

News You Can Use!

February 2024

Hello Shoshana,

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

- Updates from your AC Chair & Volunteer Coordinator
- 2024 Plants in the Park announcement
- Plant Propagation Team update
- Junior Master Gardener National Leader Training Virtual Conference opportunity
- Ohio Vegetable Trials information
- Virtual Gardening Book Club invitation
- Lots of CE opportunities & more...

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

Help us build our social media presence by following the [Master Gardener Volunteers of Cuyahoga County Facebook page](#) and by sharing it with your friends. If they share, we will expand our reach!

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

Update from Ellen Comeau, your Advisory Council Chair

Hello fellow MGVs,

Welcome to Spring in February - what crazy weather! I recently did a shift at the Great Big Home + Garden Show and several people commented on the fact that their flowers were popping up already.

Here in Geauga County, maple sugaring is well under way and with the cold, warm, cold, warm cycle, it's going to be a great season for



the producers.

Speaking of the GBHGS, it's been a very good week for our table, and we'll be wrapping it up this Sunday. Thanks to those who stepped up to help Beth Murphy fill shifts. Always a fun way to kick off the Hotline on the Road season.

We've already received several requests for HOTR events, some repeat requests too. That says a lot about our volunteers because these event hosts recognize our value.

We'll be looking for HOTR volunteers as more requests come in so if you're not on my list, please contact me.

Advisory Council has been busy looking at ways to help committee chairs as well as additional ways to maintain our fiscal future. Council members were also asked to look through MGCC archives to review past issues and solutions offered that might help us now and in the future.

This review has been a good history lesson about our organization as well. The archives are available to everyone and they're still on the current website. If you'd like to look, contact me for the password.

And of course the exciting news is the Basic Training group has met with Morning for the first meeting. Progress is being made!

Thanks as always for your volunteer time!

Ellen

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**Update from Tammy L. Currier,
your Volunteer Coordinator**



Dear MGVs,

Welcome to February! With lots of gardening down time on your hands, there are a few CE opportunities included in this issue to choose from. And, near and dear to my book-loving heart, Amy Stone - Lucas County ANR Educator, formed a virtual gardening book club. This month's selection, *Second Nature*, was included on the American Horticultural Society's 75 Best American Gardening Books list. So if you love to read, check out the blurb below.

As an ongoing reminder, please remember:

- **25 Volunteer Hours and 10 Continuing Education Hours - due 10/31/2024**
- **Recertification - due by 12/31/2024**

Thanks for all you do!

Tammy

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MGCC Dates at a Glance:

- **February 2 - 11, 2024 - The Great Big Home & Garden Show; VISIT THE SHOW!**
- **February 13, 2024 - Zoom into Nature: Lichens; REGISTER HERE!**
- **February 20-21, 2024 - Junior Master Gardener National Leader Training Virtual Conference; REGISTER HERE!**
- **February 22, 2024 - Residential Irrigation Methods; REGISTER HERE!**
- **March 2, 2024 - Saturday Garden Series; SEE BELOW!**
- **March 16, 2024 - Lake County Gardeners' Workshop; REGISTER HERE!**
- **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 - Registration coming soon.); 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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Plants in the Park 2024: It's Time to Dig in & Get Your Hands Dirty

The groundhog has officially seen his shadow predicting an early spring and we're only four months away from this year's Plants in the Park. Our annual plant sale is coming up on Saturday, June 1st at the Kiwanis Pavilion in Independence. Planning for our annual plant sale fundraiser is ramping up and we need your help. We hope you all are ready to dig in and get your hands dirty to support PIP 2024!

Now is the time to think about starting herb and vegetable seeds in pots. Please start digging and dividing your perennial plants in April or no later than early May so that they will look their best for our sale.

Tips for planting, digging and dividing plants for our sale

We sell herbs, veggies in pots, annuals, perennials, trees and shrubs, house plants and container gardens. We welcome all healthy plants - except invasives, of course!

Dig - Choose a cool, cloudy day if possible. Remove the plant whole or as divisions – cut a piece with roots and leaves or take out a whole clump and divide it into pieces.

