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All the Dirt from the Memphis Area Master Gardeners

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The 2009 Annual Picnic: Something to Crow About

The Memphis Area Master Gardeners celebrated their Annual Picnic on September 10th in style, surrounded by the likes of Miss Birdie Waters, Rose-E, the Tin Man, Shrek, Elvis and Elizabeth Lawrence - all scarecrows on exhibit at the Lichterman Nature Center. Of course, the Master Gardeners were just slightly prejudiced when it came to our own "Miss Recycle Right" scarecrow entry - stylishly dressed and cleverly decorated by our Recycle Right Team - but were willing to share the top honors with "Taking Care of Birds," "Miss Birdie 5th Grade," the inimitable "Madame Butterfly," and "Bird Babe." Congratulations to all the winners and entries.

New Members: Finding Their Niche

As is tradition, the Annual Picnic is the first meeting for new MAMG members. Former interns from the 2009 class were still abuzz about the graduation ceremony in August. Tempia Caldwell noted it was a "class act, like everything else the Master Gardeners do!"

Throughout their 15-week course and beyond, most interns tried their hand at a variety of projects and volunteer opportunities, looking for just the right focus for their interests and talents. Teresa Caldwell commented on accidentally "discovering" Oaklawn Gardens, and her enjoyment of working under the tutelage of Master Gardener Julie Morgan. Others have found they gravitate to tree care, propagation or, like Oaklawn Gardens, taking care of other area garden treasures. Most tried their hand at vegetable gardening this summer and have branched out with new additions to their gardens.

The Master Gardeners at Work

With an introductory quote by poet Maya Angelou, "All great achievements require time," Extension Agent Dr. Chris Cooper recognized Lifetime and 5-year members, giving new and seasoned members alike impetus to not only continue to grow in their personal gardening knowledge, but to continue to be servants of our community as well.

Class coordinator David Sojourner recognized members who "made it all happen" when it came to the 2009 intern class and graduation; Don Wear encouraged all to

participate in the MAMG Speaker's Bureau; and Linda Taylor presented perfect attendance certificates to all who attended each meeting during the 2008/09 year.

Borrowing from another Maya Angelou quote, "Nothing will work unless you do," the Memphis Area Master Gardeners remain one of the premiere stewards of Shelby County, working together to continue to improve the area's visual appeal and educate the public about our precious environment. Master Gardeners, you have something to crow about!

—Anne Krekelberg, MG, 2009



THE DREAM TEAM GOES NATIVE AT MAMG'S FALL WEEKEND GARDENING SEMINAR

MAMG's fall Weekend Gardening Seminar will be Saturday October 31, 9am to 12noon at the Goldsmith Auditorium at Memphis Botanic Gardens.

This year's topic will be on gardening with native plants and will be lead by Memphis' horticultural "Dream Team." Admission will be: Botanic Garden Members - \$3, Public - \$5

Dream team panelists are: **Chris Cosby** - MBG horticulturist, **Jim Crowder** - Dan West horticulturist, **Lorie Emens** - Master Gardener, horticulturist at the Dixon, ISA Certified Arborist, **Diane Meucci** - Gardens OyVey currently landscaping the Mirimichi Eco Golf Course in Millington and **Jim Volgas** - Master Gardener, Urban Forester and ISA Certified Arborist.

Bring questions and an 18" piece of organic material if you need the Dream Team to offer an opinion on type of plant, disease, etc.

Spring Bulbs Are Coming!

Now is the time to select those magical packages that hibernate, just waiting to spring forth with their flowers, fragrance and leaves, called bulbs!

