

News You Can Use!

April 2024

Hello Shoshana,

Here is the April 2024 edition of News You Can Use featuring:

- Update from your Advisory Council and Fundraising Chair / PIP Co-Chair
- 2024 Plants in the Park announcements, including a fundraising opportunity for the MGCC just by buying plants at a Westlake nursery
- Ben Franklin visit by Congresswoman Shontel Brown
- New Project/Partnership announcement
- Earth Week Soil Testing opportunity
- Phipps Conservatory, etc. MGCV Road Trip
- MGCC 2024 Continuing Education upcoming sessions and dates
- And more...

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If you have any questions on information found in News You Can Use - contact Tammy L. Currier at currier.37@osu.edu.

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If you have information to share in the next News You Can Use contact Tammy L. Currier at currier.37@osu.edu.



**Update from Ellen Comeau,
your Advisory Council Chair**

Hello my fellow volunteers,

**There's a lot going on in this issue so
make sure you read my entire update.**

**The first item to pay attention to is Pat
Mraz's report on an event that took**

place at Ben Franklin.

Representative Shontel Brown paid the garden a visit a couple of weeks ago. Pat was informed last minute but was able to put a display together and talk with Ms. Brown explaining some of the things we do at the gardens.

Take note of the bill Ms. Brown is co-sponsoring as well. I won't get political but if it's something you find worthy, a note to Representative Brown never hurts.

I'd like to invite her and several other notables in the area back to BF at the end of summer to get a better idea of what's done at the gardens.

On another note, I think more than the usual five people read my last column. One MGV stepped up and volunteered to be our new assistant treasurer! Thank you so much Kate Rosfelder! Congratulations!

Now can we get someone to be nominated for Advisory Council? We still need to fill a vacated position!

I will start making phone calls if I don't hear soon. (And you all know I'm serious!)

As for the new website, we're getting close – the TECH team is busy doing some final tweaking. Thanks so much to the team for all their efforts!

Several MGVs have found great events/CE opportunities to attend. If you see something, please send it to Tammy and Morning for either of their approval. Tammy will then share the opportunity in NYCU or in an email or both.

And as for the very hardworking Basic Training Committee, they've conducted a few Basic Training info sessions at several libraries and have two sessions remaining. I attended the kick-off at Maple Heights Library, and it was very well attended. We immediately got 15 applications. Good job BT folks!

And now I need be serious for a moment because I'm Chair and I must do these things every now and again.

There are two issues I need to address.

First, you all received a notice from Tammy regarding the marijuana issue. In her email, she shared the legal department's message stating you should not address this issue and not to give out information.

This is an Ohio State University policy as dictated by Legal. This is not an affront to our freedom of speech or any other rights. We fall under OSU policy as a part of Extension and that's how it is. If you have an issue with the policy, please email Tammy and she'll give

you the contact information for the woman in legal that provided it. You can have a discussion with her – Tammy nor I can do anything about policies OSU adopts.

If you want to provide someone information about growing “m” by all means, go ahead BUT remove your badge and guide the person(s) away from the MGCC event table. You will also inform them that any discussion and information shared about marijuana is solely as a fellow gardener and is in no way linked to MGCC research-based information or The Ohio State University. I hope this is clear.

Secondly, there was some confusion with a committee recently and it resulted in people contacting Nicole, Michelle, and other people at OSU.

This is NOT the way things are handled so let's go through the "chain of command."

If you are on a committee and you experience an issue, you should direct your concerns to that committee's chair or program person or to whomever is in charge of the event.

Then, it is that person's responsibility to contact the Chair Liaison of AC with your issue. That would be Melanie Biche at present. She will manage the issue.

If you are the Chair of a committee, a program director or person in charge of an event and you have an issue yourself, again reach out to the Chair Liaison.

If you are having an MGV issue not related to a committee, program, or event, then contact myself and Tammy.

If you have horticulture related questions, contact Morning, and copy Tammy and me.

Please, there is no reason you should be going to Nicole unless Morning, Tammy or I direct you too. And those cases would be very rare - if ever!

