



GCMGA 2016 GRANTS AWARDED

Grant Committee Members: Rosalie Tubre, Faith Mann and John Davidson



Hamilton Mill Public Library Meditation Garden



Maggie Howze, Master Gardener, is Project Leader of this Meditation Garden.

This public library, located in Buford, has an outdoor sitting area that is used by library patrons, a reading circle group and a children story-time class. Maggie states this outdoor garden is part-shade / part-sun and for the past 2 years she and her gardening friends started upgrading this area. This past Spring they added numerous perennials (best suited for this area) so there is a continuous bloom year-round, such as: dwarf spireas, salvia, ornamental grasses, sedum, lily of the valley, peonies, coral bells, etc. and are all labeled. The perennials were purchased from several local nurseries.

This project received a grant from GCMGA for \$399.20 for this awesome project.



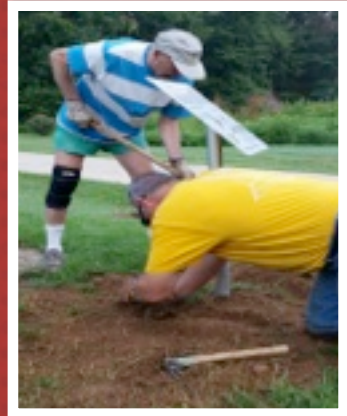
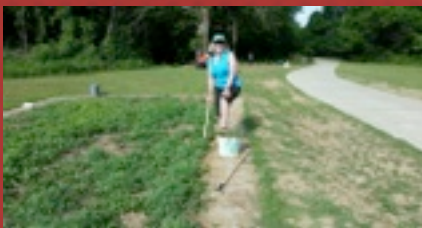
**SE GWINNETT COOPERATIVE COMMUNITY GARDEN
ADDED 4 RAISED VEGETABLE BEDS IN GRAYSON**



ILEEN MEGGISON, CHAIRMAN & MASTER GARDENER, ALONG WITH THE HELP FROM 27 CHURCH VOLUNTEERS, SCHOOL GROUPS, AND MASTER GARDENERS ACCOMPLISHED THIS PROJECT. THEY ARE NOW ABLE TO DOUBLE THE PRODUCTION OF VEGETABLES FOR THE SE GWINNETT COOPERATIVE PANTRY.

THIS GRANT WAS AWARDED \$600.00 FOR THIS WONDERFUL PROJECT TOWARD THE PURCHASE OF LUMBER TO BUILD 4 BEDS EACH MEASURING 4' X 24', ADD TOPSOIL, COMPOST, FERTILIZER, ALONG WITH VEGETABLES & FRUIT PLANTS - ALL PURCHASED LOCALLY.

LADYBUGS GARDEN CLUB



This project was headed up by Pat Kahn, a Master Gardener. She solicited the UGA Agricultural Extension Service in providing a list of the most successful pollinator plants for our area. Their garden club purchased these perennial plants and shrubs at local nurseries. The garden will provide the necessary pollen to attract the bees, butterflies, hummingbirds and other beneficial insects.

This project received a total grant of \$600.00 from GCMGA toward this amazing project.

Pollinator Garden in Lilburn at Camp Creek Greenway Trail



VINES PARK IN LOGANVILLE



Shirley Bohm is the Project Chairman & Master Gardener of this new awe-inspiring Butterfly Garden & Pollinator Habitat. This is a joint project among Gwinnett Master Gardeners, special needs students & teachers at South Gwinnett High School & Gwinnett County Parks & Recreation.

Master Gardener volunteers work routinely every Tuesday morning throughout the year, including

special needs student teachers & the Parks & Recreation intern. The Master Gardeners will develop educational materials & lesson plans for the teachers and park visitors.

Shirley measures the success of this garden by the continuous blooms covered profusely from spring through fall with various butterflies and pollinators visitors. She has received many accolades from the visitors to this new area at Vines Park.