When browsing catalogs, I want it all. Should it be a collection of pink daffodils, including the fragrant Salome, or the impact of a single variety of tulip interspersed among the multi-colored pansy beds, or Snowdrops by the



Trout Lilly

stone walkway greeting me on late winter mornings? Is it the deep intense blue of the Wood Hyacinth, or our native petite Trout Lily in the woodland garden? Is it pots by

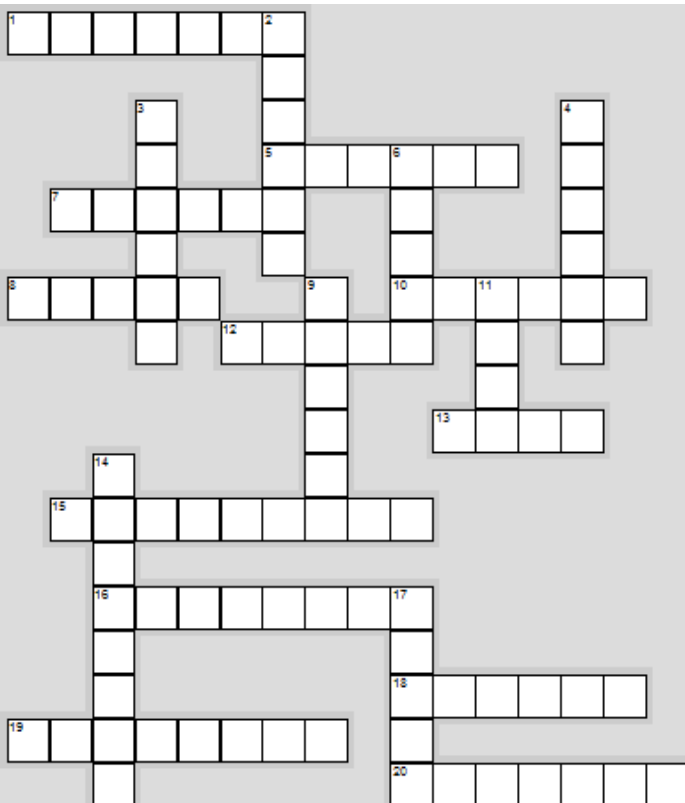
the doorway or patio overflowing with a single-bulb or a collection of tulips, daffodils, or hyacinths, selecting bulbs to bloom about the same time or ensuring blooms over a longer period of time?

Local daffodil expert, Cecilia Clanton has many favorites including the double daffodil, Flower Drift, and the exotic, Tahiti, in combination. My neighbor has allowed daffodils to naturalize under high shade on a hillside that I have the joy of viewing from my kitchen window. My guess is that they were planted when the house was built, more than fifty years ago. The first flush of daffodils begins in late February or early March. Those early bloomers are showy for weeks before the next, midseason bloomers begin. Once again I enjoy those flowers before the final flush of daffodils, giving me a show until early May. Then the daylilies begin! It is a glorious sight for months. This may be what I want to create in my yard, but

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Bulbs and Kin

by Genie and Bill Ashworth



ACROSS

1. A swollen underground stem
5. Tulip comes from Turkish word "tullibend" meaning
7. The leaves of this bulb appear after the flower is gone
8. This bulb, used as monetary exchange in 16th-17th centuries
10. Small bulb-like part growing above ground on leaf axil
12. Bulb-like but they only bloom one season
13. Buds with tiny scales on true tubers are called
15. Greek youth who fell in love with his own image
16. Originally came from South Africa
18. This edible tuber was used by the Aztecs
19. Breed of bovine with same name as a lily
20. What is the spice/dye from the stigmas of *Crocus sativus*

DOWN

2. Lily associated with a religious celebration
3. What bulb divides into cloves
4. This tuber has heart-shaped leaves which close @ night
6. They light the world
9. Sounds like a combination of bird's name and profanity
11. Best known scaly bulb is the _____
14. An offset of a bulb is called a _____
17. Begonias' original home was in the _____

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what do **you** want for your garden? Explore the options; they are unlimited!

