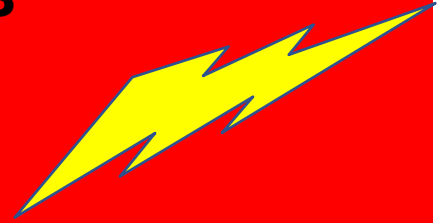


October 27, 2023

Friday Flash



November Meeting

Topic:

Nocturnal Nature

Speaker

Clare Walker, MG & MN Staff - Irvine Nature Center

Date

Tuesday
November 14th

Time

7:00

Location

Zoom

<https://umd.zoom.us/j/99439900369>



Continuing Education

Dr Clare Walker is the senior naturalist at Irvine Nature center and cares for the native plant gardens and Native American site there. Clare is both a Master Gardener and Master Naturalist and is passionate about educating others on the connections between native plants and animals. She has given talks to the US Botanical Gardens, Virginal Native Plant Society and teaches plant identification for Nature Forward.



Nocturnal Nature

Nature does not just stop when the sun goes down. Instead, a whole new world opens up and comes to life. Join Clare to discover who is hooting and howling in your backyard as the sun sets and night falls. See if you can recognize the signs and sounds of our nocturnal neighbors. From owls and bats to flying squirrels and moths, learn some of the amazing adaptations of these nighttime visitors. Have you noticed less fireflies? Discover why they are declining and how you can help them and other wildlife with simple changes to your yard.

Find recordings of previous meetings at [Just for Master Gardeners | University of Maryland Extension \(umd.edu\)](https://umd.edu) Scroll to the bottom of the page.

BUS TRIP

LONGWOOD GARDENS

to view its outstanding holiday displays



Cost of \$120/person includes luxury motor coach transportation, admission to the gardens, snacks, beverages and gratuity

Meet at Naval Academy Stadium parking lot, Gate #6 (Taylor Avenue), Annapolis

To register and for more information, please call 410-570-4465

sponsored by Friends of Helen Avalynne Tawes Garden, Inc.

Tuesday, December 5th
10:00 a.m. –8:30 p.m.

All proceeds benefit the Helen Avalynne Tawes Garden, Annapolis' only free public garden

Volunteer Opportunities



The Bates Middle School Garden Project will have a workday in the garden behind the school (701 Chase St., Annapolis) on Saturday, October 28th from 11 AM-2PM. We will plant spring bulbs and expand the strawberry bed.

It is Seed Swap Time!

DONATE SEEDS: Bring your saved, unused seeds to the Extension Office or one of our seed cleaning and packaging workshops (details below). Please remember to put the **seed name, year it was harvested, and name, and contact number/information** on your packets. **No invasives will be accepted.** You do not need to participate in a workshop just to drop off seeds.

See workshop dates/info in Events Grid below.

For further information: [Sophie Sterling](#)





Volunteer Hours Approved

Attention Master Gardeners- looking for volunteers to help plant forty shrubs and trees on a community waterfront property in Carrollton Manor. A landscaper will provide an auger to drill the holes ahead of the planting so no digging will be required. All trees and shrubs are 5 ft. tall or less.

Date: Saturday, Nov. 4th from 10-1 (rain date Nov. 5th). Refreshments will be provided. The location is at Hillbottom Beach, 731 Shore Rd. in Severna Park. Questions? Contact [Kristin Silva](#), Watershed Steward, Master Gardener, phone: 443-254-3133.

Severn River Middle School (part of Arnold Youth Garden Project) needs your help **Thursday, Nov. 2nd between 9:30am-2pm!** Come for as long as you like:).

We will be maintaining gardens and planting new native shrubs and perennials. There will be over 100 8th grade science students assisting with the project, and we need Master Gardeners to help guide them:). Master Gardeners can get volunteer hours!

Please wear gardening clothing, gloves, sunscreen, bring drinking water, and tools (shovels, pruners, loppers, small shovels/trowels, weeding tools.). Drop off equipment at the front entrance, park in main lot, then check in at the main office and meet at the front entrance of the school.

**Severn River Middle School:
241 Peninsula Farm Rd., Arnold, MD 21012**

Thanks!

[Jessica Zinder](#), Ph.D.

Project Leader

410-440-1117



South County Senior Center

We have our next workday upcoming on Saturday, 11/4 from 9:30 a.m. until 12, and we wanted to note that in particular that day we will be digging up daylilies to prepare the area for more 'nativization' next season. Getting those daylilies out is tough! This is a great workday for people who like to have at it with their shovels. We need bodies and shovels. And as the Senior Center has passed on the lilies, anyone can take them home with them.



