



# The Paulding Vine

A Publication of the Paulding County Master Gardener Association



## *Paulding County Master Gardeners' Annual Plant Sale*

**Saturday, April 24, 2010  
8:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.  
County Extension Office  
530 West Memorial Drive  
Dallas, Georgia**

*Annuals, Perennials,  
Trees, Shrubs  
And Vegetables*



**Newsletter Date  
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### **2010 Paulding County Master Gardener Officers**

**Co-Presidents** – Jerry Colclasure  
and Tommy Gordon  
**Vice President** – Joanne Fudger  
**Secretary** – Nanci Shipley  
**Co-Treasurers** – Janet Lawson and  
Dallas Ann Dennis

## 2010 Master Gardener Interns



**Shirley Davey**

I was born and raised in Atlanta, GA, moved to Cobb County in 1979 and Paulding in 2006. I am married to Mark Davey and have two sons - Patrick Waldrop (deceased) and Jason Waldrop also of Paulding County, three grandsons - Nicholas, Christian and Jacob and Golden Retriever - Brewster.

I recently retired from the Department of Homeland Security in January 2010 after 39 years of government experience. Most of my career was with the Drug Enforcement Administration as the Atlanta Field Division's Administrative Officer.

Thoroughly enjoy gardening at our residence in Dallas and second home in Spring City, Tennessee. Gardening projects have included building a 3000 gallon pond and multiple container gardens.

I am really excited about the Master Gardener Program and am overwhelmed at the educational benefits being provided. I look forward to sharing this newly-gained knowledge and personal experience with the Paulding community.



**Tammy Pearson**

I am a native Paulding County citizen born March 14, 1966 and graduated from Paulding County High School in 1984. My husband Adam is a land surveyor in Douglas County. My son Trenton is 12 years old

and attends Hershel Jones Middle School. I have been a hairdresser for 25 years. I have my own salon in Dallas.

My favorite flowers are daffodils and daisies. I love animals and own a dog, cat and parrot. I became interested in the Master Gardener Program when my husband and I were married at High Shoals Fall, located in the northern section of Paulding County, which was purchased by the county in 2003. I would like to start a program to introduce native deer resistant and shade loving plants to this area. This would be a huge project and I would need input from veteran Master Gardeners.



**Donna Phillips**

I am a wife, mother, grandmother, amateur gardener and retired nurse. My gardening consisted of a pretty haphazard system. Impulse rules in my garden. Pretty and unusual plants call my name. I am especially drawn to irregular conifers and evergreens but don't really have an ideal site for them.

My husband and I enjoy taking trips on our Gold Wing 1800 and it has afforded us many opportunities to see some beautiful gardens and forests all over the US and Canada.

We have travelled to Victoria, Canada to see Buchart Gardens, Portland to the Japanese Gardens and Rose Trail, Muir Woods and the Redwood forests, the coastal gardens of the Big Sur area, Brice, Zion and Yellowstone National Parks, Calgary, Lake Louise, Glacier National Park, and the Athabasca Ice fields.

Some of my most glaring "mistakes" have yielded some very satisfying results but many more have failed. I hope my Master Gardner experience will help others and save a few more of my passions from biting the dirt through poor choices on my part. Thanks to all for the terrific support you are giving the new "green interns".

# 2010 Master Gardener Interns

## Stan Gazaway



Stan has ABS Horticulture from Floyd College. He owned and operated Sempervirens Landscapes for 7 years and was a manager at Pike Nursery for 7 years-in the Stone Center. Retired from AT&T in 1991. Currently is on the Board of Directors for Paulding County Historical Society. In his spare time Stan likes to play golf.

## Mickey's Spotlight on What to Grow

### Lily of the Valley *Pieris japonica*



**BOTANICAL NAME:** *Pieris japonica*

**COMMON NAME:** Japanese Andromeda or Lily of the Valley Shrub

**MATURE SIZE:** 4'-10' high and 4'- 10' wide, depending on variety

**ORIGIN:** Japan

**HARDINESS ZONES:** 5 – 8

Japanese Pieris are elegant evergreen flowering shrubs. Most form their flower buds in the fall. These resemble tiny strings of pink, red or white pearls. They are quite showy throughout the cool season. In early spring the buds open to panicles of lily of the valley type blooms in pink and white.

