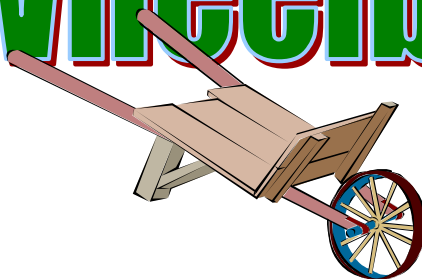


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Backgrounds & Borders: Design Theory and New Plants for Everyone

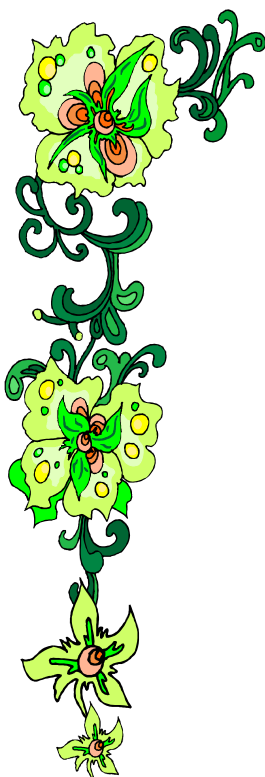
Monday, June 3 — 6:30 p.m.

NETMGA Meeting

Appalachian Fair Grounds Building #1

**Guest Speaker: Andy Pulte,
Plants Sciences Department, UTK**

SAPS Members Invited



The Northeast Tennessee Master Gardener Association (NETMGA) general meeting on June 3 will feature guest speaker Andy Pulte, one of the stars of the Plant Sciences Department of the University of Tennessee in Knoxville. Andy's topic is ***Backgrounds & Borders: Design Theory and New Plants for Everyone.***

Andy grew up in the nursery industry in Grand Island, NE. He received a BS degree in Horticulture from the University of Nebraska and a Masters Degree in the area of Public Horticulture from the University of Tennessee. Andy has worked at the National Arbor Day Foundation in the Education Department and the Henry Doorly Zoo in Omaha, Nebraska. He is a gardening expert and internationally certified arborist who teaches at the University of Tennessee, contributes to several gardening publications and hosts a gardening radio show. Additionally, he speaks to diverse groups and travels extensively to feed his passion for people and plants. Andy and Jason Reeves recently served as tour guides of New Zealand and Australia.

Please don't miss this opportunity. Please bring a snack to share for networking at 6:00 p.m. Program begins at 6:30 pm.

June Events:

Friday, June 7 — 1:00 p.m.
Ardinna Woods Arboretum and Butterfly Garden, Jonesborough, TN
Botany Walk with Frosty Levy, ETSU Botany Department. For more info contact Frances Lamberts at 753-5288

Saturday, June 8
SAPS Knoxville Garden Tour
45 SAPS members and guests are heading to Knoxville for touring and plant shopping

Saturday, June 8
10:00 a.m. — 2:00 p.m.
Shady Oaks Garden Tour—“Above and Beyond” - Gardens of Johnson City
Purchase tickets from Heather Bagnell (929-2267) or any other Shady Oaks Garden Club member for \$10.

Saturday, June 8 — 10:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.
Annual Historic Abingdon Garden Tour
The Abingdon Garden Club presents "Celebration of Blooms," a self-guided, leisurely paced tour of some of the loveliest gardens in this charming town. \$10. For more information and tickets, contact the Abingdon Convention and Visitors Center, 276-676-2282 or 1-800-435-3440, acvb@abingdon.com.



PLEASE NOTE — NO SAPS MEETING FOR JUNE OR JULY. We'll see you at the Tomato Fest!

Roan Mountain Rhododendron Festival



Saturday and Sunday
June 15-16
10:00 a.m.—5:00 p.m.

Roan Mountain State Park, Hwy 143, Roan Mountain, Tennessee (Between Asheville, NC, and Johnson City, TN on US HWY 19-E). You may direct questions to rhododendronfestival@yahoo.com

Saturday, June 15
15th Annual Lavender Festival
Historic Jackson Square, Oak Ridge, TN
Offers great food, fun activities for children, interesting herb demonstrations, crafts, antiques, music and much more.

<http://www.jacksonsquarelavenderfestival.org/>

Saturday, June 15 — 10:00 a.m.—4:00 p.m.
Annual Dragonfly Day
Warrior's Path State Park
Learn how to observe, photograph and identify our these amazing, beautiful and sometimes bizarre insects. We will spend most of the day "out in the field" with two expert dragonfly scientists, in some of our region's richest dragonfly habitats. **Free, but pre-registration is required. 423-239-6786 or email: Marty.Silver@tn.gov**



[.http://www.state.tn.us/environment/parks/WarriorsPath/docs/dragonfly.pdf](http://www.state.tn.us/environment/parks/WarriorsPath/docs/dragonfly.pdf)

NEEDED: VOLUNTEERS AND DONATIONS

One of our local Girl Scout troops at Rock Springs Elementary School, Sullivan County, is considering a project that will require some advice on planning, restoring, and cleaning up an old walking trail on the property. Volunteer workers and plant donations would be appreciated for this project. The group will be working on this project a few days this summer. Dates and times are not established yet, but will most likely be a couple Saturdays. If you can help with the planning or have plants to donate, please e-mail Wendy Bennett at wendyben-nett_04@yahoo.com or call 423-239-0860.