English Ivy Removal Event

Sunday, November 26th
1 PM- 4 PM

The negative aspects of English Ivy are innumerable! It has been in the US for almost 300 years and has More than worn out its welcome! Forest Conservation Area #9 in Park Retreat subdivision is overrun with English Ivy and it must go! Volunteers are needed to help remove the ivy. Feel free to come late and/or leave early. Refreshments are provided. When reporting volunteer hours, please state that approval was given by Fran Garcia.

The English Ivy Is No Longer Welcome!



103 Natalie Lane,
Millersville, MD
Ample parking.
Follow signs to site.
(2-minute walk)
For more
information,
contact [Andrea Weir](#)

For Your Information

**Interagency Bee Lab
Saturday, 10/28, 10AM-2 PM**



We are winding down planting but we do have a nice little wet area by the lab to plant with little wet- loving plants. We also have a lot of material (at this point) to give away. After this weekend, we will likely just go back to mostly Thursday with the periodic Saturday. So, if you are a community group, let me know if you have left overs so I can roll those plants to good homes. Thanks All. Hope your plants are all 'happied up.' Sam Droege

Hello everyone!

Hope y'all are keeping warm and staying healthy, especially with that flu bug going around! We are still looking for future EAB members! If you are interested in serving as a board member on the EAB from February 2024 through January 2025, please submit a brief statement to EAB Chair, [Betsy Beck](#) and Horticulture Agent Associate and Master Gardener Coordinator, [Maxine Yoon](#). Elections take place at the AAMG monthly meeting each January. The role and responsibilities of the EAB are found on the AAMG website or by clicking [here](#). Currently the EAB meets on the third Wednesday of each month from 9-10 am via Zoom, and we encourage any Master Gardener who would like to attend as a guest to please advise Betsy Beck or Maxine Yoon.



Year-End Project Reports

It is that time of the year! An editable and sample word document of the project report can be found [here](#). When you are finished, please 'save as' onto your computer under a different file name. To prevent any confusion on my end, please name the file in the subject "[add your project name here] Year-End Project Report 2023." Then feel free to email it to me [Maxine Yoon](#) whenever you are finished!

Master Gardener Continuing Education Interest Form

I would love to provide more continuing education opportunities next year and need your help in deciding what topics to teach/discuss! I have a Google form [here](#) if you would like to voice your opinion; your input would be greatly appreciated.

Thank you,
Maxine Yoon

Friday Funshine

ODE TO DIRT

Dear dirt, I am sorry I slighted you,
 I thought you were only the background
 for the leading characters—the plants
 and animals and human animals.
 It's as if I had loved only the stars
 and not the sky which gave them space
 in which to shine. Subtle, various,
 sensitive, you are the skin of the earth,
 you're our democracy. When I understood
 I had never honored you as a living
 equal, I was ashamed of myself,
 as if I could not recognize
 a creature who looked so different from me,
 but now I can see us all, made of the
 same basic materials—
 cousins of that first exploding from nothing—
 in our intricate dance together. O dirt,
 help us find ways to serve your life,
 you who have brought us forth, and fed us,
 and who at the end will take us in your arms.

- Sharon Olds



EVENTS

Project/Activity	Date/Time	Location	Contact Information
Dairy Farm Veggie Garden	Second Saturday & fourth Thursday (beginning 3/11)	AAMG Extension Office	Malcom Doying Pat Shema
Hancock's Resolution	9:30-12:30 first and third Tuesdays, 1:00 - 4:00 Sundays through October.	2795 Bay Beach Rd. Pasadena 21122	Sign-Up Genius Loretta Gerbrick Betsy Beck Nancy Allred
EAB	9:00 AM- 10:00 AM 3 rd Wednesday monthly (except December 13 th)	Zoom	Maxine Yoon
Bates Middle School Garden	10/28, 11 AM-2PM	701 Chase St., Annapolis, 21401	Sara Ford
Severn River Middle School Garden	11/2; 9:30 AM-2 PM	241 Peninsula Farm Rd., Arnold, 21012	Jessica Zinder 410-440-1117
Carrollton Manor Tree Planting	11/4 10 AM -1 PM	Hillbottom Beach, 725 Shore Rd. in Severna Park	Kristin Silva
South County Senior Center	11/4 9:30 AM-12 PM	27 Stepneys Ln, Edgewater, 21037	Elena Corbet Caroline Donovan
2023 Project Reports Due	11/15	Extension Office	Maxine Yoon
English Ivy Removal Event	11/26 1 PM-4 PM	103 Natalie Lane, Millersville, MD	Andrea Weir
2023 Seed Swap workshops	Mondays: 11/6; 11/13; 12/4; 12/11 10 /AM – 2 PM	Extension Office 97 Dairy Farm Rd., Gambrills	Sophie Sterling

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