

# GRASS ROOTS

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## Meet Your Board Members –The New 2007 Crop

By Tanys Waldron

The first Board meeting of the New Year started on a sweet note. Walking into the Hwy. 104 Extension building, the first thing the new board members saw were two tables covered with an amazing buffet of wonderful snacks and appetizers. All of that, plus lots of hot coffee. Anyone who had made a New Year's diet resolution took that day off and happily sampled everything. No one had expected pre-meeting goodies. It was a welcoming start to the New Year. Many thanks to the new Hospitality Coordinator, Betty Harrell, and her back up Coordinator, Joe Harrell, for the good eating treats.

The new 2007 Board has 41 members, plus another 12 people on Special Committees to coordinate special projects. This is the amount of energy it takes to keep our Baldwin County Master Gardener group alive and well. All of the positions are important. Every one of the Board members is like a cog in an engine. If one cog seizes up and stops running, the engine does not operate as well. Your new engine of Board members certainly ran smoothly at the first meeting. We were fueled with sugar and caffeine, and the meeting was conducted with enthusiasm.



*L-R: Marilyn Mannhard, Tom Dukes, Lynn Andrews, Mary Burns, Sarrah Rankin and Tanys Waldron*

Each Board Member presented a short job description of their position and what they had planned for the year. It brought everyone up to date with all the current projects and future events. At the end of the meeting everyone felt that we were all on the same page of what we wanted to accomplish this

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## President's Corner

by Sam Andrews

Hi Master Gardeners! February is the month that thoughts turn to spring, and our activities jump into high gear.

Recently, your new Board of Directors, composed of almost thirty leaders, met for business and extended discussion. We had a fine time getting to know each other, sharing ideas and exploring ways to accomplish our respective 2007 missions.

Maybe you do not realize it, but the BCMG is a very complex, multi-faceted operation. Our members devote themselves to a number of operational and project activities. It is amazing how much we accomplish, how much talent we have, and how effectively we pursue our goals. These goals are:

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## Meeting Minutes

by Ann Pierce

The BCMG monthly meeting, held at the Auburn Substation on Highway 104 in Fairhope, AL, was called to order by our President, Sam Andrews, at 10:10 a.m.

Sam announced that a more effective microphone and loud speaker will be brought over from Robertsdale for future meetings.

For upcoming meetings, Sam said he would like to change the format a little, having the usual social time from 9:30 to 10:00, then the business meeting, immediately followed by the speaker. Instead of a drawing for the plant exchange, members may select them after the meeting, to save some time.

Jane Wright, Treasurer, reported a beginning balance of \$18,404.04 and a closing balance of \$18,280.97. We have 169 paid members with dues still coming in. Late dues will be \$25.00.

Sam announced that all volunteer positions have been filled, and he continues to invite ideas and the enthusiasm of the membership.

### Project Chairmen:

- Betty and Joe Harrell are Hospitality Coordinators--your help in furnishing refreshments is needed.
- Rod Chappelle and his helpers will be doing room set-up and clean-up with volunteers appreciated.
- Rosemarie Morgan and Rebecca Trosclair are coordinating the monthly programs.
- Pat Libby is in charge of Continuing Education, and asks for your suggestions. She announced that the Gulf Coast Garden Club is sponsoring a seminar on herbs by Arlene Kestner on February 22 from 10:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.
- Tom Dukes passed around the accumulated hours submitted by the members and asked that everyone check their own for accuracy.
- Amy Cockrell, Junior MG sponsor, asked for compost donations for a project. An offer was made immediately.

- Ann McAdams, Festival of Flowers Chairman, announced that the event will be held March 22-25. She needs two volunteers for every shift, and will have a sign-up sheet at the March 8 meeting.

