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# **4-H YOUTH DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM**

# ST. CHARLES COUNTY 4-H

<u>Victoria.bernard@missouri.edu</u> 4-H needs your input! As members of the St. Charles County community, we would like to hear your thoughts about positive youth development programming available in the county. Please take a few minutes to complete our brief survey and help 4-H understand what we can do better to serve the youth of St. Charles County. Survey link: <u>https://missouri.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV\_bvazMWuFQT6ojUq</u>







# **ELI ISELE - HORTICULTURE FIELD SPECIALIST**

## Wintertime is a time of rest for the garden and gardener.

<u>elihuisele@missouri.edu</u> I have spent many happy hours resting from the garden while dreaming of gardening with a seed catalog in my hands. It is wonderful to see what the new All American Selection vegetable or flower winners are, as well what new hybrids are being released.

Some of my favorite seed catalogs are as follows. Johnny's Selected Seeds, great for the commercial and home grower alike. Kitazawa Seed has all your Asian seed varieties. It is the only place I know to get those really good Korean radish seeds. Morgan County Seed is from Morgan County, Missouri and is for home and commercial growers. It has great deals. Seed Savers Exchange has a catalog and is a group you can join. If you do join Seed Savers Exchange, let me know about your experience and what seeds you are saving. My absolute favorite is Fedco. They are a cooperative from Maine and have three catalogs a year. A "trees, shrubs and perennials", "flower bulbs and seed garlic for fall planting" and "seeds and supplies." Fedco catalogs have de-lightful and whimsical art, essays, and a well curated selection of plants, seeds, and supplies. You can become a member of the coop and get a discount on your orders.

Some much-needed rest for the gardener in winter is a must, and daydreaming with a seed catalog in hand is delightful.

# FIT TO EAT - NUTRITION & WELLNESS Ston Zoom Selling at the Farmers Market Lunch and Learn. 12pm-1pm | Jan. 23rd - Jan. 27th

Thinking about selling food at your local farmer's market? Join an online lunch and learn series to learn best practices for success!

Pricing considerations

• Regulations for selling meats and value-added foods

• How to participate in the Senior and WIC Farmer's Market Nutrition Programs & Double Up Food Bucks

Register today: <u>http://ow.ly/vJg350M4Frm</u> Partners: SARE Sessions (12 PM - 1 PM) 1/23/23, 1/24/23, 1/25/23, 1/26/23, 1/27/23

#### WINTER GARDEN TIPS

Contrary to popular opinion, poinsettias are not poisonous plants, as recent research has shown, though the sap can be irritating to the skin. The colorful parts of the plant are not flowers, they are specialized leaves called bracts. The true flowers are the small yellow structures in the center of the bracts. At home put a hole in the foil wrapping, place in a saucer, and put the poinsettia in bright, indirect light. Water only when the soil feels dry to the touch. When the weather warms up outside in the spring, the poinsettia can be planted in a bright shady spot outdoors where it will grow into a lovely leafy plant.

Be sure not to overwater indoor plants as it can cause mold and root rot. Always check the soil for dryness before watering and use tap water that has been allowed to warm to room temperature. If you notice insect pests on plants, a commercial insecticidal soap is safe to use. For scale and mealy bugs, alcohol on a cotton swab can easily remove them.

When the winter ice and snow storms hit, brush off heavy accumulation on trees and shrubs to avoid damage to limbs. Then sit with a cup of hot chocolate and plan your summer garden.



#### THE HORTICULTURE ANSWER LINE

**HortLine** - does not have a presence in the Extension office during the winter months.

Help is still available by calling 636 875-7457 or sending an email to <u>mgstcharles@gmail.com</u>

#### Agricultural Leasing Seminar Developing Effective Farm Leases: Insights for Owners and Tenants

Ten sessions, live online and on-demand Jan 10th through March 14th Register online at: muext.us/leases Registration fee: \$100 Includes ten 30-minute sessions

**Extension** 

Farm tenants and property owners are encouraged to participate in a series of weekly programs on effective agricultural leasing in Missouri.

Ten online and on-demand sessions, Tuesdays from 7:00 to 7:30 pm, January 10th - March 14th.

Find out more at: muext.us/leases

#### **GROWING ONIONS**

If you like cooking or enjoy good food and you like to garden, growing onions from seed is a rewarding venture.

