

2016

Calendar

11/05 Colorfall

at Moore Farms Botanical Garden (rescheduled from 10/15)

11/07

Nominating Committee 10:30 Ext. Off.

11/10 Speaker and

Membership Meeting. 6:00 at Library, 6:30 for Speaker Donna Boozer talks about honeybees. (see flyer)

12/8 LMG

Board Meeting

1/26 Pearl

Fryar and his topiaries at Greenwood Country Club

11 AM.



President's Letter-Barbara Wells



Fall is here, and there's so much to do and enjoy!

I imagine if you took a poll of gardeners, most would say that spring is both the busiest and most gratifying of the gardening seasons. Here, once again, I suppose I find myself going against the norm. I do like spring very, very much, but I absolutely love Fall. Fall is our reward for slogging through summer in the South. In my opinion, Fall is the new spring.

Fall is cooler days and nights, lower humidity, and bluer skies. Fall is brighter blooms on previously weary annuals and perennials. Fall is lettuce, kale, cabbages, snapdragons, and pansies and their smaller cousins panolas and violas. Fall is long awaited blooms on my old fashioned garden mums, asters, mexican bush sage (*Salvia leucantha*), banana sage (*Salvia madrensis*) and an unnamed fragrant yellow iris that blooms only in the fall. Fall is the heady hidden scent of tea olives. Fall is planting trees and shrubs and daffodils (good if you have deer) and tulips (not so good if you have deer). Fall is dividing perennials. Fall is collecting seeds. Fall is applying pre-emergent to the lawn. Fall is collecting soil samples and following through on the recommendations. Fall is taking a critical assessment of what has worked well and what hasn't, and dreaming of how to make improvements. And, oh yes, if you're a gardener or if you're not, Fall is football.

Have I given you enough to perhaps see Fall in a new way? I hope so. I'm not trying to dethrone spring. Just give Fall the admiration and respect it deserves.

As residents near the coast, we certainly respect hurricanes. Last month, Hurricane Matthew played havoc with our planned field trip to ColorFall at Moore Farms Botanical Garden. While most of us had little or no damage from the hurricane, the portion of the state near Moore Farms was inundated with heavy rain and flooding. ColorFall has been rescheduled for November 5.

Our next membership meeting is Thursday, November 10, at the Greenwood County Library. Come join us as we listen to Donna Boozer's program on Honeybees in the Garden. Donna will also be offering handouts on pollinator friendly gardening tips and lists of plants to attract pollinators. The program will conclude with a honey tasting. Yummm!

We are in the early investigative phase of a possible collaborative greenhouse program between Genesis School, Grace Street Park Volunteers, and Lakelands Master Gardeners. If you are interested, or just want more information, contact Cathie Swindell at 864-992-2182 or gardencat46@gmail.com, or me at 804-314-6503 or wscott471@gmail.com.

There are several Community Projects in the works. If you are interested in helping design or plant an ornamental garden at Meg's House, or work with a program to develop a seed garden at Westview Middle School, please contact Jimmy McInville at 864-993-0512 or truerainwater@yahoo.com.

Thursday mornings at the City Greenhouse are in full swing with recently returned Ann Barklow. These past few weeks we've been busy as bees giving the topiaries much needed haircuts, trimming pansies, propagating succulents and perennials and shrubs, and planting. Ann always includes an educational component, so come learn as you work. You can volunteer one Thursday or volunteer every Thursday. Volunteer for an hour or volunteer for several hours. As with any volunteer activity, the choice is yours. You'll be welcome whatever you choose.

Speaking of volunteer hours, please remember to report your hours. As of September, Lakelands Master Gardeners have reported almost 2900 hours. This is about 600 less than that same time period in 2015, though it's possible there are quite a few unreported hours. If you haven't reported your hours, Linda Halsey would love to hear from you. You can contact Linda at halseyfarm@embarqmail.com.