Thursday, June 20—7:00 p.m.
Herb Saplings Meeting
Exchange Place

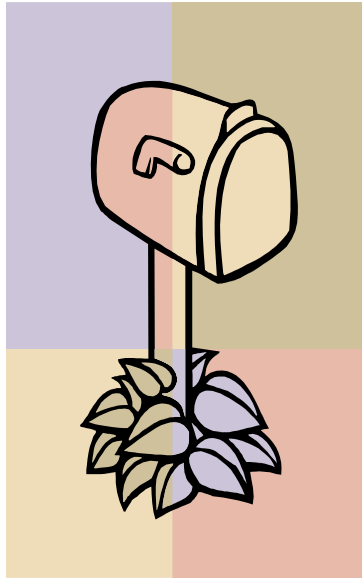
Jeanne Cope will present **Growing Green Roofs for Bird Houses, Sheds, etc.** Bring an herb snack to share if you can. All SAPS members are invited to attend Herb Saplings meetings.



The Garden Post

(<http://saps.us/garden-exchange>)

Beginning this month, SAPS is offering a new service for members on our website. **The Garden Post** provides a place for individuals to advertise garden-related items for sale or items wanted. There is no fee for posting. Please read the following rules and guidelines before submitting a post.



- Only SAPS members can advertise.
- Posts are for garden-related items only .
- This service is for individual, not commercial use.
- All posts must be received by e-mail sent to the SAPS Webmaster (muscovite100@yahoo.com).
- Posts may be submitted up to 5 days prior to the month to be posted.
- Posts will appear at the beginning of the month and will remain posted for one month. There will be a month "waiting time" before an ad can be reposted.
- SAPS assumes no responsibility or liability for transactions resulting from a posted advertisement.

July Events:

Wednesday-Saturday, July 17-20

Cullowhee Native Plant Conference

Western Carolina University, Cullowhee, NC
<http://www.wcu.edu/academics/edoutreach/conted/conferences-and-community-classes/the-cullowhee-native-plant-conference/index.asp> 800.928.4968

Saturday, July 21

Saturday Home Gardening Workshop

Cullowhee Native Plant Conference,
Western Carolina University, Cullowhee, NC
Featuring ***Newcomers' Introduction to Home Gardening with Native Plants*** with Olivia Brakenbury and Jesse Turner and ***Networks for Life: Your role in Stitching the Natural World Together*** with Doug Tallamy. \$25. Call 800-928-4968 or e-mail to: hensley@wcu.edu.

Friday-Sunday, July 26-28

North Carolina Herb Association's Wild Herb Weekend

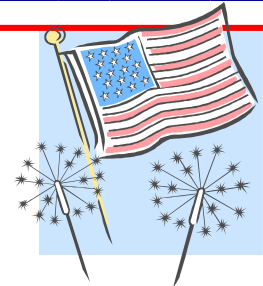
Valle Crucis Conference Center
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**No Herb Saplings
meeting in July.**

***Have a Happy
July 4th!***



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Please check the SAPS web site regularly for any last-minute announcements, such as weather changes, meeting venues or speaker cancellations at



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MARK YOUR CALENDAR!
Homegrown Tomato Fest IX
August 10

Each August SAPS sponsors **Homegrown Tomato Fest** to celebrate the virtues of this juicy red fruit. The Ninth Annual Homegrown Tomato Fest will take place Saturday, August 10, 2013, from 8- 11 a.m. at the Kingsport Farmers' Market, Center Street & Clinchfield Street in Kingsport and will feature tomato contests, free tomato tastings (including many heirloom varieties), free tomato refreshments, cooking demonstrations, tomato-growing advice, activities for kids, and fun for the whole family.

So, get started growing your tomatoes and plan to bring them to compete in contests for *Best Tasting*, *Biggest*, *Prettiest*, *Ugliest*, *Most Bizarre*, and *Best Dressed*. Cooks are invited to enter the *Best Salsa Contest*. Volunteer to help on this fun morning! **Volunteers are needed to help slice tomatoes, staff the salsa booth, coordinate children's activities, etc.** Your volunteer time counts for your Master Gardener hours. Contact Dennis Marshall, Tomato Fest Chairman, at 423-288-3675 or dmarshall@chartertn.net.



Thanks to the Downtown Kingsport Association for helping sponsor Tomato Fest IX