

## Search for Excellence Awards- 2018

### Service and Outreach Categories

#### Written Education

Shelby County - Gardening in Shelby County: Gardening Calendar and Planting Guide

#### Innovative Project

Tipton County - Drummonds Park Arboretum

#### Demonstration Gardens

Shelby County - Collierville Victory Garden

#### Youth Programs

Hamilton County - Alpine Crest Elementary School Outdoor Classroom and Gardens

#### Workshop or Presentation

Shelby County - Memphis Area Master Gardeners Speakers Bureau

### Individual Categories

#### Outstanding Individual Extension Master Gardener

Eastern Region

Central Region

Western Region

#### Outstanding Extension Master Gardener Partner



# Tennessee Extension Master Gardener State Conference

Montgomery Bell State Park, Burns, TN  
April 6th and 7th, 2018

MASTER GARDENER  
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THE UNIVERSITY OF TENNESSEE

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Thursday evening campfire at the park hosted by Big Springs Master Gardeners (Greene Co.)  
Meet on steps of conference center at 7:30

## Schedule for Friday, April 6th

Time	Session/Topic	Location	Speaker/Facilitator
7:30-8:15	Registration	Lobby	
8:15-8:30	Opening and welcome	Main Hall B/C	Brock Hill- TN State Parks
8:30-9:15	General session- Search for Excellence Awards	Main Hall B/C	SFE Committee
9:15-10:00	General session- Lighting up the Night-fireflies of TN	Main Hall B/C	Lynn Faust
10:00-10:30	<b>Morning break</b>		
10:30-12:15	Workshop 1- Tree benefits and diagnosing residential tree issues	Main Hall B	Wes Hopper, Eric Bridges
	Workshop 2- Tennessee turf tour	Room A3	Tom Samples
	Workshop 3- Landscape trouble shooting walkabout	Main Hall C	Carol Reese
	Workshop 4- A year of keeping bees in TN	Room A1	John Gunter
	Workshop 5- Identifying trees and current threats	Room A2	Joellen Dimond, Karla Kean
	Workshop 6- Wildflower and outdoor photography hike (weather permitting)	Meet on outside steps	Justin Stefanski, Linda Robertson, Melody Rose, Natalie Bumgarner
<b>Lunch</b>			
12:15-1:45	Group 1- 12:15 Group 2- 1:00	Lodge Restaurant and Dining Room	
1:45-3:30	Workshop 1- Tree benefits and diagnosing residential tree issues	Main Hall B	Wes Hopper, Eric Bridges
	Workshop 2- Tennessee turf tour	Room A3	Tom Samples
	Workshop 3- Landscape trouble shooting walkabout	Main Hall C	Carol Reese
	Workshop 4- A year of keeping bees in TN	Room A1	John Gunter
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3:30-4:00	<b>Afternoon break</b>		
4:00-4:50	General session- Thinking outside the box for EMG outreach	Main Hall B/C	Pam Bennett- Ohio State EMG Coordinator
4:50-5:00	Closing comments and announcements	Main Hall B/C	Natalie and TEMG Workgroup
5:00-7:00	<b>Dinner</b>		
7:00-8:00	Homemade herbals: A mini-workshop	Room A1	Roxi Phillips
7:00-9:00	Insect mounting and pinning workshop	Main Hall B/C	Amy Dismukes, David Cook

## Schedule for Saturday, April 7th

Time	Session/Topic	Location	Speaker/Facilitator
8:30-8:45	Opening	Main Hall B/C	
8:45-9:30	General session- The not so usual plants for the landscape	Main Hall B/C	Lucas Holman
9:40-9:50	Statewide TEMG updates	Main Hall B/C	Natalie Bumgarner
9:50-10:40	Regional planning meetings	East- A3	Led by TEMG Workgroup members from each region
		Central- B/C	
		West- A1	
10:40-11:00	<b>Morning break</b>		
11:00-12:00	Service session 1- Using surveys and data to enhance your local TEMG group	Room A1	Davidson Co.- David Cook, Debb Wilcox (+Natalie)
	Service session 2- Community gardens	Main Hall C	Sullivan Co.- Chris Ramsey, Jerry Ramey
	Service session 3- Junior Master Gardener and Learn, Grow, Eat, Go	Room A2	Sevier Co.- Alan Bruhin, Dixie Seaton, Tammie Browning
	Service session 4- Arboretums and MGs	Main Hall B	Wilson Co.- Flo Moore, Carol Walenga
	Service session 5- Novel ideas for educational outreach	Room A3	Cumberland Co.- Gregg Upchurch
<b>Lunch</b>			
12:00-1:30	Group 2- 12:15 Group 1- 1:00	Lodge Restaurant and Dining Room	
1:45-2:30	Hort session 1- TN garden vegetable variety trials	Main Hall B/C	Natalie Bumgarner
	Hort session 2- Tomato- diseases and disorders	Room A3	Amy Dismukes
	Hort session 3 – Insect pests; The usual suspects	Room A2	Chris Cooper
	Hort session 4- Attracting wildlife in the home landscape	Room A1	Carol Reese
2:45-3:15	General session- Grounded in Knowledge, Reaching Out in Service	Main Hall B/C	Natalie Bumgarner
3:15-3:30	Evaluations and closing comments	Main Hall B/C	Natalie and TEMG Workgroup

