

March Meeting Topic **Raised Planter Beds** for Vegetable Gardening

> Speaker Lori Miller

Date April 9<sup>th</sup>



# Location Zoom

### **Continuing Education** Easier on the Knees: Raised Planter Beds for Vegetable Gardening

Lori Miller is a University of Maryland Alum with a degree in Civil Engineering. For twenty-two years, she implemented those skills as an environmental engineer for the U.S. Department of Agriculture. As part of the Annapolis community, Lori has served as the project manager for the Yard to Table Project, an initiative launched to address food insecurity in low-income neighborhoods. Through coordination with community members and city officials as well grant applications, Lori



has designed and built twenty-one raised tables for the Clay Street Community of Annapolis with nine more to be built and delivered. Gardeners have successfully planted seeds, cared for and harvested fresh produce for themselves. Her table design, with input from community members, has provided a safe and comfortable way for gardeners to work in limited space. The work has been hard, but the smiles are worthwhile.

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The **Compost and Native Gardens project at Quiet Waters Park** is having a **Spring Cleanup** on Saturday, April 6<sup>th</sup> from 9 AM-1 PM. If you are available to join us for two or three hours, we can really use your help. Please email <u>Pam Dennison</u> or text 240-381-4174 if you will be attending.

Planting Event Forest Restoration Project Park Retreat Subdivision, Millersville Sunday, April 7 1:30 – 4:00

The NATIVES are HERE, and they're ready to be planted!!! After one year of pulling, cutting, or otherwise removing invasives, a large portion of Forest Conservation Area #9 is ready for planting. There are approximately 160 native plants that need to be planted. Bring your favorite planting tools and, if available, two buckets (one for Leaf Gro and one for wood chips). The soil is a sandy loam, which makes digging in it easy. Enter 103 Natalie Lane, Millersville into your GPS. Follow the walking trail to the left of the house until you find people and plants. Any amount of time that you can give will be greatly appreciated!!! Volunteer hours are given for this project (say that Fran Garcia approved this project). Contact Andrea Weir for more information (andreawei@msn.com or 443-679-6627).





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# GIANT Plant Swap at the Bee Lab

Saturday, April 6<sup>th</sup> from 10:00 AM- 12:00 PM, people who have plants to swap will bring their plants and either keep them in the trunk of their car or put them on a tarp by their car. The Bee Lab will have a ton of material out on a tarp too. Everyone there can then swap plants (native only, please) with each other. This is a good chance to divide your plants and refresh your beds with new material to add to the biodiversity of your yard. If you have plants in pots; also fine and dandy.



If you don't have plants to swap, you're not out of luck because from 12–2:00, it is "Plant Grab" time and anything leftover from the swap period is open for grabbing by anyone even if you did not bring anything.

Every five flowers generates a new baby bee.

Note that if you have things to do for your community material, you can also come on Saturday during the usual 10-2:00 time.

Update on the plant babies: Some have sprouted a tiny bit, but it has been chilly and most are still sleeping. Check out the winter sown seeds if you want to what you can do at home.

Sam Droege



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Quiet Waters Spring Cleanup	<mark>Saturday,</mark> April 6 <sup>th</sup>	Quiet Waters Park, Hillsmere Dr., Annapolis	
Park Retreat Planting Event	Sunday, April 7 <sup>th</sup> 1:30-4:00	<mark>103 Natalie</mark> Lane Millersville	Andrea Weir or 443-679-6627
Mt. Cuba Trip	Thursday, April 11 <sup>th</sup> , 8:30 AM	Meet at the <b>Ext</b> <b>Office</b> 97 Dairy Farm Gambrills, 21054	Maxine Yoon https://www.eventbrite.com/e/80311813696
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The **Severna Park Ask-a-Master Gardener Plant Clinic Signup Genius** has been emailed to those who have indicated an interest in participating. If you are interested in being on a team or would like to be a substitute, please contact <u>Pam Hanna</u>

**South County Senior center-** workday Friday, April 19<sup>th</sup> at 4:00 PM (rain date: Saturday, April 20<sup>th</sup> at 9:00 AM)



