



The Colonial Master Gardener

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THE PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

BY SUE LIDDELL

We took advantage of the warmer weather in April by offering various programs, including garden symposiums, tours, and plant sales. During tours of Colonial Williamsburg as part of Garden Week, leaders talked about garden design and how participants could get ideas for their own gardens.

This made me think about what kind of garden I have and, more importantly, what kind of gardener I am. After I'd lived here a few years, I made a list of all the plants on my property and plotted out a rough landscape design. For a few years I kept this up, moving, adding, and subtracting plants, and recording the changes. I still move, add, and subtract plants, but I no longer keep a record. As a result I have decided I am a Continually Surprised Gardener. I have had beautiful primroses one year, never to be seen again. I have enjoyed a ground cover with variegated leaves, which I believe is *Lamium*. This year is the first year it is covered with flowers. I have a *Yucca* that blooms every three to four years. Last year it was about eight feet tall and was at its best when we were away, but neighbors took pictures.

A few years ago I planted *Lunaria*, otherwise known as money plant, honesty, or silver dollars. If self seeds, so I shouldn't have been surprised when I had a nice patch this year. At the Methodist Church Respite Care Center we met with clients outside last month, and the first request was from a staff member asking me to identify a plant. The area had recently been cleaned up and mulched, with the workers having taken everything out but some flowering plants. These turned out to be money plants surrounding a pot of garlic chives and oregano, the remains of



Money plants along the wall of the Respite Care Center

Next Meeting:

Thursday, May 7

Program:

Ira Wallace

"Heirlooms, Seed Saving, and
Threats from GMOs"

the pizza garden we put in last year. This month we will add tomatoes, peppers, and onions to the patch.

Whatever kind of gardener you are, thanks for sharing your knowledge and experience through our MG organization.



Mandy Baldrige, MG, and Peggy Peterson showing off Sue's yucca flower

VMGA SCHOLARSHIPS

BY MARILYN RIDDLE

**THE DEADLINE FOR THE VMGA
SCHOLARSHIPS TO ATTEND MASTER
GARDENER COLLEGE HAS BEEN
EXTENDED TO APRIL 30.**

Please see last month's newsletter for information on the scholarships.

Kate Robbins will consider writing the application, but you need to let her know you'd like to apply.

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The MG Board meets on the third Friday of each month, at 9:30 am, at the James City County Health and Human Services Building, on Olde Towne Road.

The Board meetings are open to all Master Gardeners, and all are encouraged to attend.

INTERNAL EDUCATION

BY KATHY BUSH

What do you know about saving seeds and GMOs (Genetically Modified Organisms)? Is it something we MGs need to know about? Might they affect our future food supply?

The jury is out on the answers to many of these questions, but our May speaker will shed some light on the subject. Ira Wallace, owner of the Southern Exposure Seed Exchange, will be sharing her knowledge of heirloom plants, seed saving, sustainable agriculture, and threats from GMOs. She is a well-known speaker in our area and will be bringing her book *The Timber Press Guide to Vegetable Gardening in the Southeast* for your consideration. The Southern Exposure Catalog is a real treat to read if you are into vegetables and flowers that do well in Virginia.

More information can be found at www.southernexposure.com



Ira Wallace

Featured Garden of the Month



In April we traveled to Ford's Colony to see Mitzi Balma's lovely daffodil and spring bulb garden. She showed us her specimen trees and shrubs as well. It was a delightful tour, but I was even more impressed with the view of the garden from inside the house! What an amazing and beautiful perspective that was well worth all the planning and planting!

Would you like to share your garden with fellow MGs? Do you have an interesting shade garden? Have you done some creative hardscaping? Have you installed a rain garden? Do you have raised beds full of summer vegetables or use creative vertical growing methods? We would love to see and learn what others are doing in their yard.

If you would like to open your garden for MGs to view, please contact me at kathykbush@verizon.net and choose your date. We will arrange the rest. Thank You!

Mitzi's beautiful bulb garden

UPCOMING FIELD TRIPS, CLASSES, AND EDUCATIONAL OPPORTUNITIES

BY KATHY BUSH

May 1-2 (Lewis Ginter Botanical Garden, Richmond)
Friday, 9-5, Sat. 9-3. **Plant Sale**
No admission fee required; regular Garden admission to visit the Garden

The Garden's plant sales are among the largest in the region with more than forty vendors selling plants ranging from well-known favorites to rare exotics. Presented by LG Garden volunteers.