"Why from seed?" you might ask. "Why not just buy onion sets?" Well, just like with food, easier doesn't always equal better. Quite the opposite—easier often means not as good. But that doesn't mean that onions are hard to grow. With a little patience and a bit of knowledge, you can grow more onions than you can use. Several advantages of growing onions from seed are: Cost: a packet of about 150 seeds will cost about \$4 compared to a bunch of around 50 plants for \$20-\$25.

Variety: When you buy onion sets at a co-op, they may just be labeled as "red", "white", or "yellow", and you may not even know if they are an onion suited to your area. When you buy seed from a reputable seed company, you have a much wider selection of varieties.

Success rate: many growers have found that onions they have started from seed are much likelier to form bulbs at the correct time and not bolt early. Onions started from sets often don't form bulbs as well or as large as from seed.

One caution is that buying seed in bulk to save even more money may end up actually costing you more rather than less. Onion seed is known to lose viability quickly. The germination rate drops very significantly if you attempt to store the seed. It is best if you buy new seed every year, and only buy as much as you plan on starting that winter and planting that spring.

What kind of onion seed should you buy? Where you live makes a difference. Onions are divided into three categories, based on when they set their bulbs.

Long Day: These are best for northern states because they don't set bulbs until there are 14-16 hours of daylight per day. If these are planted in areas where they don't get that much sunlight, they will not set bulbs or only grow small bulbs.

Short Day: These are best for southern states because they set bulbs when there are 10-12 hours of daylight per day. If they are planted too far north and get too much daylight, they will bolt early, before the bulbs they set have a chance to grow large.

Day Neutral: These are the best ones for the middle states, like Missouri. They set their bulbs when there is 12-14 hours of daylight per day.



"It's hard to imagine a civilization without onions; in one form or another their flavor blends into almost everything in the meal except the dessert." ~ Julia Child

#### **GROWING ONIONS**

So now you have bought some onion seed appropriate for your area. What comes next?

- 1. Figure out the best time to start your seed indoors. For most onions, it is recommended that they be started indoors at least 8-12 weeks before the average last frost date.
- 2. Prepare flats or containers that have drainage holes in the bottom with soilless starting medium. Soilless starting medium is preferred over soil because you can control the content. Soilless medium components have been sterilized to get rid of unwanted substances such as insects, diseases, bacteria, and weed seeds that are often present in garden soil. Depending on what components you choose to include in your soilless mix, you can more easily achieve ideal moisture retention ability to support your seedlings. A common mixture is to use equal parts of perlite and/or vermiculite and peat moss. This can be amended with small amounts of limestone (to adjust the pH onions prefer 6.2-6.8), bone meal (adds calcium), and slow-release fertilizer as desired. Another popular method is to use a high quality premixed Seed Starter soil.
- 3. Plant your seeds. Sprinkle your seeds on top of your flat(s) of moist soilless starting medium. Cover with a light layer of dry starting medium (1/8 to 1/4 inch, according your packet instructions) and tamp very gently to assure that seeds make good contact with the moist medium beneath them. A good tamping tool is a small block of 2x4 wood that can just lightly flatten the surface of the tray. After tamping, lightly mist the soil to dampen the top of the soil.
- 4. Place the flat or container into one without holes and cover with a domed clear cover to retain moisture, warmth, and humidity. Place under grow lights or in a brightly lit window. Ideal germination temperature is 70-75 degrees, so they can benefit from a heat mat if they are in a cool environment.
- 5. Water regularly to maintain even soil moisture level. Every 2 weeks they can get fed diluted fish emulsion or compost tea.
- 6. Remove the covers once the onions sprout, usually in 7-14 days. Also remove the heat mat, if they were on a heat mat for germination. Young onions prefer lots of light and a cool room.
- 7. Trim the leaves. The onions grow stronger roots and stems if the leaves are trimmed regularly to keep them at about 3-4 inches tall.
- 8. Transplant into larger containers. Gently separate the seedlings and transplant into 6 packs prepared with moist potting soil. You can put 2 or 3 seedlings in each cell.
- 9. Continue to grow under lights, watering and trimming regularly.
- 10. Harden off the seedlings starting about 4 weeks before the average last frost date for your area.
- 11. Transplant into your garden after hardening off for at least 2 weeks. Although onions are coldtolerant, young seedlings can be damaged or slowed by hard frost. If a hard frost is predicted after you have transplanted them to the garden, they can be protected by a floating row cover, suitably secured to prevent blowing around.
- 12. Let them grow. Onions have shallow roots, so they need regular amounts of rain/watering to keep the soil moist. They don't tolerate competition well and can be difficult to weed without disturbing them, so a thick layer of mulch can both help retain moisture and limit competition from weeds. They need at least 6 hours of direct sunlight per day but prefer full sun.
- 13. Harvest your onions. Onions' leaves will start to turn yellow and bend over naturally as they approach maturity. When about half of them have yellowed, gently remove all you onions from the ground and set them in a shaded, warm, dry area to cure for two to three weeks before storing them. During this curing time, any moisture still in the leaves and roots will be drawn into the bulbs, so don't trim the leaves and roots off until after curing. Once the onions are paper dry on the outside, trim the leaves and roots and brush away any remailing soil.
- 14. Store your onions in a cold, dry area in mesh bags or in a single layer, taking care not to nick or damage them. Properly cured, some varieties of onions can be stored 6-8 months in a cool basement or root cellar.