Kim Boone (Mobile Master Gardener) asked for interested members to enter plants to exhibit for judging at the Festival of Flowers. Exhibits should be submitted on March 20, with 12 categories which can be downloaded from [www.FestivalofFlowers.com](http://www.FestivalofFlowers.com)

Marilyn Mannhard, Project Chairman, asked that reports on plans and progress of projects be emailed or called in to her before the 20th of each month. She reported on a new opportunity that members living in South Baldwin might participate in. Jan Uthe is a volunteer at the Bon Secour National Wildlife Refuge, and would like help designing and co-chairing an entrance project there.

Sarrah Rankin, Grant Committee, is working on raising funds for the Weeks Bay Interpretive Arboretum irrigation system. The old R.V. park is being torn out, and native plants are being put in, which require a lot of hand watering. Sarrah would appreciate any help with this, until the system is installed.

Tanys Waldron, Outreach Chairman, said Arbor Day is February 24 in Foley (Tom Dukes), Fairhope (Harry Anderson), and Daphne (Kathy Meilleur). Volunteers can sign up at the February 8 meeting.

Carolyn Griffin will conduct a workshop on propagation at the February 8 meeting, which will be an open meeting.

Selena Vaughn, in the absence of Chairman Linda O'Rear, announced that the Master Gardeners Plant Sale would be held March 16-17, with March 14 and 15 to be set up days. Sign-up will be at the February meeting, and a coordinator is needed for food set-up. This plant sale is the source of our revenue for funding scholarships, activities, and programs.

Harry Kohler has sign-up sheets for the Info-line, and also an "on-call" sheet for emergency workers.

Harry Anderson reported on the

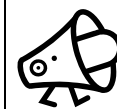
upcoming State Conference in Tuscaloosa April 19-21, urging members to attend. Meetings will be at the Tuscaloosa Sheraton Four Winds Hotel.

Joyce Mudrak is leading this year's Intern Class, and asked for help in the kitchen. The class will number 24 to 27 interns.

Mike McQueen announced a Horticulture Info-line meeting will be January 31 at the Auburn Substation on Hwy. 104. There is a sign-up sheet, since lunch will be provided. He recognized 12 members who had 200 hours or more in volunteer hours for 2006: Tom Dukes, Sam Andrews, Harry Anderson, Tonya Harang, Carolyn Griffin, Jessica Mahoney, Ronnie Zak, Lynn Andrews, Linda O'Rear, Mary Gibson, Tanys Waldron and Jane Wright.

Michelle Patton introduced today's speaker, Susan Hess, of Colorscapes Nursery. She presented a program on butterfly gardens and plants that meet the needs of the entire life cycle of a butterfly.

The meeting was adjourned at 11:25 a.m. by Vice-President, Tom Dukes.



### Program Notes

By Michelle Patton

Thursday, February 8, 2007

9:30 A.M.—Social  
10:00 A.M.—Short Meeting  
10:30 A.M.—Program—  
Propagation 101

Guest Speaker: Carol Griffin

Carol Griffin will give her class on plant propagation. In time for spring planting, please join us for this valuable seminar. **This meeting is open to the public. Please invite your friends and neighbors to join us and enjoy Carol's presentation!**



## Projects Report

By Marilyn Mannhard

We have a lot of exciting projects and many special events related to those projects coming up in the next couple of months. As you know, we also have a new class starting on February 7 so we really want to interest the interns in our projects. On that note, I have a request for all of you who are involved with projects. A number of you emailed me an update recently and I know that the big continuing projects such as the greenhouses and Weeks Bay are on track. However, there are a number of projects that I haven't heard from in many months. If you have a project and haven't communicated with me, will you please let me know if your project is still active or if it has disbanded? I am preparing a handout for the interns with a list of all projects and contact people and want to make sure it includes all active projects, but does not include any projects that are no longer active. If I could get that by February 1, I would greatly appreciate it as I plan to speak to the intern class on the 7th. If you have been emailing me with progress reports you do not need to do this.