May 2 (Bluebird Gap Farm, 60 Pine Chapel Rd., Hampton), 9-2. **Hampton Master Gardener Spring Plant Sale**

May 8 (Lewis Ginter Botanical Garden, Richmond) **9-5. National Public Gardens Day**
Regular Garden admission

On this day designed to promote awareness of public gardens, Lewis Ginter Botanical Garden will have its historic Bloemendaal House open to the public (11-3) with free tours by knowledgeable garden guides (regular admission is required). Learn more about the original history of the house as the Lakeside Wheel (or bicycle) Club built in the 1800s.

May 8-10 (Norfolk Botanical Garden) 10-5. **Plant Sale.**
Theme is Incredible Edibles.

May 16 (Williamsburg Botanical Garden, Freedom Park) 10:00. Iris Grant and Stacy DeMeo will talk about creating a **water wise garden**. They will give tips on plant selection and design. Suggested donation \$5.

May 23 (Maymont, Richmond) 8-9:30. **"A Passion for Trees tour."** Embark on an exclusive morning tour among the towering trees in Maymont's one-hundred-acre arboretum. Learn which trees are right for your own landscape, pruning techniques, and other tree care tips. Donations welcome. Register by May 22 by calling 804-358-7166 ext 310.

June 17 (Virginia Zoo, Norfolk), Two-hour **guided tour** by Marie Butler, horticulturalist, of the many **themed gardens** that we heard about in our February meeting. Cost \$ 10, non-refundable. Meet at Target at Marquis Shopping Center at 8:00 to carpool. Sign up and pay by check made out to JCCW MG at May meeting. Ruth Schultz is point of contact.

Now through June 21 (Virginia Museum of Fine Arts, Richmond) **"Van Gogh, Manet, and Matisse: The Art of the Flower."** Explore French floral still life through the 19th century.

Field trip in July- Join us for a tour of the Poquoson Learning/Demonstration Garden that Noel Talcott spoke about in our December meeting. Date and time TBD.

UPCOMING FARMERS' MARKET DATES

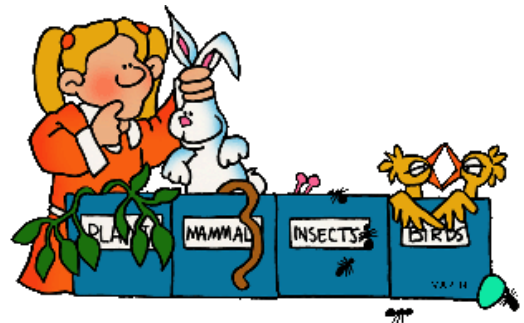
May 2
National Herb Day

May 16
Flowers

May 30
Water Stewards

June 14
Incredible Edibles

June 27
Vegetables



DIAGNOSTIC CLINIC

BY DONNA XANDER

The diagnostic clinic will be held for the whole month of May on Mondays and Wednesdays from 8:30am to noon in the extension office in Toano, across the hall from the help desk. Everyone is invited to join us, whether you are an MG or an intern, because it is a great learning experience. We will not be scheduling people, so come when you have some free time.

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STATE COORDINATOR'S LIAISON REPORT (JOHN FREEBORN)

AS REPORTED BY ANGELA CINGALE

A report from John Freeborn, Assistant Master Gardener Coordinator, Virginia Tech, Department of Horticulture, at the VMGA meeting in Rocky Mount, Virginia, on April 11, 2015.

