

The Putnam County Master Gardeners'

Spring into Gardening Fair!



Saturday, April 14, 2012
8:45 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.

Open to the Public
 Educational and Fun

Features:

- **Keynote Speaker**
- **Eight Classes on Gardening**
- **Gardeners' Market**
- **Garden Cafe**
- **Raffle**



OSU Extension – Putnam Co.
 124 Putnam Parkway/PO Box 189
 Ottawa, OH 45875

THE MASTER GARDENER PROGRAM

The Master Gardener Program is a volunteer educational program designed to assist The Ohio State University Extension in meeting the horticultural needs of Ohio citizens. Its purpose is to train volunteers and use their expertise to teach people about plants, their culture, and their importance to the environment and to quality of life. Master Gardener volunteers provide technical assistance to the county Extension office to help carry out consumer horticulture activities and programs more effectively and efficiently. Putnam County Master Gardeners also have held biennial garden tours and garden fairs, spoken to groups, lent expertise to landscaping and gardening projects, and had booths at the Putnam Co. Fair and the Farm and Home Show. Training and internship programs are offered periodically.



For more information, contact:

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REGISTRATION FORM

To pre-register, complete and send this form with a check for \$20.00 to Putnam Co. Master Gardeners, Ohio State University Extension, PO Box 189, Ottawa, OH 45875. Printable registration forms are also available online at www.putnam.osu.edu.
REGISTRATION DEADLINE: March 26.

Name: _____

Street Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip Code: _____

Email: _____

Phone: _____

Select (X) one class in each time slot. You may indicate a 2nd choice with "?". Seats will be filled first-come, first-served.

11:00 – 12:00

- ____ "Horticultural All-Stars"
- ____ "Vegetable Gardening"
- ____ "Woody Ornamentals"
- ____ "Planting for Year-Round Color in the Garden"

1:30 – 2:30

- ____ "Landscapes"
- ____ "From Emerald Ash Borer to Asian Longhorn Beetle, What is Next?"
- ____ "Preserving: Cash in on Your Harvest"
- ____ "Gardens of the Future"

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LOCATION:

Kalida Elementary School
208 N. 4th Street, Kalida, OH
One block north of North Street (SR 224/115)
Behind St. Michael's Catholic Church
Entry through Price Street gym doors

Features

KEYNOTE SPEAKER Janet Macunovich

EIGHT CLASSES ON GARDENING

- Available by Pre-registration Only [See attached form.]
- **Pre-registration Deadline: March 26**
- Fee: \$20.00 (Includes Keynote Speaker, Two Classes, Market)
- Early Registration Recommended: Classes May Fill Fast

GARDENERS' MARKET

- Open to Public, 8:45-3:00
- No Pre-registration Required
 - Admission: \$1.00 at the Door.
 - Many Vendors and Exhibitors from NW Ohio: Nurseries, Garden Centers, Artisans, Crafters, Organizations
- Come to Shop

GARDEN CAFÉ

- Open to All Fair-Goers
- Menu: Hot Sandwiches, Veggie/Cheese Plate, Brownies, Gourmet Coffee, Soft Drinks, and More

RAFFLE

- Lots of Prizes
- All Fair-Goers Eligible
- Winners Posted @ 2:30

Class Schedule

8:45 – 9:30	Registration. Visit Café and Vendors.
9:30 – 10:30	Keynote Speaker: Janet Macunovich
10:30 – 11:00	Break. Visit Café. Visit Vendors.
11:00 – 12:00	4 Class Sessions
12:00 – 1:30	Lunch. Visit Vendors. Meet the Speaker.
1:30 – 2:30	4 Class Sessions
2:30 – 3:00	Raffle Results; Turn in Evaluations

KEYNOTE SPEAKER *Janet Macunovich*
"Thank You, Great Grand-Folks"

Janet looks at the history of gardening in the U.S. Midwest, with engaging insights into why we grow what we do, the way we do, and how our ancestors' gardening ways are still affecting our lives.

Janet is a professional gardener and designer, dynamic speaker and educator, and author of columns, articles, and books. Her lifelong interest in gardens caught fire after she spent the summer of 1973 in England and worked in a 300-year-old perennial garden in Shenley Church End, Buckinghamshire. The flame burned steady while she studied to be an art teacher and then sidestepped into a career as a telephone installer where, "Overlooking gardens from a perch up on the utility pole juxtaposed plants and design in a spectacular way." Her own gardens grew, in part from starts shared by those whose phones she connected, eventually covering more than 14,000 square feet.