Divide - If you are dividing a clump, place it on a tarp and use two shovels or a sharp utensil (saw, knife) to cut it apart. Discard the center section that is usually waning and pot up or replant the rest.

Pot Up – In a pot with good drainage, place the plant at the same level as it was in the ground. Fill in with moist potting soil, soilless mix, or good soil from your garden. Water well and keep in a partly shady location until it's time to deliver them to our drop off locations.

Label – Clearly label each plant with as much information as possible. Include the name and varietal of the plant and its scientific or Latin name if you know it. Include requirements (i.e. likes sun/shade, likes moist/dry soil and size when mature. Please don't put the labels on your pots until you're ready to deliver them to us to prevent them from getting wet, smudged or loose.

Deliver – Take your plants to one of our convenient drop off locations the week before the sale. Look for additional details on this in future issues of NYCUCU.

We will have a special emphasis on native plants again this year - they are a real crowd pleaser! Please refer to the [LINK](#) for a detailed list of Native Plants of Ohio.

The following reference lists PIP's top selling plants for you to consider:

Note: In all cases, named varieties are strongly preferred. But if you don't know the specific variety, identifying the color is very helpful.

- Acanthus mollis, Acanthus spinosus (Bear's Breeches)
- Agastache, especially x 'Blue Fortune' or rupestris, 'Golden Jubilee'
- Allium bulbs, large bulbs; minimum of 1 or 2, depending on size
- Anemone japonica
- Astilbes
- Athyrium
- Baptisia
- Brunnera (i.e. 'Variegata', 'Hadspen Cream')
- Cimicifuga
- Crocosmia
- Daffodils, preferably named (minimum quantity of 3)
- Delphiniums, perennial varieties
- Dianthus (not biennials);
- Dicentra spectabilis and eximia (bleeding hearts)
- Digitalis perennial varieties only
- Ferns
- Perennial Geraniums, (not the annual Pelargoniums)
- Grasses, choice varieties
- Helleborus
- Hemerocallis (named only, exclude common ones like Stella d'Oro)
- Heuchera - newer foliage varieties (Marmalade, Amethyst Myst) do very well
- Hydrangeas, named or variegated, and large un-named specimens
- Iris ensata (Japanese)
- Iris, bearded• Lilies
- Monarda (newer varieties like Marshall's Delight, Jacob Cline, Purple Rooster)
- Nepeta
- Papaver orientalis
- Perovskia (Russian Sage)
- Peonies
- Phlox (newer named varieties i.e. Laura, Starfire, David)
- Polemonium, variegated
- Polygonatum , variegated, also large specimens
- Primula (choice varieties i.e. japonica, denticulata)
- Pulmonaria (only choice, i.e. Apple Frost, Cotton Cool, Excalibur)
- Rodgersia
- Sedum (i.e. Vera Jamison, Rosy Glow, Frosty Morn, Matrona)
- Shasta daisy, choice varieties (i.e. Becky)
- Trillium (nursery grown only)
- Deer resistant plants (labeled as such)
- Annuals, veggie starts, herbs

Last but not least, please remember to keep track of the time you spend planting, digging and dividing plants for the sale – it counts as volunteer hours. Watch for more updates on our 2024 Plants in

the Park sale in future editions of NYCUC. Until then, if you have any questions or would like to talk about the PIP volunteer opportunities in more detail, don't hesitate to contact any of your PIP Co-Chairs!

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Sowing the Seeds for Plants in the Park Plant Propagation

Are you interested in expanding your seed starting and plant propagation knowledge, skills and capabilities? Do you have space and/or the ability to nurture additional plants for this year's Plants in the Park? Would you benefit from your fellow Master Gardeners' help in starting seeds or with digging, dividing and potting plants this year? Are there any new plants you've thought about propagating and would like to learn more about how to do so? If your answer to any of these questions is yes, our newly formed **Plant Propagation Team** is here for you!

Our Team had its kickoff meeting in mid-January, and we continue to welcome any MGV who would be interested in joining us! Our

focus this year will be on any and all types of plants that can be sold at Plants in the Park – annuals, vegetables, house plants, perennials, natives and plants that are unusual or hard to find. Over time, we hope to provide a more planned approach to the number and types of plants we have available to sell at Plants in the Park. Our team would like to become an educational resource for any of our Master Gardeners interested in learning more about plant propagation. We also are available to offer on-site support if you need help with your planting and plant propagation at home.

