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___ February 19, 2019

___ March 19, 2019

___ April 16, 2019

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Becoming a Master Gardener volunteer is an ongoing process. Your contributions to the community start during the initial course. Afterwards, you will have the skills and knowledge necessary to strengthen your relationship with the environment and the community.

To become a Master Gardener volunteer, you'll have the opportunity to complete 50 hours of classroom training and make a difference in your community by volunteering 50 hours of your time to approved Master Gardener community service projects.

For more information about becoming a Warren County Master Gardener Volunteer, please contact Beth Giffin at (513)695-1311 or by email at giffin.4@osu.edu.



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February 19, 2019 - Cacti & Succulents

March 19, 2019 – Gardening As We Age

April 16, 2019 – Our Yard is for the Birds

All programs run from 7:00 p.m. to 8:30 p.m.

February 19, 2019

Cacti and Succulents in Southern Ohio Gardens

Speakers: David Barr and Celeste Vanover

Come find out about growing succulents and cacti at your house both outdoors and in. Master Gardener David Barr, a member of the Cacti and Succulent Society of America, will discuss the needs of the plants; how to select plants; planting in the garden; utilizing pots; sun and shade requirements; and the flowers and fruits. Celeste Vanover, owner of the new Thimble Gardens in Lebanon, will come and show you some ways of using cacti and succulents in pots for an interesting indoor garden.

About the speakers:

David has had an interest in Cacti and Succulents for many years and grew them when he lived in Southern California. He came to Ohio about 11 years ago and began growing succulents as houseplants but then began experimenting with growing succulents and cacti outdoors. David will tell us what he learned.

Celeste Vanover is the owner of Thimble Gardens and resides in Maineville, Ohio, with her husband and five children. Celeste's primary occupation has been in the nursing field for over 20 years, and works after hours with her love of plants. Thimble Gardens has been in business for four years and just recently opened up a brick and mortar in the historic district of Lebanon, Ohio. As Celeste has been a hobby gardener since a young age, her miniature gardens are what lead to the beginning of Thimble Gardens. With the takeoff of houseplants and people's interest in adding urban gardening to their homes, Thimble Gardens has moved from use of herbs and perennials to cacti/succulents and other house plants. Thimble Gardens Botanical Boutique enjoys bringing gardening tips, workshops and products to give anyone a green thumb.

March 19, 2019

Gardening As We Age

Speaker: Laura Akgerman

You do not have to stop farming and gardening just because you have a disability, or age related stiffness and mobility issues are catching up with you. Learn good habits, techniques, tools and Universal Design solutions to continue gardening with a disability, arthritis, low vision and other age or health related conditions. Special attention will be focused on decreasing the risk of secondary injury, working smarter, not harder, modifying your garden and the way you work to fit your ability - now and in the future.

About the speaker:

Laura Akgerman is the Disability Services Coordinator for Ohio AgrAbility and OSU Extension. She is also the State Program Coordinator for PROSPER Ohio, a grant funded Extension initiative that works in Ohio communities and schools to address substance abuse, and offers resources and education to build resilient, strong communities and families.

Laura has two degrees from The Ohio State University, is a Delaware County 4-H Alumna, and frequently presents workshops about Ohio AgrAbility, Gardening as we age, and Accessible AgriTourism.



April 16, 2019

Our Yard is for the Birds!

Speakers: Mark and Nan Plunkett

According to recent studies, residential yards are one of the most undervalued and overlooked ecosystems. This is ironic as privately owned residential landscapes account for as much as half of the green space in urban areas. With the right knowledge, homeowners can make a real difference in response to the challenges of habitat destruction and biodiversity loss. Urban and suburban gardens greatly impact both the richness and abundance of pollinators and birds in our neighborhoods. Much of that impact is related to the specific plant species provided in our gardens. The question addressed in this workshop will be how can a homeowner manage their residential landscape in a way that best supports the birds and other wildlife we enjoy? The Plunkett's will share their own experience of managing their residential landscape in a way that best supports the all the winged creatures that are drawn to it.

About the speakers:

After working in a clinical laboratory for many years, raising three children and then watching them each pursue their dreams, Nan decided to pursue some of her own. She invited husband Mark to join her to train to become a Master Gardener Volunteer through the OSU Extension program. Both became enthusiastic gardeners and soon realized that they not only enjoyed the plants and gardens they were creating but loved how these stationary, rooted plants actually moved through the wings of the insects and birds they attracted. Over the past ten years, Nan & Mark have transformed their half-acre suburban lawn into a (mostly) native garden that is both an NWF Certified Wildlife Habitat and Monarch Waystation. In addition, they are horticulture volunteers at the Cincinnati Zoo & Botanical Garden as well as members of local Audubon and Wild Ones Chapters. Most recently the Plunkett's have both completed master's degrees in Biology from Miami University.