### New Project

#### **Bon Secour Wildlife Refuge**

We have a new project that we are very excited about. BCMG will be partnering with the Bon Secour Wildlife Refuge to landscape three areas at the entrance to the Jeff Friend Trail. Bon Secour will provide all the plants and heavy labor, but BCMG will be responsible for the design, selection of plants, and supervision of the planting. Jan Uthe and Harry Anderson will be heading up this project. Jan has been a volunteer at the refuge for a number of years and is excited about getting involved with this, and Harry has tons of experience at Weeks Bay so they should make a great team. However, they will need additional volunteers. This will be a great opportunity for members and interns who live in the Gulf Shores and Orange Beach areas to have a project that won't be so far away. Jan can be reached at 981-2190 and Harry can be reached at 928-7190 or [weeksbay@aol.com](mailto:weeksbay@aol.com). They will give you more information about this project at the February meeting.

### **Arbor Day**

Arbor Day will be held in Baldwin County on Saturday morning, February 24. Master Gardeners will help pass out trees and information in the cities of Fairhope, Foley, and Daphne. The Outreach Committee really needs volunteers to help with these events. If you think you don't know enough about how to plant the trees, don't worry. The committee has two wonderful brochures that cover this information. We will give this information out at the February 8 monthly meeting and we will give these brochures to the public on Arbor Day. If you are asked a question you cannot answer, there will be other Master Gardeners there who can help out. If no MG has an answer, ask the person to call the Home Grounds and Garden Line and give them the bookmark with the phone number on it.

If you are willing to volunteer for any of these three Arbor Day events, please sign up at the February meeting or call:

Kathy Meilleur 626-0862—Daphne Coordinator; Times: 7:30 am to 12:30 pm. Location: Daphne Civic Center at the intersection of Hwy. 98 and Whispering Pines Rd.

Harry Anderson 928-7190—Fairhope Coordinator; Times: 8:30 am to 1:00 pm. Location: Faulkner State Community College—Dahlgren Hall—Fairhope Ave. and School St.

Tom Dukes 986-8448—Foley Coordinator; Times: 8:00 am to 12:00 Noon. Location: Foley City Park—Intersection of Hwy 59 and Hwy 98

You can volunteer for the entire event or part of the morning. Just call the coordinator and work out your schedule. You get credit for the hours worked and get to select trees for yourself.

### Continuing Projects

**Information Distribution Project:** Harry Anderson reports that he is primarily working with Old Tyme Feed and Magnolia Landscape to display information. He does not need other volunteers at this time.

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## Festival of Flowers

by Ann McAdams

As reported at our January meeting, we sponsor an Outreach Booth at the Festival of Flowers with the Mobile Master Gardeners. Our objectives are to hand out information that will help educate the public and to recruit future interns. We alternate decorating responsibilities and this is the year Baldwin County only has to provide volunteers.

The Festival is held on the grounds of Providence Hospital on Airport Blvd. in Mobile. The volunteer shifts are as follows:

Thursday, Friday, Saturday:

8:30 a.m.—11:00 a.m.; 11:00 a.m.—2:00 p.m.; 2:00 p.m.—5:00 p.m.

Sunday:

10:30 a.m.—2:30 p.m. and 2:30 p.m.—5:30 p.m.

Each shift will have 4 volunteers, 2 from Mobile County and 2 from Baldwin County. Baldwin County will need to provide 28 volunteers to cover the entire Festival. Be ready at our March 8th meeting to volunteer for this worthwhile project.

When you volunteer, you get free admission to the Festival, you spend a few hours in a wonderful environment with people who are excited about gardening, and you get to record your volunteer hours.

## Intern Class Luncheon

*Our Intern Class Luncheon  
will be held on  
March 21, 2007.*

*There are 30 interns enrolled in  
the class. Sign-up sheets will  
be at the next meeting.*

*Please make every effort to  
come and show your  
support for our new  
crop of Interns!*



## Plant of the Month—Trees

By Tanys Waldron

Baldwin County celebrates Arbor Day in February. This year Baldwin County Master Gardeners will help pass out free trees in the cities of Daphne, Fairhope and Foley on the morning of February 24th. To help you start thinking about Arbor Day and the importance of trees in our landscape, here is the very famous poem by Joyce Kilmer.

