



Rhea County Master Gardener Association Newsletter

Asclepias tuberosa is a species of milkweed native to eastern North America. It is a perennial plant growing to 0.3–1 meters tall, with clustered orange or yellow flowers from early summer to early autumn. [Wikipedia](#)

Greetings to All!

A big thank you to all that attended the July 20, 1917 MGA meeting. We have finalized our plans for the fair and I wanted to get the info out to all immediately. We still have room for volunteers!

Fair Schedule:

Friday August 11, 2017

4 pm to 7 pm

Jennifer Shoffner, John and Linda Blevins

4 to 8pm

Paul and Cindy Schreiner, Courtney Walsh, Eddie Starring

7 pm to 8 pm and closing building

Bill and Debbie Ward

Saturday August 12, 2017

10 am to 1 pm

Faith Young

10 am to 2 pm

John and Linda Blevins, Eddie Starring

10 am to 3 pm

Courtney Walsh

10 am to 6 pm

Bruce and Dianne Pfeiffer

12 pm to 4 pm

Bill and Debbie Ward

12 pm to 8 pm

Jennifer Shoffner

4 pm to 8 pm

Karen Winters and Pennie Hendrick (in attendance both days) and closing building

Leading up to the Fair

Monday, July 31, 2017 has been designated as a workday. We will paint the building gables in preparation for the hanging of our new signs on Tuesday, August 1, 2017. Please bring your lunch and some gardening tools as we will spruce up our beds. Start time will be 8 am due to the intense heat, and we hope to finish by lunch time or shortly thereafter. Stay tuned if more days are needed!

During the fair

The PowerPoint presentation on Pollinators will be looping the entire time in our building.

Signs are being made for the individual raised beds and a canopy tent will be set up outside for some shade relief in the garden.

Coloring books are being made to give to children.

Other materials with info on pollinators and gardening for pollinators are being printed for handouts.

Water bottles will be purchased for distribution at the fair.

Items have been stored at the MG building for the silent auction. Any other items may be delivered to the building on Friday, August 11, 2017. We will be setting up the building starting at 10 am on this day.

The Silent Auction is open for bidding until 5 pm on Saturday.

On Saturday, August 12, 2017 from 2 pm to 4 pm, fair attendees will be able to make and purchase a small fairy garden for \$10.00

Brochures for the next MG class will be printed for distribution.

A handout, like last year will be printed and given out at the entry gate to all fair attendees, with our project info and location.

A list of volunteers will be given to the fair entrance gate, giving MG's access to the fair without having to pay on Thursday and Friday. If you have not signed up to volunteer, your name will not be on the list!

Peggy Harrison is doing the flag garden.

Volunteer hours can also be earned by assisting on Senior Citizen's Day at fair Wednesday, August 9, 2017 from 10 am to 1 pm, and Thomas always needs assistance at the open air barn.

There will be no MGA meeting on Thursday, August 17, 2017

If I have forgotten anything, please let me know.

Looking forward to a fun and successful time at the fair.

Pennie Kendrick

President, Rhea County Master Gardener Association