- 1.. The winner of the iBook Publication Contest has been selected and notified. There will be an official announcement in the Spring In-Season Newsletter. The topic was international vegetables that can be grown in Virginia. The publication will discuss cultivation, harvest, and preparation of those vegetables. A second place entry will be on hobby winemaking, which made the decision close at the end.
2. Our second WebEx was on March 19. This session covered was the MG Association, what the benefits of a MG Association are, and how they fit in to the overall EMG program. Both of these WebEx sessions are posted on the website in the MG Coordinator's section along with the PowerPoints. Our next WebEx session will be on May 14.
3. Winter Conference—Our poster created by Riley Sixta won second place in the poster competition. This poster, titled Exploring the Enhanced EMG Program, showed the growth of the program over the past twelve years and highlighted a number of the new communications products that have been developed in the past twenty-four months.
4. The first week of May is the National Extension Conference on Volunteerism in Maine. Dave Close and Jeremy Johnson will both be attending this conference, and Dave is presenting while there. Dave's topic will be Barriers to Volunteer Leadership.
5. The statewide urban nutrient management program is ready to be rolled out. It is called Virginia Healthy Lawns and has taken into account materials and procedures from 8 different EMG lawn care programs across the state. We have received funding from DCR for development of this program, and DCR will be reporting the acres of turf that are enrolled in this program to the EPA.
6. MG College Update—All speakers, workshops, and tours have been confirmed. Registration is set to go live the last week of April (or maybe the first week of May), and the group who handles registration for us is currently building the registration

E2 NEWS

BY KARI ABBOTT

E2 is ready to go on field trips!!

This year will be a new adventure and there is fun to be had for everyone who would like to attend.

Schools will be going to York River State Park in the following order.

April 28 and 29	Matoaka will be at the Park.
April 30	Clara Byrd Baker Elementary **this is a change from the yearlong plan**
May 5	DJ Montague Elementary
May 6	Matthew Whaley Elementary
May 8	J. Blaine Blayton Elementary

This year we are also doing a partnership with Therapeutic Gardening and we will take our special education friends to York River State Park on May 27. E2 held training on April 15. Everyone seemed to have a good time. The featured



lesson was highlighting the forest agriculture and the wood products that are grown, produced, and marketed in Virginia.

Our visits to school will finish in May, with first graders going through a critical thinking activity and kindergarten learning about the birds in Virginia.

A big shout out THANK YOU to everyone who has volunteered, this year everything is falling into place.

Please email bearsbaskets@cox.net if you would like to join us in E2 volunteering. We are going to have a fun time in the forest shortly.

HOME DEPOT AND NEONICOTINOIDS

BY HOPE YELICH

Helen Hamilton has recently discovered that Home Depot (as well as Lowe's and other chains) continues to sell plants treated with a dangerous systemic pesticide. Neonicotinoids have been linked to honeybee death and damage to birds, earthworms, and other species.

Home Depot, in a publicity statement last July, said it would require by the end of 2014 that plants treated with neonicotinoids have a label informing customers that the plant had been exposed to that insecticide. They did so, but in the meantime a worldwide study of systemic pesticides has found that these chemicals cause "significant unintended negative ecological consequences" well beyond the danger to honeybees.

For those with an academic bent, visit <http://www.tfsp.info/worldwide-integrated-assessment/> which has links to scholarly articles and additional findings. For the full study click on http://www.tfsp.info/assets/WIA_2015.pdf.

Things are looking up, though. On April 2 the EPA announced it will not approve new outdoor uses of neonicotinoids (http://www.epa.gov/oppfead1/cb/csb_page/updates/2015/neonic-outdooruse.html) while requiring new bee safety studies.

So, please, look for this label before buying any plant, and do what you can to help ban neonicotinoids altogether.



Tags from a perennial plant in a display outside Home Depot



Tree of Heaven

UPDATED INVASIVE PLANT LIST

Laurie Fox, horticulture associate at the Virginia Tech Hampton Roads AREC, alerted me to the updated Virginia Invasive Plant Species list from the Virginia Dept. of Conservation & Recreation. To see the list, click on

http://www.dcr.virginia.gov/natural_heritage/documents/nh-invasive-plant-list-2014.pdf

MAY IS TICK-BORNE DISEASE AWARENESS MONTH! BY KATHY BUSH

Most of us have heard of Rocky Mountain spotted fever, which is caused by the American dog tick and results in flu-like symptoms and a rash. Lyme disease is spread by deer ticks that cause auto-immune and neurological problems if not treated.

Do you know what a lone star tick looks like? Have you heard of Alpha GAL, which causes you to be allergic (possibly have anaphylactic shock) to red meat? (See <http://wtop.com/news/2014/05/tick-bites-could-cause-red-meat-allergy/>) And just this week in the news, I heard about 'Powassan Virus' from a tick bite which can be deadly. (<http://newyork.cbslocal.com/2015/04/08/doctors-say-tick-borne-powassan-virus-is-worse-than-lyme-disease/#.VSfJnmM2zOQ.mailto>). Be cautious when working outside.

