

## Want more information?

Name

Phone

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Address

City

State/Zip

\_\_\_\_\_ (check) YES, I am interested in being contacted about becoming a Master Gardener Volunteer

\_\_\_\_\_ (*check*) **YES, Sign Me Up** for the Miami OSU Extension Newsletter to stay informed about MGV events.

Please mail requests to the following address, *or call 937-440-3945* 

OSU Extension, Miami County 201 W Main Street Troy, OH 45373

### **The Master Gardener Volunteer Program**

The Master Gardener Volunteer Program trains volunteers for The Ohio State University Extension in their county to help further the mission of engagement and outreach.

Volunteers are trained in consumer horticulture including: annuals, perennials, fruits, vegetables, soil, botany, turf, insects, diseases and more!

After completing the training class, each intern must complete 50 hours of service to the program to become a fully certified Ohio State Master Gardener Volunteer.

Master Gardener Volunteers (MGVs) become leaders and educators in the community tasked with sharing their new knowledge and gardening experience with the public through presentations, informational booths, offering workshops and fun events, and always providing RESEARCH-BASED, UNBIASED RELIABLE INFORMATION.



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### OHIO STATE UNIVERSITY EXTENSION

# Miami County MASTER GARDENER VOLUNTEERS





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## BECOME A MASTER GARDENER



Join a growing volunteer organization where you can share your interests in gardening, the environment, and nature with your peers!

Miami County trains new
Master Gardener Volunteers
every year starting in
February.

### Being an MGV...

- Receive research-based training from OSU experts in areas of Lawn & Garden, insects, soils, trees, shrubs, vegetable and fruit production and more...
- Master Gardener Volunteers (MGVs) are LEADERS, not weeders. While volunteers do work on select community service projects, the majority of the groups' activities aim to provide education and outreach in the community through workshops and programs in areas of HORTICULTURE, INVASIVE SPECIES, BACKYARD & LOCAL FOODS, and PEST MANAGEMENT.
- Benefit from continuing education opportunities available only to MGVs.
- Work in YOUR community to make a difference.
- Work on existing programs and outreach OR design your own project!
- Contact Amanda Bennett for more info.
- 937-440-3945 or email bennett.709@osu.edu.

### **HORTICULTURE HOTLINE! May - August**

Master Gardener Volunteers offer homeowners answers & advice for common landscape and garden questions through the MGV Horticulture Hotline at the Miami County OSU Extension Office.

Miami County HOTLINE

MONDAYS, May through August
10:00 A.M. until 2:00 P.M.

### TWO Options:

### **GIVE US A CALL!**

- Call Mondays between 10:00 A.M. & 2:00 P.M.
- 937-440-3945
- Discuss guestions with a Master Gardener

### COME IN!

- Stop on by and bring your photos or plant samples to discuss possible problems or care.
- YOUR OSU Extension Office is located at:
   201 W Main Street, Troy, Ohio 45373



Master Gardeners host educational workshops that are open to the public! Programs will be announced on the OSU Extension website miami.osu.edu, the Miami County Master Gardeners Facebook page, newspapers, and through our monthly E-newsletter so make sure to sign up.

### Workshop Season at a glance...

- FEBRUARY: Pruning Workshop
- SPRING: Workshops on a variety of topics, TBA for 2016
- JUNE: 2016 Garden Tour of Miami County
- OCTOBER: Fall Farm Fest at Lost Creek
- **DECEMBER**: Tipp City's Christmas in the Village
- Also find Master Gardener Volunteers at...
  the Miami County Fair, Head Start Little
  Gardeners, Habitat for Humanity and many
  more.





### **SPEAKER'S BUREAU: Invite Master Gardeners for a talk!**

- Master Gardener Volunteers are trained to be EDUCATORS and leaders in the community. They are tasked with sharing their knowledge with you! In addition to public workshops, MGVs also offer talks to groups and organizations by request.
- · Donations are appreciated.
- Requests should be directed to the OSU Extension Office in your county.
- Contact for speakers bureau requests: 937-440-3945

### PRESENTATION TOPICS OFFERED MAY INCLUDE:

Composting
Vermicompost
Fall & Spring Garden Prep
Soil Conditioning
Seed Saving
Bulbs
Dividing Plants

Native Wildflowers Backyard Gardening Invasive Species Pest Management Kids Programming

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