







40th Anniversary Celebration

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40 years of blooming success was celebrated by supporters of the Knox County Master Gardeners at the University of Tennessee Gardens with the dedication of the "Birch Grove Garden." KCMG founders Doug Dalton and Harry Bryan were on hand for the festivities and were presented with gifts from current president, Cori Holmes. After the Birch Grove Garden dedication by UT Gardens Director James Newburn and Master Gardener Walter Fain all attendees enjoyed cake and lemonade in the pavilion on the campus. Established in 1985, KCMG volunteers contribute more than 20,000 hours each year to 16 projects throughout Knoxville and Knox County.



Janie Bitner and Lee Rumble





Lynn Carlson, Vickie Smith, Ellen Liuzza, Rosanne and Rosa Thomas



Charley Deal, Aaron Smith and James Newburn

Rylan Thompson and Cori Ho



Letsinger and Danielle Sykes





Jana Soueid and Laura Johnson



Debbie Brown and Wendy Staffo