



# A Garden Of Friends Is Always In Bloom

*Defiance County Master Gardeners*

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## Planning Ahead

**MG Meeting**

**Extension Office**

**October 17 @ 6:30pm**

**Volunteer Hours**

**Entry Deadline**

**Oct 15 @ midnight**

**MG Recognition Potluck**

**Extension Office**

**Nov 28 @ 6:00pm**

## September MG Meeting

Meeting took place outside at the Hicksville School Land Lab. There was a partial Rainbow in the East. 14 members were in attendance and 2 guests.

The meeting was called to order by Jean Bremer. The previous minutes were approved with one correction. Mary Kasuga's name was spelled incorrectly.

**Treasurer's Report:** Linda Maag reported that she paid Diane Clark for 2 bills, and deposited the last of the plant sales. Penny moved to approve, and Doreen seconded.

**Historian's Report:** Linda Hoffman took pictures of the Land Lab. Mary Kasuga gave Linda more pictures for the file.

**Communications:** We are not getting together this year with Paulding MG. There was not enough interest last year. There was discussion about inviting them to our next meeting for a plant exchange, but it may be too late.

**Defiance Area:** Rob at the Parks Department is very pleased with us and our Wacky Weeding Wednesdays. Promedica now has a group called "Hit and Run Garden Club". They will have a workshop at Promedica on October 18<sup>th</sup> at 4:30pm. It will count as 30 minutes of education. Promedica has approved a Therapy Garden and they will also grow a vegetable garden.

**Community Garden:** No report

**Sherwood Area:** No report

**Hicksville Area:** No report

**Education Day:** We are trying to get 1 hour of education at each meeting.

**Garden Tour:** No report

**Plant Sale:** Bulb orders were taken to be sent in. Orders will be sent directly to customers.

**County Fair:** We had great support this year. Our booth was great! Jamie's bee exhibit was a big hit. We can use a bigger exhibit next year. An idea for next year is "Backyard Wildlife Certification". Next July we will have our meeting at Penny Diehl's and she is getting her yard certified.

**Old Business:** We are still working on spending the money we received from the State Master Gardener's Level. Some of our suggestions did not qualify.

**New Business:** It is time for the election of officers for 2018. We need a President Elect and a Treasurer. Doreen DeLisle has agreed to be the Historian, Laurel Brehler has agreed to remain as Secretary. Also, **we must put in our hours by October 15<sup>th</sup>!** The annual MG pot-luck will be held at the Extension office after Thanksgiving, either the 28<sup>th</sup> or 30<sup>th</sup>. Spouses are invited to attend.

George motioned to adjourn, Diane seconded.

***If you have a garden and a library, you have everything you need.***



- 10/4 Ann Meier
- 10/5 Susan Mack
- 10/6 Jennifer English
- 10/9 Rose Tadsen
- 10/10 Norman Tadsen
- 10/12 Ruthie Picton
- 10/15 Mary Kasuga
- 10/18 Linda Maag
- 10/25 Bill Phelps
- 10/26 Aileen Meyer

## September MG Meeting Continued

We had a program led by Beth Stuckey, filling in for Sandi Brown. Beth was assisted by student Lydia Vanscooter. We learned about the Land Lab at Hicksville school.

The next meeting will be October 17<sup>th</sup> at the Extension office. It is a Master Gardener Reunion so we will be inviting past members. Doreen DeLisle, Diane Clark, Jean Bremer, and Anne Kohout-Chase will provide refreshments.

Respectfully submitted, Laurel Brehler



The following workshops provide professional training for seed savers, growers, and plant breeders; create the foundation for a statewide seed savers alliance, expand opportunities and reduce barriers for small-scale seed producers in Ohio. This course is recommended for those with some seed saving experience. This series of programming events is a collaborative effort between Ridge & Hollow Seed Alliance, Ohio University, Ohio State University, Miami University, Antioch College, and the Cleveland Seed Bank. These workshops are a partnership effort between Ridge & Hollow Seed Alliance and Ohio State University's Initiative for Food and Agricultural Transformation (InFACT). Ridge & Hollow Seed Alliance, a program of Community Food Initiatives, works to build a network of seed growers, preserve Appalachian heritage and increase market demand for locally saved seeds. Community Food Initiatives is an Athens, Ohio based non-profit working to foster communities where everyone has equal access to healthy, local food. Workshops are from 10am-4pm and include a locally catered lunch. Cost of attendance is \$25 for adults, \$15 for students.

<https://communityfoodinitiativesorg.presencehost.net/s2s-workshop/>

## Volunteer Entry Hours & Recognition Potluck

Please have your hours entered into the Ohio Volunteer System by Oct 15th by midnight. If you have any issues, please contact Deb Walters at 419.782.4771 <https://ohiovolunteersystem.org/UniversalLogin.cfm>

The Recognition Potluck will be at the Defiance Extension Office Nov 28th at 6pm. Please bring a passing dish (hot or cold) to share with everyone. Table service and drinks provided. Please RSVP with Deb or Bruce, 419.782.4771 so they can have enough room setup.

## October 17th MG Meeting

This meeting will be a Master Gardener Reunion. It is open to every MG that has taken the training classes, active, non active, or retired. Your welcome to join us for light appetizers and drinks. We would like to know how Master Gardening has effected and improved your life. MG elections for 2018 officers, if you're interested in running.