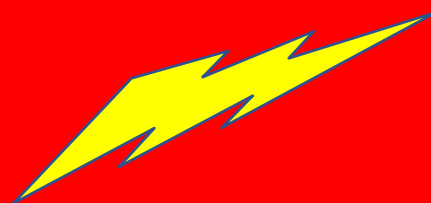




April 4, 2025

Friday Flash



April Meeting

Topic

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Identification

Host

Mikaela Boley

Date

Tuesday,
April 8th

Time

7-9 PM

Location

ZOOM

Continuing Education

Mikaela Boley works as Principal Agent Associate for University of Maryland Extension service in Talbot County for Home Horticulture and coordinates the county Master Gardener volunteer program since 2012. She holds a B.S in Environmental Horticulture and a Master's in Applied Entomology from UMD-College Park. You can also find Mikaela co-hosting the *Garden Thyme Podcast* with fellow Master Gardener Coordinators Rachel Rhodes and Emily Zobel.





HRT-357-201: Growing and Using Herbs

April 5, Sat. 10-12

AACC Calt #132

Explore growing, pruning, drying, culinary and crafting of Herbs.

Look into what bees like about the properties of Herbs.

This 2-part class can be attended separately, and you will still benefit from the information on "Growing and Using Herbs."

Contact: [Kim Forry](#)

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Contact Ingridwatson@outlook.com to RSVP or just bring your work gloves and tools. The plan is to tackle a new garden bed to increase our connection with the public and attract more pollinators. We'll also discuss ideas for hosting a public education day in May/June... would love to coordinate with other MG Projects to make it an even bigger

and better event! Learn about 2025 goals in our promotional video: [Promotional Display](#) Contact [Ingrid Watson](mailto:IngridWatson). Please join us.

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Bee Lab

Everything is still up in the air, so I can't predict what the longevity of operations at the lab will be, but we have a flexible interim plan that should be useful to everyone.

We will not use the hoop houses this year (no water or electricity installed)

1. We will convert pen 5 into seedling flats grow out area. Everyone can use this pen. It is late enough in the season that seedling plants will grow outside. We will set up automatic water for that pen.
2. The usual pens 1-4 will be available for grow out areas as usual. Any plants you have at my farm can be brought back and placed. The caveat is that if things get shut down you will have to grab your plants and move them out of there. In case the bee lab closes you can take your plants to my farm, and I will figure out how to water them without sucking all the water out of our well.

Photo by Sam Droege

Workday Saturday from 10 AM – 2 PM We just got a delivery of soil today at the bee lab, but I don't believe we received seed starter. I will have to check. We will have to scavenge seed flats from the old pot piles at the lab or you can bring your own (which just be pots). We invite everyone to come and plant their seeds and our seeds which have been nicely stratifying in our frig. We probably will start Thursday workdays next week.

Tomorrow is the Seed Swap and Gardening Book Exchange



We are looking forward to seeing you tomorrow: Saturday, April 5th, from 1-3 PM, at the Extension office. This event is only open to Anne Arundel County Master Gardeners. MG project chairs will be allowed to get seeds for their projects a half hour before we open to all AAMGs. Project chairs from 12:30 PM-1 PM

If you have seeds to bring, please make sure they are already in envelopes, clearly marked, and non-invasive. If you do not have seeds, come anyway! =]

Additionally, we will have a **GARDENING BOOK SWAP** at the Seed Swap! Bring your gently used gardening books and go home with ones from other MGs that are new to you! If you're unable to attend the Swap but have books you'd like to donate, please leave them at the Extension office and mark them Attention: Sophie Sterling.

For Your Information



Severna Park Market Garden

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The [Signup Genius for the Severna Park Farmers' Market Ask-a-Master Gardener Plant Clinic](#) is available for **Interns** to sign up for a Saturday. If you are on a team, please make sure that you sign up as quickly as possible acknowledging that you are available for specified dates. If you are not available, please contact someone from the substitute list or change slots with someone.

Friday Funshine



"TO PLANT A GARDEN IS TO
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EVENTS

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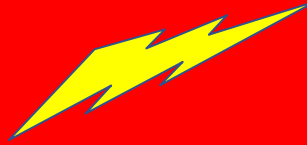
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April 18, 2025
Friday Flash



May Meeting

Topic

MG Plant Swap

Host

Marilyn Kinkel

Date

Tuesday,
May 13th

Time

6:30-8:30 PM

Location

Extension Office
Pavilion

Continuing Education

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Volunteer Opportunities

South County Senior Center/Library site. We will have a workday on Saturday, April 26th starting at 10 am. Please bring your gloves, tools, and water. We will be weeding and gathering up dried flower stems. Please contact Elena Corbet or Linda Fennell if you can make it.



Bee Lab All, come out and learn a different part of the process, sowing the cold stratified seed into flats. Let Sam know if you have seeds that need to come out of the frig. He will have seed mix everyone can use.

Saturday 10-2 p.m.