Virginia Tech has this advice on its website:

Control: The following methods of prevention are recommended by the Virginia Department of Health:

- Avoid tick infested areas such as tall grass and dense vegetation
- Walk in the center of trails and avoid brushing against weeds and tall grass
- Keep grass and underbrush cut and thinned
- Wear light colored clothing so ticks can be found easily
- Tuck pant legs into socks so ticks stay on the outside of pants.
- Conduct tick checks on children and pets every 4 hours
- Keep pets outside from April to September to help keep ticks out of the house
- Use tick repellents that contain at least 30% DEET
- Ask your veterinarian to recommend tick controls for your pets
- Treat your lawn with an approved pesticide for tick control
- Treat clothes with permethrin be sure to follow all label precautions)



• Ticks are best removed with tweezers or by wrapping the tick in tissue paper and pulling out with fingers. Do not twist or jerk, and pull slowly to avoid leaving the mouthparts in the wound. Do not use nail polish, petroleum jelly, alcohol, or hot matches to remove the tick. Wash the wound with an antiseptic after the tick is removed. Kill the tick in rubbing alcohol and keep it in a small vial for a few months in case any disease symptoms develop.

Remarks: Ticks cannot fly or jump.

For safety's sake, be sure you can identify the various kinds of ticks in the area and know what the signs and symptoms of infection from a tick bite look like. Seek medical help if you have a reaction to a bite.

DC GARDENS

BY HOPE YELICH WITH INFORMATION FROM PAT CROWE

Last month Pat emailed me information about DC Gardens (<http://dcgardens.com/>), which describes itself as a "grassroots, independent media campaign using images of DC-area gardens by month to aid visitors. The photos are free for any purpose, with credit to the garden. DC Gardens is also a hub for info that helps locals learn to garden and connect with the gardening and greening community."

Pat also sent along a link to a March 10 article from the *Washington Post* about this new endeavor. To see it, click on http://www.washingtonpost.com/local/how-does-this-garden-grow-with-help-from-a-web-site-and-pretty-pictures/2015/03/10/cfe78800-c73f-11e4-b2a1-bed1aeea2816_story.html. Thanks, Pat!

MG ANNUAL SPRING TOUR OF THE WILLIAMSBURG BOTANICAL GARDEN MAY 16 BY PATSY MCGRADY

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 **WillamSBurg Botanical Garden**

10th Anniversary Meet the Gardener Spring Tour

May 16, 2015 1:00 and 3:00

Freedom Park

5535 Centerville Rd, Williamsburg, VA 23188



Sign-up at williamsburgbotanicalgarden.org

Tours are provided as a collaboration of the VCE JCC/W Master Gardeners and the WBG gardeners.



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MGs, in association with the Williamsburg Botanical Garden (WBG), are hosting a "Meet the Gardener" themed tour of the WBG at 1:00 and 3:00 on Saturday, May 16.

The tour will include a brief history of the garden and provide an overview of the many growing environments within the garden. In recognition of the 10th anniversary of the WBG, the tour will also highlight several of the gardeners who manage specific sections of the garden.

Attendees will have an opportunity to ask questions of the gardeners. Those planning on attending are asked to sign up at the website williamsburgbotanicalgarden.org. But if it's a last minute decision, please just show up.

The tours follow a 10:00 morning presentation at the Freedom Park Interpretative Center by MGs Iris Grant and Stacy DeMeo. They will be discussing "Tips on Water Wise and Low Maintenance Gardening."

So mark Freedom Park, May 16, on your calendar for the morning presentation by Iris and Stacy and the afternoon tours by the participants of the MG project Educational Tours of the WBG.

WILDFLOWER OF THE MONTH – MAY 2015

BY HELEN HAMILTON
JOHN CLAYTON CHAPTER, VIRGINIA NATIVE PLANT
SOCIETY

COMMON YUCCA *Yucca filamentosa*

Distinctive with leathery, evergreen leaves in a dense rosette, this plant looks like its desert relatives. On edges of the stiff, sharply pointed leaves are fraying, twisted whitish threads, which are not usually found on other species of *Yucca*. During the growing season each plant will produce a spreading cluster of drooping cream-colored flowers on a six-foot smooth stalk, followed by an oblong, pickle-like fruit.

