end of school garden year with a visit to the Bus Stop Bistro in Carencro. The restaurant was recently opened by chef Charles Von Aspern who has served as volunteer chef for the SGI Cook Off for 3 years. Pictured are Carole Broussard, Mary Kramer, Chef Charles, Theresa Guidry and Mary Siegel.



SGI Master Gardener school volunteers at Alice Boucher Elem. met after school was out to re-model the school garden for the 2019-20 school year. MGs who assisted were Theresa Guidry, Mary Siegel, Carole Broussard and Mary Kramer, AB volunteers. Also assisting were Juan Nieto and John Fontaine.

LPMGA SUSTAINING MEMBERS

LINDA ALESI	TERRY ANSEMAN	GLENDA BALLIVIERO	NORMAN BALLIVIERO	CANDY BIENVENU	ALICE BLAKEWOOD
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**Thank you all for your contributions and continuing support of
 Lafayette Parish Master Gardeners Association.
 Our Volunteers are our foundation of our organization
 and your commitment to the Mission and Goals of LPMGA is truly appreciated.**

WHAT PLANT AM I?

ANSWER



**Ungnadia
speciosa:
Mexican
Buckeye**



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**From clematis and orchids, to lawn care and
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 channel has a great selection of material
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 own garden.**

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Observations From Outside

LPMGA FIELD TRIP TO SHANGRI LA BOTANICAL GARDEN & NATURE CENTER



DESIGN WITH ORNAMENTAL PEPPERS

LIZARD TERRITORIAL DISPUTE

MADE NEW FRIENDS

An easy drive to Orange Texas and we were at the Garden. They are divided into areas, such as Hanging and Sculpture gardens, Epiphyte House, and different garden rooms. The Star & Crescent Moon Café has a interesting menu with awesome food. We had a great time.



COOL SPOT TO REST NEXT TO THE LAKE

UNIQUE CONTAINER GARDENS

VOLUNTEER AND CE HOURS

Please remember to record your Volunteer and CE hours. If you need help recording or resetting User Names or Passwords contact Volunteer Coordinator Louann McClelland-Long mglouann@gmail.com. The deadline for recording hours is December 15th.



CATEGORY	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	June	YTD
4H & Other Youth Activities	43	66.40	88.25	23.0	72.5	11.5	304.65
Attending Bus/Admin Meetings	13.0	51.0	15.0	16.5	7.9	8	111.4
Civic & Community	351.75	405.40	440.30	527.0	400.5	161.75	2398.1
Continuing Education (Preparing/presenting CE Material)	5.50	0	10.15	18.0	12.0	0	45.65
Extension Activities	44	27.50	51.50	48.95	20.0	22.25	214.2
LMG Teaching Activities	10	29.00	45.75	32.25	18.5	23.15	158.65
Volunteer Activities Totals	411.25	544.30	545.95	665.70	531.40	226.65	2925.25
Continuing Education Totals (In Activity Menu-the required 6hrs)	90.55	118.50	75.50	86.5	90.0	56.6	517.65

WELCOME MASTER GARDENER CLASS OF 2019



The members of LPMGA hope that you enjoy this unique educational opportunity and look forward to welcoming you as fellow Master Gardeners

Virginia Atkins	Brandy Babineaux	Alice Begneaud	Anna Bernard
Brenda Blanchard	Akemi Briggs	Janis de la Houssaye	Mary Domingue
Margaret 'Bootsie' Durand	Marti Erny	Denise Files	Jenny Fredericks
Carolyn Freeland	Mary Lib Guercio	Eston Hammer	Jacqueline Hardy
Patsy Hebert	Shawn Hebert	Joni Hill	Nicole Ryane Johnson
Amanda LaFleur-Gianbrone	Linda Landry	Germaine Lattier	Trey Lively
Barbara McConnell	Priscilla McElroy	Peggy Musser	Christopher Pothier
Cecil 'Slick' Rogers	Cindy Rynott	Anny Taylor	

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AUGUST 7 – GENERAL MEETING SOUTHSIDE LIBRARY 12:00 PM

AUGUST 20 – LPMGA BOARD MEETING IRA NELSON HORTCENTER 1 PM

AUGUST 8-OCTOBER 31 – 2019 MASTER GARDENER CLASS

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SEPTEMBER 28-LPMGA PLANTFEST

OCTOBER 30 – DEADLINE FOR OUTSTANDING MASTER GARDENER AWARD NOMINATIONS

NOVEMBER 30 – DEADLINE FOR VOLUNTEER HOURS FOR “TOP TEN” VOLUNTEERS CONSIDERATION

PLEASE NOTE DATE CHANGE-

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 3 AT 6PM

LPMGA DECEMBER SOCIAL, GRADUATION, AWARDS AND RECOGNITIONS

DECEMBER 15TH – DEADLINE TO RECORD 2019 VOLUNTEER AND CONTINUING EDUCATION HOURS

Gardener's Gazette is issued to all members of the Lafayette Parish Master Gardeners' Program. All members are encouraged to submit news, educational features, and photographs. The deadline for all submissions is the 17th of each month for publication in the next month's issue unless otherwise noted.

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