



WISCONSIN MASTER GARDENERS IN MARQUETTE COUNTY



*In 2018, Marquette County Master Gardener Volunteers reported 461 hours of community service, worth a value of over \$11,076.**

*Using the current estimated dollar value of volunteer time in Wisconsin of \$24.69 per hour from Independent Sector (independentsector.org).

FEATURED PROJECTS

Educate community with garden walk

Marquette County Master Gardener Volunteers provided education with tours of northeast county home gardens. Approximately 100 people took part in the tours to learn about growing flowers, vegetable gardening, and to see a small commercial vineyard.



Engage with Marquette County Dairy Breakfast visitors

MGVs featured display boards on container gardens and sold plants at the Marquette County Dairy Breakfast at the fairgrounds in Westfield. Over 750 people attended the dairy breakfast, with many asking gardening questions and purchasing plants. This is an important event to introduce the Master Gardener Program and Extension resources to the community.



Educate families on insects

MGVs hosted 37 family members to learn about insects in the garden with a presentation by Extension entomologist, P.J. Liesch. The program provided kids a hands-on experience to interact with a variety of live insects. "Programs like this are important to teach kids about the environment," says Lyssa Seefeldt, Marquette County Agriculture Agent.

Educate community with bus tour to gardens

MGVs sponsored a regional bus tour for 50 participants to provide opportunity for community to gain new perspectives on gardening and build social connections. This year's tour included Rotary Botanical Gardens in Janesville.



The Master Gardener Program in Marquette County started in 1998. Over 114 people have been trained since that time, and there are currently 9 certified Master Gardener Volunteers (MGVs) for 2019.

Where you can find activities by MGVs in Marquette County

- Marquette County Fair
- Endeavor Sharing Supper
- Family Adventure Day
- Marquette County Historical Society Gardens
- Marquette County Interactive Nature Trail
- Fish 'N' Fun Festival
- Westfield Library
- Educational Outreach Programs



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