Michelle handles office duties like booking the training room for meetings, assisting MGVs with computer/equipment checkout/check-in, etc. so going to her with MGV issues is not advised as well. Especially if you are upset about something.

No one in the office should ever be treated with any disrespect. And Tammy is there to help you not be the brunt of anyone's frustrations.

OSU may have some policies and procedures that leave us shaking our heads at times, but unfortunately, we must work with the system we're given.

This is not the fault of the people in our office. So be kind, be patient and be respectful.

Thanks for reading,

Ellen

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Update from Dave Appel, your Fundraising Chair / PIP Co-Chair



Dear MGVs,

Regarding Plants in the Park this year, we are asking each of you to make a special effort to start seeds and dig and divide as many plants as you can to support our annual plant sale.

Plants in the Park is our biggest annual fundraiser. Last year, we made a profit of over \$11,000 but we could easily have made more money if we had more plants to sell.

With more organizations sponsoring competing plant sales and fewer growers able to donate plants to us for PIP, we need all of you to step up to the plate, dig deep and dig often to grow as many plants as possible for us this year!

And if you're willing to do additional planting for us but don't have the room to nurture and maintain the plants before our June 1st plant sale, please let us know. Melissa Supler, one of our fellow Master Gardeners, has a new greenhouse facility that she has graciously made available to us!

Please reach out to me if you'd like to plant for us but don't have the room.

Thanks you for your time and consideration,

Dave Appel

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MGCC Dates at a Glance:

- April 22, 2024 - **Earth Week Soil Testing at Fairhill Center; SAVE THE DATE!**
- May 20, 2024 - **Save the World: Nature in My Backyard with the Westlake Garden Club; SAVE THE DATE!**

- **May 21, 2024 - MGCC Spring Plant Exchange; SAVE THE DATE!**
- **June 1, 2024 - Plants in the Park; SAVE THE DATE!**
- **June 15, 2024 - Phipps-Youngstown Garden Bus Tour (Visit Phipps Conservatory and Botanical Gardens, Fellows Riverside Gardens, & L'uva Bella Winery.); SAVE THE DATE!**
- **September 17, 2024 - MGCC Fall Plant Exchange; SAVE THE DATE!**

For more information on these dates, see descriptions below.

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MGCC Bulletin Board: Check here for requests from your fellow MGVs

- **Volunteer Opportunity - Seeking MGVs to assist at The Nature Center at Shaker Lakes Plant Sale**

Join us for the 42nd Annual Plant Sale at the Nature Center at Shaker Lakes on May 11th as a Master Gardener Volunteer. The plant sale includes the area's largest selection of hard-to-find native plants, perennials, edibles, and annuals. Volunteers will advise shoppers with plant selection mainly with annuals, vegetables and herbs.

If you are interested, there are three-hour shifts available from 8:15-11:15 AM, 10:30-1:30 PM, and 1:00-3:00 PM. To sign up, contact Sara Borse sara@shakerlakes.org and tell her you are an MGV and which shift you would like. This is an approved MGV volunteer opportunity.

• **MGCC Advisory Council - Seeking Nominations for an Advisory Member**

Do you know someone you believe would make a great addition to the MGCC Advisory Council? The Advisory Council meets quarterly (typically the third Monday of the month from 4:30-6:30 PM) at Fairhill Partners to discuss and make decisions on MGCC business.

Please send your nomination(s) to:

Ellen Comeau / Advisory Council Chair / wallpaperhanger@att.net

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MGVs - Your Mention is OUR Gain!

***BEFORE** buying your plants this Spring - think of Dean's Greenhouse in Westlake. Dean's will donate **30%** of each plant sale when you mention the Master Gardeners of Cuyahoga County when checking out! And, you don't even have to be a Master Gardener with us for our organization to benefit.*

This has to be the easiest Master Gardener fundraiser ever! That's right - just mention our organization at the register when checking out and Deans will credit MGCC **30%** of your purchase price! As stated above, you do not need to be an MGCV to help. Friends, family members - anyone that mentions Master Gardeners of Cuyahoga County at checkout will trigger **30%** of the purchase price credited to us.

