



Macomb County Master Gardener Association Monthly News

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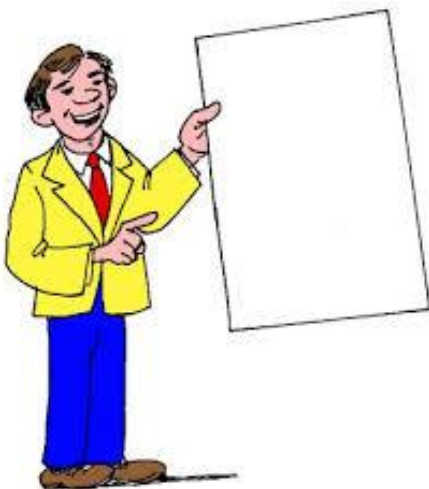
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General Information



Membership Forms and **Project Grant forms** are available on the MCMGA website.

Next Board of Directors Meeting is March 12, 2020, at 10:00 a.m.



ADVERTISE YOUR BUSINESS IN OUR MASTER GARDENER BANQUET PROGRAM

Space is now available to advertise your business! \$10.00 for a business card size advertisement. Your advertisement will be featured in the Macomb County Master Gardener Annual Awards Program in Spring of 2020. Simply submit your company's business card with a check payment of \$10.00 to the address below. Deadline to submit your business card with payment March 31st, 2020 Please make check payable to MSU Extension C/O Banquet Committee

MSU Extension Office
21885 Dunham Road, Suite 12
Clinton Township, MI 48036

**MACOMB COUNTY MASTER GARDENER
AWARDS BANQUET**



Beautiful to Wildlife, Beautiful to People

Drew Lathin

President Wildflower Association of Michigan

Sustainable Landscape Consultant

Landscaping with Native Plants to Support Nature

Landscaping with native plants is critical to build habitat, reduce resource inputs, and build healthy outdoor living areas. Learn why only native plants can do this and some design tips to make your native landscape beautiful as well.

April 22, 2020 5:00-9:00

The Gazebo

31104 Mound Road

Warren, MI 48092

<https://events.anr.msu.edu/banquet2020/>

Educational Programs



To register for any of the following events, please Email: macombcountymga@yahoo.com Please remember to bring your membership card and wear your MG badge to all events.

2020

Wednesday March 25 Pam Gors, of Wild Birds Unlimited will speak on “Providing Habitat for Birds in Your Garden”. 6:30 PM. Mt. Clemens Public Library, 150 Cass Ave. (1.0 Education Hr.—Environmental Stewardship-Native Plants). Free to MCMGA members + 1 guest. Suggested donation of \$5.00 for all others.

Tuesday April 14 Jean Persely, Master Rain Gardener and Landscape Designer will speak on “Rain Gardens”. 6:30 PM. Mt. Clemens Public Library, 150 Cass Ave. (1.0 Education Hr.—Environmental Stewardship-Water Resources). Free to MCMGA members + 1 guest. Suggested donation of \$5.00 for all others. **Quarterly Meeting to follow.**



Tuesday May 12 Irene Townsend, former water gardens manager at Bordines Nursery will speak about “Water Gardening”. 6:30 PM. Grace Episcopal Church, 115 S. Main St., Mt. Clemens (1.0 Education Hr.—Community Beautification-Public Areas). Free to MCMGA members + 1 guest. \$5.00 for all others.

Tuesday June 9 Karen Burke, Macomb MSUE Program Worker and Advanced Master Gardener will speak on “Canning and Preserving your Harvest”. MSU Extension Building, 21885 Dunham Rd., Clinton Twp. 48036. (1.0 Education Hr.—Food: General Gardens). Free event.

Saturday June 20 “Invasive Species Workshop --Part I: Identification, Treatment and Reporting” Presenters: Dave Putt/David Newlin/McKenzi Waliczek (Lake St. Clair Cisma). Lake St. Clair Metropark. (2.5 Education Hrs.—Environmental Stewardship-Invasive Pest and Plant Species). Free event. See flyer below!

July TBD Quarterly Meeting to Follow

Tuesday August 4 David Lowenstein, Macomb County MSUE Horticulture Educator will speak on “Well and Little Known Garden Insects”. 6:30 PM. MSU Extension Building, 21885 Dunham Rd., Clinton Twp. 48036. Free event.

Saturday August 15 “Invasive Species Workshop-- Part II: Restoration” & Native Plant Sale. Dave Putt/David Newlin/Angela Nelson. Location TBD. (2.0 Education Hrs.—Environmental Stewardship-Native Plants). Workshop is free. See flyer below!