Photos compliments of Lori Prosser taken at Vines Butterfly Garden

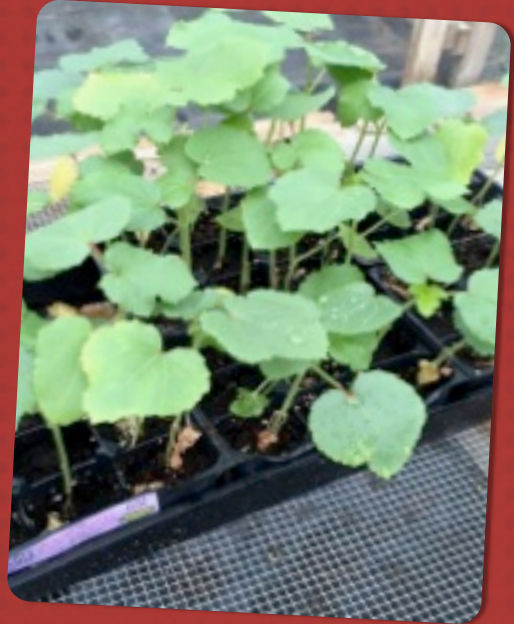
GCMGA awarded \$600.00 toward planting of host and pollinator plants to attract Monarchs, Pearl Crescent, Black Swallowtail, Gulf & Variegated Fritillary, Silvery Checkerspot & Duskywing Butterflies.

They planted numerous perennials, all purchased locally, namely milkweeds, asters, Queen Anne's lace, passionvine, purple coneflowers, wild indigo, coreopsis, verbena, agastache, parsley, goldenrod, Joe Pye weed and pineapple sage.

COMMUNITY GARDEN GREENHOUSE IN SNELLVILLE AT BRISCOE PARK

WES NETTLETON IS THE PROJECT LEADER & MASTER GARDENER. HE RECRUITED FELLOW MASTER GARDENERS & OTHER VOLUNTEERS ON THIS PROJECT.

THE USED GREENHOUSE (40' X 20') WAS DONATED BY THE SNELLVILLE FARMERS' MARKET. THE GRANT AWARD OF \$518.00 BY GCMGA COVERED THE MATERIALS TO GET THIS GREENHOUSE IN FULL OPERATION & AN IMPRESSIVE PROJECT. IT WILL BE USED TO SOW SEEDS, PROPOGATION OF PLANTS, TEACH COMMUNITY CLASSES, PLANT SALES FOR FUNDING THE COMMUNITY GARDEN AND CONDUCT DEMONSTRATIONS TO THE PUBLIC.



McDaniel Farm Park in Duluth

On-Going Planting of Established Archie's Vegetable Garden; the Heritage Herb Garden and the Farm's Orchard, as well as Beautification Enhancements to the Farm House's Landscaping & Common Areas. Plans also include adding a Wildflower Pollinator Garden & Create a Compost Bin (pending County approval)

This property is owned by Gwinnett County under Parks & Recreation.

Co-Project Leaders on this project are Kathy Parent and Joyce Teel, both Master Gardeners. They have the responsibility of maintaining the areas with true 1930's farm theme while keeping the landscape colorful with as low maintenance as possible.

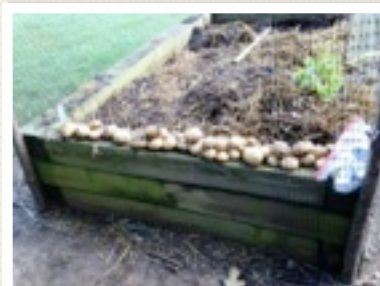
Vegetables that are harvested are donated to the Atlanta Food Bank "Plant-a-Row for the Hungry" and Annandale Village with over 1,027.20 pounds of produce donated. This year they planted okra, tomatoes, potatoes, lettuce, beets, squash pumpkins, cauliflower, onions, & garlic, including pollinator plants of zinnias, sunflowers, hollyhocks, and snapdragons, as well as fall cover

crop seeds of crimson clover.

They hold weekly workdays every Wednesday during the growing season and have numerous volunteers of Master Gardeners and friends to keep this public garden in great condition. They donated 869.55 hours of their time.

Gwinnett County Parks & Recreation did not approve the new wildflower garden or the compost bin located next to Archie's Vegetable Garden as they are considering doing this project themselves in a different location in the park.

The grant expenses totaled \$136.70 toward a magnificently well-kept farm.



It's been a Busy Year at the Kistner Nature Center



Photos take by Lori Prosser at
Kistner Nature Center



MARY'S HERB GARDEN

Project Leader & Master Gardener, Carol Hassell has been busy as Project Leader with the restoration work toward a fresh approach to Mary's Herb Garden. This property is owned by Georgia Piedmont Land Trust .

Nearly all the garden areas are in woodlands and very shady. The Herb Garden measures 30' x 5' sloping downward from the studio and is one of the sunniest locations at the Kistner Center. This area is visually prominent & important aesthetically, which complements the home. The herbs that were added are both for culinary and medicinal purposes and were planted after the general cleanup & new layout plan taking nearly 11 months to complete. Carol expressed thanks to the many MGEVs and GPLT volunteers.

GCMGA awarded \$600.00 for this impressive project.