Native to the eastern and central U.S. and nearly every county in Virginia, this is a plant of dry, sandy soils and sand dunes. While tolerant of salt spray, it does not do well in poorly drained or wet sites, and will not bloom in full shade. After flowering, the fruiting stalk becomes unsightly, persisting for two-three years unless pruned away. The very deep tap roots are very difficult to remove and serve as a method of propagation; many miniature plants will return from broken root segments.

Yucca fruit can be cooked and eaten after the seeds are removed; the large petals are used in salads. Yuccas depend on the yucca moth as their agent of pollination and, conversely, the moth larvae depend on yuccas for food.



Photo: Common Yucca (*Yucca filamentosa*) taken by Helen

The plant blooms April-June.

For more information about native plants, visit <http://vnps.org/johnclayton/>



LANDSCAPE LOVE BY GARY STREB



Spring has finally arrived, with a vengeance. Seems like everything bloomed and leafed out within the last week. And this change of season has not been lost on the homeowners of James City County and Williamsburg. We have received seventy-seven requests for a personalized, on-site home visit by our team of Master Gardener/Intern volunteers.

Most of our fifty-seven Master Gardeners and seventeen interns have attended one of the two orientation/organizational/training meetings in the last week to get ready for the visits.

The five teams (Jamestown, Williamsburg, Ford's Colony, Governor's Land, and the Upper County) are now in the process of scheduling the visits. The experience and knowledge of each volunteer will again provide top-notch advice and information to the homeowner residents. Our educational mission emphasizes sustainable landscaping and water quality programs, landscape design, care, and maintenance.

Happy spring and happy gardening.

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JCCW Master Gardeners working the New Kent County Envirothon on April 18.

On April 19 Helen Hamilton and Gus Hall led a plant walk on the nature trail at Lafayette High School. One of the highlights was this pink lady's slipper. Photo by Helen Hamilton.



Donna Ware on a plant walk at the WJCC rec center April 21. Donna took the group to see blue- and white-flowered bluets, wild forget-me-nots, water-blinks, and many other small plants that bloom in lawns and ditches in the spring. Photo by Jan Newton.

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GOD SAID TO ST. FRANCIS...

Resident wit Marty Oakes passed along this hypothetical exchange between God and St. Francis. For those of you who have seen this before, it bears repeating. For those of you who haven't, enjoy:

GOD said to ST. FRANCIS:

Frank, you know all about gardens and nature. What in the world is going on down there on the planet? What happened to the dandelions, violets, milkweeds and stuff I started eons ago? I had a perfect no-maintenance garden plan. Those plants grow in any type of soil, withstand drought and multiply with abandon. The nectar from the long-lasting blossoms attracts butterflies, honey bees and flocks of songbirds. I expected to see a vast garden of colors by now. But, all I see are these green rectangles.

St. FRANCIS: It's the tribes that settled there, Lord. The Suburbanites. They started calling your flowers 'weeds' and went to great lengths to kill them and replace them with grass.

GOD: Grass? But, it's so boring. It's not colorful. It doesn't attract butterflies, birds and bees; only grubs and sod worms. It's sensitive to temperatures. Do these Suburbanites really want all that grass growing there?

ST. FRANCIS: Apparently so, Lord. They go to great pains to grow it and keep it green. They begin each spring by fertilizing grass and poisoning any other plant that crops up in the lawn.

GOD: The spring rains and warm weather probably make grass grow really fast. That must make the Suburbanites happy.

ST. FRANCIS: Apparently not, Lord. As soon as it grows a little, they cut it-sometimes twice a week.

GOD: They cut it? Do they then bale it like hay?

ST. FRANCIS: Not exactly, Lord. Most of them rake it up and put it in bags.

GOD: They bag it? Why? Is it a cash crop? Do they sell it?

ST. FRANCIS: No, Sir, just the opposite. They pay to throw it away.

GOD: Now, let me get this straight. They fertilize grass so it will grow. And, when it does grow, they cut it off and pay to throw it away?

ST. FRANCIS: Yes, Sir.

