

Ashtabula County Master Gardener Recognition Banquet "20 Years of Excellence"



Monday, October 15, 2018 (6:15 to 8:30 p.m.)
at Laurello Vineyards & Winery

Join us as we celebrate the accomplishments of the Ashtabula County Master Gardener Program over the past 20 years! At the banquet, we will recognize special volunteer milestones and present the 2018 Master Gardener & Project of the Year Awards.

Becky Donaldson, Mentor Marsh Naturalist with the Cleveland Museum of Natural History will be our keynote speaker for the banquet. She will provide us with a **"Tour of the Mentor Marsh"** during her presentation. Mentor Marsh is one of the largest natural marshes remaining along the Lake Erie shoreline and became Ohio's first state nature preserve in 1971. The marsh is an important breeding and nursery area for several fish that live in Lake Erie. It is also one of the best places in the state to witness spring migrations of songbirds. This unique wetland suffered dramatically in the 1960s from salt-mine tailings. The Cleveland Museum of Natural History began a



large-scale restoration of Mentor Marsh in 2004. Learn more about how the restoration efforts have helped return this area to a wonder of nature.

Registration and social ½ hour will start at 5:45 p.m. in the Tuscany Room. Dinner will follow in Barrel Room at 6:15 p.m. Attendees will be treated to a Pasta Buffet with a choice of Tuscan garlic parmesan sauce with roasted red peppers and spinach, chicken breast or house made red sauce, crusty rolls and butter. Dinner will also include a Laurello Insalata dressed with house made Italian dressing. Desert, iced tea, water, and coffee will also be provided. Wine may be purchased on an individual basis. A gluten free option is available if requested prior to the event. The cost is \$25/person. Awards and guest speaker will follow dinner.

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Laurello Vineyards & Winery
4573 State Route 307 East
Geneva, Ohio 44041
440-415-0661

<http://www.laurellovineyards.com/winery.php>



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Name of MG & Guests _____

Phone _____ Email _____

No. of Reservations @ \$25 per person _____

Number of GLUTEN FREE meals _____

Total Due _____ (make checks payable to OSU Extension)

Pre-registration and payment is required by noon on Monday, October 7, 2018. Any special meal accommodations must be made by the registration deadline. Call 440-576-9008 for more information.

Mail Reservation & Payment to:
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