

## What is the Master Gardener Program?

Master Gardener Volunteers are trained volunteers who aid University of Wisconsin Extension staff by helping people in the community better understand horticulture and their environment. In the Master Gardener Program, you receive 36-50 hours of horticulture training with Cooperative Extension specialists.

Master Gardener Volunteers provide service to their community, normally within their own county, although special arrangements can be made to participate in other outside activities.

The Green County Master Gardeners Association is for area Master Gardeners and others interested in horticulture.

For additional registration brochures or more information.

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<http://green.extension.wisc.edu/>  
click on the horticulture tab



The Symposium committee and members have been working to present a day full of learning and fun for garden enthusiasts. Including door prizes and silent auction items.



In case of inclement weather on March 9th, that would delay or cancel our event.

Please listen to WBGR 93.7FM or view our Facebook page: Green County Master Gardener Association.

We will call:

Registered participants, please provide a phone number on the registration form.

Green County Master Gardeners Association Presents:

## 15th Garden Inspirations for All Seasons

March 9, 2024  
8:30AM—3:30PM

***“Healthy & Fit -  
The Garden & You!”***

**Albany Lions Club**

402 North Cincinnati Street  
Albany, WI 53502



## Agenda: “Gardening for Good Health - Soil, Food & You!”

- 8:30** Registration – View Silent Auction and Resource Material  
**8:50** Welcome - Tanna McKeon, Green County Master Gardeners President  
**9:00** “Soiling Your Undies” Tonya Gratz  
**9:30** Break  
**9:40** “Confessions of a Black Thumb” Brian Hudelson  
**11:00** Questions and Answers with Brian Hudelson **Bring any gardening questions for Brian to answer.**  
**11:30** Lunch - Silent Auction Bidding  
**12:15** Afternoon Announcements - Door Prizes  
**12:30** “Fitness for Gardening Lifestyles and Changes” Ryan Carroll  
**1:20** Break—Final Silent Auction Bidding  
**1:30** “Selecting Appropriate Trees and Shrubs for your Landscape” Parker Havens  
**2:20** “Winter Gardening & Seed Sowing” Heather Lynch **Take home your own sowing kit!**  
**3:15** Silent Auction Winners  
**3:30** Final Announcements, THANK YOU for attending!

## Garden Inspirations for All Seasons—Our Speakers

We invite you to our 15th annual Symposium! Our new venue and exciting program speakers will bring education, fun and practical ideas for every gardener. This year we feature healthy and fit, gardens and you.

### Speaker Bios:

**Tonya Gratz** has worked for the Green County Land and Water Conservation Department for 20 years. She helps farmers and landowners throughout Green County. Tonya is passionate about teaching people how to improve their soil- either in large crop fields or small gardens. She loves to garden and still has a lot to learn.

**Parker Havens**, owner and operator of Havens Tree Care. Parker has a bachelors degree in Urban Forestry from the University of Wisconsin – Stevens Point. Parker is a member of the International Society of Arboriculture, Wisconsin Arborist Association and the National Arbor Day Foundation. He is an ISA Certified Arborist and Certified Commercial Pesticide Applicator. “Trees are my passion.”

**Brian Hudelson**, affectionately known as “Dr. Death”, is the director of the UW-Madison Plant Disease Diagnostics Clinic (PDDC). The PDDC provides expertise in diagnosing plant disease problems, and information on plant diseases and their control to a wide range of clientele throughout the state of Wisconsin and beyond.

**Ryan Carroll**, Wisconsin native, and a multi-time State Track and Field Finalist. Ryan made his way to the University of Wisconsin-LaCrosse to earn his degrees in Kinesiology and Nutrition. Ryan has trained and coached athletes at every level. He is the Director of Wellness and Life Enrichment for the New Glarus Home retirement facility.

**Heather Lynch**, gardener, educator, and conservationist is passionate about local seasonal food and has dedicated her backyard to grow much of her own food. She is currently a Conservation Ambassador for the Women, Food and Agriculture Network/WFAN. Heather holds a degree in molecular biology from the University of Wisconsin-Madison, and is a certified Wisconsin Master Gardener.

## Registration Form

Saturday, **March 9, 2024** 8:30AM—3:30PM  
Albany Lions Club

**Registration costs (sorry no refunds)**  
\$40 per person (on or before February 23)  
\$45 per person (after February 23)

Registration includes morning beverages, coffee cake, lunch, afternoon snack and resource materials.

Name\*

Address\*

City\*

State\*

Zip Code\*

Email

Phone\*

\* required information

**Please make checks payable to:  
GCMGA**

Send registration & payment to:  
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