#### **GROWING ONIONS**

Eat them! Enjoy a wide variety of recipes that use onions. Enjoy the feeling of knowing that you are eating onions that you grew yourself!

If you enjoy the onions you grow, you might try saving one or a few of them to grow your own onion seed. Onions are biennials, so they don't set seed until the second year. If you want to get seed, store some of your healthiest onions in a cold, dark, dry area. Plant them in the early spring at about the same depth that they grew at the previous year. In the late summer they will send up a flower stalk and then seed heads. Allow the seed heads to dry on the plant. Once they are mostly dry and some of the seeds are starting to fall, the seed heads can be collected into a brown paper bag and gently shaken to loosen the seeds. Save your seed for starting in the winter for the next year's crop.

Master Gardener, Phebe Martin

#### THE GARDEN HOUR WITH MU EXTENSION



The 3rd Wednesday of each month from October through March. Every Wednesday from April through September.

MU Extension Horticulture Specialists from across the state will answer your questions. Topics include vegetables, flowers, lawns, fruit, ornamentals, houseplants, trees and landscapes.

Please complete and submit the form in this link > <u>https://ipm.missouri.edu/townhalls/</u> to register and/ or submit a question for the Garden Hour with MU Extension. When we receive your registration you will receive an email with Zoom meeting information. You only need to register for the horticulture town hall meeting one time. The invitation you receive will work for all of the horticulture town hall meetings hosted by MU Extension.

Visit the <u>St. Charles County Master Gardener</u> website https://www.stcharlescountymastergardeners.com/



#### **Cool Season 2023 Master Gardener Plant Sale**

March 18 & 19, 2023 Visit the Master Gardener website <u>https://</u> <u>www.stcharlescountymastergardeners.com/</u> for details. Registration required.

#### Spring 2023 Master Gardener Plant Sale



Master Gardeners Cool Season Vegetable Sale

April 29 & 30, 2023

Visit the Master Gardener website <u>https://www.stcharlescountymastergardeners.com/</u> for details. Registration required.

#### Boys & Girls Club and the Garden Harvest

During the summer of 2022, Club members at Boys & Girls Clubs of St. Charles County O'Fallon Unit learned about gardens. This was done under the tutelage of volunteers from the St. Charles County Master Gardeners. The Master Gardeners are a program of the University of Missouri Extension. One day in late spring the kids planted sweet potato slips in the Club's raised vegetable beds. After a summer of watering, weeding, and watching the sweet potato vines fill the bed, the beds were ready for harvest. The first photo shows the beds after the soil was loosened and before the Club members collected the harvest. After harvest, the potatoes were properly 'cured' for <u>a period of time</u> and were ready to be used.

Approximately 45 lbs. of sweet potatoes were harvested. Two were used for creating four sweetpotato pies, which were enjoyed by the Club members in the after-school program. Potatoes and recipes for the pies were made available for the kids to take home for Thanksgiving, and any extras were donated to a local food pantry. The second photo shows the Club members, the pies, and some of the potatoes that were donated.