When? This applies to all purchases made from May 1st through June 15th!

Dean's is an independent locally owned nursery and has a wonderful selection of plants - especially flats of annuals, beautiful hanging baskets, and ferns. A wide variety of perennials are located outside behind the greenhouse. Dean's Greenhouse is located at 3984 Porter Road, Westlake Ohio. Please check out their [website](#) and thanks in advance for doing your plant shopping at Dean's and encouraging others to do the same on our behalf!

Thanks,

Your PIP Team

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Got Garden Hardgoods? Donate them to Plants in the Park!

Donate Your Garden Items to Plants in the Park 2024!



The event is Saturday, June 1st 9 AM – 1 PM at the Kiwanis Pavilion in Independence.

Please consider donating garden-related hardgoods such as the following...

- ❖ Birdbaths and birdhouses
- ❖ Gardening tools and gloves
- ❖ Garden art
- ❖ Gardening books
- ❖ Garden Flags
- ❖ Pots and vases
- ❖ Stepping stones and sun dials
- ❖ Trellises
- ❖ Anything garden-themed

You can drop off your items to one of the plant drop off locations the week before the sale. However, if you are unable to do so, please contact Amy 216-513-7277 or Dave Shaper at 216-408-2249 to arrange a pickup.
THANK YOU!

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Read All About It: MGV Demo Gardens at Ben Franklin School Receive Visit from Congresswoman Shontel Brown

On March 25th, Congresswoman Shontel Brown and Deputy Secretary of Agriculture Xochitl Torres Small visited the Ben Franklin Elementary School to talk with students involved with the school gardening program. Congresswoman Brown co-introduced H.R.9038 - Thriving Community Gardens Act in 2022. This [LINK](#) provides more info on this bill which is "in committee."

More recently the Congresswoman introduced H.R.7796 - To amend the Elementary and Secondary Education Act of 1965 to authorize the use of Student Support and Academic Enrichment Grants for the development and maintenance of school and community gardens, and for other purposes.

The Congresswoman Brown's office contacted the school principal, Rachel Snyder, to set up the meeting and since it was Spring break, fourth grade teacher DeAnne Urry contacted parents to bring students to school for the meeting. Ben Franklin was selected in part because of the school gardening program led by Master Gardeners of Cuyahoga County and because Ms. Brown attended Ben Franklin School.

Congresswoman Brown and Deputy Secretary Small arrived with a group of seven or eight aides. They asked me for a brief tour of the gardens. I explained that Master Gardeners tended three demonstration gardens, Perennial, Herb, and Vegetable and that during the summer gave talks/demonstrations for MGVs and the public. I explained the Ben Franklin Community Garden is not only the largest community garden in Cleveland but also the largest in the county. I also explained that all the land behind the school was once covered with garden plots for students. They asked what was growing in the community garden - a cover crop, and what was growing in raised beds in the community garden - garlic.

We ended up in the school garden where eight or nine 4th graders were waiting. Ms. Brown and Ms. Small spent a while asking the kids about their gardening experience. What they did, what they learned, what they liked, and if they had eaten anything new or different, etc. The kids did a good job answering their questions and filling them in on what they have done in the garden and classroom.

We then moved into the classroom where I had set up three stations with projects the kids had worked on the week before. They were able to tell Ms. Brown and Ms. Small about propagation from cuttings using geranium cuttings they had planted and recently up-potted. They also showed them the seeds they had planted and the seedlings they transplanted to peat pots from seeds they had planted in milk jugs in January and put outside. The kids did a wonderful job and seemed to have fun talking about what they had learned.

The visit was a success. Follow this [LINK](#) to see what Ms. Brown posted on X about her visit to Ben Franklin School Gardens.

-submitted by Pat Mraz, MGV 2007

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MGVs in the News: Henry "Hank" Doll

Recently featured in *Crain's "8 over 80"* - Emeritus Doll continues to give back.

Henry Doll, 87 - Founder and trustee, The Doll Family Foundation

Family connections run deep for Henry "Hank" Doll in the world of nonprofits and foundations.

