



2023 Membership Advantages of MGSOC, Inc.



The Mission of the Master Gardener Society of Oakland County, Inc. is to enrich the lives of those who love gardening. We are volunteers who fulfill our commitment to community outreach by providing hands-on gardening and research-based horticultural education. Members of the Society are Master Gardeners certified by Michigan State University Extension.

We have returned to meetings in person, and please check our website in advance of the meetings for confirmation of the location. Our monthly General Meetings are free to MGSOC members and a \$5 fee is charged to our visitors. Both volunteer and education hours are available at the meetings with our guest speakers offering timely and critical horticultural information. We have a monthly raffle for garden gifts. Our General meetings are a great opportunity to earn your education hours and meet other Extension Master Gardeners (and trainees) who share your interests. Many of our meetings are held at **Beautiful Savior Lutheran Church**, 5631 North Adams Road, Bloomfield Hills, MI, 48304. The doors open and snacks are available at 6 p.m. There will be a brief business meeting and our educational speaker begins at 6:30 p.m. To view our past educational topics (some are recorded and available for viewing on our website, and handouts are available) please visit: www.mgsoc.org

MGSOC Membership Benefits

- Education, Education, Education!
- Communicate and network with other Master Gardeners and horticulture professionals
- Affiliation with [Michigan State University Extension \(MSUE\)](http://Michigan State University Extension) outstanding educational webinars, website and educational materials
- Annual MGSOC trips
- MGSOC website listing upcoming events, volunteer opportunities, educational opportunities and helpful links. Includes photos of many of our past events.
- **GET INVOLVED** in one or more of our committees, such as [Programs](#), [Hospitality](#), [Fundraising](#), [Educational Conference](#), [Trips and Tours](#), and more. Participation in these committees awards volunteer hours and makes new friendships.
- Volunteer by assisting in the design and maintenance of the gardens and grounds at Charles L. Bowers Farm.
- Support and enhance the educational mission of our Society.



2023 General Meeting Educational Topics 6:30 p.m.

PLEASE NOTE THAT SOME OF OUR PAST MEETINGS HAVE BEEN RECORDED ON ZOOM, AND HANDOUTS ARE AVAILABLE FOR YOU TO READ ONLINE! SEE THE LINK AT THE BOTTOM OF THIS COLUMN.

January 10

Carnivorous Plants

Tim Travis – Goldner Walsh

February 8

Clever Gardener – How to Keep Your Summer Color

Sue Grubba

March 8

Waking Up The Garden Part II

Janet Macunovich

April 12

Update on New Master Gardener Class and Michigan

Healthy Climate – Sarah Rautio

May 9

New Annuals and Perennials for 2023

George Papadelis – Telly's Greenhouse, 3301 John R, Troy

June 14

Hydrangeas

Matt Colonius – Piechnik's Garden Gate

July 13

Children's Gardens

Mary Gerstenberger

August 9

Fall Finale

Julia Hoffman

September 13

Strategies for a More Weed-Free Garden

Caitlin Splawski – MSUE Consumer Horticulture

Educator – Oakland County

October 11

Persian Gardens

Ed Blondin – Hortulus Gardens

November 15

Growing Herbs

Maryanne Dunmire – Herb Society of America

December 6

HOLIDAY POTLUCK – PIECHNIK'S GARDEN GATE

No speaker, members only

Visit our website for all information on the above meetings! <https://mgsoc.org>

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