# 2023 Home Vegetable Gardening Webinars Series

7 Sessions for Beginning Gardeners

Thursdays, 6:30-8 pm via Zoom

- Feb 2— Planning the Garden
- Feb 9—Cool Season Crops
- Feb 16—Warm Season Crops
- Feb 23—Soils
- March 1—Diseases in the Garden
- March 8—Insects in the Garden

March 15—Weeds in the Garden

Cost: \$50/person—Register: https:// extension.missouri.edu/events/2023home-gardening-webinar-series Contact: Debi Kelly at 636-797-5391 or kellyd@missouri.edu



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# **MASTER NATURALISTS**

# **CONFLUENCE CHAPTER**

#### **Our Mission**

The Missouri Master Naturalist Confluence Chapter was organized in the fall of 2005. Our members are graduates of the Missouri Master Naturalist<sup>™</sup> Program, an adult, community-based natural resource education and volunteer service program sponsored jointly by the Missouri Department of Conservation and the University of Missouri Extension. Our mission is to engage Missourians in the stewardship of our state's natural resources through science-based education and volunteer community service. We perform volunteer service and offer opportunities for educational training in St. Charles County, Missouri and nearby surrounding communities. Our members share a common interest in learning about the natural world and in helping to protect, preserve, and restore Missouri's natural heritage. Chapter meetings are held the second Tuesday of the month at 6:00 P.M. at the Weldon Spring Interpretive Center. Visitors are welcome.

Confluence

For more information visit: Missouri Master Naturalist Program

Interested in becoming a Missouri Master Naturalist: Sign-up Now

# THE BUZZ from THREE RIVERS BEEKEEPERS

# LEARN TO KEEP BEES IN 2023

Three Rivers Beekeepers will hold its annual Beginning Beekeeping Workshop on Saturday, January 21, 2023 from 8am to 5pm. Cost is \$75 per person. This class, taught by experienced local beekeepers, will prepare you To keep and care for honey bees. Lunch and refreshments will be provided, along with renowned "Beekeeper's Handbook" by Sammataro and Avitabile. Seating is limited, so make your reservations as soon as possible.



Our numerous door prizes will include a nucleus colony and a complete, assembled hive ready for bees!

The following topics will be covered: Honey Bee Biology; Basic Equipment and Options; Obtaining and Installing Honeybees; Pests and Diseases; A Year in the Life of a Beekeeper; and Swarm Biology Prevention.



Where: MU Extension in St. Charles County 260 Brown Road, St. Peters, MO 63376 Register online at <u>threeriversbeekeepers.com</u> Questions: Call Eugene Makovec at 314-703-7650

# LABOR AND WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT

#### Recovery Friendly Workplaces empower organizations to support employees impacted by substance use disorder December 12, 2022 Article copied from St. Louis/Southern Illinois Labor Tribune https://labortribune.com/recovery-friendly-workplaces-empower-organizations-to-support-employees-impacted-by-substanceuse-disorder/

The opioid crisis has exacted a heavy toll in the United States over the past decade with drug overdoses now ranking as the leading cause of accidental death in the country, Steve Walentick of UMSL Daily reports.

But even survivors of addiction pay a steep price because of the stigma that follows them, even in recovery.

"It's difficult getting full-time meaningful employment for some people," said Doug Swanson, a field specialist with labor and workforce development with University of Missouri Extension who also serves as the coordinator of the Labor Studies Program at the University of Missouri at St. Louis (UMSL).

"I can't help but think that by the time you get into recovery, you realize the damage you've done to everything in your life, and then to not be able to support your family, in some cases, not be able to support yourself," he said. "What's to keep somebody from disappearing back into the cloud of addiction?"

#### **REDUCING THE STIGMA**

Employers can play a significant role in reducing that stigma, looking beyond someone's history with substance use and addiction to see the potential value they can bring to a workplace.

"You go to the grocery store, and you see that perfect apple or pear or green pepper, but in the U.S., we throw away tons of food because it's perfectly edible but it doesn't look perfect," Swanson said. "That's kind of what we've done with our workforce for too long.

"For example, we're seeing construction projects that are screaming for more help and the journeymen tradesmen are telling us anecdotally they can't get back into the workforce because they're on MAT, medication-assisted treatment. There's a stigma and an education that hasn't quite gotten there yet for their industry."

#### **RECOVERY FRIENDLY WORKPLACES**

The Recovery Friendly Workplaces Missouri initiative led by the University of Missouri (MU) Extension was launched to foster workplace cultures that promote employee safety, health and well-being; reduce the stigma associated with addiction; and empower workplaces to support people affected by substance use disorders and those in recovery.

The initiative grew out of a 2019 conference on "Opioids and the Workplace" that Swanson organized at UMSL. It explored the role employers can have in combating the opioid epidemic by helping erase the stigma around opioid use disorder and steering people toward treatment.

# LABOR AND WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT

Not long after that conference, Swanson was part of a team that secured a grant from the Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration (SAMHSA) to fund the initiative, and Swanson is serving as the co-principal research investigator on the project.