He's the founder and a trustee of The Doll Family Foundation, which he created in 1993 with an inheritance received from his father, Edward C. Doll. It's something of an example of paying it forward, as Edward Doll was the longtime leader of the Erie (Pennsylvania) Community Foundation, which each year bestows the Edward C. Doll Community Service Award.

The Doll Family Foundation is, as its name suggests, a family affair. Henry Doll's late wife, Mary, was instrumental in its launch, and his four children are active in the organization, which describes its

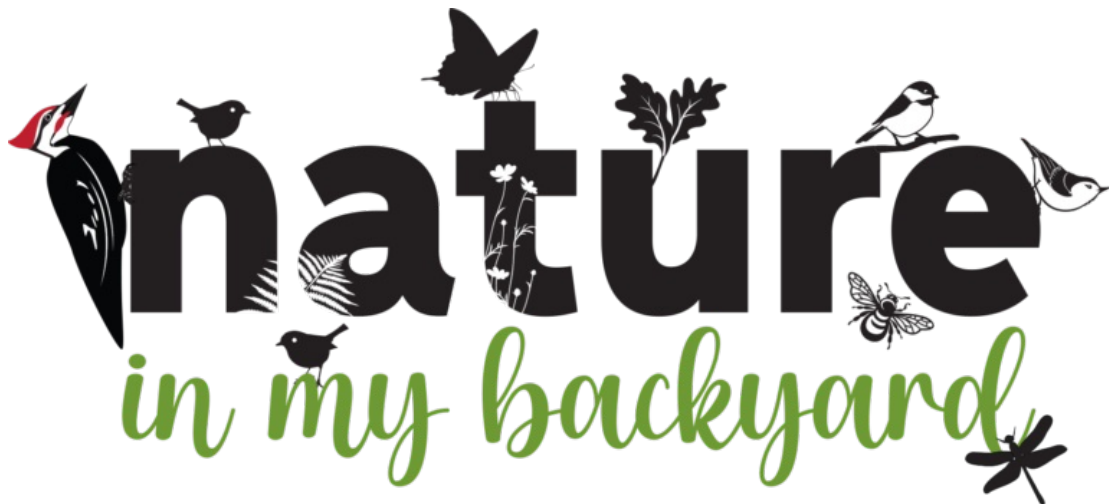


mission as supporting the empowerment of low-income women, promoting philanthropy and fostering stronger environmental policies.

-to read the full article by Scott Suttell from *Crain's Cleveland*, follow this [LINK](#).

-submitted by Sandy Welches, MGCV 2005

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Interested in Fostering Local Biodiversity?

**Then Volunteer with NEW MGCC Project Partnership
- Nature in My Backyard!**

Nature in My Backyard (NMB) is a program designed by the Audubon Society of Greater Cleveland and the Shaker Lakes Garden Club to address the global biodiversity crisis by bringing research-based information to homeowners for improving habitat on their property. As part of the MGCC's partnership with this project, a pair of trained MGCV volunteers will visit clients' yards and identify the non-native invasive plants to be removed, suggest removal techniques, and discuss native flowers, trees, and shrubs appropriate to the site that provide food and shelter for birds and pollinators. This is a step-by-step process over time, and it is not necessary for homeowners to remove beloved non-native plants that are not invasive, nor remove all of their lawns. NMB offers well curated resource lists, and the first step is always "Plant a Native Tree."

As a volunteer, you will be required to participate in training that expects you to learn about non-native invasive plants in our area, native plants with which to replace the non-natives, site assessment, and some simple rules of design. The information will be presented

virtually to view at your leisure. There will be a meet and greet event in May after which prospective volunteers will begin shadowing trained practitioners in clients' yards for at least three, 1 1/2-hour sessions. Good listening skills are a must!

***Note: MGVs will earn CEs for Nature in My Backyard training and VHs for time spent shadowing and assisting homeowners.**

Nature in My Backyard is listed in Hands on Connect under MY COUNTIES - click on the SEARCH PROJECTS box to access it. Scroll down to the end of the listings to access the project information. Remember to pin it to your Hands on Connect home page to log volunteer hours.