We will have a new graduating class of interns Nov. 15th! Let's encourage them to join in for all the activities. It's also time to renew your Lakelands Master Gardener Membership. Volunteering is a big part of what we do, and we all have volunteer preferences, so please indicate your preferences when you complete the form. The nominating committee is gearing up, and would love to hear from you. Feel free to jump right in. Willingness to serve is the only absolute requirement. = ENJOY FALL

The flower doesn't dream of the bee. It blossoms and the bee comes. Mark Nepo

If it doesn't rain soon, my house may never get a good cleaning. Unknown

HONEYBEES



The Lakelands Master Gardeners
Presents:

Donna Boozer

from the
Lakelands Beekeepers Association

Thursday, November 10th
6:30 pm
Greenwood County Library

"THE HUM
OF BEES IS
THE VOICE OF
THE GARDEN!"

- ELIZABETH LAWRENCE



Join us to learn more about:

- ⊗ History of beekeeping
- ⊗ Honeybee Colonies
- ⊗ Creating a pollinator friendly garden
- ⊗ **HONEY TASTING**

Come and try some unique honey varieties!

Anissa Lawrence produced this flyer. It's the bees' knees.

GREENHOUSE THURSDAY WORK CREWS PROPAGATE AND PLANT



(L) Barbara, Sandy, Anna, Julie and Sherry propagate and enjoy the sun.



(R) Sara, Ginny, Ann, Donna, Julie, Sherry, Sandy, and Ann2 admire their Sara-designed bed.

U.S. Drought Monitor South Carolina

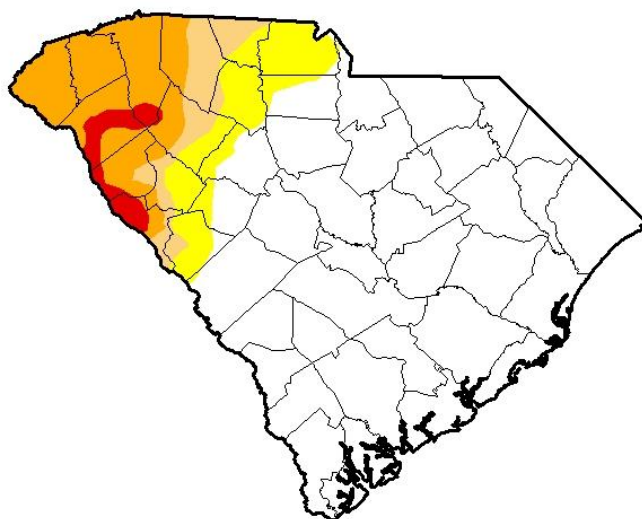
October 18, 2016

(Released Thursday, Oct. 20, 2016)

Valid 8 a.m. EDT

Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

	None	D0-D4	D1-D4	D2-D4	D3-D4	D4
Current	73.78	26.22	17.94	13.41	2.10	0.00
Last Week <small>10/11/2016</small>	74.53	25.47	16.36	5.30	0.74	0.00
3 Months Ago <small>7/19/2016</small>	65.16	34.84	24.76	11.04	1.70	0.00
Start of Calendar Year <small>12/29/2015</small>	99.66	0.34	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Start of Water Year <small>9/27/2016</small>	73.62	26.38	14.28	1.45	0.00	0.00
One Year Ago <small>10/20/2015</small>	97.09	2.91	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00



Intensity:

- D0 Abnormally Dry
- D1 Moderate Drought
- D2 Severe Drought
- D3 Extreme Drought
- D4 Exceptional Drought

The Drought Monitor focuses on broad-scale conditions. Local conditions may vary. See accompanying text summary for forecast statements.

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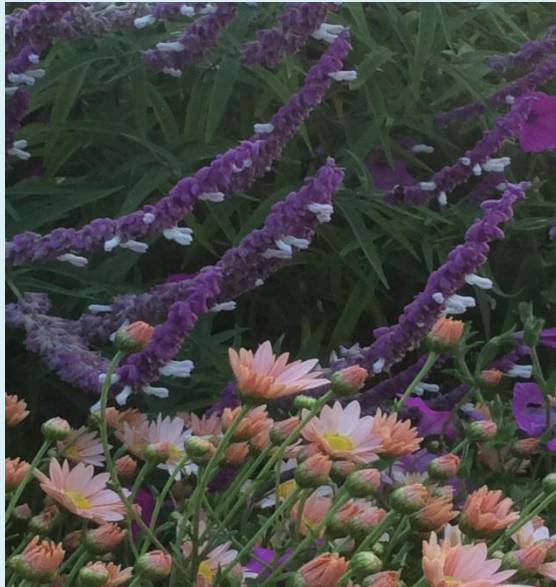


<http://droughtmonitor.unl.edu/>

Janet Ledebuhr received this email from Dr. Jon Storm from USC Upstate in reference to a new field guide for our region:

I wanted to let you know that I have started a Facebook page for the Field Guide to the Southern Piedmont. I will post a brief natural history note on a common organism every couple of weeks or so and will also let people know when a new edition of the field guide comes out. If it might be of interest to anyone in the Lakelands Master Gardeners, feel free to pass it along. The link is at <https://www.facebook.com/piedmontnaturalhistory/>.