Wednesday September 23 Erin Parker, Nature Centers Manager, will give a presentation on “What’s New of Interest for Master Gardeners at the Detroit Zoological Park, Belle Isle and the new Macomb Nature Center”. 6:30 PM. Location TBD. Free to MCMGA members + 1 guest. \$5.00 for all others.

Annual Meeting to follow.

October TBD

Tuesday November 10 Paul Wingert will speak on “Bromeliads”. 6:30 PM. Grace Episcopal Church, 115 S. Main St., Mt. Clemens (1.0 Education Hr.—Community Beautification-Public Areas). Free to MCMGA members + 1 guest. \$5.00 for all others.

To register for these events: send an email that you will be attending to macombcountymga@yahoo.com

Summer 2020 Invasive Plant Workshops



Macomb County Master Gardener Association (MCMGA)
Lake St. Clair Cooperative Invasive Species Management
Area (LSC CISMA)



June 20, 2020

“Identification, Treatment and Reporting Workshop”

Lake St. Clair Metro Park Nature Center
31300 Metro Pkwy, Harrison Twp, MI
10 AM to 12:30 PM

Presenters:

McKenzi Waliczek (LSC CISMA)

David Newlin (MCMGA)

Dave Putt (MCMGA)



August 15, 2020

“Native Plant Restoration Workshop & Native Plant Sale”

Loren Andrus Octagon House
57500 Van Dyke, Washington Twp, MI

10 AM to 2 PM

Angela Nelson (Designs by Nature East, LLC)

Proceeds from the plant sale benefit the MCMGA

Optional tours (\$5.00) of the Octagon House will also be available



Funding for the LSC CISMA is provided by the Michigan Invasive Species Grant Program (www.michigan.gov/invasives).

To Register: send email to macombcountymga@yahoo.com

Education Hours 2020. Enter into VMS as follows:

January 8 – MCMGA “Cultivating Your Green Thumb Indoors” Project: Community Beautification-Public Areas - **1.0 Education Hr.**

February 18 – MCMGA “An entertaining look at Seeds and Seed Saving”. Project: Environmental Stewardship-Native Plants - **1.0 Education Hr.**

Fundraisers

English Gardens Flower of the Month - \$35.00 for the Year!

How to Order: Fundraiser only gets credit when you order via one of these 3 methods:

1. Call or text Lynn at 586-604-6907, mention Macomb County Master Gardener’s when ordering
2. Online: adxionline.com Put “Macomb county Master Gardener’s and the start date you would like in the notes section, or
3. By mail: ADXL Promotions Put “Macomb County Master Gardener’s” in memo section. 48542 Van Dyke Ste. 100, Shelby Twp., MI 48317

Kroger Rewards:

This is a great program, just sign up and Kroger does the rest, all at no cost to you. Having a Kroger card does not automatically sign you up for the Community Rewards.

The Kroger Co. Family of Stores is committed to bringing hope and help to the local neighborhoods we call home. Our stores are on a mission to go beyond being a part of the community to also helping create a stronger community. We appreciate your participation in our Community Rewards program to help accomplish that mission!

We have recently upgraded our Community Rewards system, and as a result, your Non-Profit Organization (NPO) has a new account number. **(CQ024)** Please reference the new number when contacting us for assistance. New members can enroll by searching for either the **new number** or the **name of your organization**.

[Kroger Community Rewards.com](http://KrogerCommunityRewards.com)

Sign in/Register for Kroger Rewards Account

Proceed as directed

Edit Kroger Community Rewards, enter Kroger Plus Card #

Enter NPO – CQ024 or Macomb County Master Gardener Association

You will see group name on right side of page. Questions/Problems: 877-576-7587

Other Educational Events and Opportunities:

Winter Tree Identification and Symptoms of Injury

March 31, 5:30 – 8:00 p.m. Macomb MSUE office, 21885 Dunham Rd., Clinton Twp.

One hour lecture on how to identify trees during the winter months and recognize signs of tree decline. Lecture will be followed by a ½ – 1 mile walk in the Nicholson Nature Center to spot signs of winter injury. Outdoor walk will be on an unpaved trail. Instructor: Bob Bricault, Consumer Horticulture

Educator, Washtenaw County. Free program. Register online at:
<https://events.anr.msu.edu/wintertrees/>

Macomb MSUE Programs for 2020

Thursday, March 5, 6:30 PM Invasive Insects in Michigan Chesterfield Library, (586) 598-4900

Thursday, March 12, 6:30 PM Starting a Vegetable Garden Sterling Heights Library, (586) 446-2665

Wednesday, May 6, 7:00 PM Starting a Vegetable Garden Mt Clemens Library, (586) 469-6200

***To register for any of these programs, contact the specific library.**

Master Gardener College June 12 –13

Kellogg Hotel and Conference Center Michigan State University East Lansing, MI For Registration Information
https://www.canr.msu.edu/master_gardener_volunteer_program/master_gardener_college

Friendly Gardener Meeting

March 12, 2020 Bursting into Spring by Sue Grubba

Spring is one of the most exciting times of the year. For a gardener, it can also be a time of great uncertainty. Wondering which plants survived the winter and which ones will need to be replaced, can make a gardener very anxious. Join Sue Grubba as she shares her insights on the season of spring and how you can maximize the potential of your gardens.