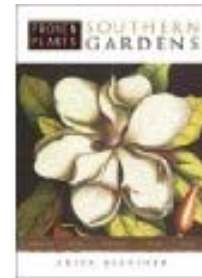
The flowers on Japanese Andromeda are not the only color provided by this beautiful plant. The new foliage in spring provides an amazing show in red, pink and bronze, depending on the variety. These leaves mature to a shiny dark green by summer. Pieris are perfect companion plants for Azaleas, Rhododendron, Helleborus and ferns. They thrive in part shade, morning sun only or dappled shade. They prefer well drained, evenly moist, acid soils with lots of organics.

Now is the time to add these wonderful plants to your shade garden. It's the perfect time to plant.

*By Mickey Gazaway*

## Off the Bookshelf

*A Garden Book Review by Judy Howd*



In the dreary days of winter Rachel and I took off for the Southeastern Flower Show held at the Cobb Civic Center, in search of spring.

After strolling leisurely through the show, getting lots of ideas to keep us busy planning till spring arrived, we found ourselves at the Garden

Book Section. What a delight to peruse all those books.

Of course, I just had to buy one to add to my collection! I picked up a copy of Proven Plants for Southern Gardens by Erica Glasener.

It is a beautiful book in itself, with full page drawings of various plants and flowers heading up each section. The book is easy to read and sensibly organized; divided by plants for sun or shade.

The author has included twenty categories of plants and then has recommended ten plants, shrubs, vines, trees etc. that perform well in our hot southern climate from each of the categories.

She includes both the scientific and common name for each plant to make it easier for us to track down at our local nursery.

I think it would be a great addition to any plant library.

## Unbiased, Research-based Education for Home Gardeners

Join us for one or all of these spring gardening educational programs. Check the schedule for times and locations and join gardening experts, including, Master Gardeners, local horticulture professionals and the Paulding County Extension Agent to get growing. Programs are FREE, but space is limited. Please contact our office to sign up-770-443-7616, 530 West Memorial Drive, Dallas, Georgia 30132, [www.ugaextension.com/paulding](http://www.ugaextension.com/paulding), or email [msheff@uga.edu](mailto:msheff@uga.edu).



Program	Date	Time	Location
<b>What's Bug'n Your Vegetables? Common Insects and Diseases of Vegetable Gardens</b>	Tuesday, April 27th	6:30 pm	<a href="#">Directions to:</a> Paulding County Chamber of Commerce, Lower Meeting Room
<b>Herb Gardening</b>	Tuesday, May 4th	6:30 pm	Paulding County Chamber, Lower Meeting Room
<b>Container Gardening</b>	Tuesday, May 18th	6:30 pm	Paulding County Chamber, Lower Meeting Room
<b>Five Steps to Successful Vegetable Gardening</b>	Saturday, May 22nd	10 am	<a href="#">Directions to:</a> Elrod Nursery, Nebo Road Location

Dear Master Gardener:

### **I have a lot of shade in my yard. Can you recommend plants that do well in mostly shade?**

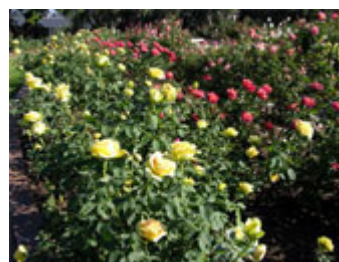
When landscaping a shaded area, use of colorful flowering plants is limited. Think of a woodland setting and the types of plants found in a forest. Focus on using different textures and colors of foliage for interest in a shady landscape.

For trees, consider: dogwood, redbud, Japanese maple, sweetbay magnolia, and serviceberry. These trees do best in morning sun and afternoon shade or dappled (think protected) sun throughout the day. There are some hollies that tolerate shade such as the American holly, savannah holly and yaupon holly; however, they will do best in more sun than shade. Canadian hemlock and Alberta spruce are options for conifer type trees.