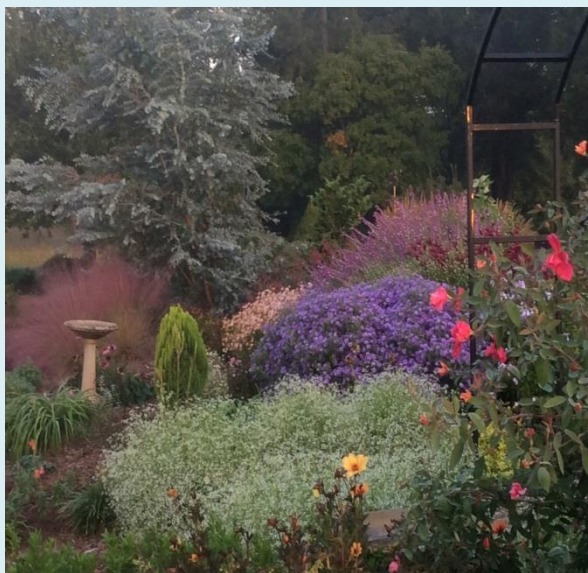
Barbara Wells' garden explodes in the fall... no one was hurt



Salvia Leucantha/Chrysanthemum '?'



Salvia 'Red-necked Girl'/Rosa Mutabilis



Euphorbia 'Diamond Frost'/Aster '?'/Salvia Leucantha



Phlox/Syningia/Canna/Rosa mutabilis

SAMUEL B. JONES ARTICLE "THE MAKEUP OF A PLANT NAME"-or A ROSE BY ANY OTHER NAME WOULD SMELL AS SWEET- Sandy Orr

I once visited Picadilly Farms in Georgia for their annual hellebore sale and found a treasure trove of wonderful perennials and shrubs. The floor of their magical woodland vista was completely covered in hellebores. An older gentleman helped me out. A few years later, I was reading the Perennial Notes newsletter of the Perennial Plants Association that featured an article published posthumously and written by Sam Jones, the owner of Picadilly Farms. It turned out this down-home folksy gentleman had taught botany at UGA and had discovered and named many plants. He was President of the Perennial Plant Association for two years. He explained some important points that are not well-communicated elsewhere:

Linnaeus was the first to use binomial Latin throughout a single horticultural publication. The generic name (first word) and the specific epithet (second word) together form a binomial called the species name. (It's not just the 2nd word alone that is the species). According to the Code, a set of rules provided in the International Code of Botanical Nomenclature, to be complete, the name must include a third element, the abbreviation of the name of the person who formally described the plant and its name. For example, the correct name for a white oak is *Quercus alba* Linnaeus.

The first element or generic name is capitalized. After it's been fully spelled once, in further mentions it may be abbreviated with one capital letter, e.g. *Q.* for *Quercus*. The second word is begun with lower case. The two words should be underlined when written or typed. When they are printed, they should be in italics or boldface. The third word or author citation is never underlined.

Here's where it gets tricky. Like in French, you have to know the gender of the generic name. This determines the ending of the specific epithet. Usually if the genus ends in *us*, it is masculine and the specific epithet might also end in *us*. However, *Quercus alba* is correct, not *Quercus albus*, because all trees are considered feminine in Latin! (even though *Quercus* ends in the masculine *us*). Good luck with this one.

When a discoverer's name ends in a vowel or *er*, the letter *i* is added to the name. If the name ends in a consonant, *ii* is added. If the plant is named for a female it is *iae* or *ae* at the end.

A rule of priority applies when deciding if you get your name on a plant. The early bird gets the worm. For more detail on plant names, see *Plant Systematics*, by Jones and Luchsinger.