We are actively looking for additional space for our seed starting and plant propagation efforts. If you can provide a home for any additional seedlings or newly planted plants, we would very much appreciate hearing from you. Also, if you know of any potential space that might be available to us at no/minimal cost, please reach out to us!

We will keep up you updated on our Team’s progress in future issues of NYCU. In the meantime, please feel free to contact us if you have any questions, would like to learn more about us and become part of our Plant Propagation Team!

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Leading the Gardeners of Tomorrow

Are you interested in leading the gardeners of tomorrow? If so, join Texas A&M AgriLife Extension as they present the Junior Master Gardener National Leader Training Virtual Conference February 20-21, 2024!

The conference is open to Extension employees, teachers, volunteers, youth leaders, and anyone interested in youth gardening. They have an exciting lineup of keynote speakers, breakout sessions, and virtual field trips.

The \$65 registration includes:

- Access to all general and concurrent sessions either live OR for viewing for 4 months after the conference
- Live door prizes will be given in every general and breakout session
- Hands-on activities during curriculum sessions
- 14 CPE/Professional Development Hours Awarded

The complete schedule, speaker bios, and sessions can be viewed [HERE](#).

*Registration closes on Monday, February 12, 2024.

-submitted by Pam Bennett, MGVS State Program Director

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Participate in Ohio Vegetable Trials

Be a citizen scientist and contribute to OSU's vegetable trials. They are looking for people excited about growing vegetables in their home gardens and reporting what they observe.

Both youth and adults are welcome to participate. Each trial contains two varieties grown side by side to compare throughout the season. Adults are required to dedicate a 10' row of each variety in their gardens. Or, five containers of each for those that garden in containers. Youth are only required to grow two plants of each variety in the Youth trials. You can select multiple trials.

For each trial you will receive:

- seed for two varieties
- Row markers
- A garden layout plan to prepare your rows or beds
- Growing information specific to the crop species you selected, including planting date, plant spacing, nutrient requirements, etc.

Throughout the growing season, you'll be required to fill out an evaluation sheet noting such things as germination, disease susceptibility, yield, and flavor. Share your progress on social media using #OhioVegTrial.

Curiosity piqued? Follow this [LINK](#) to learn more!

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**CE Opportunity - Greene County: Residential
Irrigation Methods, 2/22/2024 - 6:30 - 7:30 PM**

For more on this presentation, see below.

To register, follow this [LINK](#)!

MGVs will receive ONE CE for this event



DATE:
February 22, 2024

TIME:
6:30 pm – 7:30 pm

LOCATION:
Zoom

COST:
\$5.00

REGISTRATION:

BY LINK OR QR CODE

<https://go.osu.edu/residentialirrigationmethods>



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Greene County Master Gardener Volunteers present

Residential Irrigation Methods

When done well, irrigation maintains landscape plant material at the desired health and aesthetic value while conserving water. Because attractive landscapes bring immeasurable enjoyment, positive health benefits, and enhanced property value irrigation is an important tool. We'll explore the current methods to irrigate residential properties including turf grass, ornamental beds, vegetables, and potential water sources.

Speaker: Scott Knowles, an Ohio State University Agricultural Engineering grad who grew up in a family irrigation business. Experienced in Agricultural, golf, commercial, and landscape irrigation as an installer, serviceman, and designer.

Registration closes February 22, 2024
You will receive the zoom link on the 22nd after 3:00pm

Contact: Kim Hupman - hupman.5@osu.edu



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Zoom into Nature: Lichens

Tuesday, February 13
6:30 PM - 8:00 PM



Zoom into Nature: Lichens

Join the Western Reserve Land Conservancy virtually on the evening of February 13th as they welcome back Ian Adams for his program: **The World of Lichens.**

Lichens are fascinating organisms that attach themselves to tree bark, rocks, and soil. They cover 6-8% of the Earth's land surface, yet most people know little about them.

