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MGV Agenda

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Much Thanks: Thank you all for your support and dedication to our MGV Program during this transition.

Topics for Discussion:

1. Transition -

- a. Position opening - PT Community Horticulture Program Coordinator. \$16.86 per hour (24 to 30) hours per week depending on season, Non-exempt, b SR Gardening Program 6-7:30PM opicenefits eligible position.

2. Volunteer Opportunities

- a. Programming "In the Garden?"
 - i. August/September -(Is this something we can do?)
- b. Beekeeping and Pollinator Gardening (**Intro to Beekeeping today**)
- c. Waste Management, Organics recycling, and Composting (**Composting Happens**)
- d. Dept. of Health pair with us for a tick and tick borne illness program. (Pending)

3. Helpline Recap

- a. You do not have to be an expert to answer helpline questions.
- b. If you are unsure of a "research-based" answer, let the caller know that you will get back to them.
- c. Recording information in the log is important for follow up.
- d. If checking voicemail, erase when you are done listening. If you are checking email and responding, please cc mgw77@cornell.edu so I have information to follow up if need be. Mark with a FLAG if unfinished or a CHECK MARK if completed (to the right of the message).

4. Communication - Best practices for communicating

5. Survey results

- a. Why do you Volunteer with Extension?
- b. How would you like to be recognized
- c. Speakers' Bureau Topics
- d. What do you still want to learn about?
- e. How can we better support you as a MGV?

Upcoming Events & Volunteer Opportunities

***Sign up in book or by email.**

- 1) **Work Day: Cleanup, weeding, planting, etc. (See Calendar)**
- 2) Volunteer/ Office and Helpline Signup on calendar. Aiming for once a week for volunteer. RSVP by email or Outlook. Current hardcopy calendar will hang on the cabinet in Volunteer Area
 - ID/ and community requests

Building Strong and Vibrant New York Communities

Cornell Cooperative Extension in Sullivan County is an employer and educator recognized for valuing AA/EEO, Protected Veterans, and Individuals with Disabilities and provides equal program and employment opportunities. Please contact the Cornell Cooperative Extension Sullivan County office if you have any special needs.

- Update Helpline Contact List
- Record Question from helpline and research and write response.

MASTER GARDNER TRAININ - POSTPONED

3) Speaker's Bureau and Community Gardening requests:

- Western Sullivan Public Library:
 - **Wednesday night in August (6-7p) in Jeffersonville (composting)**
Dennis, September 19 To Confirm
- Dynamite Youth Center (Fallsburg)- garden guidance/project- **Nancy**
- Sullivan County Fair Tabling - Thank you Helene
- September 5th Sullivan Renaissance Program SR Gardening Program 6-7:30PM
- **September 15th: Cornell Country BBQ and Auction**

***Reminder: Please update Volunteer Log of Hours.

Advanced Training Hours; CCE Programs (\$5 each unless volunteering, or cost of program materials), iextension.org (free to sign up), any webinar or Garden-based learning from Cornell youtube channels. Write a summary of what you learned. Record in your log.

Newsletter Article (CCE Monthly)- Any month, Any topic. Sign up in book.

We would like to see some articles from the Master Gardener Volunteers appear in our Monthly Newsletter. You choose a topic and a Month!

NEXT MEETING September 18, 10 am

(OVER)

****UPDATES ARE RECORDED IN RED BELOW**

Master Gardener Volunteer Meeting Dates 2018

Date	Time	Advanced Training
January 10	10:00AM	
February 14	10:00AM	Cancelled for weather
March 23	10:00AM	Greenhouse planting at 11
April 9	4:00PM	Xeriscape/Rain Garden
May 18	10:00AM	Meeting/Plant Sale Setup
June 13	10:00AM	
July 11	10:00AM	
August 21	4:00 PM	
September 18	10:00 AM	
October		
November		
December		

*Highlighted months will include some sort of advanced training or guest speaker.