



2017 Master Gardener Training Schedule Unit 13 Vermilion County/Danville Location

st Vermilion County training classes are held at:

UI Extension - Vermilion County Office; 3164 North Vermilion; Danville, IL 61832 PH: 217.442.8615

Highlighted classes are held at:

UI Extension – Champaign County Office; 801 North Country Fair Dr; Champaign, IL 61821 PH: 217.333.7672

Date	Time	Topic /Reading Assignment	Lecturer	Location
Thursday, January 26	5:30PM-7:00PM	Pizza Party	Meet the 2017 class and receive your MG Manual	Danville Extension Office Meet the Vermilion County Master Gardener officers and last year's Interns
Monday, January 30	9AM-4PM	Orientation Botany- Chapters A,B	Jenney Hanrahan Sandy Mason	Danville Extension Office
Monday, February 6	9AM-4PM	Plant Diseases Chapter E,F	Diane Plewa	Danville Extension Office
Thursday February 16	9AM-4PM	Vegetables- Chapter K	Jim Schmidt	At Champaign auditorium combined instruction with Champaign, Ford, Iroquois MGs
Wednesday February 22	9-12AM 1-4PM	IPM- Insect Pest Management Chapters I, J Wildlife	Kelly Allsup Dave Shiley	*ANCRA TRAINING 20 min at LUNCH At Champaign auditorium combined instruction with Champaign, Ford, Iroquois MGs
Monday, February 27	9AM-4PM	Insects/Pests Chapter G	Phil Nixon	Danville Extension Office
Wednesday, March 8	9AM-4PM 12-1:30pm	Soils & Fertilizers- Chapter C, W Organic Gardening/ Composting	Dennis Bowman Sandy Mason	At Champaign auditorium combined instruction with Champaign, Ford, Iroquois MGs
Monday, March 13		NO CLASS/ Reserved for SNOW DAY		
Monday, March 20	9AM-4PM	Large and Small Fruits Chapter M,N	Richard Hentschel	Danville Extension Office Receive Final Exam
Monday, March 27	9AM-4PM	Turf/Lawns *Project Day –Over Lunch (more info below)	Sandy Mason	Danville Extension Office
Monday April 3	9AM-4PM	Woody Ornamentals	Sandy Mason	Danville Extension Office Final Exam Due in Office
Monday April 10	9AM-4PM	Annuals & Perennials	Sandy Mason	Danville Extension Office

Check in at 8:30 on class days. Coffee, tea and light breakfast items will be provided. Class begins at 9am. There will be an hour provided for lunch. You may stay in or go out to eat.
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Wednesday April 12	8:30- 9:30AM	U of I- Idea Garden Tour		Garden Tour optional for Trainees
GRADUATE!	10:00AM	Diagnostic Skills	Sandy/Ava/Jenney/ Trent	At Champaign auditorium combined instruction with Champaign, Ford, Iroquois MGs
	12:00PM	Final Exam Discussion	Sandy Mason	
	12:30PM	Potluck followed by Graduation/		

* ANCRA TRAINING - University of Illinois Extension Child Protection training for new volunteers during lunch -it should only take about 20 minutes. You may also do online.

*Vermilion County Master Gardener - Project Day Monday, March 27, 12-1:30

This is a chance to have lunch with your classmates and meet with Vermilion County Master Gardeners who chair different projects.

We provide lunch –usually pizza, soda, and chips. You may choose to bring a sack lunch for yourself.

This is not mandatory but a nice way to see photos of the different areas where Vermilion County Master Gardeners volunteer. Master Gardeners will be on hand to answer questions on the volunteer opportunities where you can start getting your sixty hours.

You will be surprised at how many options are available and how quickly those hours you need to be certified can add up!

*Quizzes -Read the chapter before class if possible. At the end of each class you will receive a 20 question test. **All quizzes are open book with answers coming directly from the book.**

Students are asked to score 80% or better. Don't let that intimidate you! The tests are all open book and mainly multiple choice. You may work with other students.

Please turn in your test at the beginning of the next class to be graded and returned that day. You will have about 2 weeks to complete the final exam. The final exam is just like the weekly tests only longer. It's a review of what you have learned and also open book.

Please turn in to the extension office by the due date so the final exam can be graded and handed back on graduation day. Sandy Mason will go over the exam and answer any questions you have.

The main objective is learning for the sake of learning- we do not give out grades! You are gaining knowledge about gardening- a subject no one can ever know everything about. It should be enjoyable! Meet new people! Have fun!

*Trainees must attend all classes to complete the program. However we recognize that life happens and sometimes classes need to be made up. This can be done by watching a pre-recorded class on your home computer, on the extension office Mondo Pad in MG classroom on a day when room is empty, or by attending class at another extension office.

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Champaign County has the closest office and has a slightly different schedule so you may be able to make up a class live at that office. You should have received a copy of the Champaign County Training schedule. We have a brief form that should be signed by the coordinator in the other extension office where you made up a class.

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