

**THE GARDENERS OF AMERICA/MEN'S GARDEN CLUBS OF AMERICA**

**BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING  
AGENDA**

**THURSDAY, OCTOBER 16**

REGISTRATION	3:00 – 5:00P.M.
DINNER	ON ATTENDEES OWN,
RECOMMENDATIONS WILL BE POSTED	

**FRIDAY, OCTOBER 17**

BREAKFAST ON ATTENDEES OWN OR REFRESHMENTS IN HOSPITALITY ROOM	7:30A.M. – 5:30P.M.
REGISTRATION	7:30 – 10:00A.M. HOSPITALITY ROOM
EXECUTIVE BOARD MEETING	8:00 – 11:00A.M.
LUNCH	NOON
E & I COMMITTEE MEETING	1:15 – 2:15P.M.
DIRECTORS MEETING	2:30 – 5:30P.M.
CASH BAR HAPPY HOUR	6:00 – 6:45
DINNER	6:45P.M.

**SATURDAY, OCTOBER 18**

BREAKFAST ON ATTENDEES OWN OR HOSPITALITY ROOM	7:15 – 8:15
DEPART TO FALL FLOWER AND GARDEN FEST	8:30A.M.
RETURN TO HOTEL	2:30P.M.
LUNCH WILL BE ON YOUR OWN AT THE FESTIVAL. VENDORS WILL BE THERE	VARIOUS
HOSPITALITY ROOM	2:30P.M. – 5:30P.M.
MEMBERS MEETING	3:00P.M. – 5:00P.M.
CASH BAR HAPPY HOUR	6:00P.M. – 6:45P.M.
DINNER/AWARDS/INSTALATION OF OFFICERS	6:45P.M.

The 2014 Fall Flower and Garden Fest is sponsored by MS State University in Crystal Springs, which is about 25 miles from the hotel. This is the largest home gardening show in the southeast. Average attendance is 6,000 people. The garden, grounds, seminars, and one of the wagon tours are handicappable accessible. There will be lots of food to choose from for lunch, including ribeye sandwiches, catfish, BBQ plates, chicken, hamburgers, hot dogs, pistolettes and more. For desserts there will be cookies, cakes and sweet potato sweets. A sampling of seminars presented are: Honeybees, beekeeping and honey; Eat your vitamins, don't take a pill; Add some spice and herbs to your life; Decorating ideas from the garden; Hanging around with bromeliads. Various tours will be conducted throughout the day or you can go at your own pace. It is truly a beautiful festival.

I would like to send a personal invitation to all registrants of the Board of Directors Meeting to come join me, Christy and my family for dinner at our home Thursday before the meeting at 6:00p.m. We live about 30 minutes from the convention hotel. I will be cooking jambalaya, home grown vegetables, homemade French bread and several desserts from scratch. Three of my loves is gardening, visiting with good friends and cooking, and this way we can enjoy all three together.

If you are making plans to attend the meeting, please make plans to come hungry and join us. I may adjust the time later on depending on when everyone is arriving.