MU Extension has partnered with the Missouri Hospital Association, the Missouri Rural Health Association, the Missouri Chamber of Commerce and Industry, the Missouri Department of Mental Health and the Missouri Coalition of Recovery Support Providers on the initiative.

#### EDUCATION

Recovery Friendly Workplaces Missouri has been providing education to increase understanding about substance misuse and behavioral health through evidence-based trainings and has provided valuable resources, including a Recovery Friendly Workplace Toolkit, to assist businesses and organizations.

Swanson and his colleagues, including Rural Opioid and Technical Assistance Project Director Ann McCauley, are aiming to create a network of employers interested in creating healthy and safe work environments that eliminate stigma and support recovery.

So far, they have certified two Missouri businesses – Citizens Memorial Hospital in Bolivar and Tower Rock Stone Co. in Ste. Genevieve – as recovery friendly workplaces after they completed training and planning and delivered a declaration to their staff stating their support for employees in recovery. Next month a third company, Buddeez Manufacturing in Union, will be recognized as Missouri's latest Recovery Friendly Workplace.

Businesses see benefits in supporting workers in recovery, not the least of which is expanding its pool of potential employees at a time when businesses across the state are finding it difficult to hire workers.

Swanson and McCauley have presented on the work of the Recovery Friendly Workplaces Missouri and the benefits of recovery friendly workplaces around the state and at the inaugural Summit on Substance Use Disorder Stigma Reduction at Penn State University in September.

#### TOWER ROCK STONE CO.

They shared the story of Tower Rock Stone Co., which had an employee with 20 years of experience as a heavy equipment operator who tested positive for methamphetamine.

Policies in place called for the employee to be fired, but the safety officer at the quarry helped convince corporate leadership to rewrite its policies and hold the worker's position while he went into recovery. He returned to work without loss of seniority and has not relapsed.

The company saved the expense of hiring a replacement and the years of training it would've taken him to reach the same level of competency in the job, and it gained an employee grateful for the second chance who has become an ambassador for their business.

As part of the grant, Swanson conducted a survey with more than 600 businesses across the state that helped reveal the impact that drugs – including prescription medications, alcohol and other narcotics – have been having in Missouri workplaces.

#### TAKE THE SURVEY

Swanson is currently surveying workers to get their perspective on the impact of substance use in the workplace and is inviting students and staff to share their experiences.

Take the survey at missouri.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV\_eKIBuDTjfm3hF9c.

#### **ST. CHARLES COUNTY COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT**

# ST.CHARLES

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT

#### AGENDA:

8-8:25 a.m. Registration

8:25-8:30 a.m. Welcome and Introductions

8:30-9:15 a.m. Erosion and Sediment Control Fails and Alternatives Paul Mueller, St. Charles County

#### 9:15-10 a.m.

Missouri Department of Natural Resources' 2022 Land Disturbance Permit Sarah Wright, MODNR Land Disturbance Permitting Coordinator

10-10:30 a.m. Break and Product Exhibit

#### 10:30-11:15 a.m.

Erosion and Sediment Control Products: Understanding Fiber Types, Design Features and Successful Installation Guidelines Craig Shultz, American Excelsior

11:15 a.m.-12 p.m. St. Charles County's Post-Construction Stormwater Management Requirements and Design Approach Rich Gnecco, St. Charles County Director of Development Review

12 p.m. Closing Comments and Questions



construction stormwater binns



# 8 a.m. - 12:30 p.m. Tuesday, May 3, 2022

St. Charles County Administration Building, Rooms 115/116 201 N. Second St., St. Charles, MO 63301

This annual education seminar features presentations on best practices from local experts in water quality management. It is approved by EnviroCert International for four Professional Development Hours (PDHs). Certificates are available by email by request.

# Please register online by 12 p.m., May 2 at sccmo.org/StormwaterSeminar2022.

For additional information, contact Paul Mueller at pmueller@sccmo.org or call 636-949-7900, ext. 7147.

