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Heritage Gardens

Mark your calendars for March 16 for a garden seminar hosted by the OSU Extension, Brown County Master Gardener Volunteers, at 7:00 p.m. The program will be in Room 107 at the Mt. Orab campus of Southern State Community College.

Master Gardener Volunteer, Dale Dyer, will talk about the Heritage Gardens at the Ohio Governor's Residence in Bexley, Ohio. These gardens display plants, shrubs, and trees that are native to the 5 physio-graphic regions found in Ohio.

Dale, in addition to being a Brown County Master Gardener, is also part of the group called the Governor's Gardeners and is an ambassador for the Heritage Gardens. Remember that all seminars are free and open to the public. This is part of the Master Gardener Seminar series that is held on the third Thursday of the month throughout the winter months.

Farm and Family Night is March 7

This will be the eighth year for the Farm and Family Night at Maysville Community and Technical College in Maysville. This is an event that has something for everyone in the family. The event kicks off at 5:00 p.m. with dinner served until 7:00 p.m. or until it is all gone. The opening session begins at 6:00 p.m.

There will be door prizes and events going on with the trade show, plus sessions on a number of topics including, but not limited to: Soil Health, Sheep and Goat Production, Bee Keeping, Quality Hay, Marketing Livestock, Nutrition of Cattle Coming out of Winter, Backyard Poultry, Lawn Management, Food Plots for Wildlife, Rain Gardens, Healthy Appetizers, Making Your Own Soup and Sauces, Crockpot Meals, and youth activities. Some of the sponsors for this event include Farm Credit, Riverside Tractor in Augusta, Hinton Mills, Cahall Bros. John Deere, McFarland Chevrolet, Ripley Federal Bank and more. For more information, and a look at the sponsors go to <http://Adams.osu.edu>

Small Farm Conference in Wilmington

The "Opening Doors to Success" Conference is March 10-11 at Wilmington College, 1870 Quaker Way in Wilmington. The March 10 session is from 1-5:30 p.m. with a workshop on Poultry Production, held at the Wilmington College Academic Farm, 1590 Fife Ave., in Wilmington; and a workshop on Beekeeping for the Beginner, held at the Wilmington College Kelly Center, on College Street, in Wilmington.

The March 11 session is from 7:45 a.m. to 3:45 p.m. at the Center for Science and Agriculture, 340 College Street, in Wilmington. Topics for the day will include: applying chemicals, greenhouse production, livestock, field crops, finances, and farm and land access.



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Registration for the “Opening Doors to Success” conference is \$20 for Friday; \$60 for Saturday only; or \$70 for Friday and Saturday. Register at go.osu.edu/BpkQ no later than March 3. Students are offered a discounted rate.

GAP for Tobacco Growers

The first GAP session in Ohio for 2017 was this past Monday, with good attendance. We had a few walk-ins, and luckily, we had space. With space limited at some of the sites, there is a real need to call ahead and pre-register for the events. The other reason is that I am not going to carry 100 copies of the materials to a meeting that only has 10 people show up to, only to carry 90 back to the office. I may need exercise, but if you want a seat and a copy of the materials, it would be a good idea to call and register or you may need to run by the office to get the materials later. Please pre-register for this training by calling Barbie at the Adams Co. Extension Office to reserve a seat for the date and location that works best for you. Barbie can be reached by phone, Monday – Friday from 8:30 until noon and 12:30 until 4:00 p.m. at 544-2339 or by e-mail at rowe.316@osu.edu

The remaining GAP sessions are: Wednesday March 15 at 1:00 p.m. at the West Union Frisch’s; Wednesday March 15 at 6:30 p.m. at North Adams HS in the Round Room; Tuesday March 21 at 6:30 p.m. and Wednesday March 22 at 1:00 p.m. at the Board Office of Southern Hills Career Center in Georgetown.

Dates to Remember

March 3	Agriculture is Everyone’s Business at SSCC in Hillsboro.
March 7	Farm and Family Night at Maysville Community and Technical College.
March 10-11	Southern Ohio Small Farm Conference at Wilmington College. This will include another 3-hour Fertilizer Training.
March 15	GAP for Tobacco at 1:00 p.m. at West Union Frisch’s and at 6:30 p.m. at North Adams HS.
March 21	GAP for Tobacco at Southern Hills Board Office at 6:30 p.m.
March 22	GAP for Tobacco at Southern Hills Board Office at 1:00 p.m.
April 8	Ohio Tobacco Museum Fundraiser/Reverse Raffle at Ripley Elem.
April 8	Highland County OSU Extension’s Dinner and Auction at the Highland Co. Fairgrounds in the evening.