There are a few rules to be followed when selecting bulbs. Most bulbs are happiest with well-drained soil, several hours of sunlight, planting at proper depth, and good air circulation. Most bulbs love to live and they will return year after year with minimal care, even with less than ideal conditions. For a natural look, group your bulbs in drifts and avoid the soldier-in-a-line look. If you want to naturalize your bulbs, plant them a little deeper than recommended to keep them from dividing too quickly. When selecting tulips in the Mid-South, treat them as annuals and replant every year, choosing a different location in the garden to discourage fungal disease. Plant late blooming tulips because an unexpected, but typical, cold snap inevitably wipes out earlier bloomers.

Ms. Clanton recommends purchasing bulbs from local nurserymen and well known mail-order houses rather than the big box retailers. These bulbs are reliably large, disease-free, and properly conditioned, resulting in a better growing and blooming season. Check your bulbs upon purchase to make sure they are heavy for their size and without rotten or soft spots. Bulbs often arrive with a light dusting of mold, but you can just wipe off, separate them, and give them a little air circulation to remedy this.

Spring bulbs require a two month cold-conditioning period. Plant them in advance of freezing temperature, a little before Thanksgiving, with a bit of bulb fertilizer poured into the hole. As an alternative, you may bring a bit of spring indoors during the cold winter months. Simply refrigerate them for the requisite two months in the refrigerator's vegetable crisper with sufficient space in between them before planting in fresh potting soil in a container that provide adequate drainage. Crowd them in your selected container for a greater impact. Keep the container in a cool dark place, making sure they don't freeze or dry out. Bring the bulbs into your warm house when they are a couple of inches high, watering as needed. Daffodil or tulip bulbs will bloom in about 6 weeks, and sooner

for smaller bulbs. Enjoy!

I've recently been introduced to "Texas Tulips" but have not planted them. These bulbs have a much shorter chill time and although smaller than our typical tulip, they are very hearty. Available through websites, they should do very well in our Zone 7, Mid-South region, perhaps returning another year.



Texas Tulip

If you are in search of bulbs that are deer and rodent resistant, you have more options than daffodils. You can count on scilla, hyacin-



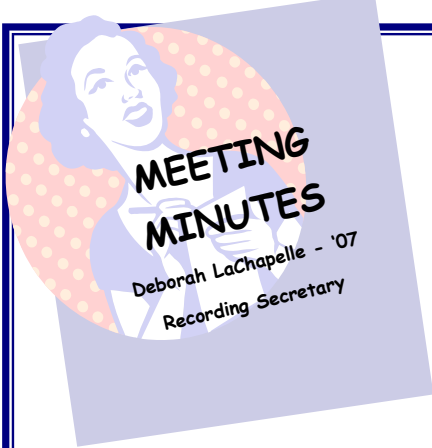
Allium

thoides (Spanish Bluebells), galanthus, and fritillaira, as well as the later blooming ornamental onion, Allium. Try interspersing the Allium among other plants in a bed to discourage deer and rodents from that area. Tulips, on the other hand, are "deer candy." Beware!

Mark your calendar for noon on Wednesday, October 21 as we prepare for the bulb planting season! Garden Munch and Learn at the Dixon is featuring **Undaunted Daffodils** with Brent Heath of **Brent and Becky's Bulbs** of Gloucester, Virginia. What an incredible opportunity to learn from a master! Whether you have a passion for daffodils or are just learning, you just can't miss this. In the meantime, check out their online catalogue or other catalogues, or walk the aisles of our local nurseries. You're bound to be inspired to find your newest favorite!

Happy Gardening!

—Martha Hester, MG '99



The Minutes of the Regular Meeting of Memphis Area Master Gardeners

Out-going President Kay McAdams- called meeting to order at 7:20 P.M. and introduced new Board of Directors

New President Carol Watkins-acknowledged outgoing Board; made announcements

David Sojourner- recognized new graduates as well as all who helped with the 2009 intern class

Dr. Chris Cooper- congratulated new members: recognized new life-time members and five-year members

Linda Taylor-presented perfect attendance certificates for 2008-2009 MG Meetings

President Watkins-introduced Committee Chairs

Vice President Genie Ashworth- announced sign-up sheets for Committees will be at the October meeting

Don Wear-asked members to contact him to participate in the Speaker's Bureau

President Watkins-welcomed new graduates; adjourned the meeting at 7:42 P.M.

