# Gwinnett County Master Gardeners Association (GCMGA):

# Cultivating Lavish Abundance in Our Community

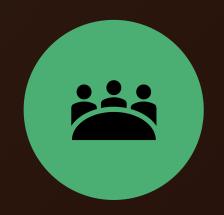
Developed by MGEV Freda Steward November 18, 2024



- Serve as stewards of the environment;
  - Operate in cooperation with UGA, the College of Agriculture and Environmental Sciences and the Gwinnett County Extension Service;
  - Educate the public of Gwinnett County, Georgia, about horticultural practices that will foster both a healthy environment and beautiful gardens.

### **Educational Programs**







OUTREACH WORKSHOPS MEETINGS

## Meetings

GCMGA meetings are held from January - November on a variety of topics or for special events, e.g., photo contest, membership picnic, etc.

### Our Speakers

Many thanks to VP Dolores Romero-Stewart for scheduling 2024 speakers

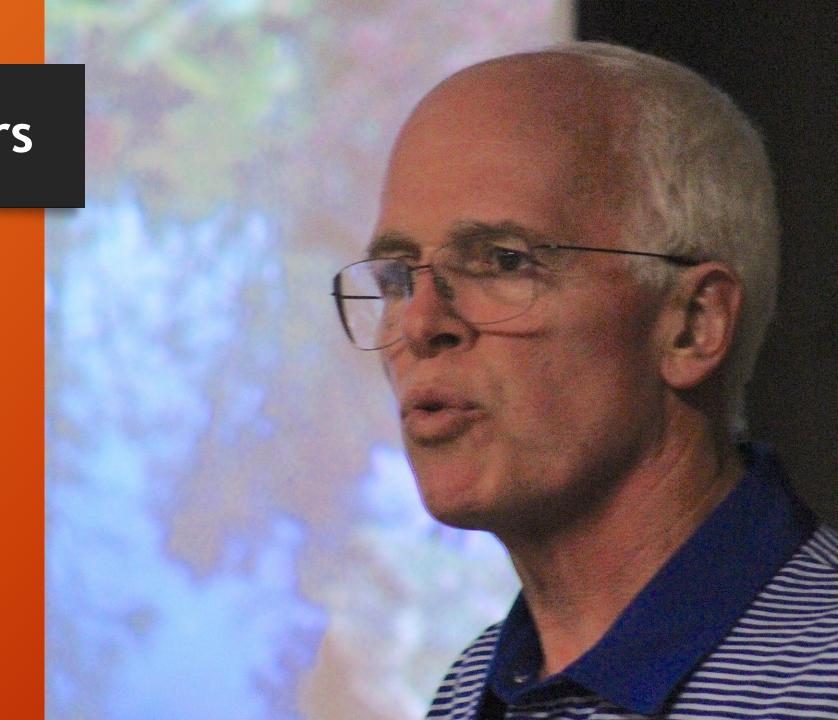




Our August meeting featured President of the Azalea Society of America Charles Andrews.



Eric Bowles, trained in photo judging by Professional Photographers of America, reviewed and critiqued over 100 of our photo contest entries



Lynda Stair Pollock shared information on the creation of a Bird Friendly Garden during our June meeting



Dr. Michael Kohl delivered a talk on **Backyard Habitats**, Urban Coyotes, and Monitoring. Dr. Kohl is an Assistant Professor of Wildlife Management & Wildlife and a UGA Extension Specialist.



Will Rogers, research professional at the State Botanical Garden, shared information on the *Grassland Initiative* using iNaturalist.



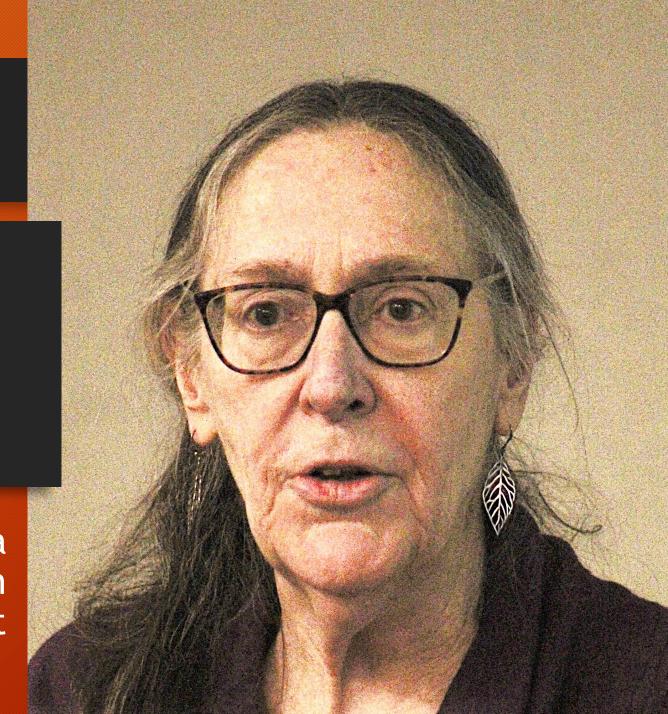
Brandon Merz of the Georgia Forestry Commission explained the whys and wheres of prescribed burns in Georgia.



Ashley Frasca, host of 95.5 WSB's *Green & Growing* shared some of her experiences with Walter Reeves, The Georgia Gardener.



