



# A Garden Of Friends Is Always In Bloom



## Defiance County Master Gardeners



### Defiance County Fair August 20th - 27th 2016

Please contact Penny Diehl to help with this project.



### Planning Ahead

MG Meeting  
July 19th @ 6:30pm  
Extension Office

MG Meeting  
Aug 16th @ 6:30pm  
Dwyn's Home

Defiance Co Fair  
Aug 20th - 27th

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### June Meeting Minutes

The Master Gardeners met at the Defiance County Extension office at 6:30 p.m. on Tuesday, June 21, 2016 with 14 members present. President Jamie Walters brought the meeting to order.

**Secretary's Report:** The May meeting minutes were approved with one change; Penny Diehl said that we have never had a fairy garden at the fair.

**Treasurer's Report:** The Treasurer's Report was approved as stated.

#### Committee Reports:

**Defiance Community Garden:** The new fence for the Community Garden will arrive Saturday the 25th. Mark Holtsberry is doing the work from Decks and More. A motion was made by Orville Clark to pay for the fence, Mary Kasuga seconded. Motion was approved.

**Hicksville Area:** No report.

**Sherwood Area:** No report.

**Defiance County Fair:** Penny Diehl thought the topic of "Living with Succulents" would work for the fair display. She has no information on this topic though. She would appreciate any information you might have.

**New Business:** Mary Kasuga was contacted by the Defiance Library to have the Master Gardeners do a Children's Garden north of the Library. The general consensus was that this could possibly be done but they would need to find someone to take care of it. The Master Gardeners would not be able to do the care once the garden was in. A suggestion was made that maybe some Boy Scouts might do the care.

**Old Business:** None

**President's Info:** Jamie thanked Mary Batt and Tom Keller for working at the Depot Park. If anyone wishes to work, help is needed at Kids Creation on Saturday, June 25<sup>th</sup>.

**Next Meeting:** The next meeting is scheduled at the Defiance Extension Office on July 19<sup>th</sup> at 6:30 p.m. Mary will not be able to host, Linda Maag volunteered to host but that will let October 18<sup>th</sup> open.

**Adjournment:** Jane Clark made the motion to adjourn, Gwen Anderson seconded. Motion was approved.

Our guest for the evening, Kylee Baumle, was not able to be here but she sent information on having the state approve a special license plate for the Monarch butterfly. Information was passed around for signatures. Kylee Baumle will be the guest speaker at our July meeting.



No occupation is so delightful to me as the culture of the earth, and no culture comparable to that of the garden.  
~Thomas Jefferson

Delicious refreshments were served by Penny Diehl and enjoyed by all.

Respectfully submitted,  
Rosalie Rosebrock

## Community Garden



The new chainlink fence has been installed, along with a new sign. Thank you to Norm Tadsen & Orville Clark for all the hard work that you have both put into the Community Garden!

## Gardening Tips & Tricks

Line flower pots with coffee filters to keep the soil from falling out.



Use diapers to help retain moisture in potted plants.



Use plastic forks to keep pets and animals from destroying your garden.



Fill the bottom of pots with foam peanuts to make them easier to move and improve drainage.



Pinch the tips of your herbs to encourage beautiful and healthy leaves!



## BYGL Article

### Japanese Beetles Making a Comeback

Date Published: July 7, 2016 Authored by: Joe Boggs

I have received numerous reports and pictures from southern and central Ohio of heavy localized Japanese beetle (*Popillia japonica*) populations. Infestations are not widespread; however, where they are occurring beetles are being found in high numbers feeding on a wide range of hosts from favorite foods such wild grape, linden trees, and roses to some unusual hosts such as oak. Dan Potter (Department of Entomology, University of Kentucky) has also reported high populations in Lexington, KY.

**CAUTION:** while traditional insecticides such as pyrethroids can provide effective control, they can also

Japanese Beetle on Coneflower



kill pollinators. As always, read and follow product label directions. **DO NOT** spray insecticides on or allow drift to fall upon plants in bloom.

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