A Message from Our President



CoRe Projects (County- Required)

Just as the core of a fruit contains the seeds for new growth, our CoRe projects contain the energy to spur new growth within our

association.

UT Extension organized the Memphis Area Master Gardeners and helped those members develop favorite projects to work on. The association grew, and the number of favorite projects did, too.

Just two short years ago, MAMG had almost 50 projects that one or more of our members worked on exclusively. As an organization, we were spread pretty thin and had drifted some miles away from our mission... *to provide environmental stewardship through a network of volunteers who provide research-based information and education to (our community) in home gardening and related areas.*

A committee, along with Dr. Chris Cooper, developed a list of CoRe projects they felt deserved more member attention and a greater depth of volunteer support. These projects identify clearly

with the MAMG Association's mission and/or provide recognition for UT Extension and MAMG. One fourth of your service hour commitment (8 hours) must be in one or more of these CoRe projects. Luckily, these projects are spread throughout the calendar year to give you plenty of opportunity to make choices that fit into your schedule.

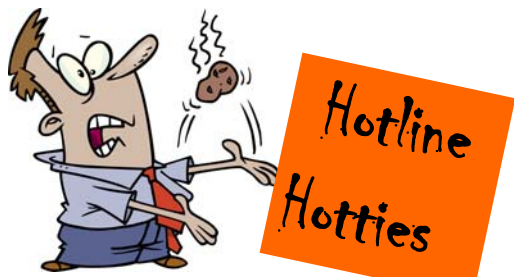
October's program will highlight our CoRe projects. Learn about them and find the ones that strengthen your talents or give you the opportunity to learn new skills. As our association continues to grow and change, so will the projects on our CoRe list. Our number one priority is to stay focused on our mission. With that consideration at the forefront, Memphis Area Master Gardeners will make a positive and lasting impact on our community.

—Carol Watkins, MG, '07

ATTENTION: MENTORS

If you are interested in being a mentor for the 2010 class, please contact Linda Overton Phillips. If you have been a mentor in the past, Linda will assume you wish to continue unless you contact her. Please let her know any special requests.

Also, please remember to stay in contact with your 2009 interns. Those that haven't completed the program have until May 1, 2010 to do so. Those that are now members will appreciate a friendly face at our meetings and some help understanding the requirements of being a Master Gardener.



Common Questions From The Hotline

Question: I have some type of critter in my house. What do I do?

Answer: When you hear the unexplained pitter patter of little feet in your home, something about your home is attracting the animal. Locating and eliminating the attraction will often solve your "pesty" problem.

For example, eliminate birds in your chimney by installing a simple metal mesh barrier at the top of the chimney. Check for nests and eggs inside first.

Use wood putty to fill that impossibly small hole in your eaves that squirrels use to inhabit your attic.

Loosely placing PVC piping around wiring to your home will make it impossible for animals to use it as a pathway inside. Of course use proper equipment and precautions around utility lines.

If such preventive measures don't solve your problem, first determine exactly what your unwanted visitor is. Once my "unwanted" visitor was a long haired feral cat with two new kittens. All are now loved family members.

In most cases, trapping and releasing or eliminating are the preferred methods of dealing with unwanted varmints. The trap is dependent on the animal. If you do use a trap, check it frequently to prevent any unnecessary suffering of the animal (and accidentally capturing your neighbor's ferret.)

Poisoning may expose other wanted wildlife, domestic animals and even children to great risk.

UT Extension's Publication 1624, Managing Nuisance Animals and Associated Damage Around the Home found at <http://www.utextension.utk.edu/publications/pbfiles/pb1624.pdf> includes general and specific instructions based on type of animal. Another good resource is the website <http://icwdm.org/handbook/index.asp>.

—Russell Beis, MG, '08

Be sure to check out the latest installment of Chris' Corner at <http://www.memphisareamastergardeners.org/resources.htm>.