### Trees

*I think that I shall never see*

*A poem lovely as a tree.*

*A tree whose hungry mouth is prest  
Against the sweet earth's flowing breast;*

*A tree that looks at God all day,*

*And lifts her leafy arms to pray;*

*A tree that may in summer wear*

*A nest of robins in her hair;*

*Upon whose bosom snow has lain;*

*Who intimately lives with rain.*

*Poems are made by fools like me,*

*But only God can make a tree.*

### What Trees To Plant In Baldwin County

The best trees to plant are the native species. Coastal Alabama (Baldwin, Escambia and Mobile Counties) has 80 or more native trees to choose from. In 2004 the Fairhope Tree Committee published an eight page brochure called "Guide to Native Trees for Landscaping on the Eastern Shore of Mobile Bay".

This excellent brochure was prepared with the invaluable assistance from Dr. Harry Larsen (retired forestry professor, Auburn University) and Mr. Fred Nation (botanist and member of the Village Point Foundation, Daphne, AL and is part of the team at Weeks Bay National Estuarine Research

Reserve). The minute you see Fred Nation's name on a publication you know that it will be great.

This brochure has outstanding photos and descriptions of what native trees are best for our area. It also gives the names of some Native species that have disease problems and cause landscape problems. Amazingly it is an easy read. The City of Fairhope was very generous in giving Baldwin County Master Gardeners 200 copies for the education of our membership and for handouts on Arbor Day. It will be available at our next meeting on Thursday, February 8th. This brochure makes it easy to decide what trees would look best in your yard. The next step is to help out at Arbor Day and bring home some native trees to plant. Gardening can be so easy.

### Success With Trees

Planting a tree is like getting married. Once that tree starts to put down roots, it is difficult to change your mind about it. Plants are like dating. Enjoy them for awhile and move on to the next attractive one. Here is the point. When you get married, pick the right person. When you plant a tree, pick the right spot. A tree is not something you can move around very easily. Pay particular attention to light, moisture and maintenance requirements. Also consider the style and final size of the tree and make sure it has room to grow.

Plant deciduous shade trees on the west side of the house. They will block the hot sun in the spring and summer. In the fall, they will drop their leaves, and in winter, they will let sunlight into the house.

Do not plant trees too close to the house, sidewalk, driveway or underneath power lines.

Plant trees in the fall or late winter, so their roots can take advantage of the seasonal rains and they can get established before enduring their first Alabama summer. (Late winter in Baldwin County is the month of February.)

Many people lose newly planted trees due to a lack of water. Water trees once a week or every 10 days, in lieu of rain during their first summer, better yet during the first two summers.

The best way to water is to turn the hose on a trickle, place it at the base of the tree, and let the water seep into the ground for 6 to 8 hours or overnight. This completely saturates the ground and encourages deep root growth.

Observe how your soil drains. Most trees need good drainage. Do not plant trees too low. As a rule, set the rootball an inch or two above the ground. In poorly drained sites, take care not to overwater.

Mulch trees with 3"-4" of pine straw or bark to conserve moisture. This way the young roots do not have to compete with grass for water. This also creates a boundary that will keep the lawn mower and weed eater from nicking the trees.

A well planted and well watered tree grows twice as fast and lives twice as long. Planting a tree is a gift to ongoing generations. Your tree will be there long after we have all gone on to the Great Garden in the sky. Enjoy your new tree in current time and know that it will be enjoyed by many others in the future.



