Master Gardener Interest Application

The Master Gardener Program is sponsored by the University of Missouri to help fulfill its mission of sharing science-based gardening information with the public. Missouri Master Gardeners are volunteers who receive training from the University of Missouri in exchange for their time presenting educational programs in home horticulture to the public. Master gardeners are part of a local, state, national and international program.

I (name) ________________________________ wish to become a Master Gardener and be accepted into the training program. I understand that if accepted into the program, I will agree to provide at least 30 hours of approved volunteer service to the Master Gardener program within one year of completing training. The fee for trainees is $150. This fee pays for the Master Gardener core training book, “Grounds for Gardening” collection of guide sheets, other reference materials and speaker expenses.

Signed ___________________________________________ Date __________________________

A spouse may register (sharing the study and reference materials) for just $55.00.

Name ___________________________________________

Signed ___________________________________________ Date __________________________

Return this application to the University of Missouri Extension Center in Poplar Bluff.

Please type or print:

Name (as you wish it to appear on name badge) ________________________________

Spouses Name (as it should appear on name badge) ________________________________

Address _________________________________________________________________

City ________________________________ State ________ Zip _______________

E-mail Address ________________________________

Telephone (day) ____________________ (evening) ____________________
The following information will help us design training to better meet your needs and volunteer activities that will best utilize your interests and talents.

1. Why do you wish to take Master Gardener training?

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2. Do you currently grow food (fruit or vegetables) in the garden? □ Yes □ No

3. If so, do you share produce grown with: □ Extended Family, □ Friends, □ Co-Workers

4. Do you believe working in the garden provides you exercise each week? □ Yes □ No

5. How much garden exercise do you get each week? □ 1-5 hours, □ 6-10 hours, □ 11-15 hours, □ > 16 hours

6. What do you feel is the most important garden related education that can be offered to the public?

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7. Check the topics which are of special interest to you:

   ____ Landscaping  ____ Lawns  ____ Trees and shrubs
   ____ Annual flowers  ____ Perennials  ____ Houseplants
   ____ Vegetables  ____ Herbs  ____ Fruits and berries
   ____ Fertilization  ____ Composting  ____ Irrigation
   ____ Indoor plants  ____ Greenhouses  ____ Roses
   ____ Insects  ____ Plant diseases  ____ Weed control
   ____ Irrigation  ____ Fertilization  ____ Home greenhouses
   ____ Organic gardening  ____ Pesticides  ____ Roses
   ____ Other: ____________________________

Call 686-8064 if you have questions.

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