Connie Gray shared a presentation on Ferns and Fern Allies in the Georgia Piedmont



## GCMGA Annual Plant Sale





Digs for Our Annual Plant Sale





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Last Plant Dig Before the Annual Plant Sale

Thank you for coordinating the plant digs, Deborah Marcum Grant







Prep for the Annual Plant Sale

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Can't see the master gardeners for all the plants!



# Prep for the Annual Plant Sale

Oh! There's a few MGs...







# Annual Plant Sale

The BIG Day!





### Plant Sale

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# GCMGA-Managed Sites

## Bethesda



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# Bethesda: Last Work Day















## SE Gwinnett Co-op







## Slow Pour Brewery

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# Special Projects/Initiatives

# GCMGA Annual Picnic









# Helping Hands Initiative





### Atlanta Home Show



GCMGA members pitched in to support the Gwinnett County Extension Service's Plant Sale











#### Snellville Farmers' Market

Our assignment was enhanced by working side-by-side with Beata Dabrowski from Water Resources

GCMGA Education/Workshop Committee Sharing the Seeds of Knowledge in 2024

January 2024 Seed Sowing with Lynda Pollock



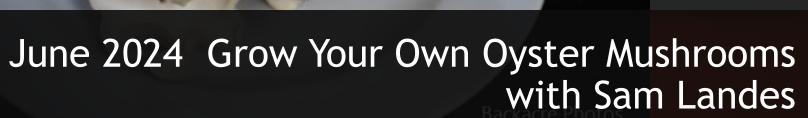
March 2024 Tool Cleaning with Eric Marlow



May 2024
Photography
Workshop with
Eric Bowles









August 2024 Lessons With Lavender









September 2024 Flossy Mae Foraging - Workshop and Forage







September 2024 Bonsai Tour & Training November - Seed Saving Techniques with Margaret Molyson



#### Still to come in 2024

December - Cooking with Herbs led by Ines Beltran



# Special Recognition

Shoutout to our Hospitality Committee

Thank you for creating warm cozy beautiful meeting spaces













Food and Flowers







Food and Flowers... let's eat!





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Such a beautiful harvest...





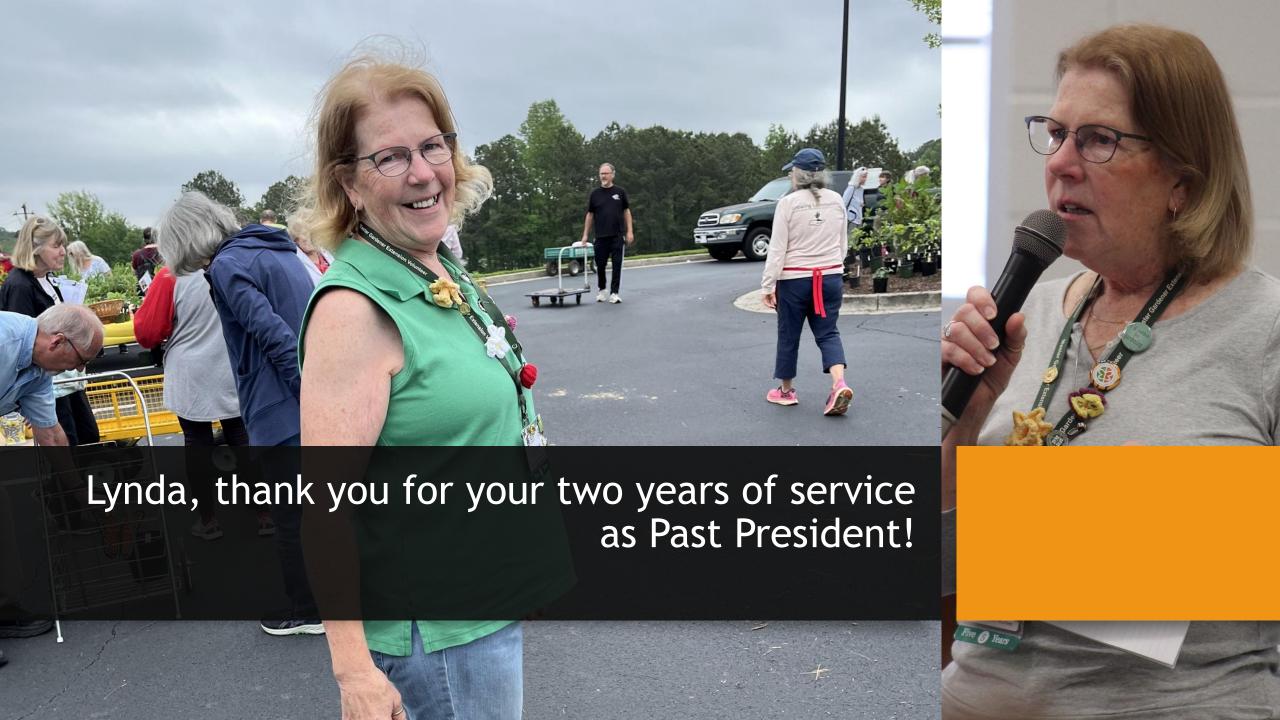
Food, Flowers, and Fellowship





Thank you for your service, Madame President





# Officers Nominated for 2025

# 2024 GCMGA Nominated Slate of Officers

Co-Presidents - Mary Ann Hindes
Greg Mauldin
Vice President - Jim Saleh
Treasurer - Susan Kosenka
Secretary - Amy Mock
Past President - Margaret Molyson





Thank you to all GCMGA Members... You are appreciated!