



# A Garden Of Friends Is Always In Bloom

*Defiance County Master Gardeners*



## June Information

Master Gardener Minutes of Tuesday May 15, 2018  
Defiance County Master Gardeners met at Kircher's Flowers on May 15, 2018. There were 25 in attendance which included 6 guests.

Diane Clark called the meeting to order. The meeting minutes from the April meeting were reviewed. There were no corrections so Jean Bremer moved to approve and Doreen DeLisle seconded.

**Treasurer's Report:** Gwen Anderson reported that we received a thank you note from the BSBA for our donation. She will not be at the plant sale so Linda Maag will act as treasurer.

**Historian's Report:** Doreen was given recent articles in the paper related to the dedication of the BSBA Pollinator Sanctuary and Training Facility. Please remember to give her articles you see in the paper.

Committee Reports:

**Defiance:** George Stuckey reported that the Promedica meeting had 8 people attend last month. They are meeting at the Promedica cafeteria at 4:30 on the third Wednesday each month, the day after our meetings.

**Sherwood:** Their plant sale will be on May 17 and 18. Their left over plants will be sold at the Defiance sale.

**Hicksville:** The 10 x 10 raised bed for Head Start is waiting for topsoil.

**Plant Sale:** Our sale is Saturday, May 19 at 8:00 am in the Eric's parking lot on Clinton Street. Have plants labeled and priced in dollar increments (no cents). Left over plants from our sale will be sold at the Farmer's Market .

**Fair:** Diane passed out a sign-up sheet to help at the fair. Penny Diehl will coordinate.

**Communication:** Bruce Clevenger was at our meeting and explained how we should count our volunteer hours. He said that time spent preparing, as well as teaching can be counted as community service. Also, time spent writing articles. If you need to research a topic to present, then those hours may be used as education. Travel time is not counted as volunteer hours, but you may choose to keep track of you mileage for tax purposes. If you have any questions about what qualifies, you can call Bruce at the Extension office for clarification. Wrapping of the Lilac trees does count toward your hours. To remain an active MG you must complete 20 hours of community service, as well as 10 hours of continuing education in the current year. Please track your hours every month.

**Old Business:** The new plant sale banner is up and it is beautiful. The Rose clinic was held at Rosalie's but only a few could attend. Rosalie said that anyone with Rose questions can call her. The Raspberry dig was not done last Saturday due to weather. George will dig tomorrow, Wednesday May 16.

## Planning Ahead



**Father's Day  
June 17**

**Planning Meeting  
Extension Office  
June 19 @ 3:00pm**

**Potluck  
Extension Office  
June 19 @ 6:00pm**

**MG Meeting  
Extension Office  
June 19 @ 6:30pm**

**Woodland &  
Wildlife - River Fest  
June 23**

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6/5 Marjorie Wilson  
6/11 Penny Diehl  
6/13 Beverly Peterson  
6/26 Anita Rethmel  
6/29 Pam Kunesh



## June Newsletter Continued

**New Business:** We discussed the care of the Parks. We decided to have people adopt a park. Rob from the Parks Department is very grateful for all of our help. Call him at 419-576-6016 if you need any Round-up or mulch. He will also pick up any debris.

Motion to adjourn made by Mary Batt, seconded by Marge Wilson.

After the meeting, Julie Belau conducted a tour of Kircher's. We were able to shop for plants at a discount, while we enjoyed refreshments provided by Kircher's and our officers. Kircher's also provided a beautiful bird bath as a door prize, which Jean Bremer won.

Respectfully submitted, Laurel Brehler, Secretary

## Toledo Museum of Art

Saturday, June 14, 2:00pm - Toledo Naturalists Assoc.: Eric Durbin "Wild Orchids of Oak Openings".

Saturday, Jun. 23, 2:00pm - Black Swamp Conservancy: Rob Krain and Melan Coulter, "Land Stewardship".

Saturday, July 21, 2:00pm - Ryan P. Walsh, Ph.D.: Toledo Zoo's Prairie and Butterfly Initiatives.

Saturday, August 4, 2:00pm - Wild Ones, Hal Mann, "Why Native Plants?".

Check out their website at: <http://www.toledomuseum.org/visit/events> for other events / education classes.

## June 19th Meeting Information

Revised June 19 MGV Meeting - Here's another great opportunity to get community service and education hours in! Let's not just meet the minimum requirement, let's exceed and succeed as we give back to our community!

**Location:** OSU Extension Office, Defiance

**Why:** Work Day & Potluck.

**Time:** 3 PM or whenever you can get there...Planning meeting for June 23 Woodland and Wildlife Festival / MauGlaize River Fest at Pontiac Park from 10 AM – 2 PM.

**Potluck:** 6:00 PM or whenever you can get there...Bring a dish/snack to pass.

**Meeting:** 6:30 PM

**Program / Speakers:** Wonders of Wetlands projects, demos, and games for children. Stephanie has offered Wetlands demo unit used at March meeting.

**Special Event/Member Participation:** Book Swap-Bring one to share with another and get one too! We LEARN from one another!

**Horticultural Moment:** Rosalie Rosebrock

**What to bring:** Ideas for Wetlands Booth...Does anyone have sidewalk chalk for kids to draw critters? What about buying a banner kit to spread out on the ground for kids to draw critters on?

*Thank you,*

To everyone who donated plants, help collect plants, donated time,  
and those who worked the Plant Sale!

