

**MASTER
GARDENER
ASSOCIATION
OF PASSAIC
COUNTY 2015**



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MASTER GARDENER TRAINING
Master gardeners are trained
volunteers who assist Rutgers in
its mission to deliver horticulture
programs and information.

Passaic County classes are held
Thursday mornings - September
through May - at the Preakness
Healthcare Center in Wayne. The 3
hour lessons - mostly taught by
Rutgers faculty and staff - range
in topics from turf renovation and
general entomology to propagation
and understanding soil. The cost of
training is \$250. Seventy hours of
volunteer time (10 of it, devoted to
the helpline) are required to
become certified. Active master
gardeners have 25 hours of service
and 10 hours of continuing
education yearly.

Anyone with an interest in
gardening and a commitment to
volunteer service can become a
Master Gardener. No previous
education or training is required.

To apply for the next class - call
973-305-5740.

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The purpose of MGAPC is to
promote community awareness
and participation in programs
related to horticulture.

DUES

\$20 yearly - includes monthly
newsletter.

MEETINGS

Every fourth Tuesday of the month
at 7 p.m. at Preakness Healthcare
Center, Wayne.

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WHAT KIND OF THINGS DO MASTER GARDENERS DO?

- Rutgers Master Gardener Helpline
- Gardening demonstrations
- Horticultural therapy
- Staffing information booths at county fairs and other public events
- Research assistance
- Crops for food banks
- Conduct educational lectures
- Community & youth gardening
- Continuing education
- Design, plan, organize & record

PROJECTS

- RCE Helpline and Friendship Garden, 1310 Route 23 N, Wayne
- Horticultural therapy programs in Wanaque, West Milford and Wayne
- Laurelwood Arboretum, Pines Lake Drive, Wayne
- Bloomingdale Senior Center, 2nd Street and Hamburg Turnpike
- "Book Worm" - plants-in-the-library program - Hawthorne, Pompton Lakes, Totowa, Woodland Park and Passaic
- New Jersey Botanical Garden - Lilac Garden; Wildflower Garden; Moraine Garden; and Holiday Open House - Morris Road, Ringwood
- American Labor Museum/Botto House, 83 Norwood St., Haledon
- Great Falls State Park, McBride Avenue and Spruce Street, Paterson
- Hamilton House Museum, 971 Valley Road, Clifton
- Morris Canal Park, Broad Street, Clifton
- Clifton Main Library, Piaget Ave., Clifton

"Volunteer Through Horticulture"

MASTER GARDENER HISTORY

The program was started in 1972 in Washington State. New Jersey held its first class in 1984. In Passaic County, the first class was held in 1996. Since then, thousands of Master Gardeners have been trained throughout the state and given hundreds of thousands of volunteer hours in service to the residents of the Garden State.

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