JOIN THE 2013 MASTER GARDENER CLASS THIS FALL!

Applications are being accepted for the Master Garden Training Class of 2013. Ohio Master Gardeners attend 45 hours of training and provide 50 hours of volunteer service to the community as volunteer educators. This program provides intensive training in horticulture to interested gardeners who then volunteer their time assisting with educational programs and activities for Ohio residents.

Specialists from the Ohio State University will be teaching sessions along with some local experts. Some topics include Botany, Plant Selection, Landscaping with Annuals and Perennials, Vegetable Gardening, Tree Selection and ID, Fruit Tree Care, Pesticides, Soils, and Plant and Insect Identification.

The classes will begin on Tuesday, October 1 and run through Thursday, November 21. The classes will be held from 6:00pm – 9:00pm on Tuesday and Thursday evenings. More than 110 Putnam County residents have become Master Gardeners in the last 17 years and find that it is filled with fun and excitement.

The fee for the course is $100.00 per person or $125.00 per couple, which covers the cost of an extensive resource book and other resource materials. The classes will be held at the Putnam County Extension Office, 1206 East Second Street in Ottawa.

Complete and return the enclosed application by September 23, 2013.

For more information on the Master Gardener program in Putnam County contact Ann Meyer at 419-523-6294 or email meyer.524@osu.edu.