Hardin County Extension News Release
For Further Information Contact:
Mark Badertscher
Agriculture and Natural Resources Extension Educator
Phone – 419-674-2297
E-Mail – badertscher.4@osu.edu
For Immediate Release – May 19, 2016

What’s Buzzing in the Garden?

Hardin County – Children will have the opportunity to experience ‘What’s Buzzing in the Garden’ at the Children’s Day at the Friendship Gardens sponsored by the Hardin County OSU Extension Master Gardener Volunteers. This educational activity is planned for children ages Kindergarten – 5th grade and will take place Saturday, June 11 at the Friendship Gardens of Hardin County. The program will start at 10:00 am and end at 12:00 pm. The gardens are located behind the Harco Industries building at 960 Kohler Street in Kenton.

The children’s program will feature five learning stations throughout the morning. Learning stations include: Bees, Birds, Butterflies, Moths, Sundial, and a craft station. Each child will be making a ‘Butterfly Puddler’ craft to take home. This craft can then be used as a water source for butterflies in their garden. Mom and Dad or Grandma and Grandpa are expected to stay and join in the program with the kids. Refreshments will be served.

This event is free to attend, but limited space is available so please sign-up by June 1st. Call the OSU Extension office at 419-674-2297 or access the registration form at hardin.osu.edu to enable your child to participate in this event. In case of rain, the event will be held indoors at Harco Industries, which is located at 705 North Ida Street, next to the Simon Kenton School.

The OSU Extension Master Gardeners is a group of trained volunteers who conduct educational programs related to gardening and other horticultural topics to the public. The group has an educational garden called ‘The Friendship Gardens of Hardin County.’ This garden is located at 960 Kohler Street in Kenton, which is behind the Harco Industries building. Volunteers are available to conduct education programs by contacting the Extension office. The Master Gardeners also have a Facebook page called Hardin County OSU Extension Master Gardeners
where members of the public can submit photos of weeds, insects, or diseases and ask gardening or horticultural questions about trees, shrubs, ornamental plants, turf, and landscaping ideas.

*Photo caption: Youngsters learn about the sundial from Master Gardener Volunteer Teresa Morris.*