

# The Leaflet

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## President's Note

**T**hank you to all our Master Gardeners, interns, newest members and Extension Agent for a very successful and productive year! From our plant sale to our Christmas party and everything in between, it would not have been possible without you!

Being in the Master Gardener program is such a wonderful opportunity to not only learn, but to branch out, network, meet people and most important of all, give back to the community. We take so much pride in

each one of our projects because it's a display of a passion that we all share, and I believe that passion is contagious! So...

Let's get our hands dirty in 2018! Bring your talents and knowledge and let's grow together. Let's plant seeds of curiosity and inspiration in others and let us let Robertson County know who we are! Master Gardeners! "For all (Master Gardeners) share a love of things that grow"—quote from JRR Tolkien (edited, of course)



2017 RCMGA Christmas Party

**NEXT MEETING**  
**January 25, 2018**  
**7 pm**

Program:  
**Projects and Planning**

The Robertson Co. Master Gardener Assoc. meets the fourth Thurs. of every month.

Meetings are at 7pm at the UT Extension Office, 408 Main Street, Springfield, TN

## Thanks to Our 2017 Officers

**T**hanks to René Kriek and Lynn Stenglein for serving as 2017 RCMGA president and vice president, and Shelley Pritchard and Trina Fulton as the treasurer and secretary. Our officers dedicate significant time to ensure the ongoing success of our Association. Thanks to René and Trina for their 2017 service and for agreeing to serve as 2018 officers. We welcome our new 2018 officers Mona Hitch, vice president and Gwen Day, treasurer.



2018 RCMGA Officers. From left: Gwen Day, Trina Fulton, René Kriek and Mona Hitch

# 2017 REVIEW

## Education and Outreach



*Karen @ Kids' gardening classes*



*Leeann @ TSC Farm Day*



*Rene teaching Gardening 101*

## Work Crews



*Rene, Lynn, Paul at the Courthouse*



*Gwen, Dorothy, Julee, Leann, and Judy package seeds*



*René and Karen paint Plant Sale Banners*

## Plant Sale



*Good day to buy plants*



*Good day to network!*



*Good day to sell!*



# Fair Functions



Fair Booth



Fair Entries and Winners



Fair Booth Construction



White House TN Arboretum Field Trip



Mona' Greenhouse



Left: Learning about tobacco

Below: Karen's Seedling Nursery



Grow Wild (Fairview)



Lynn's Virginia Bluebells



Wysteria at Dorothy's



Rene's Greenhouse



## Keep Reporting Your Volunteer Hours

Master gardener volunteer hours and continued education units (ceu) can be entered into the web site through the end of the year. Please get all of your hours into the system!



### From The Leaflet Staff

Dear RCMGA Members,  
Thank you for your input and support on the 2017 Leaflet editions. We could not produce the newsletter without your suggestions, articles, and pictures. Please note that we publish a November/December (2017) edition; we also will have a January/February 2018 combined edition.

Our goal is to provide information about events, issues, gardens, and gardeners that pertain to our Robertson County Master Gardener Association. Although some material may be duplicated, we do not compete with our Facebook page or web site (rcmga.org); each has a purpose in our Association. We introduce new members with profiles and encourage you to contribute articles and/or pictures about your gardening interests. We strongly encourage you to offer suggestions about what we might include in future newsletters.

Best wishes for a very Merry Christmas and Happy New Year!

—Trina, Rene, Lynn

## Flowers-On-Wheels Appreciated

Thanks to everyone who participated in our flowers-on-wheels this year! We delivered thirty poinsettia or other Christmas plants to Robertson County Meals-On-Wheels clients. Everyone “greeted” the flowers with smiles and expressed sincere thanks.

## Upcoming Events

Jan 22 6 pm	Roses: Beyond Knockouts	Univ. School Univ. School
Jan 25 7pm	RCMGA Meeting	Rob. Co. Ext. Office
Jan 27 1pm	Seed Swap and Share	Shelby Bottoms Nature Center
Feb 12 4:30pm	Basics of Organic Gardening	Edmonson Pike Library
Feb 12 6pm	Urban Backyard Bee-keeping	Univ. School
Feb 22 6pm	Growing Mushrooms at Home	Univ. School
April 5-7	TEMG State Conference	Mont. Bell SP

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