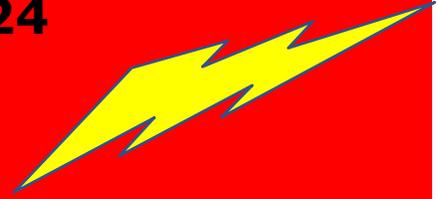




February 16, 2024

Friday Flash



March Meeting

Topic
TBA

Speaker
Mike Mastrota

Date
March 12th

Time
7:00

Location
Zoom

Continuing Education

The March Meeting topic will be presented by Mike Mastrota, Landscape Designer from American University. For more information about the property of AU, go to <https://www.american.edu/finance/facilities/arboretum-and-gardens.cfm>

More information to come.



ATTENTION ALL MASTER GARDENERS

If you are interested in an in-depth class on vegetable gardening, please sign up with Pat Shema ASAP as there is limited seating. This class will be held on **Saturday, February 24th, from 9-12**, at the Dairy Farm extension office. Contact [Pat Shema](#) or call 410-721-7610

BUS TRIP
**PHILADELPHIA FLOWER
SHOW**

The largest horticultural extravaganza in the United States
Sponsored by Friends of Helen Avalynne Tawes Garden, Inc.



Wednesday, March 6th
10:00 a.m. –8:00 p.m.

Cost of \$120/person includes luxury motor coach transportation, admission to the show, snacks, beverages and gratuity

Meet at Naval Academy Stadium parking lot, Gate #6 (Taylor Avenue), Annapolis

To register and for more information, please call 410-570-4465

All proceeds benefit the Helen Avalynne Tawes Garden Annapolis' only free public garden

Mt. Cuba Field Trip

We will be meeting at the AAC Extension Office on Thursday, April 11th at 8:30 AM and taking a UMD coach bus to Mt. Cuba. There we will take a Garden Enthusiast tour, have lunch together, and have some extra time to explore Mt. Cuba. More information and registration can be found here: <https://www.eventbrite.com/e/mount-cuba-center-garden-enthusiast-tour-tickets-803118136967?aff=oddtcreator> Act fast before they sell out! Tickets are \$60 before Eventbrite fees.





Interested in joining the **Ask-a-Master Gardener Plant Clinic** Team? Need a refresher on plant diagnostics? Join us for a "Watch Party" of the recording of the HGIC Fall Plant Clinic Training:
Saturday, Feb. 24th, 1PM-4PM
Snacks and beverages provided. [Sign up here](#)

For Your Information

VMS hours for 2/13 should be recorded as: Continuing Ed/Advance Training 1 hour
VMS hours for 2/15 should be recorded as: Continuing Ed/Monthly Meeting 2 hours.
Prep time and tear down hours should be recorded as: Admin/Admin Support

ANNUAL SPRING LECTURE
Presented By **BayPoint WEALTH**

Unity Gardens

MARCH 16 2024

NATIVE TREES & SHRUBS- WORKHORSES FOR OUR ECOSYSTEM

Join us to learn about how native plants support our environment and the challenges faced by our natives.

Doors Open 9:30 am
Coffee & Refreshments!
Raffle & Door Prizes!

FREE TOUR of London Town Gardens!

Program starts 10 am

Tickets: \$35

https://unitygardens.org/buy-tickets-now/

Historic London Town and Gardens
839 Londontown Rd.
Edgewater, MD 21037

For more information email unitygardensaa@gmail.com or visit www.unitygardens.org

Featuring **Ginger Woolridge**- Acclaimed author of "Essential Native Trees and Shrubs, The Guide to Creating a Sustainable Landscape."

Unity Gardens

Could your community use a grant for native plants?

Unity Gardens can help.

We fund:

- Homeowners Associations
- Faith-based Organizations
- School & Scout Groups
- Public Parks & Properties
- Garden Clubs

Other Qualified Nonprofits located in Anne Arundel County

APPLICATION WINDOW: January 15 - March 1



SCAN HERE TO APPLY NOW!

Visit www.unitygardens.org or email unitygardensaa@gmail.com for more information

This Spring, Unity Gardens will fund grants up to \$1000 for native perennials and up to \$3000 for native trees and shrubs!

From Mulch Matters-For anyone who has a Mulch Matters flier, please white out the phone number for the Extension Office and the email address as they are no longer viable.