Shade tolerant evergreen shrubs include azalea, rhododendron, anise, camellia, prostrate yew, wax myrtle, pieris, leucothoe, cherry laurel, English laurel, tea olive, mahonia, mountain laurel, and cleyera. These shrubs will do well with morning sun and afternoon shade or dappled sun. Acuba is an evergreen shrub that will do well in complete shade. Some deciduous shrubs that tolerate shade are hydrangea, summersweet, sweetshrub, some viburnums, St. John's wort, and Virginia sweetspire.

Some shade loving perennials are hostas, ferns, hellebores (Lenten rose), heuchera (coral bells), astilbe, pachysandra, lirioppe, ajuga, and dead nettle. For annuals consider the following to add some color and flowers, begonias, impatiens, caladiums and coleus.

For more information on gardening in Georgia, contact the County Extension Agent or a Master Gardener at the Paulding County Extension Office at 770-443-7616 or check us out online at [www.ugaextension.com/paulding](http://www.ugaextension.com/paulding).



***We can complain because rose bushes have thorns, or rejoice because thorn bushes have roses. -- Abraham Lincoln, 16th US President***

## Plants That are Bad Neighbors

Some plants may make for good neighbors, but others are more foe than friend. For example, aggressive mints will easily overtake nonassertive strawberries. Other plant rivals, such as black walnut or sunflowers, compete for the same nutrients, attract the same pests, or release substances called *allelopaths* into the soil that can inhibit other plants. Here's a list of some plants and their foes.



militaryphotos.net

## 4-H CARE PACKAGES FOR U.S. MILITARY WORKING DOGS!

As part of our "Operation Military Kids" 4-H project, our Paulding County 4-H Horse and Pony Club is working on a very exciting service project, and we need YOUR help!

Our club is preparing "care packages" for the United States Military Work Dog Teams deployed in combat zones. A team includes both the dog and its handler. These very special animals are trained for work as scouts, trackers, sentries, and in many other important ways to assist and protect human troops as they perform their missions. We would like to show our support for these brave dogs and their handlers by sending them wonderful packages overflowing with both needed items and some special treats to brighten their days while they are serving our country far from home.

Donations of funds to purchase the items listed below and/or to cover the costs of shipping OR donations of the items themselves would both be very welcome. Make checks payable to Paulding County 4-H and mark "Care Packages for K-9s Project" on the memo line, please.

Our deadline for receiving donations of items or funds for this project is May 30, 2010. This is so we can package the gifts carefully, and make sure that they reach deployment areas in a timely manner.

If you need to arrange for pickup donated items, please contact us!

Our e-mail address for this project is:

[ravbonta@bellsouth.net](mailto:ravbonta@bellsouth.net)

Our mailing address is:

**Paulding County 4-H Horse & Pony Club Care Packages for K-9s Project**

**C/o Annette Raybon, Volunteer Adult Leader 530 West Memorial Drive  
Dallas, GA 30132**

The adult's leaders helping with this project are:

Volunteer Adult Leader Annette Raybon (770) 445-8655 or

E-mail [raybonta@bellsouth.net](mailto:raybonta@bellsouth.net)

Horse Advisory Board Member Tiana Powell (770) 630-3207 or

e-mail [Tap03@yahoo.com](mailto:Tap03@yahoo.com)

PLANT	KEEP AWAY FROM	REASON
<b>Calendula</b>	Sunflower, chrysanthemum, marigold	Attracts blister beetles
<b>Coreopsis</b>	Squash, melons, cannas	Attracts cucumber beetles
<b>Hosta</b>	Marigold, pansy, petunia, geranium	Attracts slugs
<b>Nicotiana</b>	Potato, tomato, pepper	Susceptible to same diseases
<b>Ornamental kale</b>	Strawberry, grape, sunflower	Inhibits growth
<b>Rose</b>	Foxglove, pansy	Competes for nutrients
<b>Sedum</b>	Mint, hosta, ferns, astilbe	Different moisture requirements
<b>Snapdragon</b>	Hollyhock, coral bells, ageratum	Susceptible to same diseases
<b>Strawberry</b>	Cabbage family, mint, sunflower	Inhibits growth
<b>Sweet pea</b>	Chives, garlic, onion, leek	Inhibits growth
<b>Wormwood</b>	Most vegetables	Inhibits growth
<b>Zinnia</b>	Astilbe, coral bells, delphinium	Susceptible to same diseases