To learn more and register for this **FREE** presentation, follow this [**LINK!**](#)

Questions: Contact Renee Boronka, rboronka@wrlandconservancy.org, 216-533-8761

MGVS will earn 1.5 CEs for this event

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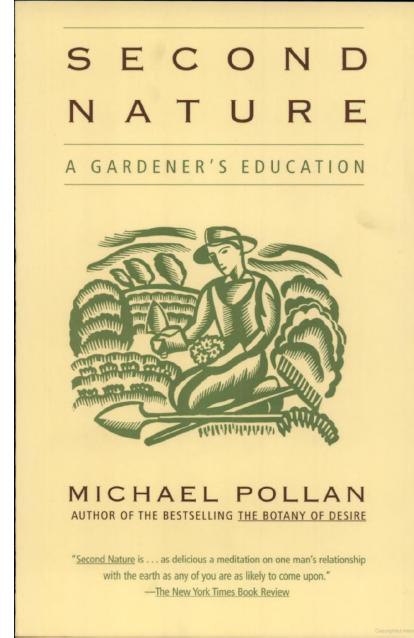
Love to Read? Participate in OSU's Virtual Gardening Book Club

Join OSU's Virtual Gardening Book Club this month to discuss **Second Nature: A Gardener's Education** by the award-winning Michael Pollan.

Eight years ago, *Harper's Magazine* editor Michael Pollan bought an old Connecticut dairy farm. He planted a

garden and attempted to follow Thoreau's example: do not impose your will upon the wilderness, the woodchucks, or the weeds. That ethic did not, of course, work. But neither did pesticides or firebombing the woodchuck burrow. So Michael Pollan began to think about the troubled borders between nature and contemporary life.

The result is a funny, profound, and beautifully written book in the finest tradition of American nature writing. It inspires thoughts on the war of the roses; sex and class conflict in the garden; virtuous composting; the American lawn; seed catalogs, and the politics of planting a tree. A blend of meditation, autobiography, and social history, *Second Nature* is ultimately a modern *Walden*: a true classic for our time.



Dates & Time:

February 12, 2024 - 7:00 PM
February 19, 2024 - 7:00 PM
February 26, 2024 - 7:00 PM

Register: [HERE](#)

March selection: *What A Plant Knows* by Daniel Shamovitz

MGVs will receive **ONE** CE for their participation

Note: Write a book report and receive TWO additional CE's. Contact currier.37@osu.edu if you're interested.

Questions: contact Amy Stone at stone.91@osu.edu and put Book Club in the subject line.

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CE Opportunity - Lake County: Home Gardeners Workshop, 3/16/2024 - 8:45 AM - 4:00 PM

Gardeners of all experience levels are welcome to join us for a fun day filled with exciting and educational speakers, Vendor's Row, continental breakfast and lunch!

NEW LOCATION: 2024 Workshop will be held at Lake Erie College in Painesville.

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For more information, follow this [LINK!](#)
To register, follow this [LINK!](#)

MGVs will receive SIX CE for this event

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**LAKE COUNTY
MASTER GARDENER VOLUNTEERS
PROUDLY PRESENT**

**HOME GARDENERS'
WORKSHOP - 2024**



Saturday, March 16, 2024
8:45 AM to 4:00PM



Lake Erie College
391 W. Washington St., Painesville, OH



Point your smartphone camera here for online info!



INSIGHTS

BREAKOUT SESSIONS

You create your day! Choose gardening topics that spark your interest with two featured keynotes, as well as four additional breakout sessions led by horticultural research-driven speakers.

SHOP VENDORS' ROW

Shop on sight vendors offering a variety of artisan goods and other garden delights.

BREAKFAST & LUNCH!

Doors open at 8 am with a continental breakfast. A variety of lunch options are available from the LEC cafeteria, including vegan and gluten-free options. There will be two separate lunch sessions to choose from.



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REGISTRATION

PROGRAM FEE

Program fee of \$55 is due by March 8, 2024. Payment can be made online or via check. Online links and mail-in information found on the registration flyer. Walk-in registration is \$60, cash or check only.

DAY-OF

Registration is located in the Arthur S. Holden Center. Parking is free! A map of the campus and parking lots will be emailed the week before Workshop.