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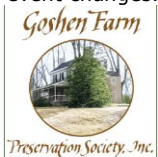
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Providence Center Plant List



Goshen Farm Spring Open House
Saturday, April 21st, 2025, from 10 AM to 2 PM. Enjoy a day on the Farm committed to family fun, entertainment, history, and wonder. Visit Goshen Farm's Annual Spring Open House on Saturday, April 10th, from 10 am to 2 pm. Gather the family and drive to 1420 Cape St. Claire Road, Annapolis, 21409, to learn about the history of Goshen Farm, the last Colonial-era farm on the Broadneck Peninsula. Admission and parking are free. However, we greatly appreciate any donations. Please RSVP on Facebook or join our email list to stay updated with any last-minute information or event changes.



The Cape St. Claire Garden Club invites you to shop our online pre-ordering site. Hanging baskets, trees, & shrubs with pickups from a Cape residence in late April and early May.

<https://cape-garden-club-plant-sale.myshopify.com/>

Blueberries, figs, camellias, hydrangeas, clematis, peonies, Virginia bluebells, t-shirts and our brand-new sticker -- get 'em while they're HOT! Please visit our blog for more details about our annual Plant Sale

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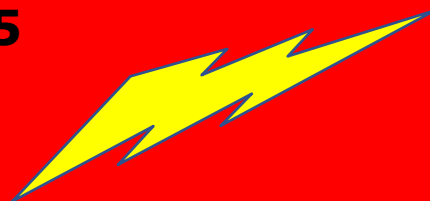
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April 27th, 2025

Friday Flash



May Meeting

Topic

MG Plant Swap

Host

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Date

Tuesday,
May 13th

Time

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Location

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Galearis spectabilis

Native Orchid Tour

Co-sponsoring Organization: Anne Arundel Master Gardeners and Maryland Native Plant Society

Leader: Dr. Dennis Whigham and Judy Fulton

Location: Smithsonian Environmental Research Center, Edgewater, MD

When: May 10th from 10AM - 1PM

Come see and learn about the beautiful, interesting native orchids growing on Maryland's Western Coastal Plain. Despite the unusual weather patterns this spring, we hope to find several species in bloom, including showy orchid (*Galearis spectabilis*). Orchid expert Dr. Dennis Whigham will be our guide to these sometimes-elusive plants at the Smithsonian Environmental Research Center.

The ecology of plants has been Dennis' primary interest, and his research has resulted in journeys through forests, fields and wetlands around the world. Explorations have led to studies of woodland herbs – including orchids, vines, wetland species, and invasive species, and studies of forests in the tropics, temperate and boreal zones. In recent years, studies of interactions between orchids and fungi have led in new and exciting directions. His current passion is to establish the North American Orchid Conservation Center (NAOCC), an initiative of the Smithsonian and the United States Botanic Garden. NAOCC will be based on continentally focused public-private collaborations that will result in the conservation of the genetic diversity of native orchids, initially in the U.S. and Canada.

Unfortunately, there are **only 7 available slots** for this field trip! If you are interested in attending, please register using the microsoft form and you will be automatically entered into the lottery. Registration is due April 30th 12am. Lottery results will be shared directly to you on May 1st. <https://forms.office.com/r/Xw26BJmY51>

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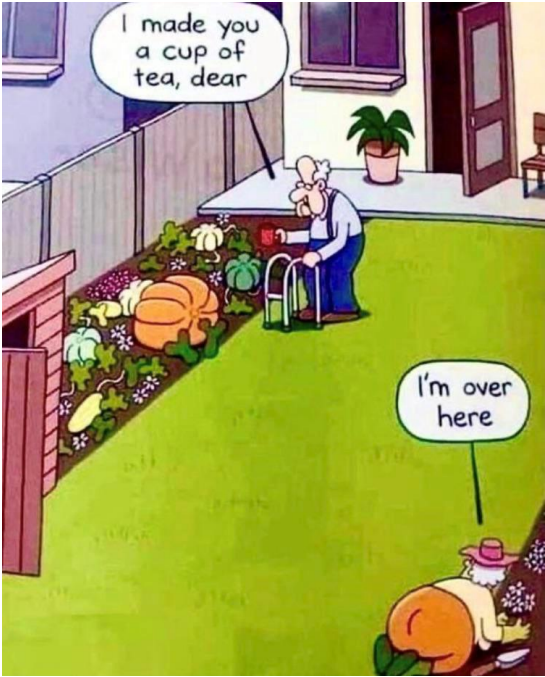
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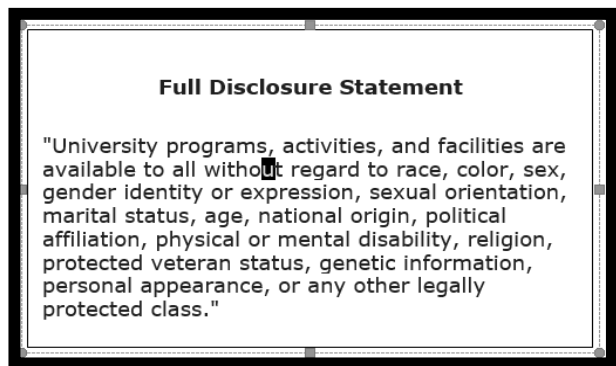
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