NOTES

**Congratulations
Lifetime Members!**

10 year status - Lifetime

- Carolyn Brown
- Carolyn Green
- Carolyn Harvey
- Martha Hester
- Raymond Lagesse
- Ann McCormick
- Alice Moore
- Elinor Peeler
- Linda Phillips
- Barbara Priddy
- Jim Volgas
- Bill Watkins
- Rhetta Watkins

Congratulations to the Recycle Right team as "Miss Recycle Right" won the greenest scarecrow contest sponsored by Dan West and was voted overall 2nd place by the 102 votes cast by MAMGs at the picnic at Lichterman Nature Center.

Look for the sign-up sheets for Recycle Right on Sat. Nov. 14th and Sun. Nov. 15th for Education Given and/or Community volunteer hours.

Members Receiving Their Five Year Pins in 2009:

James Allen	Kenneth Mulholland
Gerri Amann	Janice Morrissett
Minetry Apperson	Julie Morgan
Diane Capkovic	Jean Norris
Ginny Claar	Sherry Pillai
Marsha Crizer	Bowman Reid
Lois Cowell	Debbie Sexton
Karen Crenshaw	Jenny Sabatier
G.A. Crosby	Trudy Scott
Bill Duffy	Sheila Sojourner
Lori Emens	Lynda Smith
Callie English	Alex Stoecklein
Caroline Forster	Katy Terrell
Ann Frogge	Linda Weiss
Tony Giannini	
Joanne Guyton	2003 graduates
Shannon Hammers	were out 1 year
Nettye Hasan	receive 5 yr this
Karen Houdek	year:
Mary Iberg	
Mary Klug	Pam Kirk-Fowler
Diane Lawrence	Claudia Smith

CoRe (County Required) Projects

For recertification a minimum of 8 service hours must be devoted to one or more of the following projects:

- Ask A Master Gardener
- Garden Jumble
- Habitat for Humanity (Education & Landscaping)
- Horticulture Hotline
- Plant A-Row
- Speakers' Bureau
- Spring Fling
- Weekend Gardening Seminars
- Youth Plant Camp

The Sunshine Committee would like to remind you to contact the Master Gardeners Office if you know of any member who may need a little "Sunshine" in their lives. Our Master Gardener Family would like to acknowledge the difficult times (illness or family loss), and the happy times in the lives of our members. We need your help to accomplish this. If you have any questions please contact Mercedes Farnsworth

BOTANICALLY SPEAKING



What many people call "bulbs" are not **bulbs**. They are **corms**, **tubers** or **rhizomes**. Master Gardeners should be able to help people identify and distinguish between true **bulbs** and **corms**, **tubers** or **rhizomes**.

BULBS: The true **bulb** consists of a much compressed, fleshy stem termed the **basal plate**. Attached to the **basal plate** are thick, fleshy, modified leaves called **scales**. The scales are organized to form two distinct types of bulbs.

Laminate (tunicate) bulbs have concentric, cylindrical scales. The dry papery outer layer of scales is called the **tunic**. The **tunic** protects the bulb from disease, insect and mechanical damage. **Daffodil** (*Narcissus sp*) and **Onion** (*Allium sp*) bulbs are two examples of **tunicate bulbs**.



Onion Bulb (laminated)



Lily Bulb (scaly)

The **scaly (non-tunicate) bulb** has numerous individual scales which easily break off the basal plate. This bulb has no tunic, making it somewhat more susceptible to disease, insect and mechanical damage. The **Lily bulb** (*Lilium sp*) is an example of a **scaly bulb**.

CORMS: The most often misidentified "bulb" is the **corm**. A **corm** is the swollen base of a stem with typical stem parts: nodes and internodes. The dry, papery leaf bases enclose the swollen base and forms the protective **tunic**. The tunic protects the corm from disease and water loss, just like



Gladiolus Corm

the bulb tunic. A corm does not persist from season to season. Rather, a new corm is formed above the old corm from the previous year. **Gladiolus** (*Gladiolus sp*) and **crocus** (*Crocus sp*) are the two most commonly grown **corms**.