FOR MORE INFORMATION

Feel free to call 440-853-2625,
Email MGVLakeCounty@gmail.com or
Visit online at <https://lake.osu.edu/events>

EARLY REGISTRATION

Leap Year Bonus! Registrations submitted online or postmarked by Feb 29, 2024 will be entered into a drawing for a chance to win a FREE Lamp Post Garden of 15 plants (valued at \$179.95) from Bluestone Perennials!



**CE Opportunity - Summit
County: Saturday
Gardening Series 2024,**



3/2/2024

Join Summit County for their 25th year of informative gardening presentations, bulb sales, raffle baskets & more.

Presenters will cover the following topics: English Gardens, Climate Smart Gardening, Urban Coyotes, & Secret Select Plants.

When: Saturday, March 2, 2024; Doors open at 8:00 AM - presentations begin at 9:00 AM

Where: 440 Vernon Odom Blvd. / Summit County Extension Office (in the Akron Urban League Building)

Cost: \$45 - includes continental breakfast and box lunch

Learn More: [HERE](#)

Register: [HERE](#)

MGVS will earn **FOUR** CEs for this event

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CE Opportunity: Train to Be a Master Rain Gardener

See flyer below!

Chagrin River Watershed Partners, in partnership with Lake County Soil & Water Conservation District and Cuyahoga Soil & Water Conservation District, will again be offering a Master Rain Gardener certification course for residents and professionals within Northeast Ohio. The first online course will begin on January 29th.

** Registration is now open!*

Rain gardens are saucer-shaped gardens filled with native, wet-tolerant plants that capture and soak in rainwater that runs off impervious surfaces like roofs, lawns, and driveways. They filter out the pollutants that would otherwise flow into our storm drains and streams untreated. When replicated across the residential landscape, rain gardens can make a significant impact in protecting the water quality of our local streams and Lake Erie.

This program will consist of 5 classes over a 6-week period. Participants will learn how to design, install, and maintain residential rain gardens. This course offers two track options: one for residential rain gardeners, and one for professionals. The residential certification track is geared toward homeowners who would like to install a rain garden in their own yard. This also enables them to serve as the neighborhood expert on rain gardens! The professional certification track is geared toward landscape professionals and contractors looking to install rain gardens

professionally on residential properties. All graduates will receive a Master Rain Gardener certification, t-shirt, and yard sign!

Need-based scholarships are available! Please contact us for details.

For more information about this program and to register for classes, please visit their website: [HERE](#)

Please reach out to Nicole Hildebrand at nhildebrand@crwp.org if you have any questions.

MGVs earn **ONE CE** per **ONE** hour of programming



NORTHEAST OHIO
MASTER RAIN GARDENER

Train to be a Master Rain Gardener

Learn to design and install your own rain garden and become the rain garden expert in your neighborhood.



ONLINE COURSE: \$50
January 29 – March 8, 2024

- Recorded class webinars
- Watch at your convenience
- Weekly Q&A sessions
- Professional certification also available

Contact: Kaylee Acres Eclow at kacres@crwp.org



WHAT ARE RAIN GARDENS?
Saucer-shaped gardens that **work with nature** to **collect & filter rainwater** from your property.

SHOLARSHIPS AVAILABLE

- Based on need
- Courses can be offered for as low as \$10!



IN PERSON COURSE: \$75
March 15 – April 5, 2024

- Beachwood Community Center
- Four in-person classes
- Optional field trips

Contact: Kate Chapel at kchapel@cuyahogaswcd.org

DETAILS AND REGISTRATION



neomasterraingardener.org

Master Rain Gardener certificate, t-shirt, and sign provided upon course completion



Coordination and delivery of the Master Rain Gardener Program in 2024 will be funded by The George Gund Foundation, NEORS, and the William Bingham Foundation

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CONTINUING EDUCATION OPPORTUNITIES:

(Note: Cuyahoga County CE opportunities will always be listed first, followed by CE opportunities available in other Ohio counties, so remember to scroll down. New listings will be shown first followed by opportunities listed in chronological order.

* Cuyahoga County: Looking Forward NEW CE Opportunities

Stay tuned for 2024's CE opportunities - can't wait to see what the committee comes up with!



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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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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, March 18th, 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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