Sam Jones recounts a "horror story" of seeing the word "genuses" in print. The plural of genus is genera. Species is both singular and plural. So at least now we know when we are making a complete muck of things.

ANN BARKLOW SPEARHEADS GREENWOOD'S WIN AT AMERICA IN BLOOM



America in Bloom committee. Plaque held by Ruple Harley and Ann Barklow beaming in front row.

The report and results came in last month on the AIB competition that Greenwood entered. Two expert judges came to Greenwood in late June to look at all aspects of support for horticulture volunteerism in Greenwood. They visited a school garden, private garden, and downtown venues, but they were primarily fascinated with the topiary effort of the City. Ann's efforts to involve volunteers (all of us who help) got her the very highest marks earned in the review. Greenwood got a remarkable 4.2 out of 5 for its first entry.

Plans are to continue to enter the competition. The judging document gives a set of goals and mentions ways the City can organize horticultural spaces and volunteerism efforts. It also suggests using development zones so as to impose taxes without voter approval to accomplish beautification goals.

Congratulations Ann, on your impressive achievement.

PLEASE SUBMIT YOUR NOMINATIONS FOR 2016 MASTER GARDENER OF THE YEAR

Jot down the name on a slip of paper of the Master Gardener that you feel has contributed the most to Greenwood's cache and your personal happiness. Submit it to anyone on the Board. White smoke will emit from the papal enclave in January when the new recipient is picked. If you must fill out an official form, please get one from a board member.

PER REQUEST, NEW FEATURE: PODCAST OF THE MONTH: Native plantsman Rick Darke talks about his landscape design philosophy. First of 5 in a series at Timberpress podcasts.

https://www.timberpress.com/podcast/mp3/11_Darke_1.mp3

Lakelands Master Gardener Association 2017 Membership Renewal

Check one: Renewal New Member/Transfer

Master Gardener Membership Dues are \$20.00.

Payment is due by the Awards Banquet to be eligible to vote.

Make your check payable to Lakelands Master Gardener Organization (LMGO) and mail to:

Melody McInville
345 Klugh Rd.
Abbeville, SC 29620

Name: _____ Spouse: _____

Address: _____

City/State/Zip: _____

Phone # Home: _____ Work: _____ Cell: _____

Email Address: _____

Year Graduated MG Program: _____ Transfer? (Y/N) _____ From: _____

(Year 40 hours were completed)

Check here if you do **not** wish to be listed in the directory.

Special Instructions for publishing personal data in directory: _____

Please indicate at least one committee(s) on which you are interested in working. **Please mark at least one.**

(Number from most preferred to least. 1 is by top preference, 2 by 2nd choice, etc.)

_____ Community Projects	_____ Membership	_____ Plant Sale
_____ Education	_____ Clemson Extension Office	_____ Web Site
_____ Face Book Page	_____ Newsletter	_____ Social Activities
_____ Fund Raising	_____ Programs & Speakers	_____ Topiary/Greenhouse
_____ Public Relations	_____ Community Voucher Distribution	_____ Community Garden

Suggested topics/activities for the meetings or continuing education: _____

-----Please do not write below this line-----this is for office use-----

_____ Date Paid

_____ Date Membership list updated

MASTER GARDENER BADGE REQUEST FORM: (also on website in Forms section)

Master Gardener Information

Last Name /First Name

Mailing Address

City Zip Code

Home () Cell () Other ()

e-mail address

Please Print Information the way you would like it to appear on your name badge

Last Name /First Name

County Year Graduated From Master Gardener Training Course

Cost: \$10/badge Cash or Check accepted

Make Checks payable to: Lakelands Master Gardeners Inc.

Remit Payment and Order Form together to:

Melody McInville

LMG Treasurer

345 Klugh Rd

Abbeville, SC 29620

For questions, please e-mail Donna Feldmaier: donnafeldy@aol.com or call H: 223-0375

C: 377-5346

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Voting Members

Executive Committee

President: Barbara Wells

Vice President: ? Open to volunteers

Treasurer: Melody McInville

Secretary: Chris Moon

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Community Projects: Jimmy McInville and Donna Sears

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Membership: Betsy Russ

Plant Sale/Fund Raising: Sandy Orr and John Wham

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