Tubers: **Tubers** are swollen tips of stolons (a horizontally growing stem just at the soil line) with stored food. This stem has easily identifiable nodes and internodes. The **tuber of the Irish potato** (*Solanum sp*) is typical.



Potato Tuber

The "eyes" of the potato are at the nodes. Another commonly grown tuber is the **caladium** (*Caladium sp*). **FYI, a sweet potato is NOT a tuber; it is a root and is a tuberous (tuber-like) root.**

Rhizomes: A **rhizome** grows just at or below the soil surface.

There are two types of rhizomes: **leptomorphic** and **pachymorphic**. The **Lily-of-the-Valley** (*Convallaria majalis*) and **Bamboo**



Bamboo Rhizome (leptomorphic)

(*Bambusa sp*) have a **leptomorphic** rhizome, a very thin rhizome with indeterminate growth, branches freely and produces many flowering shoots. The **pachymorphic** rhizome is a large, fleshy, horizontal stem which has determinate growth. Once the terminal growing point or meristem forms an inflorescence, the rhizome will form two branches. The **Bearded Iris** (*Iris sp*) has a **pachymorphic** rhizome.



Iris Rhizome (pachymorphic)

—Al Cook
MG, 2000

MASTER GARDENERS' CEU CALENDAR

Sunday, September 27, 2 PM

Memphis Orchid Society

The Orchids of Panama, Jack Tipton
MBG, 576-4100

Wednesday, September 30, Noon

Garden Munch & Learn: Fall Tricks for Spring Picks, Ellen LeBlond, Dixon Gallery & Gardens

Dixon, Winegardner Auditorium, 761-5250
Some of the tricks the Dixon uses to successfully grow plants that are considered difficult in the Mid-South

Thursday, October 1, 6:30 PM

MAMG monthly meeting & Share & Learn—
See back cover for details.

Monday, October 5, 7 PM

Mid-South Hydrangea Society, 452-4667

Care, Culture & Coloring of Hydrangeas, Mal Condon, Hydrangea Farm - a Collector's Nursery, Nantucket, MA
MBG, 576-4100

Guests \$5; \$10 to join

Doors open at 6 PM

Tuesday, October 6, 7 PM

Memphis Horticulture Society

Tom Pellett, Local garden designer, artist, & plantsman
MBG, 576-4100

Non-members \$5

www.memphishorticulture.org

Saturday, October 10, 9 AM - Noon

MAMG, 752-1207

See Gardens in Progress item below or

www.memphisareamastergardeners.org

Friday, October 16, Noon - 1 PM

Flower Moment:

MBG, 576-4100

\$30 (members \$20); Includes lunch by

Fratellis

(Arrive early to place lunch order)

Reservations recommended, 636-4111

Saturday, October 17, 10:30 AM

Photo Workshop, Mike Boatman

Dixon, Winegardner Auditorium

\$30 (members \$20)

Reservations required, 761-5250

Learn to take quality photos utilizing as subjects the plants in the Dixon Gardens; have your pictures critiqued by a seasoned professional. Bring your camera.

Wednesday, October 21, Noon - 1 PM

Undaunted Daffodils, Brent Heath of Brent & Becky's Bulbs, Gloucester, Virginia
Dixon, Winegardner Auditorium, 761-5250

Bring your lunch.

Learn about the growing requirements of & the combining of daffodils with annuals,

perennials, groundcovers, trees, & shrubs

Wednesday, October 21, 1:30 PM

Living Flower Arrangements with Layers of Bulbs Workshop, Brent Heath of Brent & Becky's Bulbs, Gloucester, Virginia

Dixon, Catmur Horticulture Building

\$50 (members \$40); Limit 20

Reservations required, 761-5250

Make your own living flower arrangements with over 30 daffodil, tulip, hyacinth, iris, & grape hyacinth bulbs. Fee includes container, bulbs, & potting mix.