## Festival's Choice

by Ann McAdams

The Festival of Flowers has added a new program called Festival's Choice. This program was conceived by the Mobile horticultural community and is a selection of plants of outstanding merit for home gardeners in the distinctive Lower/Coastal South region. Plants considered for Festival's Choice need not be new to the trade, but must exhibit outstanding aesthetic appeal. Although the plants may be uncommon in the trade, each contender must be in a propagation program which insures availability to home gardeners.

The winners are:

*Heliopsis helianthoides* - Alabama Ox Eye Daisy

*Hydrangea macrophylla* - Tokyo Delight

*Hydrangea serrata* - Fuji Waterfall

*Michelia Skinnerian* - Banana Shrub

*Hydrangea serrata* - Blue Bird

These plants will be featured at the Festival of Flowers and receive a lot of press coverage. Linda O'Rear is also planning on having many of these plants available at our Spring Plant Sale.

## Meet Your Board

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year.

The three photos are some of your new Board Members for 2007. Anyone who is missing will be in a future photo. Some of the faces you see are like perennials, they volunteer year after year. Other faces are like annuals and will volunteer their time for this year. All are important to the overall health and growth of our Master Gardener group.

Many thanks to all of the 2007 Board Members and Special Committee Members from the Baldwin County Master Gardeners Membership for sharing your time and energy. Thank-you's go to Sam Andrews, Tom Dukes, Ann Pierce, Jane Wright, Linda O'Rear, Pat Libby, Joe Harrell, Betty Harrell, Harry Kohler, Joyce Mudrak, Margie Harner, Carollee Grindel, Sherry Cook, Selena Vaughn, Amy Cockrell, Anita Worch, Rod Chappelle, Rosemarie Morgan, Rebecca Trosclair, Michelle Patton, Henry Postma, Lynn Andrews, Tanys Waldron, Brenda Davis, Marilyn Mannhard, Tonya Harang, Lulu Null, Elizabeth Mundine, Frieda Romanchuk, Harry Anderson and Mike McQueen. Thank you to the Volunteers on the Special Committees who are Ann McAdams, Nancy Gaines, Sarrah Rankin, Ron Hays, Mary Burns, Mary Gibson, Judy Thompson and Kathy Meilleur. Thank you everyone for being great Volunteers!

## President's Corner

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- To inform, support and educate the gardening public.
- To assist the Extension Service in their outreach activities.

Our next Monthly meeting will be a public one at which member Carol Griffin speaks on Propagation. We will have an extremely short business portion, so please read your e-mails and answer your phones over the next month. Sign-up sheets for our various activities will be in the back of the meeting room. Please give of your time... generously!



***L-R: Elizabeth Mundine; Joyce Mudrak; Jane Wright; Selena Vaughn; Betty Harrell; Joe Harrell; Tonya Haring***



***L-R: Lulu Null; Linda O'Rear; Ann Pierce; Rosemarie Morgan, Sam Andrews, Rebecca Trosclair and Pat Libby***





## Mobile County Master Gardener Association—3rd Annual Seminar

by Patty Scott

The Mobile County Master Gardener Association's Third Annual Educational Seminar will be held March 3, 2007. Our keynote speaker will be Steve Bender, Senior Garden Editor for *Southern Living* magazine. This magazine is a gateway to southern gardens of distinction and for the past 24 years, Steve has guided us through these gardens. His presentation, **Great Gardens, Great Gardeners**, will review some of the most memorable of these visits, showing us that gardening is more than plants and garden architecture. It is about people from all walks of life, about their passion for plants and their willingness to share the lore and methods of masterful gardening. Mr. Bender points out techniques used in these gardens that we can use in our own gardens.

Our afternoon speaker will be our own James Miles. Mr. Miles is an expert on **Turf Management** and he will instruct us on how to care for and maintain a lawn in our region. Mr. Miles has been with the Alabama Cooperative Extension system since 1991 and is Regional Extension Agent for Commercial Horticulture. For the past two years, he has been selected by The Alabama Agriculture and Forestry Leaders as Agriculture Leader of the Year. In 1993, he was co-founder of The Mobile County Master Gardener program and continues to teach Master Gardener classes on Turf Management and Fruit and Vegetable Gardening.