Enter the time spent training under the CONTINUING EDUCATION (Log CEs earned here) project listing. In the comments box, type "Nature in My Backyard" training.

For more information and to access the volunteer sign-up form please contact:

Jane Ellison at natureinmybackyard@clevelandaudubon.org

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Celebrate Earth Week 2024 with Soil Testing and Free Seeds at Cuyahoga County Extension - See below

CFAES

Monday
April
22

9 a.m.–5 p.m.
12200 Fairhill Road
Cleveland, OH 44120

Earth Week Soil Testing, \$30

On Monday April 22nd OSU Extension Cuyahoga County will kick off soil sample collection as well as handing out free garden seeds through the Ohio Victory Garden Program. This event is open to all Cuyahoga County residents and will go through Friday April 26th while supplies last!



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More information available
at
cuyahoga.osu.edu

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CE Opportunity from the Westlake Garden Club & Naturalist Harvey Webster: Learn How to Build Biodiversity in Your Own Backyard



presented by Westlake Garden Club

“Save the World: Nature in My Backyard”

*An introduction to the Audubon Society of Greater
Cleveland’s pilot education and certification program*

**Join former Cleveland Museum of Natural
History Naturalist Harvey Webster for an
entertaining and educational presentation on
the important essential steps to build
biodiversity in your backyard.**

Monday, May 20, 2024 10:30am
Westlake Community Center Auditorium
28975 Hilliard Blvd. Westlake, OH 44145
*Email debdougherty2771@yahoo.com
before May 15 for reservations.*



-submitted by Deb Dougherty, MGVS 2022

MGVS earn ONE CE per ONE hour of instruction.





CE Opportunity from The Nature Conservancy: Gardening for Conversation

Are you passionate about preserving our planet’s natural beauty and biodiversity? Curious about how you can make a difference right from your own backyard?

We’re thrilled to announce our Gardening for Conservation webinar series, brought to you by The Nature Conservancy and **Ohio State University Extension. Learn how to create wildlife-friendly habitats, manage invasive species and promote sustainable practices right in your own green space while engaging with experts who will share their insights on practical conservation strategies tailored for your local environment.**

When:

April 24, 2024 – September 25, 2024

Multiple dates and varied times

*** Fourth Wednesday of each month, April through September.**

To learn more and register, follow this [LINK](#)

MGVS earn ONE CE per ONE hour of instruction

-submitted by Hedy Westra, MGVS 2009

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MGV Road Trip: Join Fellow MGVs for the Phipps-Youngstown Garden Tour - Saturday, June 15, 2024

Visit Phipps Conservatory and Botanical Gardens, Café Phipps, Fellows Riverside Gardens, and L'uva Bella Winery.

- **Saturday, June 15 / 8:00 AM - Depart Barons Bus / 13315 Brookpark Road, Brook Park, OH 44142 in Cleveland, OH, for Westsiders.**
- **Saturday, June 15 / 8:20 AM - Depart Harvard Park Shopping Mall / 4069-4095**

Richmond Road, Warrensville Heights, OH, (Richmond & Harvard) for Eastsiders.

You will travel in style, safety and comfort with Barons Bus aboard one of their brand new luxurious 56-passenger, airconditioned buses with an on board restroom.

Itinerary:

10:30 AM - Arrive at Phipps Conservatory and Botanical Gardens (founded 1893) - one of the greenest facilities in the world. It is also a Pittsburgh historical landmark listed on the National Register of Historic Places. You will enjoy a guided 1.5 hour walking tour. Once the tour concludes, you will have some time to roam the gardens on your own before or after lunch. To learn more about the Phipps Conservatory, follow this [LINK](#).

*** Enjoy lunch on your own at Café Phipps, featured in *Food & Wine* magazine as 'one of the Best Museum Restaurants in the U.S.' The Café offers a variety of dishes that awaken the senses with colorful presentation, complex aromas, and fresh flavors.**

2:00 PM - Depart Phipps for Fellow Riverside Gardens in Youngstown, Ohio.

