

Become an Extension Master Gardener Volunteer!

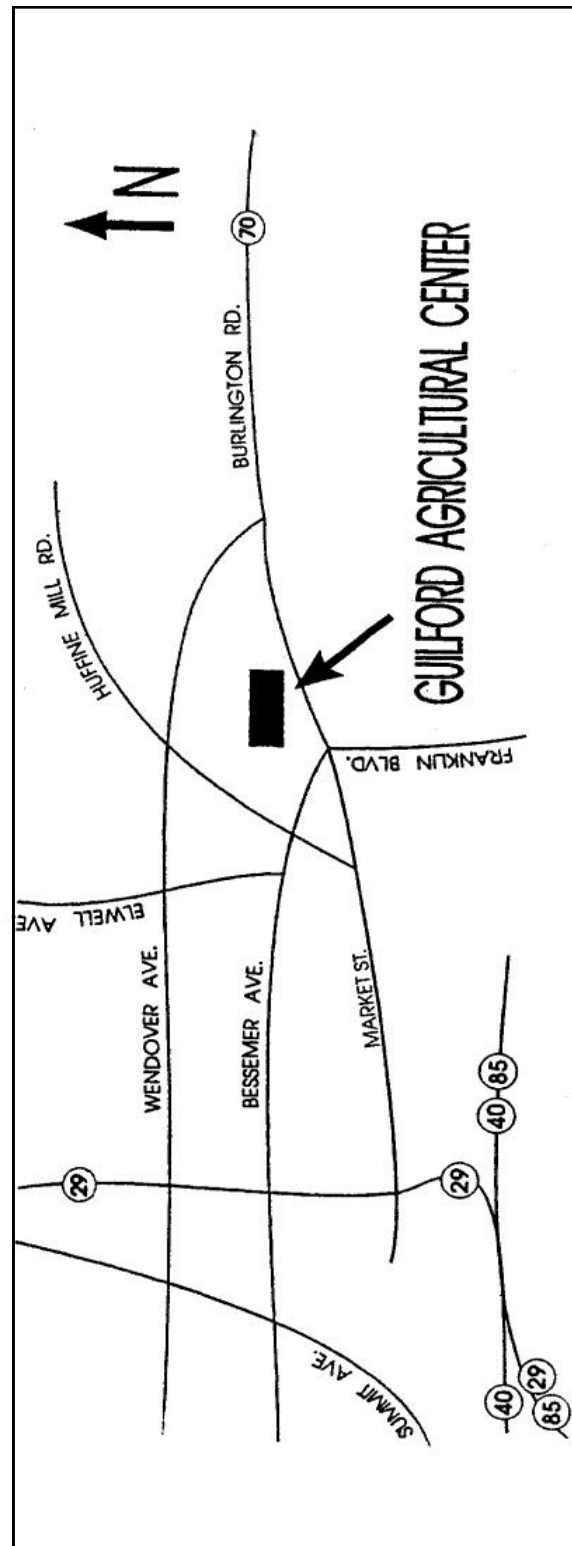
Are you interested in becoming an Extension Master Gardener Volunteer?

Applications are taken throughout the year for classes starting each January.

Volunteers receive more than 45 hours of intensive gardening education in exchange for 50 hours of volunteer time during the first year of the program. Ten hours of continuing education and 30 hours of volunteer service are program requirements during subsequent years.

The Master Gardener curriculum provides the volunteer with information and training on subjects such as botany, soil management, integrated pest management, and more. Upon completion of the course, Master Gardeners volunteer their time as Volunteer Educators, in coordination with plans developed by Extension Faculty. Extension Master Gardener Volunteers are involved in various community-centered activities such as staffing a phone-in hotline for home gardeners, offering public education workshops, serving as mentors to both school and community gardens, and maintaining a demonstration garden at the Guilford County Agricultural Center.

Contact Crystal Mercer, Extension Master Gardener Volunteer Coordinator at 336-641-2414 for more information or to request an application, or stop by the Guilford County Extension office at 3309 Burlington Road in Greensboro.



About the 15th Annual Gardening Gala and Seminar

This special day is devoted to exploring gardening practices that are helpful to Piedmont gardeners. Our focus will be on

"Let Your Imagination Grow"

This seminar offers educational enrichment and continuing education for Extension Master Gardener Volunteers from several counties, and education for the public.

Please invite your friends and neighbors.

Join us for this unique opportunity on September 22nd to explore landscape design principles, gardening practices, and plant selection for your garden spaces, provided by experienced professionals.

Public registration begins July 1st.

Please register by September 4th!

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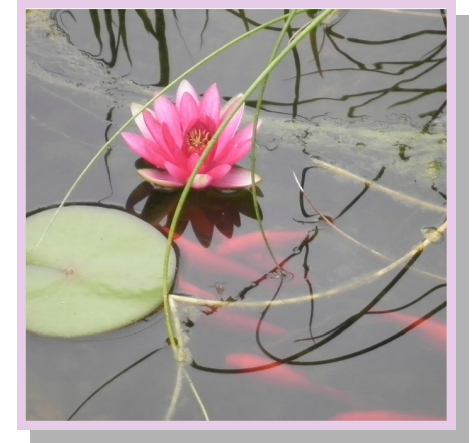
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"Let Your Imagination Grow"

**Thursday, September 22, 2016
8:30 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.**



Sponsored by:
Guilford County Extension Master Gardener Volunteer Association



The Gardening Gala and Seminar Program

Thursday, September 22, 2016

8:30 am Registration, Refreshments,
Shopping – Arrive early!

