

Created for Great Garden Enthusiasts.....



The Kosciusko County Master Gardeners and Purdue Extension are excited to offer you a great series on the latest gardening trends while incorporating hands-on learning. Whether you are new to gardening or have been doing it for years, you are sure to learn numerous great ideas to have a great garden in 2012.

Series Objective:

The objective of this class is to increase the knowledge and skills of participants in the areas of home vegetable and flower gardening while offering the opportunity to learn about growing methods, insects, and diseases through programs and vegetable garden tours.

Series Registration & Great Gardens Pass:



- If you want to attend all the sessions, we have created a **“Great Gardens Pass”** for the registration fee of \$25 per person or \$35/ family received by **February 14**. Purchasing the pass gives you access to all sessions, seeds, a special greenhouse tour, and a \$5 coupon towards plant purchases with participating retailers.
- Individual session registration is \$5/person or \$10/family.
- At each session all attendees will receive instruction, handouts, refreshments, and other gardening related information and resources.
- Master Gardeners who attend will receive 2 hours of advanced educational credit for each session.



What is the Purdue Master Gardener Program?

Master Gardeners is a volunteer training program designed to meet the information needs of the local gardening community. Its specific aim is to provide information and technical assistance about gardening and home horticulture through the use of qualified volunteers.

Directions to the Extension Office

Directions – (North or South) take SR 15 into Warsaw. Turn west on Main Street and continue to 202 W Main Street.

From the East—from U.S. 30, take Center Street into Warsaw. Turn north on Lake Street. Turn west on Main Street and continue to 202 W Main Street.



If you require auxiliary aids and services due to a disability or have special food needs, please contact us by 1 week prior to the session at 574-372-2340.



For more information, questions on the series or the Master Gardener Program, please contact:

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Growing Great Gardens In 2012



An Educational Series sponsored by the Kosciusko County Master Gardeners & Purdue Extension

Tuesdays

February 21*

March 6 & 20*

April 3 & 17

6:30 p.m.

(* Additional 1 p.m. session offered)

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Series Schedule

March 6

Great Blooms for Continuous Year-Round Color

Learn which annuals and perennials can be use in your landscape and garden for continuous color

March 20

Starting a Garden in Your Backyard

- Where do I put my garden?
- Planning Your Garden
- Which vegetables to plant & how much?
- The garden is planted—now what?



Session also features hands-on starting plants from seed.

April 3

New & Creative Ideas for Growing Non Traditional Great Gardens



Featuring planting leafy greens in containers.

April 17

Growing Herbs for Great Meals & Decoration

Highlighting how to grow and use herbs in easy to use ways. Food samples will be provided.

May

Greenhouse Tour

Tour of local greenhouse to see how your plants get started. Learn the about new varieties for 2012. Date & location to be announced.



June & August

Vegetable Twilight Tours

Nominate your own garden for the tour or let us know of great gardens in your community that are a must see. Hands-on opportunity to learn about insect & disease issues for this growing season.

September

Food Preservation Tips & Fall Clean-Up

Great recipes & ideas on how to use the bounty from your great garden. Tips on fall clean-up and getting ready for the next growing season.



It All Starts with....

Growing Great Tomatoes

Tuesday, February 21, 2012

1:00 p.m. & 6:30 p.m.

Tomatoes are truly one of the most popular "fruits" or vegetables grown in our area. Whether you have grown them for years or just thinking of getting started, this session is for you!



Session Highlights

- **Preparing for Planting**
Do I need anything special for my soil?
- **Seeds vs. Transplants**
How can I select a healthy transplant? How do I successfully start them from seeds?
- **General Care in the Growing Season**
Fertilizer, Staking, Pruning, Water...
- **Diseases and Insects**
Identification, Prevention, Treatment...
- **Alternative Growing Methods**
Containers, etc...
- **After the growing season?**
Why garden clean-up is important.
- **Debunking Common Myths about growing Tomatoes**
We have all heard them now find out what your grandma was right about and what she wasn't!

We will wrap our session with the Master Gardeners sharing the varieties they grow and why!



2012 Growing Great Gardens Registration Form

Name: _____

Address: _____

City: _____

State: _____ Zip: _____

Telephone Number: _____

Email Address: _____

Registration fee

Great Gardens Pass:

\$25/person for all sessions

\$35/Family for all sessions

(The family rate receives only one set of handouts and benefits.)

\$5/person or \$10/ family for individual sessions

Date attending individual sessions:

(Please circle)

Feb 21. (1 or 6:30 p.m.) Mar. 6 Mar.

20 (1 or 6:30p.m.) Apr 3 Apr 17

Additional Names attending if other than above:

Please make checks payable to the
Kosciusko County Master Gardeners

Please mail to the Extension Office as listed below 1
week before the session you plan to attend.

Great Garden Pass is due **February 14.**

No refunds unless the program is cancelled.

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