Welcome to the AGNR Volunteer Newsletter July
News, Events and Activities for OCVNs and MGVs

Summer 2021

POLLINATOR ACTIVITIES . . . Pollinator Open House at Mahoning County Extension Office and Salem Pollinator Garden in Waterworth Park held on Monday, June 21st.

Article in the Morning Journal and Farm and Dairy regarding the pollinator garden at Waterworth Memorial Park in Salem.


If you missed the Pollinators in Urban Centers: Vacant Land Habitats by Dr. Mary Gardiner, you can find the recording here: https://osu.box.com/s/xi5gp54js54s8inykk3bbrhyif8sur4x

THE BRING ONE TAKE ONE . . . is scheduled for Saturday, August 21. This year we have access to the new meeting room. It is my hope that we can also hold a plant sale with donations from Master Gardeners. We are also considering a yard sale of donated items with garden-related items such as tools, planters, books, and magazines. The plant sale will need to be organized and priced on Friday, August 20.

Look at your gardens and think of what you might donate for a sale. Native, pollinator-friendly plants are the most desirable. Please avoid plain green Hosta or daylilies that are the native, wild variety (orange). Irises and daylily donations should be labeled for color. Plants will need to be identified with name and growing conditions. Consider bulbs that bloom at a different time and are dormant. Suckers from some shrubs can be potted ahead of time for sale. We will need donations of nursery pots. If anyone has an old set of white or off white miniblinds they are willing to donate, they can be cut up for plant labels.

We will also sell houseplants so consider what you can donate from cuttings or ones you may want to get rid of. Again, please identify.

Garden art has always been a part of BOTO. If any of you crafty individuals have garden art ideas and would like to donate, we will take it! There are still items at the office left over from previous sales. A later meeting will be held to further discuss planning issues.

Please send me your list of possible donations so I can plan further:
  Email: pinkysteffen@gmail.com
  Text: 330-692-0231
  Home phone: 330-227-9918

Thanks so much, Pinky
OCVN NEW TRAINING CLASS .... TBD

MGV MEETING . . July 8th 6:30 pm – in person meeting. We will still have a Zoom option for those of you that would not like to come in-person. If you want to come via Zoom, please email Kristen ASAP. (eisenhauer.30@osu.edu)

MGV SOCIAL CHAT . . . July - TBD

MGV NEW TRAINING CLASS . . . TBD

MGV TRAINEE HOURS...The class of 2020: Your volunteer hours have changed from 50 to 25 to become certified. You may use webinars as volunteer hours. There is a new entry in the VMS system: Covid 19 continuing Ed in place of Service Hours. Reminder your hours need to be completed by December 2021.

FOR ALL MGV HOURS FOR 2021...All MGV’s keep track of Education and Volunteer Hours on paper, training will be coming shortly for the Database System.

LOCAL FLAVOR SCHEDULE:  https://go.osu.edu/localflavor2021

VIRTUAL VOLUNTEERING…possibilities include:

1. Attending the monthly Master Gardener meetings via Zoom

2. Participate in our Zoom programs, they are listed below under EVENTS.

3. Writing for the Valley Grows column in the Vindicator, please remember to send Eric your article ideas. We want to ensure two people are not writing on the same topic.

4. Teach/present topics virtually. Worried about technology? Don’t worry Kristen and Haley will help you! Not sure what to present? Don’t worry we help with that too! Please contact KRISTEN via email at eisenhauer.30@osu.edu or call the office at 330-533-5538 to talk to her.

5. MGV EDUCATIONAL HOURS. . .Upcoming and recorded Horticultural Lunch and Learns and Happy Hour Webinars from the state are available at:  http://go.osu.edu/MGVlearn or https://mastergardener.osu.edu/resources/webinars

MGV MINUTES...

June Minutes -  https://u.osu.edu/barrett.90/2021/06/24/mgv-minutes-june-2021/

Occasional Quantity Cooks Training (OQC)
• All Master Gardeners must take this course if you will be helping with hospitality at our future Master Gardner programs
• Occasional Quantity Cooks Certificate expires 3 years from the date it was issued.
• Information and directions are at the end of this newsletter.

~MEETING CALENDARS~

2021 MGV Meetings…
6pm garden talk/socializing. Meeting 6:30pm
• July 8th
  - Flower show . . . The categories will be:
    • Annual
    • Perennial
    • Native
    • Foliage
    • Vegetable or fruit
    • Flower arrangement
      o For all but the flower arrangement, display one entry only per vase. For the vegetable or fruit, please display with stem on a plate. You can enter each category if you wish but only one entry per category. There will also be a “Best of Show”.
• August 12th
  o August 12 MGV meeting will be out of the office . . . Stephanie Hughes has eagerly volunteered to have us at her home. The address is 6322 Giddings Road, Rootstown, 44272. Please bring your own chair and food to share with the other attendees. Plans for the Canfield Fair will be finalized.
• September 9th
• October 14th
• November 4th
• December 9th

2021 OCVN Events –

2021 Events for All…
Mahoning County Programs

July Events:
- Local Flavor: Fairgreen Neighborhood Garden
  o Monday, July 5th @ 6:00 pm
  o 220 Fairgreen Ave Youngstown, OH 44504
- Naturalist Series: A Concert of Crickets and Katydid
  o Wednesday, July 7th @ 6:00 pm
  o To register and more info visit: https://go.osu.edu/insectconcert
- Local Flavor: St. Pat’s Community Garden
  o Monday, July 12th @ 6:00 pm
  o 1420 Oak Hill Ave. Youngstown, OH 44507
- Local Flavor: Jubilee
- Local Flavor: Youngstown Community Blueberry Patch
  - Monday, July 19th @ 6:00 pm
  - 150 Lafayette St. Youngstown, OH 44510
  - Monday, July 26th @ 6:00 pm
  - 4019 Erie St. Youngstown, OH 44512

For a complete and up to date list of events please visit [https://mahoning.osu.edu/events](https://mahoning.osu.edu/events)

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**Enjoy the month of JULY!**

*If you want an announcement or information in the AGNR Newsletter, please e-mail to Lori at moff.1@osu.edu by the 23rd of the month.*

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Pollinator Garden at Canfield

Pollinator Garden in Salem at Waterworth Park