Her gardens gained her notoriety as "the lady at the flower house, the one with no lawn." Despite this slightly oddball reputation she began receiving requests in 1980 to design others' gardens. Within three years she found that between her job at the telephone company—by then teaching management skills to new managers—her young family, and designing for others, she had almost no time left for her own garden. Something had to give. So in 1985 Janet established a garden and landscape design firm. In 1988 she expanded the business from part to full-time and resigned from the phone company.

Janet's formal education in gardening and design includes hundreds of hours of research and seminars and workshops at botanical gardens and educational institutions in several States. She has completed the MSU Extension gardening program and is an Advanced Master Gardener. Her presentations fit specific needs of organizations and cover a wide range of topics.

Class Sessions and Presenters

"Vegetable Gardening" *Glen Arnold*

Glen served as an OSU Extension Educator in Putnam Co. for 22 years and brought the Master Gardener program to Putnam Co. He enjoys vegetable gardening, using both a raised bed garden and a traditional vegetable garden. Glen's presentation will focus on the control of insects and diseases of vegetable gardens as well as the use of mulches and weed barriers to conserve moisture and control weeds.

"Preserving: Cashing in on Your Harvest" *Barbara Brahm*

Barbara will share the basics of food preservation, including freezing, canning, and drying. She will discuss pressure canning and water bath canning, with emphasis on safe and high quality preserved products, using OSU-recommended equipment and procedures. She will use PowerPoint and print materials and displays, and will provide handouts. An OSU Extension Educator for 38 years, she has taught food preservation in five Ohio counties and is now an Educator in the Family and Consumer Sciences for Hancock Co.

"Gardens of the Future" *Janet Macunovich*

In this presentation, professional gardener, author, and educator Janet poses a question based on considerable research: Where is gardening going in the next few years? You will have fun considering the trends, peeking at where others are heading, and picturing the garden of ten years from now.

"Horticultural All-Stars" *Janet Macunovich*

From her professional landscape designer's perspective, Janet will discuss the trees, shrubs, perennials and annuals that she picks when she must whittle the choices way down, yet still be sure to design a beautiful, classic, enduring landscape. Have fun picking one from her list that you already have in your garden, then seeing how she builds a winning combination from that starting point.



"Planting for Year Round Color in the Garden" *Becky McCann*

Becky will help you plan your garden so you can find interest on even the dreariest of winter days—from the silhouettes of trees, the cinnamon exfoliating bark of a river birch, the red and black berries of shrubs, to evergreen trees, shrubs and perennials. She will walk through the seasons looking at plants for the home garden that extend the seasons and give year round interest. A State Certified Nursery Technician and retired OSU Extension Horticulturist, Becky now teaches Plant Science and Herbaceous Plant Identification at Owens Community College.

"Hardscapes" *Jordan Pingle*

Jordan has worked in residential and commercial landscaping for 13 years and has owned his own business for 8 years, primarily installing hardscapes--patios, drives, decks, and walls. He will provide handouts and brochures from suppliers and displays of hardscape materials: for example, flagstone, pavers, and pre-formed wall block. He will also show how to lay a patio/walk way and a wall. He will focus on many practical and visual uses, varieties, colors, materials, and manufacturers, with time for listeners' questions.

"From Emerald Ash Borer to Asian Longhorn Beetle, What is Next?" *Amy Stone*

An OSU Extension Educator for Lucas Co., Amy led the Emerald Ash Borer Task Force in Ohio. She is now spreading the word about another invader, the Asian Longhorned Beetle. Invasive species should be familiar to all gardeners. Their impact is far reaching, can be costly, and can change the look of landscapes. Wood boring beetles like EAB and ALB are impacting Ohio's forests. Participants will become beetle busters, be advised about other invasive species, and hear replanting recommendations.

"Woody Ornamentals" *Kay Studer*

As the OSU Extension Horticulture Program Coordinator in Allen Co., Kay directed the Master Gardener program for over 15 years. She has received national recognition and many awards for creativity and programs at the Children's Garden in Lima. Since retiring, she and her daughter have started "Buckeye Blooms," an organic flower farm in Allen Co. Using PowerPoint and plant examples, she will discuss seven steps of "Plant Selection Criteria" for selecting woody ornamentals that will survive and thrive in your landscape.