3:30 PM - Arrive at Fellow Riverside Gardens. This 12-acre display garden features a landscape of remarkable beauty with diverse and colorful plant displays, roses of all classes, seasonal displays of annuals, perennials, flowering bulbs and scenic vistas where you will enjoy a one hour guided walking tour. To learn more about Fellow Riverside Gardens, follow this [LINK](#).

5:30 PM - Depart Fellow Riverside Gardens.

6:00 PM - Arrive at L'uva Bella Winery where you'll enjoy a wine tasting and fine dining experience in their restaurant. To learn more about L'uva Bella Winery, follow this [LINK](#).

7:30 PM - Depart L'uva Bella Winery for your journey back to Ohio.

9:00 PM - Arrive at Harvard Park Shopping Mall / 4069-4095 Richmond Road, Warrensville Heights, Ohio, (Richmond & Harvard) for the eastside drop off.

9:30 PM - Arrive at Barons Bus for westside drop off.

Cost: \$110 pp includes bus transportation, bus driver's gratuity, admission to the gardens and garden tours, wine tasting, dinner; does not include lunch.

MGVs will earn 4 CEs for this educational event.

No refund unless you find a replacement for your seat, there is a waiting list or the trip is cancelled.

Questions: Contact Olga Shostachuk at olgalviv27@yahoo.com or (216) 258-4322.

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* Cuyahoga County: 2024 CE Opportunities to Look Forward To

See below for 2024's CE opportunities.

- May 18th - Native Plants and tour with Eddie Lagucki
- June 8th - Spend two hours learning how to forage for mushrooms and then apply your knowledge during a two hour foraging session with Jeremy Umanski.
- DTBD - Cleveland State University rooftop gardening demonstration with MGV's own Judith Ausherman.
- July 9th - Fungus Among Us - learn about fungus with Tim Mihalek.
- July 15th - Learn about native plant care and development at Meadow City Nursery.



- **August 1st - Perennials and Vegetables with MGVs own Kim Hawkins and Hedy Westra at Ben Franklin Demo Gardens.**
- **DTBD - Diagnostic Walk with Ann Chanon, Maggie Rivera, and Morning Robinson at Ben Franklin Demo Gardens.**
- **August 21st - Pruning Instruction with MGVs own Lois Rose at The Orchard at Fairhill.**

Other events include:

- **May 21st - Social Committee Plant Exchange - more information to follow.**
- **May 31st - June 1st - Plants in the Park**
- **June 15th - Phipps Conservatory bus trip - see above.**

MGVs earn ONE CE per ONE hour of programming

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Meet Summit in the Garden - see listings below!



Meet Me in the Garden 2024



F. A. Seiberling Nature Realm
Visitors Center
1828 Smith Road / Akron, Ohio

A FREE EDUCATIONAL SERIES

Presented by the **Summit County Master Gardeners**
Join us each month for a lively discussion on a variety of gardening topics.
Programs will be held inside unless otherwise noted. Come early. Space is limited.

January

Wednesday, **January 24, 2024**
7:00 pm

The Secrets of Wildflowers

Discover the wide variety of wildflowers that grow in our region all year round and hone your wildflower identification skills.

Presented by
Jeanne Poremski
Summit County Master Gardener



February

Wednesday, **February 28, 2024**
7:00 pm



Terrific Tomatoes and Beyond

Gleaned from his decades of professional horticultural experience, Mario shares his best gardening practices with a focus on one of his favorites . . . tomatoes.

Presented by
Mario Cammarata
Retired Horticulturalist,
Cleveland Clinic and Avid Gardener

March

Wednesday, **March 27, 2024**
7:00 pm

Dahlia Growing Intensive

Judd and Shannon will share tips and tricks to successfully growing dahlias. Learn about planting, digging, dividing and storing dahlias.



Presented by
Judd and Shannon Allen
Owners of Bloom Hill Farm

April

Wednesday, **April 24, 2024**
7:00 pm



The Influence of Nature on Our Well-Being

Learn about the tremendous influence that nature, plants, and just being in a garden can have on our well-being. (Based on "The Well-Gardened Mind" by Sue Stuart-Smith.)