# **Room Rental Available**

# Events • Meetings • Trainings

#### Large Meeting Room with Kitchen

- Tables (17-8' tables), 100 chairs •
- **Projection screen** .
- Wi-Fi .
- Whiteboard
- Refrigerator, stove, oven and dishwasher

#### Small Conference Room

- Tables 20-6' tables, 38 chairs
- Podium
- Projection screen
- Wi-Fi
  - Whiteboard







Room	Deposit	Rental fee	Capacity
Small room	\$100	\$65	40 (24 w/ tables)
Large room with kitchen	\$200	\$200	150

260 Brown Road, St. Peters MO 63376 Hours: Monday—Friday, 8:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Email: stcharlesco@missouri.edu

Call for availability (636) 970-3000

# THE OFFICE

#### **GREETINGS FROM MU EXTENSION IN ST. CHARLES COUNTY!**

Welcome to our St. Charles County Extension quarterly newsletter!

Deana Dothage, Extension Engagement Specialist, is available to speak at meetings about Extension programs. You can reach her by email at <u>dothaged@missouri.edu</u>.

#### **EDUCATION FOUNDATION**

MU Extension has been a vital community partner for over 100 years. Residents of St. Charles County rely on MU Extension for timely, relevant unbiased information. Faculty and staff draw on the expertise of the four University of Missouri campuses to help people address change, solve problems and make informed decisions. Whether it is someone looking for help in handling finances, enrolling a child in 4-H, starting a small business, developing a healthy lifestyle or farming land, help is available through one-on-one assistance, seminars and research-based publications.

As a donor to the Missouri Extension Education Foundation, a 501(c)(3) charitable foundation, you receive the satisfaction of supporting extension's efforts and the opportunity to claim your donation as a tax deduction. One hundred percent stays to support extension efforts within St. Charles County. Visit <u>https://extension.missouri.edu/counties/st-charles/education-foundation</u> To donate to MU Extension Foundation in St. Charles County.

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# **EXTENSION COUNCIL**

# **NOMINEES FOR 2023 EXTENSION COUNCIL**

NOMINEES SELECTED FOR UNIVERSITY OF MISSOURI EXTENSION COUNCIL MEMBERS St Charles County

Citizens of voting age in St. Charles County, pursuant to the provisions of Sec. 262-577, R.S. Mo. 1969, will have an opportunity to vote and elect members to the University of Missouri Extension Council in January. The elected and appointed members of the extension council guide and direct extension programs and services within St. Charles County. Twelve (12) people have been nominated for the 7 elective positions. The nominees are as follows:

William Behr, James (JP) Cummings, Nan Deason, John Goings, John Griesenauer, Henry (Hank) Hedges, Sandra Hershey, Matthew Medina, Tom Nagle, Laura Steimel, Amanda Templer, and Gary Wester

Voting will be open from January 15—31, 2023 at this link <u>https://extension.missouri.edu/counties/st</u>-charles/county-council/county-council-election

University of Missouri Extension Council of St. Charles County







# For a FREE program designed to:

- Teach parents about Missouri's Graduated Driver License (GDL) law
- Provide them with the tools they need to monitor, coach and support their new teen driver.

2.



# preparing new drivers for the road ahead

Date:	January 18, 2023
Time:	6:00 pm - 7:30 pm
Location:	University Extension Office St. Charles County
GDL Coaches	: Deana Dothage, University Extension
	Dean Meyer, Retired LEO
RSVP:	314-496-0110
Register:	https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C0D4EA5A92CA3FDC16-keeping2

For more information contact us: (573) 884-3463 firstimpact@health.missouri.edu firstimpact.missouri.edu

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# **CALENDAR OF EVENTS**

The Garden Hour (Virtual) Great time to ask questions and learn. Meets every 3rd Wednesday of the month from Noon - 1:00, To register: https://ipm.missouri.edu/townHalls/ Join Us: https://www.youtube.com/c/MUIPM Voting for Extension Council Monday, January 16, 2023 through Tuesday, January 31, 2023 Vote First Impact Parent Education Traffic Safety Program Wednesday, January 18, 2023 @ 6 p.m. Beekeeper Workshop Saturday, January 21, 2023, 8 a.m.—5 p.m. **February Extension Council Meeting** Thursday, February 9, 2023 @ 6 p.m. Cool Season Master Gardener Plant Sale March 18 & 19, 2023 Spring Master Gardener Plant Sale April 28 & 29, 2023

# **EMPLOYMENT**

#### MU Extension in St. Charles County will soon fill two positions:

- County Office Support Staff/Social Media & Communications, 24 hours per week
- Nutrition and Health Field Specialist—full time

If interested, contact Deana Dothage at 636-970-3000



# **GET INVOLVED**

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to learn more about our full range of programs and services Visit: <u>https://extension.missouri.edu/counties/st-charles</u>

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