Saturday, October 24, 10:30 AM

Hypertufa Trough Workshop, Dale Skaggs, Anne Riordan, Caroline Brown

Dixon, Catmur Horticulture Building

\$40 (members \$30); Limit 20

Reservations required, 761-5250

Make a 12x18 stone sink for display of dwarf conifers, miniature hostas, etc.

Wednesday, November 4, Noon - 1 PM

Heirloom & Modern Camellias, Bobby Green, Green Nurseries, Fairhope, Alabama
Dixon, Winegardner Auditorium, 761-5250

If you are aware of an educational event that should be included in the newsletter, please contact mamg.newsletter@gmail.com.



Saturday—
October 10, 2009

GARDENS IN PROGRESS INFORMAL TOURS

Cordova, TN 38018

Overlooking a deck of container hybrid tea roses, begonias, geraniums and bougainvillea can be seen a rosebed of more hybrid teas. Also in the back yard in

front of the lake are knockout shrub roses.

Jean Andrus, 8683 Beckenham Drive, Cordova, TN

Jean's garden is essentially a shade garden that continues to evolve based on the whims of nature, her imagination and as little work as possible.

Katherine Kyle, 943 Begall Cove, Cordova, TN

Katherine's front garden area is being developed into a low maintenance evergreen garden area. The back yard has an informal, critter friendly feel with hostas, ferns, daylilies and hollies. Her favorite is the floral bed surrounding the big oak tree.

Patt Bryant-Mathes,

8946 Meadow River Cove East, Cordova, TN

Pat's front yard includes 2 plantings of kidney shaped beds, with roses along the east side. The back yard has multiple terraces with

a deck and plantings of azaleas, korean lilacs, cleveland pear, a paper bark maple and firein the bush.

Bill Ferrell, 8765 Plantation Oaks Drive, Cordova, TN

Bill's backyard is his favorite place. Through the driveway gate is an assortment of shade and sun perennials, such as hostas ferns, peonies, and roses mixed with an area of sun. The front yard boasts more perennials and specialty trees of coral bark maple, magnolia, Chinese pistachio, summer chocolate mimosa, and golden larch. The side yard is a mixture of hydrangeas, hostas, dogwoods and sun perennials.

Ray Lagesse,

8630 Sandy Hill Cove West, Cordova, TN

(2nd right beyond Bazemore, way down Shelley Renee, off of Walnut Grove)

Ray completed a pebble dry creek and added a raised bed on the north side of the back yard. The lawn displays season-long attempts to destroy infestations of crabgrass and sedges. A portable irrigation system in flower beds and a demonstration of effects of amended vs. non-amended soil on trees are worthy of notice.

Carolyn Gibson and Joan Vandiveer,

8872 Plantation Trail Cove, Cordova, TN

Carolyn and Joan's garden is mostly shade, with hostas everywhere. Snuggled amongst the hostas are a variety of shade plants, such as ferns, hydrangeas, astillbe, and Solomon's seal. Their landscape includes a Japanese bridge over a dry creek bed, a wonderful fig tree, and a hidden trail that winds around the deep shaded area ending at a secret seating place.

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MEMBERSHIP MEETINGS

The October meeting will be:

Thursday, October 1, 2009, 6:30 p.m.

Refreshments begin at 6:00

Topic: CoRe Project

Speaker: Dr. Chris Cooper

Location: Agricenter, Banquet Room, Wing C



SHARE & LEARN will meet before the membership meeting at 5:00 p.m. in the Extension Office Conference Room. October's Share and Learn topic will be presented by Barbara Pierce on Lasagna gardening.

Please do not enter the room after 5:15 as it is disruptive to the speaker.

If you're interested in presenting a topic please contact Jean Ward-Jones. Session leaders will receive two Education Given hours. Attendees will receive one Education Received.

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Next Month: Jason Powell from Petals of the Past in Jemison, Alabama