Volunteer Opportunities

Four Rivers Garden Club will be hosting our 79th Annual Flower Mart on Sunday, April 28th from 10 AM- 1:30 p.m. at Maryland Hall. This event is held in conjunction with the Annapolis May Day wreath celebration and is very well attended. The Flower Mart Chairs, April Duncan and Cathy Oxford, are hoping to have an information table/tent staffed by Ask-A-Master Gardener this year. Last year Bay-Wise Representatives were able to come with lots of literature and information. Below is the link to our FRGC Facebook page. Please message us if you have any questions or need more information about this request. [Four Rivers Garden Club Facebook](#)



Garden Start-up



Tawes Garden is starting to come back to life, so we are thinking ahead to the 2024 season. Thank you to all who stopped by our display at the last MG meeting! We will have our first workday on Wednesday, March 20th. Available work hours are from 8am-12noon, every Wednesday thereafter. Volunteers are free to join us for as much or as little of that time slot as they wish. Tawes Garden is located via the Department of Natural Resources at 580 Taylor Ave. Because DNR is a state building, you need a photo ID to enter. Then just pass through the lobby and enter the garden. Free parking is available either directly in front of the DNR building or through Gate 6 of the Naval Stadium.

Bring small tools, water and gloves. Large tools such as shovels and rakes are provided by Suzanne Weber, the Tawes Horticulturist who helps direct our efforts in the garden. Likely the first tasks will be garden clean-up and weeding. It will be exciting to see what new growth is coming up from all our recent Unity Garden-funded planting projects!

Regular volunteer work events for **Hancock's Resolution** will be held on the 1st and 3rd Mondays from 9:30-12:30 (September dates - 2nd & 4th Mondays due to the Labor Day holiday.) Volunteers are also needed from 1:00-4:00 on Sundays. A few Sunday events will have extended hours. Volunteers are asked to register using [Anne Arundel County Master Gardeners: Volunteer Sign Up Hancock's Resolution](http://AnneArundelCountyMasterGardeners.com) (signupgenius.com)





There will be a workday at **Bates Gardens** on the 24th of February, 10 AM – 2 PM. Please bring hand tools and shovels. Interns are welcome. Service hours will be offered to schools' student gardeners.

Friday Funshine



[Annapolis Homeowners Expo](#)

Ask-a-Master Gardener Pop-Up Plant Clinic

Saturday, Feb 24

Time Slots: 10:00 AM-2:00 PM *We can close our booth down for Hilton's Presentation.*

2:00-6:00 PM

Sunday, Feb 25

Time Slots: 12:00-2:30 PM
2:30-5:00 PM

Hilton Carter will speak at noon on Saturday. You can buy one of his books (or like me bring your book collection in to get signed). You will enjoy his work as much as I do! For more information, contact [Sharon V. Smith](#)



EVENTS

Project/Activity	Date/Time	Location	Contact Information
Monthly Meeting	7-9:00 PM Tuesday, March 12 th	Zoom	Maxine Yoon
Pop-Up Ask a Master Gardener Clinic	Saturday, 2/24 10AM-6PM Sunday, 2/25 12 PM-5 PM	Byzantium Event Center 2747 Riva Rd. Annapolis, 21401	Sharon V. Smith
In Depth Vegetable Gardening	Saturday, Feb. 24 th 9 AM-12 PM	Extension Office 97 Dairy Farm Rd. Gambrills, 21054	Pat Shema
Diagnosing Plant Problems Watch Party	Saturday, Feb. 24 th , 1-4 PM	Extension Office 97 Dairy Farm Rd. Gambrills, 21054	Maxine Yoon sign up here
Bates Gardens workday	10 AM -2 PM		
EAB	9-10:00 AM 3 rd Wednesday monthly	Zoom Link	Maxine Yoon
Tawes Garden workdays	Wednesdays, beginning March 20 th 8 AM-12 PM	580 Taylor Ave. Annapolis, 21401	Cindy Wells
Hancock's Resolution	1st and 3rd Mondays from 9:30- 12:30	Hancock's Resolution 2795 Bayside Beach Rd. Pasadena, 21122	Anne Arundel County Master Gardeners: Volun (signupgenius.com)
Philadelphia Flower Show	Wednesday, March 6 th 10 AM-8 PM	Meet the bus at the Naval Academy Stadium Parking Lot, Gate #6	410-570-4465 for reservations
First day of Spring!	March 19 th		
Mt. Cuba Trip	Thursday, April 11 th , 8:30 AM	Meet the bus at the Extension Office 97 Dairy Farm Rd. Gambrills, 21054	Maxine Yoon https://www.eventbrite.com/e/803118136967?
Four Rivers Flower Mart	Sunday, April 28 th 10 AM-1:30 PM	Maryland Hall 801 Chase St. Annapolis, 21401	Four Rivers Garden Club Facebook

***Events upcoming this week**

For a readable copy, go to [And Justice for All](#)



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