

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

# Autumn 2021

## NOTE FROM CAROL . . . MGV PRESIDENT

Hello OSU Extension Master Gardeners!

Summer is gone. Canfield Fair is over. Sunlight is shrinking. Mums grace the landscapes. Cool temperatures day and night. Time to turn the calendar page, yet again.

October is here with nature's beautiful flush of autumn colors. Fall has taken the stage showing off her asters, gourds and squash. Fat (and tiny ones too) orange pumpkins are plentiful.

The magical colors of fall highlight the spring labor of planting then summer's growth. The flowers, fruits, herbs, veggies, want to be harvested; their beds cleaned out and prepared for the next turn of the calendar page.

Time to make new plans! Banquet fun and menus and Christmas tree decorations to decide. Wreaths to be placed, classes to be taught, articles to be written and classes to attend. We need your ideas, knowledge and experience.

Come out to the next meeting! You make the Mahoning County Master Gardener group a success.

Carol

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**OCVN HOURS**.... are still the same. Hours must be put in through the OCVN online system. For help with this system, please contact Ann [Baird.41@osu.edu](mailto:Baird.41@osu.edu) or call her directly at 614-292-8603. Ann is the state person in charge of the OCVN program.

**MGV MEETING** . . .October 14<sup>th</sup> 6:30 pm – in person meeting

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**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. Those who complete hours will get certificates at the banquet at the end of 2021. We will honor all trainees who have completed their hours during 2020/2021 at that time.

### **FOR ALL MGV HOURS FOR 2021...**

- The time for Hands on Connect (new VMS) is finally here! I will be offering trainings at the Mahoning County Extension Office on the dates below:
  - Thursday, October 7th @ 1:30 pm
  - Tuesday, October 12th @ 5:30 pm
  - Wednesday, October 13th @ 1:30 pm
  - Friday, October 15th @ 10:00 am

You must register for the trainings at [https://osu.az1.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV\\_cXU8D7HPwq953i6](https://osu.az1.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV_cXU8D7HPwq953i6)

### **MGV MINUTES:**

August Minutes - <https://u.osu.edu/barrett.90/2021/10/05/mgv-minutes-august-2021/>

### **~MEETING CALENDARS~**

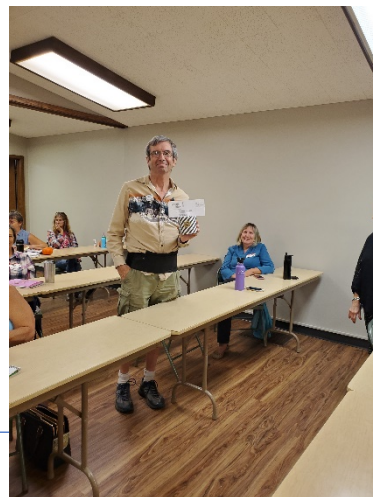
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- November 4<sup>th</sup>
- December 9<sup>th</sup>
- December 11<sup>th</sup>
  - Master Gardener Wreath Program – 10:00 am
  - Eckis Cemetery – 2381 S Newton-Falls Rd North Jackson Ohio 44451

#### **2021 OCVN Events –**

- Naturalist Series: An Overview of Deer Management in Ohio
  - Thursday, October 28th
  - 6:30 pm
  - To register visit: <https://go.osu.edu/deermanagement>

- Kim Lewis from the Green Team in Mahoning County spoke at the MGCV meeting September 9 regarding the 3 Rs of recycling. Everyone that brought a reusable beverage container was entered into a drawing for a very special prize. AND THE WINNER was Ken Davis, Danita's husband. He won a gift certificate from a zero-waste store in Poland called Sustaining Bliss. Included with his gift certificate was a roll of toilet paper made from bamboo.



For a complete and up to date list of events please visit

<https://mahoning.osu.edu/events> If you want an announcement or information in the AGNR Newsletter, please e-mail to Lori at [moff.1@osu.edu](mailto:moff.1@osu.edu) by the 23rd of the month.

Pictures from Summer Activities, Local Flavor, Garden Art Series and Fair.







Before Pic – 2017

After Pic - 2021

From Lynn Best (OCVN) - Here are before and after pictures of my clematis plant. I transplanted it from my last house. It was sad and spindly. I believe I used an OSU fact sheet to learn how to improve it, but I can't seem to locate it now. I used lots of mushroom compost, straw, and chopped up morning glory vines to shade the roots. I planted penstemon close to it on both sides, as well. Success!!

## Fair 2021 -