Presented by
Denise Gibson and Mindy McCartney
Summit County Master Gardeners



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Continuing Education Webinars from CFAES

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Hour webinar sessions are the perfect way to expand your horticultural knowledge, as well as your knowledge of the natural world - all while earning required CE's.

Visit the following links to register for current webinars and to listen to past webinars:

- [2022-2023 Webinars](#)
- [2021-2022 Webinars](#)
- [2020-2021 Webinars](#)

Happy Learning!

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MGV Coordinator "Important Info" Archive: *Please use this ongoing archive to access important and helpful information shared by myself to assist you in being an effective MGVC.*

Need help finding MGCC Projects or Roster? Follow these steps:

- Log into this [LINK](#)
- Scroll down to **MY COUNTIES**
- Click on the grey box titled: **SEARCH PROJECTS** to locate full list of current MGCC projects. Click on the title of the project to access description.
- Click on the grey box titled: **ROSTER** (located to the right of the **SEARCH PROJECTS** box) to locate the names, status, phone, and email addresses of your fellow MGVCs.

HANDS ON CONNECT TIPS:

- Accessing Hands on Connect: - **BOOKMARK** the following link: <https://mgvolunteers.osu.edu/> - doing so will provide easy access to the site and you won't have to reach out to me. :)
- **REMEMBER** to log-in - the log-in button is in the upper right corner - otherwise, the information you see does not directly pertain to you.
- The Roster is located under the heading - **MY COUNTIES**. The Roster is in the third grey box to the right.
- If/when you are interested in a project you **need to reach out directly** to the chair in charge of that project to sign up. For instance, if you wanted to work with the Community Garden Mentors, you would reach out to Emily Roll. Contact information for every Master Gardener Volunteer is located under the **ROSTER** in Hands on Connect.
- **Do NOT** use the Hands on Connect sign-up feature – it is more a function of the system than a sign-up tool. Expressing interest basically pins the project to your page and allows you to then log any volunteer

time spent or CE's earned.

- Take the time to familiarize yourself with the site - you can't break it and it will be much easier to use once you've clicked on a few links. You can't get the lay of the land, so to speak, until you explore.

2024 Hour Requirements: 25 Volunteer Hours / 10 Continuing Education Hours - due October 31, 2024.

Your volunteer and continuing education hours should be earned participating in county and OSU Extension sponsored activities and continuing education opportunities. The goal is to support our county's projects benefiting the public and to gain OSU Extension-approved, science-based knowledge.

DON'T DELAY - start earning hours as soon as you can in 2024! It's always easier to accrue hours when our programming is in partial to full swing than to wait until our programming has wound down and hours are due to try and scramble to find hours to fulfill your requirements.

BUSY CAREER or HOME LIFE & WANT TO REMAIN AN MGV? - for those of you working full time, we know work gets crazy, so consider opportunities you can do at home to maintain your status as an MGV:

- Volunteer at Ben Franklin Perennial & Herb Demo Gardens Saturday offerings - stay tuned for dates!
- Participate in Telephone Hotline (task completed from the comfort of your own home).
- Join the Ask a Master Gardener team (questions answered online - also done from the comfort of your own home).
- Become a member of the Tech Team (also from the comfort of your home).
- Assist community gardens by becoming a Community Garden Mentor - mostly you respond to phone calls.
- Be a regular contributor to the MGCC Facebook page.

Please keep the information shared above for easy access.

If you have any questions about the information I have shared here, please let me know.

Thanks for all you do,
- Tammy

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**Master Gardeners of Cuyahoga County
2024 Advisory Council Members:**

This list will be updated soon.

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Next Advisory Council Meeting is Monday, May 20th, 2024 at 4:30 PM in the OSU training room at Fairhill Partners.

If you plan to attend to observe and listen, or if you'd like to be placed on the agenda (time permitting) please contact Ellen Comeau at wallpaperhanger@att.net.

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