### Items needed for dogs:

Collapsible nylon dog bowls  
Large Kongs or Kong 3" rubber balls  
Tennis balls  
Dog shampoo and/or conditioner  
Grooming tools (combs, brushes)  
K-9 toothpaste and brush  
K-9 eye drops  
Salves for paws & noses (Neosporin or similar)  
Bandages/vet tape/4" x 4" gauze pads/rolls  
Towels to wipe paws  
Dog biscuits in 1 lb. boxes  
K-9 jerky treats (beef, rice, veggie, etc.)  
Large rope chews  
K-9 cooling mats (about \$75 per dog)  
K-9 cooling vests (about \$160 per dog)  
K-9 boots (about \$40 - \$50 per dog)  
K-9 cooling collars (about \$20 per dog)  
K-9 Advantix flea/tick treatment (about \$60 for a 4 month supply; this can be ordered/purchased through a vet or online; get size for full-grown German Shepherd Dog, Belgian Malinois, Lab, or similar breed, "over 55 lbs." size) .

### Items needed for handlers:

Beef jerky  
Creamer, Powdered Gatorade or other sports drinks; any sort of drink mix (lemonade, Crystal Light, etc.)  
Crackers and cheese, Power Bars, cereal bars, granola bars, microwave popcorn  
Twizzlers, Instant soups  
Fast food packages of condiments (ketchup, mustard, relish, mayo, sugar)  
Canned tuna or chicken  
Chex mix  
Peanut butter and jelly  
Canned sardines or oysters  
Individual boxes of cereal  
Packable sweets (cookies that don't crumble or melt)  
Razors/shaving cream  
Deodorant  
Dental floss  
Shampoo/conditioner  
Handkerchief, bandanas  
Sunblock  
Hand sanitizer  
Saline nasal spray  
Avon Skin So Soft (this is great for dogs too!)  
Nail clippers/nail file  
Throat lozenges, cough drops  
AA and D batteries  
Postage stamps  
Paperback books and/or magazines  
Word search, Sudoku or crossword puzzle books  
Sweat pants, sweat shirts, ankle socks (in green, black or white)  
Instant coffee (flavored) or instant tea

Hot cocoa powder  
Instant foods (flavored oatmeal, grits, Kraft Easy Mac, or similar)  
Little Debbie snack cakes  
Dried fruit, nuts  
Gum, bubble gum, Blowpops, lollipops  
Hard candy  
Hot sauce  
Spices (garlic powder, oregano, allspice, spice blends, etc.) in plastic bottles  
Chips in containers (like Pringles; no bags)  
Fruit or applesauce cups  
Pop tarts  
Chips/salsa (in indiv. plastic containers/no glass)  
Small canned foods like beef stew, potted meats, etc)  
Salad dressings (individual pouches)  
Soap  
Toothbrush/toothpaste  
Breath mints  
Comb/brush Lip balm  
Clorox wipes  
Eye drops  
Hand cream/lotion  
Cotton swabs  
Aspirin, acetaminophen, ibuprofen,  
Turns Hand warmers (chemical or battery)  
Phone cards,  
Writing materials  
Cards, yo-yos, Nerf balls, Frisbees, other small toys  
Duct tape (green, black, or tan)  
All-in-one tool ("Leatherman" tool)  
Surge protector  
Personal notes of thanks and encouragement

**NOTE: Pork and pork by-products are not allowed to be shipped to most Middle East combat locations, so please do NOT include any human or dog treats containing pork!**

## Calendar of Events

- **April 16** – 9:00 am Vegetable Garden Planting at Paulding County Extension Office. **Rain date April 26**
- **April 22** – 10:00 am Dallas Library **What to Plant and Where to Plant It**
- **April 24** – 2010 Plant Sale Paulding County Extension Office
- **June 24** – **Bonsai Growing**. Dallas Library