**Date:** Saturday, March 3, 2007

**Place:** Springhill Baptist Church (Dining Hall)  
2 McGregor Avenue Mobile, Alabama

**Time:** Registration 9:30 a.m.—10:00 a.m.  
Seminar 10:00 a.m.—2:00 p.m.

**Admission:** \$15.00—Mobile County Master Gardeners  
\$25.00—All Other Guests

**Box Lunch Provided**

**Reservations must be made no later than February 23, 2007.**

Contact: Jo Hayes, phone (251) 607-9392 or e-mail [johayes2@bellsouth.net](mailto:johayes2@bellsouth.net)

Make checks payable to Mobile County Master Gardener Association and mail to: Jo Hayes, 1233 Chimney Top Drive West, Mobile, AL 36695

Seating is limited and will be on a first come basis to people with paid reservations.



## Carolyn Koch's Prize Winning Begonia

by Tanys Waldron

Carolyn Koch is one of our very own Baldwin County Master Gardeners. Her Begonia "Erythrophylla" won first prize in the Begonia Class at last year's (2006) Festival of Flowers held at Providence Hospital in Mobile. Carolyn's plant started as a piece of a leaf cutting from a friend's plant. She nurtured it for approximately ten months, and that little piece of leaf grew into an exotic looking, prize winning plant.

Once again, the Festival of Flowers 2007 will hold the Amateur Horticultural Exhibit and Competition. This will be the fifth year for the competition. If you would like to enter your plant and/or plants there will be entry forms at the February and March monthly meetings, or go on line and type: [www.festivalofflowers.com](http://www.festivalofflowers.com). When the web page comes up, look at the left side of the screen and click on Amateur Horticultural. The entry form can be printed out.

At the Festival of Flowers in 2004, another of our Baldwin County Master Gardeners, Bill Goodwin entered 20 different types of Coleus plants. He won first, second and honorable mention for that class. So, do not be shy about entering the competition. Enter as many plants in as many categories as you wish. The photo of the winning plant in the April issue of Grass Roots could be yours.



*Carolyn Koch with her Begonia "Erythrophylla"*

## Projects Report

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**Foley Rose Trail:** Hank Alexander reports that there is not any immediate work planned on the Rose Trail due to the cold weather. However, he reminds us that the official dedication of the Rose Trail will be coming up on March 31, and he will be calling on us for help to get ready for that and also to man the outreach booth on the day of the dedication.

**Foley High School:** Mary Ann Underwood and Kazuko Russell have been working on landscaping the front entrance at the high school. They will be planting pansies some time next week.

**Lillian Recreational Park/Lillian Library:** Jan Sanders reports that work has slowed down on these projects during the cold weather. Plans for spring include the clean up of the gardens as well as the extension of the Bill and Mary Dodd Native Azalea Garden with new plantings. There will be plenty to do then and any new volunteers will be appreciated at that time. Jan may be reached at [jansanders@gulftel.com](mailto:jansanders@gulftel.com).



## Memorials

by Mary Burns

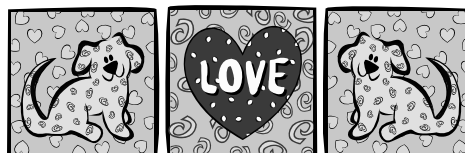
Beginning January 1, 2007, members of the Baldwin County Master Gardeners who die will be remembered as follows:

Twenty-five dollars will be donated to the Weeks Bay Foundation to be placed in a designated Master Gardener Fund for the maintenance and/or purchase of plants for the arboretum. A suitable book will be purchased in which the names will be recorded. This book will be kept in the Weeks Bay Foundation office.

It will be the responsibility of active members to let this Committee know of deaths when they occur.

