

## Important Information (Please Read)

Master Gardener Volunteer training is a program to train volunteers in horticulture (gardening) practices **who will then assist UW-Extension in sharing horticulture information with the public.** Master Gardener Volunteer training is NOT a basic gardening class. Participants must be 18 years of age or older. No previous experience is necessary (but some experience gardening is helpful).

Each session is intended to increase your knowledge base of horticulture topics and provide methods on how to find reliable information when posed a horticulture question. Sessions will be a mixture of interactive training, discussions, small group tasks, guest speakers, and hands-on activities and skill development.

### What are the certification requirements?

- Completed background check prior to class start & sign volunteer agreement form
- Attend 12 of the 14 sessions
- Complete Child Abuse & Neglect Reporter Training
- Pass written exam (open book, take home)
- Volunteering 24 hours of relevant community service

### What are some volunteer possibilities?

You are limited only by your imagination and time, but keep in mind projects need to have an educational component. An example would be working with youth or community gardens. Other ideas include writing short garden articles for the local newspaper or Master Gardener Volunteer newsletter, coordinating educational events, and community beautification projects **IF** there is some form of education going on (i.e. creating plant labels for vegetation being installed).

### What does the fee cover?

What you are paying for is the instructional materials utilized during the training. The instruction is repaid by the volunteer hours you perform during or after course completion.



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# MASTER GARDENER VOLUNTEER TRAINING

## Spring 2017

New start date  
& schedule



### Every other week

March 28 — October 10

6 pm — 9 pm

### County Services Center Room 112A

University of Wisconsin, U. S. Department of Agriculture and Wisconsin counties cooperating. UW-Extension provides equal opportunities in employment and programming including Title IX and ADA requirements. To ensure equal access, please make requests for reasonable accommodations as soon as possible prior to the scheduled program.

Master Gardener Volunteer Program  
Marquette County UW-Extension

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Horticulture Volunteers  
Helping the Community

# Registration Form

## 2017 Master Gardener Volunteer Training

Please make check payable to **Marquette County UW-Extension**.

Mail to:  
 Master Gardener Program  
 Marquette County UW-Extension  
 PO Box 338  
 480 Underwood Avenue  
 Montello, WI 53949

Name(s): \_\_\_\_\_

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Address: \_\_\_\_\_

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Phone: \_\_\_\_\_(day)

\_\_\_\_\_ (evening)

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Registration Fee:  
 Individual .....\$100

Amount Enclosed: .....\$\_\_\_\_\_

Upon UW-Extension receipt of this form, you will be sent a registration packet. You will need to fill out those forms prior to the first session. One of the steps in the registration process is a form that is sent to the State MGVC Coordinator to allow a conduction of a criminal background check, as required by the USDA for involvement in any UW-Extension volunteer programming.



### Level I Master Gardener Volunteer Training Schedule 2017

Sessions will be every other week on Tuesday nights starting March 28, continuing through October 10. Sessions will run from 6-9 pm at the County Services Center, Room 112A unless otherwise noted. Most sessions will be interactive and/or have an outdoor/get your hands dirty component and you should dress accordingly. The schedule below is subject to change to accommodate speaker schedules, but will give you an idea of topics being covered.

**Registration needs to be returned to the UW-Extension office by February 17**, but the class may be filled prior to that date, so return your form as soon as possible.

<b>March 28</b>	Introductions & Plant Biology	<b>June 20</b>	Plant Propagation
<b>April 11</b>	Volunteering & Technology Training	<b>July 11</b>	Integrated Pest Management & Weeds
<b>April 18</b>	Vegetables, Edible Plants, & Seed Starting	<b>July 18</b>	Herbaceous Perennials & Annuals
<b>May 9</b>	Organic Gardening & Getting Started in the Garden	<b>August 15</b>	Gardening with Wildlife & Woody Landscape Plants
<b>May 23</b>	Fruit Crops	<b>August 29</b>	Soils & Composting
<b>June 6</b>	Native Plants & Lawn Care	<b>Sept. 12</b>	Plant Diseases & What's Wrong With This Plant?
		<b>Sept. 26</b>	Insects & Pest Management & Phenology



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