GOD: These Suburbanites must be relieved in the summer when we cut back on the rain and turn up the heat. That surely slows the growth and saves them a lot of work.

ST. FRANCIS: You aren't going to believe this, Lord. When the grass stops growing so fast, they drag out hoses and pay more money to water it, so they can continue to mow it and pay to get rid of it.

GOD: What nonsense. At least they kept some of the trees. That was a sheer stroke of genius, if I do say so myself. The trees grow leaves in the spring to provide beauty and shade in the summer. In the autumn, they fall to the ground and form a natural blanket to keep moisture in the soil and protect the trees and bushes. It's a natural cycle of life.

ST.FRANCIS: You better sit down to hear this Lord. The Suburbanites have drawn a new circle. As soon as the leaves fall, they rake them into great piles and pay to have them hauled away.

GOD: No!? What do they do to protect the shrub and tree roots in the winter to keep the soil moist and loose?

ST. FRANCIS: After throwing away the leaves, they go out and buy something which they call mulch. They haul it home and spread it around in place of the leaves.

GOD: And where do they get this mulch?

ST. FRANCIS: They cut down trees and grind them up to make the mulch.

GOD: Enough! I don't want to think about this anymore. St. Catherine, you're in charge of the arts. What movie have you scheduled for us tonight ?

ST. CATHERINE: *Dumb and Dumber*, Lord. It's a story about....

GOD: Never mind, I think I just heard the whole story from St. Francis.

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Important Dates

- 4/25 Plant Sale, Jamestown Beach Park, 9-2
- 4/25 Herbs Galore & More at Maymont, Richmond, 8-4
- 5/1-2 Plant sale at Lewis Ginter Botanical Garden, Richmond
- 5/2 Farmer's Market: National Herb Day
- 5/2 John Clayton VNPS 2nd plant sale, New Quarter Park, 10-2
- 5/2 Tour of W&M campus with Dr. Marty Mathes, meet in front of PBK Hall 9:30
- 5/2 Hampton MG spring plant sale, 9-2
- 5/7 Monthly Meeting @ WRL
- 5/8 National Public Gardens Day, Lewis Ginter Botanical Garden, Richmond, 9-5
- 5/8-10 Norfolk Botanical Garden plant sale, 10-5
- 5/16 Creating a water-wise garden, Williamsburg Botanical Garden, 10:00
- 5/16 MG tour of the Williamsburg Botanical Garden, 1:00 and 3:00
- 5/18 Newsletter Submissions Due
- 5/23 Passion for Trees tour, Maymont, Richmond, 8-9:30
- 6/17 Virginia Zoo tour of themed gardens,, Norfolk
- 7/23 Annual JCCW MG picnic

SUNSHINE NOTES

In the past month the organization has sent cards to



Marv Braman — Get Well

The organization would like to send cards to members with difficult medical issues or who have experienced a death in the immediate family. Please provide names to the MG Secretary, Patsy McGrady, 258-1181, patsymcgrady@cox.net.

NEXT NEWSLETTER DEADLINE

The deadline for submissions to the June newsletter will be **Monday, May 18.**

Please send any submissions to Hope Yelich, Newsletter Editor, at hopeyelich@gmail.com.

JCC/W Master Gardener Mission Statement

The purpose of the James City County/ Williamsburg Master Gardener is to learn, educate, and communicate environmentally sound horticultural practices to the community. Trained by the Virginia Cooperative Extension, Master Gardener volunteers are committed to offering information to the public through sustainable landscape management educational programs.

ABOUT THE VIRGINIA MASTER GARDENERS AND VIRGINIA COOPERATIVE EXTENSION

Virginia Master Gardeners are volunteer educators who work within their communities to encourage and promote environmentally sound horticulture practices through sustainable landscape management education and training. As an educational program of Virginia Cooperative Extension, Virginia Master Gardeners bring the resources of Virginia's land-grant universities, Virginia Tech and Virginia State University, to the people of the commonwealth.

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PLANTS HUZZAH!

**Saturday,
April 25, 2015
9am - 2pm**

**Jamestown Beach Park
2205 Jamestown Road
Williamsburg, VA. 23188**

**VCE JCC/W Master Gardeners, Virginia Native Plants
and Williamsburg Botanical Garden**

Rain or Shine

Checks or Cash Only, please



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