Deaths of family members will be acknowledged with a card to the BCMG member, sent by a member of this Committee. Judy Thompson has agreed to take care of this in 2007. Again, this Committee must be informed by active members.

Memorial Committee Members are Mary Burns, Judy Thompson and Mary Gibson



Happy Valentines Day!



## Mark Your Calendar!

February 7, 2007	—	Intern Class Orientation, 10:00 am—12:00 pm
February 8, 2007	—	Monthly Meeting 9:30 am—Research Station Hwy. 104
February 14, 2007	—	Intern Class—Plant Physiology, 9:00 am—3:00 pm
February 21, 2007	—	Intern Class—Soil Science, 9:00 am—3:00 pm
February 22, 2007	—	Gulf Shores Garden Club Seminar—Herbs, 10:00 am—12:00 pm—Dr. Arlene Kestner
February 24, 2007	—	Fairhope Arbor Day—8:30 am—1:00 pm—Faulkner State, Dahlgren Hall, Fairhope Daphne Arbor Day—7:30 am—12:30 pm—Daphne Civic Center Foley Arbor Day—8:00 am—12:00 pm—Foley City Park
February 28, 2007	—	Intern Class—Plant Pathology, 9:00 am—12:00 pm and Other Problems, 1:00 pm—3:00 pm
March 3, 2007	—	Mobile County Master Gardener Assoc. 3rd Annual Seminar, 10:00 am—2:00 pm, Springhill Baptist Church, 2 McGregor Ave., Mobile, AL
March 7, 2007	—	Intern Class—Entomology, 9:00 am—12:00 pm and Pesticide Safety, 1:00 pm—3:00 pm
March 8, 2007	—	Monthly Meeting 9:30 am—Research Station Hwy. 104
March 14, 2007	—	Intern Class—Propagation, 9:00 am—12:00 pm—Ornamental Research Station, Mobile; and Plant Selection, 1:00 pm—3:00 pm—Mobile Botanical Gardens
March 16-17, 2007	—	BCMG Plant Sale—Weeks Bay
March 21, 2007	—	Intern Class Luncheon—Research Station Hwy. 104
March 22-25, 2007	—	Festival of Flowers—Providence Hospital, Mobile
March 31, 2007	—	“Spring in the Forward City”—Dedication of Foley Rose Trail, Heritage Park, Foley
March 31, 2007	—	Wolf Bay Plant Sale
April 19-21, 2007	—	Alabama State Master Gardener Convention, Tuscaloosa, AL





## Baldwin County Master Gardeners Approved Financial Budget for 2007

### Expected Income: 2007

2007 Dues	\$ 3,700.00
Plant Sale Profit	\$ 9,500.00
Donations	\$ 200.00
Greenhouse Income	\$ 200.00

\$13,600.00

### Planned Expenditures

AMGA Dues	\$ 900.00
Awards	\$ 300.00
Membership Expense	\$ 100.00
Donations	\$ 1,500.00
Meeting Gas Expense	\$ 450.00
President Discretionary Fund	\$ 500.00
Greenhouse Expense	\$ 600.00
Storage Locker Rental	\$ 250.00
Continuing Education Programs	\$ 1,000.00
Mailing Expense	\$ 1,000.00
Monthly Programs:	
Speaker's Gifts	\$ 550.00
Meeting Expense	\$ 500.00
Meeting Refreshments	\$ 500.00
Newsletter	\$ 50.00
Outreach	\$ 600.00
Capital Assets (Equipment)	\$ 500.00
Annual Events	\$ 800.00
Robertsdale Office:	
Operating Expense	\$ 150.00
Moving Expense	\$ 100.00
Scholarships	\$ 2,500.00
Miscellaneous Supplies	\$ 200.00
Gifts	\$ 200.00
Internet Project	\$ 250.00
Memorial Expense	\$ 100.00

**TOTAL** \$13,600.00

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Next Meeting: 9:30 A.M.—February 8, 2007  
Guest Speaker: Carol Griffin