9:00 am Welcome and Important Information

9:15 am **Peter J. Hatch**
“Thomas Jefferson's Revolutionary Garden “

10:15 am Break and Shopping

10:45 am **Chip Callaway**
“A 36-year Career Gardening Veteran Tells All”

11:45 am Lunch and Shopping

1:15 pm Breakout Seminars

A. Peter J. Hatch
“Adventures of a Historic Gardener”

B. Lisa Mason Ziegler
“From the Ground Up”

C. Chip Callaway
“Trials, Tribulations, and Triumphs”

2:15 pm Break and Shopping

2:40 pm **Lisa Mason Ziegler**
“Attract Pollinators from Spring to Fall! ”

3:40 pm Door Prizes and Evaluation

4:00 pm Thank you for coming!
See you next year!!

North Carolina A&T State University and North Carolina State University commit themselves to positive action to secure equal opportunity regardless of race, color, creed, national origin, religion, sex, age, or disability. In addition, the two Universities welcome all persons without regard to sexual orientation. North Carolina State University, North Carolina A&T State University, U.S. Department of Agriculture, and local governments cooperating.
For accommodations for persons with disabilities, contact Deb Fuller at (336) 641-2400 no later than five business days before the event.

About the Speakers:

Peter J. Hatch is the celebrated author of four books on the gardens of Thomas Jefferson's Monticello, in Charlottesville, Virginia, where he served as Director of Gardens and Grounds for 35 years. Peter will discuss Thomas Jefferson's Revolutionary Garden in his keynote address.

Peter's breakout session is a more informal discussion entitled *Adventures of a Historic Gardener*. The trials and tribulations of recreating historic landscapes, gardens, and plants has been a tragicomic adventure throughout Peter's 40-year horticultural career. The challenge of accurately restoring the past is both a fun and a fascinating story of the uneasy relationship between history and horticulture.
www.peterjhatch.com

Lisa Mason Ziegler, a home gardener turned cut-flower farmer, began growing field-grown cut flowers in 1998 on less than one acre in Newport News, Virginia. In 2010, Lisa's garden grew into an urban farm, which is now close to three acres. During the growing season, this farm yields over 10,000 stems of flowers each week. Her flowers are sold to upscale florists, supermarkets, and the programs Garden Share farm pickup and the Weekly Bouquet Drop-off subscription, both in their 15th year.

Lisa's keynote address is *Attract Pollinators from Spring to Fall!* Lisa will share how to bring back flowers to the vegetable garden and landscape to provide habitat and food sources for native pollinators and how it can provide cut flowers from spring to fall! Lisa's breakout session, *From the Ground Up*, includes the practices that are at the root of the success and beauty of her flower farm: starting from seed and caring for the soil.
www.thegardenersworkshop.com

Chip Callaway specializes in residential, hospitality, and historic garden design, and along with his staff has designed nearly 1000 gardens, ranging in size from large estates to small patios. He is involved with symposiums, has sat on numerous garden boards, and has been featured in magazines such as *Southern Living*, *Garden and Gun*, and *The Washington Post*. Chip Callaway has given much of his time and creative talent to Paul J. Ciener Botanical Garden. Callaway's keynote address, *A 36-year Career Gardening Veteran Tells All*, will give the audience an insight into his imaginative design process that has grown and blossomed over his career. In Chip's breakout session, called *Trials, Tribulations, and Triumphs*, Chip continues his romp through many more of his favorite gardens with lessons he has learned over the years.

www.chipcallaway.com

Garden-Themed Vendors and Artisans

Bring your shopping money for birthday or early holiday gift purchases.

In addition to enjoying our speakers and breakout seminars, participants may use the scheduled breaks to visit garden-inspired vendors and artisans, located in the main lobby and in the Barn Arena.

Please patronize these outstanding vendors and artists who have made a special effort to bring their plants and gifts together for your shopping enjoyment!

Plus... door prizes throughout the day from multiple vendors and community contributors ensure great fun!

Gardening Gala Registration

The nonrefundable \$45.00 fee for registration includes refreshments and lunch.

Seating is limited; register early.
Registration will be confirmed by email; we do not mail tickets.

For additional information, please contact Rose Foster at 336-255-2990 or email 2016emgvgala@gmail.com
One registration form per participant; photocopy form if necessary.

Name : _____
Phone: _____
Email: _____
Address : _____
City: _____
State: _____ Zip: _____

Indicate lunch choice:

Regular Vegetarian Gluten-free

Indicate your 1st, 2nd, and 3rd choices for Breakout Seminar:

____ Hatch ____ Ziegler ____ Callaway

Make check payable to: GCEMGVA
and mail your check with this form to:

Gardening Gala and Seminar
Attn: Registrar
Guilford County Cooperative Extension Office
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