

## *News You Can Use*

For Montgomery County Master Gardener Volunteers

July 2016

*We are Ohio State University Extension trained volunteers empowered to educate others with timely research-based gardening information.*

### **STATE MGCV CONFERENCE**

Great News! Registration is now open for the 2016 State Master Gardener Conference hosted by the Summit County Master Gardeners. Please see <http://u.osu.edu/mgv2016/> for more information and to register.

### **CONTINUING EDUCATION**

- Thursday, July 14 – 6 p.m. – 1.5 CEUs  
**Feng Shui Garden Tour – Home of Susan Ediss, MG**  
Adam Ravestein, Landscape Architect and Landscape Manager, Scarff's Nursey and Landscape  
4303 Dorset Drive, Dayton, OH 45405
- Wednesday, July 20 – 1 p.m. – 1.5 CEUs  
**Garden Tour and Tea – Home of John & Sally Beals**  
7875 Stone House Court, Centerville, OH 45459

### **JULY EVENTS**

Sunday, July 17 – Noon to 4 p.m.

#### ***The Secret Gardens of Bellbrook Tour***

**OSUE Greene County Master Gardeners and Bellbrook Sugarcreek Park District**

Garden tour locations include:

- **Rock Garden and Three Season Sun Perennial Garden** @ Park District Headquarters, 2751 Washington Mill Rd., Bellbrook, Ohio 45305
- **Sweet Arrow Reserve Prairie Restoration**, 789 Little Sugarcreek Rd., and **Tree Erosion Mitigation\***, 5521 Winshire Terrace, Sugarcreek Township, Ohio 45440  
*(\*A light hike through private property to access the park and tree reserve will be led by the property owner. This stop is not handicap accessible.)*
- **Butterfly Garden @ Petrikis Park**, 3771 W. Franklin Street (corner of S.R. 725 & Vemco Dr.), Bellbrook, Ohio 45305
- **Shade Garden @ Bellbrook Park**, 57 N. Main Street, Bellbrook, Ohio 45305

Begin the tour at any park location – Park in designated parking areas

This is a free program – Registration is **not** required.

Questions? Call 937-372-9971 –or– 937-848-3535



Tuesday, July 19 – 2 p.m.

***SPECIAL GMCMGA GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING***  
***Carousel Room, Montgomery County Fairgrounds***

During the regularly scheduled Executive Committee meeting, a **Special General Membership Meeting** will be held to vote on amendments to the GMCMGA Constitution and Articles of Incorporation.

Approval of the amendments requires a 2/3 majority of members present to pass.

Your attendance is requested.



***Upcoming Events in August***



Thursday, August 11 – 1 p.m. – 1.5 CEUs

***The Amazing Washington Township Plantings in Bloom! A Self-Guided Tour – Part 2***

Yvonne Dunphe, MGV

The Washington Township Government Center, 8200 McEwen Road, Dayton, OH 45458

Tuesday, August 16 – 6 p.m. – 1.5 CEUs

***Discover the Garden Web***

Anne Lawhorne, MGV

*Please do not announce or attend events before receiving confirmation that it's an OSUE-approved CEU event.*

*Contact Suzanne Mills-Wasniak ([mills-wasniak.1@osu.edu](mailto:mills-wasniak.1@osu.edu) or 937-224-9654 ext. 109) for CEU pre-approval.*

**Submit information for "News You Can Use" to Gail Carone: [getcarone@hotmail.com](mailto:getcarone@hotmail.com)**

# “News You Can Use” Committee Reports

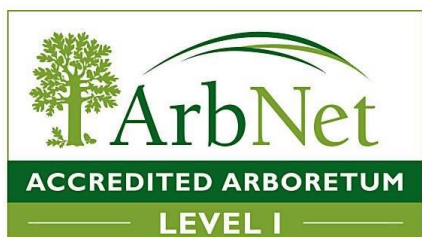
## Volunteer Committee

The Patriot Freedom Festival was held at the Dayton VA Grotto and Gardens on May 28<sup>th</sup> and 29<sup>th</sup>, 2016. On Saturday, May 28<sup>th</sup>, there was a ribbon cutting and dedication ceremony for the new paver handicap ramp and walkway located near the Boathouse area and lake that was built by staff and 25 Home Depot volunteers. Our own *Chuck Dickerson*, who was instrumental in securing the grant for funding of the paver ramp and walkway, was one of the speakers at the dedication ceremony.



Photo courtesy of Sue Howorth

We are extremely proud to announce that the Dayton VA Medical Center Grotto and Gardens have been awarded level 1 Arboretum accreditation by ArbNet.



Many thanks go out to all the Master Gardeners, and dedicated volunteers, that helped make this happen. Congratulations!



The GMCMA Awards were announced at the Annual Mixer on June 28<sup>th</sup>.

There was a tie for the **Unsung Hero Award**. The winners were *Donna Zobrist* and *Kathleen Tiller*. The **Wholehearted Award** was given to *Jane Falck*.

Congratulations to all three winners!



## Program Committee

On June 23<sup>rd</sup>, we had Denise Ellsworth, OSU Program Director, present **Gardening for Pollinators**. Check out the OSU “Bee Lab” website: [beelab.osu.edu](http://beelab.osu.edu), and for more information about pollinators, Denise recommends two books for further reading.

**Attracting Native Pollinators: The Xerces Society Guide: Protecting North America’s Bees and Butterflies**  
(This book can be found at the Dayton Metro Library)

**Keeping the Bees: Why all Bees are at Risk and What We Can Do to Save Them** by Laurence Packer  
(This book can be found at the Washington Centerville Public Library)

**Q&A:** Are you comfortable speaking in front of groups? What about needing tips on preparing a lesson plan? Would these subjects be something that you would like to see developed into a program for our membership? Or do you have other ideas/subjects that you would like to see for upcoming presentations?

Contact Karen Moody: [ksbry@aol.com](mailto:ksbry@aol.com) to voice your comments concerning the above topics.

Also, a reminder that Anne Lawhorne’s presentation “Discover the Garden Web” has been rescheduled for Tuesday, August 16<sup>th</sup>, at 6:00 p.m. at OSUE. If you didn’t sign up and would now like to attend, or if you need to cancel, please contact Judy Wanamaker: [jkw1712@aol.com](mailto:jkw1712@aol.com).

## Class Committee

The “Hawaiian Luau” themed Annual Mixer, held at Hills & Dales MetroPark, Paw Paw Shelter was hosted by the Class Committee on June 28<sup>th</sup>.

Wonderful weather, great food and inspired decorations set the tone for a delightful evening.



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# OHIO STATE UNIVERSITY EXTENSION

## Montgomery Co. Master Gardener Volunteer Program

# July 2016

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