



Lowcountry Master Gardener Association

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Master Gardener Information Table at the Port Royal Farmer's Market at Heritage Park on Ribaut Road by the Naval Hospital

If you're not at the Port Royal Farmer's Market on Saturday mornings, you're missing out on a lot of fun. The LMGA Information Table buzzes with activity. You never know which Master Gardeners will show up, but show up they do. Sometimes the table is the busiest at the market. A not-to-be forgotten moment was one when four Master Gardeners, sitting in a row, were all hunched over their Ipods, Blackberries, etc., looking like birds on a wire. Actually, they were searching the web for information on a plant for a questioner.

The Master Gardeners have established a real presence at the market. People come in with plants to identify, pests and diseases to discuss, and with general gardening questions. So many times the volunteers hear how grateful people are to have this resource. These volunteers are really carrying out the stated mission of Master Gardeners:

The mission of the Clemson Extension Master Gardener Program is to select, train, and utilize knowledgeable volunteers to facilitate the educational work of the local Consumer Horticulture Agent, by delivering researched-based information to citizens of the state.

So arrange your Saturday mornings to be a volunteer at the Port Royal Farmer's Market. Just show up with your folding chair. To again repeat Alice Massey's statement; "The Port Royal Farmer's Market is the most fun you'll have as a Master Gardener".

And it is.
