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Fifteen Complete Master Gardener Course

On December 2, 2005, fifteen participants wrapped up and completed the Master Gardener Class Program. The course was presented at the Tallapoosa County Extension Office and coordinated by Shane Harris, Regional Extension Agent for Home Horticulture. Graduates included 14 participants from Tallapoosa County and one participant from Coosa County. Congratulations to Coosa County gardener Rebecca Hagan of Stewartville who was one of these graduating class members. Other class members included Mary Arnold, Tony Birchfield, Patrick Cooley, James Herring, Jane Kile, Debbie Nigh, Frank Pearson, Martha Perry, Shirley Pugh, and Emily Whitten, all of Dadeville; Harry and Roberta Wyckoff of Alexander City.

Participants enjoyed over 40 hours of classroom instruction and hands-on training studying the many areas of horticulture and learning how to be better gardeners and volunteers. The Master Gardener Program was taught by Extension specialists, Extension agents, and local master gardeners. Topics discussed included: soil and plant nutrition, plant physiology, composting, plant pathology, pesticide education, landscape design, fruit culture, weed identification & control, entomology, plant propagation, home lawn care, vegetable gardening, care & maintenance of landscape plants, interior plants, and bedding plants.

Master Gardener programs are held all across Alabama at various locations and times of the year. For more information on the Master Gardener course, contact Roger Vines, Coosa County Coordinator at 256-377-4713 or Shane Harris, Regional Extension Agent at 256- 596-1363.

(Cut line for 2005 Master Gardener photo)

(from Left to Right)

Front row: Debbie Nigh, Rebecca Hagan, and Martha Perry.

Second row: Mary Arnold, Sue Whitten, and Linda McElvey.

Third row: Emily Whitley, Patrick Cooley, Jane Kile, and Frank Pearson.

Back row: James Herring, Harry Wyckoff, Roberta Wyckoff, and Tony Birchfield

(not pictured – Shirley Pugh)



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