Location:

Riverwood Community Church, 12000 Clinton River Road, Sterling Heights, MI 48313

Located on west side of Clinton River Road, south of 19 mile

Next (north) to Farmstead Park

A \$3.00 donation is appreciated. Refreshments are served. All are welcome.

Meadow Brook Garden Club Programs



MARCH 27, 2020

Craig Elston *Butterfly Gardening* at Meadow Brook Hall, 350 Estate Dr., Rochester MI 48309-1904. Coffee and refreshments will be served at 9:15 a.m. with the program to follow at 10 a.m.

Guests are welcome and reservations are not required. There is a \$5 non-member fee. For more information, call 248-364-6210, email MBGCmembers@gmail.com or visit www.meadowbrookhall.org.

Troy Garden Club Programs

For details go to: <http://troygardenclubmi.com/events/>

Yardeners of St. Clair Shores

MONDAY, MARCH 9th - 7pm "ARE YOUR ACTIONS AROUND THE YARD "BENEFICIAL" FOR BENEFICIAL BUGS?" presentation by Mike Reed. Mike is the Curator of Education-Infomal Programs, with the Detroit Zoological Society. He will be expanding on his presentation that we enjoyed last April regarding spiders. Come and learn about other beneficial insects and bugs in our gardens.

All Presentations are free and will be held at the St. Clair Shores Library located at the corner of 11 Mile & Jefferson

Yardeners Native Plant Sale – Saturday June 13, 9 a.m. – 12 p.m.

Order Form Below:

Join the Macomb Bloomin' Sunflowers to the

FOX THEATRE

and celebrate our 20-Year Anniversary



DAVID FOSTER: Hitman Tour

With Special Guest,
Katherine McPhee

FRIDAY, MAY 8, 2020

Few other individuals can claim to have more major moments in all of popular music than David Foster. He has created hit songs and award-winning albums for Barbra Streisand, Whitney Houston, Michael Jackson, Madonna, Rod Stewart, Andrea Bocelli, Stevie Wonder, Michael Bolton, Kenny Rogers, Kenny G, Gloria Estefan, Dolly Parton, and many others. He has created culture-defining soundtracks for blockbuster films and crafted timeless holiday classics and played a key role in career launches of Celine Dion, Josh Groban and Michael Buble. In this intimate evening accompanied by hand-picked vocalists and musicians, Foster who has won 16 Grammy Awards and 3 Academy Awards for "Best Original Songs", will explore the music of his career. Special Guest, Katherine McPhee, known for being the runner-up on American Idol in 2006 and co-starring with Debra Messing on "Smash", is married to David.

Depart: Promptly at 4:00 p.m. from Macomb MSU Extension Office, Verkuilen Building, 21885 Dunham Road, Clinton Twp. (rear entrance). Be at bus 3:45 a.m. to board.

Price: **\$110**

- Includes: ♦ Dinner - 5:00 p.m. - at The Whitney, Detroit's most iconic mansion. (make food selection below – will update with attendees in April when their seasonal food selections may change)
- ♦ Concert - 8:00 p.m. - Main Floor seating at the Fox Theatre
- ♦ Round-trip motorcoach transportation and driver's tip

Returns: 10:45 p.m. - Approximate Return Time

Limited Tickets – Cancellation after March 6 will forfeit the cost of the trip unless I can resell your ticket. I cannot get any refunds from the Fox Theatre. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact Pat Cencek at 586-795-4601 or email her at rcencek@comcast.net

The Macomb Bloomin' Sunflowers and Grounds Transportation (bus company) are not responsible for any loss or damage of personal property, injury or any negligence of any restaurants or other properties used for this tour. By registering for this tour, you agree to this disclaimer.

Please mail your check for \$110 made payable to Pat Cencek to: 13317 Whittier, Sterling Heights, MI 48312

Name _____ E-mail _____
Address _____ City _____ Zip _____
Phone No. _____

- Brick Chicken Grilled Pork Chop Lake Superior Whitefish Chef's Vegetarian Selection
(Half Chicken, de-boned, pressed, & seared.)

"A weed is a plant that has mastered every survival skill except for learning how to grow in rows."

- Doug Larson



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