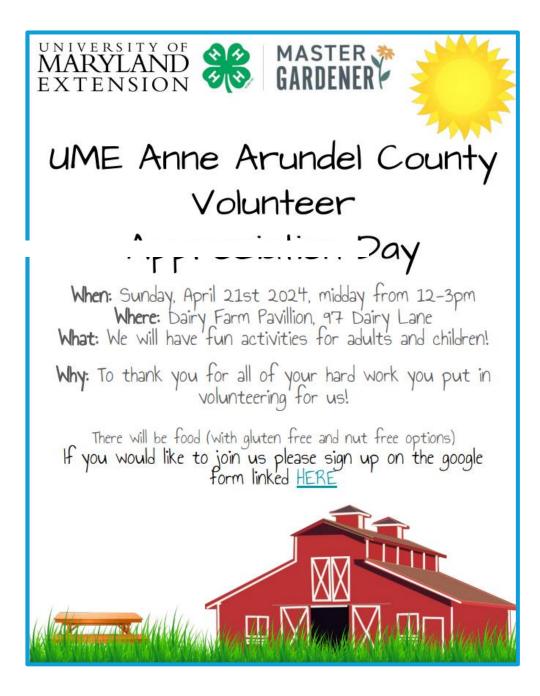
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# For Your Information



Sunday, April 21, 2024 Montgomery County 7325 Carroll Ave Takoma Park Md

10am-2pm

# **From Lauren Toomey**

It appears the season has officially kicked off. Now is the time to form your cadre of folks to participate at the Beelab for two or three visits to transplant seedlings. The potted seedlings will be placed in the irrigated pens and will continue to thrive and prosper until October. It is at this time that you may pick up an assortment of plants to

support your community projects. Note that what you transplant on the days your team is there, are not the specific plants or species you will receive in the fall. We presently have 52 flats of seedlings that are germinating. That does not include what the Beelab will release for transplant. That also does not include any diverse species we may pick from Bona Terra.

Upon pickup in October, you will be provided full-grown herbaceous straight species, perennials, and shrubs. You will be provided with a biodiverse palette based upon your growing environment (sun/shade). A minimum donation will be set later in the season. This is necessary to support operational costs (soil, pots, plant tags, markers, etc.) Looking forward to spending time with many enthusiastic folks this season and I thank you in advance for your support!

MG satisfaction survey. https://forms.gle/2a9XKxgKD566q jbX6



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What happens when it rains cats and dogs?

You have to be careful not to step on a poodle.

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Swap

<u>Speaker</u>

NA

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GARDENER

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# For more information, go to: Ecological Gardening Summit



#### Welcome spring and

delight in the sights and sounds of nature, art, and history at this fun festival for the entire family, SATURDAY, APRIL 27, 2024 10:00 AM - 4:00 PM

hosted by **Montpelier House Museum and Montpelier Arts Center**. Visit with vendors on the grounds, relax to live music in the Music Tent, attend a talk on gardening, tour the house museum, and indulge in a Picnic Tea Box with finger sandwiches, pastries and a scone inside (available to order starting April 1). At the Arts Center, you can see exhibits, visit artists' studios, watch demos, and attend a live performance. For more information go to

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# ONLINE MAY 8, 2024 NOON - 4:30PM ET

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Historic Linthicum Walks AAMG Project Location: 2295 Davidsonville Road, Gambrills, MD Upcoming work dates (all MGs are welcome)

- Monday April 29 (8-10am)
- Thursday May 9 (5-7pm)
- Thursday May 16 (5-7pm)
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The VMS has been reorganized and SITES have been moved to new ACTIVITIES. See the changes at <u>VMS codesR.pdf</u>







# **Celebrating National Volunteer Week!**

We want to send a special thank you to all of our Master Gardener volunteers! Some of you are just starting as new interns while others have been volunteering for many years. We appreciate all of you and the service you bring to your communities through teaching gardens, Bay-Wise consultations, public events, and more. I hope you've taken a moment this week to celebrate yourselves and your achievements!









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Cape St. Claire Plant Sale	Saturday, May 18 <sup>th</sup> 8 AM-2 PM	1223 River Bay Rd. Annapolis, 1401	<u>(20+) Annual Plant Sale   Facebook</u>
Maryland Native Pollinators, Max Ferlauto, Maryland DNR State Biologist	Thursday, June 6th 10:00 - 11:30 AM	580 Taylor Ave. Annapolis, 21401	Suzanne Weber
Beneficial Predators and Parasitoids, Maxine Yoon, UMD MG Coordinator for AACo	Thursday, July 18 <sup>th</sup> 9:30 AM - 12:00 PM	580 Taylor Ave. Annapolis, 21401	<u>Suzanne Weber</u>

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