



# A Garden Of Friends Is Always In Bloom

*Defiance County Master Gardeners*



## DIAGNOSTIC WORKSHOP FOR MG VOLUNTEERS

Current Master Gardener Volunteers are invited to attend a diagnostic workshop on Friday July 15, 2016 at Sentinel Vocation Center starting at 9:00 a.m. The cost for the class is \$35.00 and includes lunch, snacks, and handouts. If you are interested in attending this event, please fill out the registration form and send it in to the Extension Office by July 8 with your payment. If you have any questions contact Susan Payne 419-447-5047.



## Planning Ahead

**MG Meeting  
June 21st @ 6:30pm  
Extension Office**

**Diagnostic Workshop  
July 15th @ 9:00am  
Tiffin, OH**

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## May Meeting Minutes

The Master Gardeners met at the Stoney Ridge Winery near Pulaski at 6:30 p.m. on Tuesday, May 17, 2016 with 16 members present. President Jamie Walters brought the meeting to order.

**Secretary's Report:** The April meeting minutes were approved with one change; Mary Batt provided the refreshments not Mary Weisenburger.

**Treasurer's Report:** The Treasurer reported having a couple bills for the Plant Sale totaling nearly \$20. Tammy Bowers made the motion to pay these bills, Orville Clark seconded. Motion was approved.

**Communications:** Jamie talked about the need to weigh any fresh food donations you may make to worthy organizations. OSU is having a contest between counties and the weight of your donations need to be reported to the Defiance County Extension Office. They will be keeping track and reporting the numbers. Jamie also read off the list of members that have not completed the three-phase recertification as an OSUE Volunteer. An online update of your MG status must be done each year. It is mandatory to complete all three phases of this process. Please contact Deb or Jamie to have the certification approved for you. Ron Cereghin contacted Jamie about having work done at the parks in Defiance before Memorial Day. If anyone wants to work it was suggested that we start with the Depot.

### Committee Reports

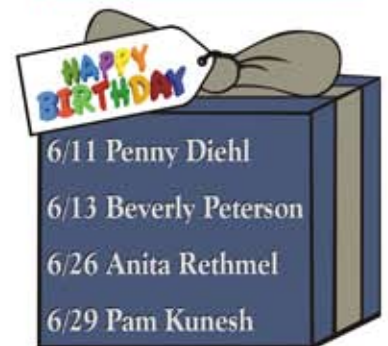
**Defiance Community Garden:** Norm Tadsen reported that all garden plots have been allotted. It is too wet to plant now.

**Hicksville Area:** No report.

**Sherwood Area:** Dale and Linda Bennett reported that the Plant Sale they had during Sherwood's Spring Fling was very successful.

**Master Gardener Plant Sale:** Jane Clark reported that although it was nasty weather the day of the sale they had lots of plants and made approximately \$700.

**Defiance County Fair:** Penny was not at the meeting but she left word that she would appreciate suggestions for a topic for the Defiance County Fair. Recent years we have done herbs, fairy gardens, and invasive plants. A suggestion was made to do something with "Living with Succulents". Penny is hosting the next meeting so we can discuss more at that time.



There are no gardening mistakes, only experiments.

-Janet Kilburn Phillips

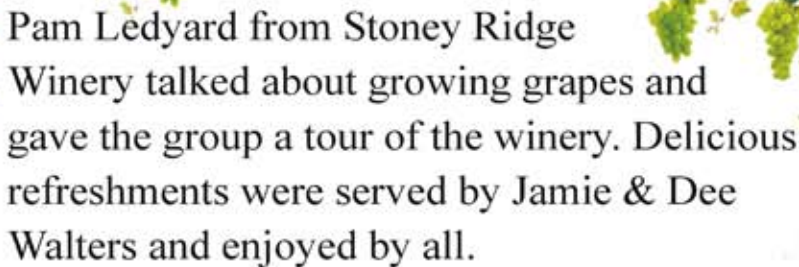
## Old Business

### Scholarship Committee:

Tammy asked whether we wanted to do the scholarship again this year. Much discussion took place about this and the consensus was that we have been trying to get enough donations to put up a larger fence area at the Defiance Community Garden for a couple years. Jane Clark made the motion that we forgo the scholarship this year and put the money towards replacing this fencing. Tammy Bowers seconded the motion. Motion was approved.

Norm Tadsen made the motion to adjourn, Orville Clark seconded.

Respectfully submitted,  
Rosalie Rosebrock



Pam Ledyard from Stoney Ridge Winery talked about growing grapes and gave the group a tour of the winery. Delicious refreshments were served by Jamie & Dee Walters and enjoyed by all.



### Plant Sale

To everyone that volunteered plants and time for this year's plant sale. The weather was wet & cold but we persevered.

**THANK YOU**




**Next Meeting**  
**June 21st @ 6:30pm**  
**Defiance Extension Office**

### Lilac Wrapping

For those of you that volunteered for the lilac wrapping, Jane made an amazing rhubarb pudding cake. She is sharing this recipe everyone to try.



Good  
Recipe for Rhubarb Pudding Cake Serves 9  
from the kitchen of \_\_\_\_\_



4c. diced rhubarb  
1c. sugar  
3/4c. water  
1/4c. margarine (half stick)  
1/2c. sugar  
1 egg  
3/4c. plus 2 tsp flour  
2 tsp baking powder  
1/2c. milk  
1/2 tsp vanilla  
1/4 tsp salt

Cook rhubarb, sugar & water together until rhubarb is just tender; keep hot. Cream butter & sugar together; add egg & vanilla. Mix dry ingredients together; add alternately with milk to creamed mixture. Pour batter into greased 9x9x2 in. baking pan. Spoon hot rhubarb sauce over batter. Bake in 350° oven for 40 min.