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Online Training and DVDs

The 2011 version of the Online Training course for WSU MGs is underway and DVDs are being mailed to interns as fast as CDPE can print them. The DVDs are available for veterans to purchase at <http://conferences.wsu.edu/conferences/mastergardener/>

The top of that page reads: For veteran MGs who want the DVD of the MG course, but don't want to enroll in the online course with your county, please click on this link to order. The DVD costs \$70 fee and contains all presentations, videos, activities, the full 2011 WSU MG manual, and other resources from the online course. You will not be able to take quizzes or interact with other learners with the DVD. Also, you must have a DVD drive on your computer to use the DVD. It will not work in a CD drive.

Contact Cinde Johnson at cindej@wsu.edu with questions

MG Certificates and Pins for Years of Service

Don't forget WSU Extension produces certificates for MGs meeting criteria for certification and pins and certificates to recognize MGs for years of service to the organization. Please contact Brigitta two weeks prior to your MG Recognition Event to give her time to produce and mail materials to you.

brigitta@wsu.edu

Brigitta prepared the following chart for awarding pins in the next few years. The dates in the middle of the chart are when MGs came into your program

		Calendar Year to Receive Pins				
		2011	2012	2013	2014	
Years of Service Milestone/Pin	5		2006	2007	2008	2009
	10		2001	2002	2003	2004
	15		1996	1997	1998	1999
	20		1991	1992	1993	1994
	25		1986	1987	1988	1989
	30		1981	1982	1983	1984
	35		1976	1977	1978	1979
	40				1973	1974
	45					

Resource for MG clinics

The National Pesticide Information Center (NPIC) provides science-based, objective information about pesticides. NPIC is at Oregon State University, and their mission is to help the public understand the risks associated with pesticide use and exposures. It is best to have the product name and registration number in-hand.

- Service is available in over 170 languages
- Questions are welcome by phone (1-800-858-7378) or by email (npic@ace.orst.edu)
- NPIC is open 7 days/week from 6:30 am – 4:30 pm PT
- NPIC has fact sheets about several pesticides
- Visit the NPIC website at <http://npic.orst.edu>

WSU MG Program Management Website, tools for program management
<http://mastergardener.wsu.edu/>

Dates to Remember

First Friday of every month, 10 am., WSU Program Coordinators webinars, Watch for agendas and contact information a week prior. **Next one, April 1.** No foolin’.

2011 WSU MG Advanced Education Conference, Ocean Shores, WA, Sept 22-24

2011 International Master Gardener Conference, October 11 -14 in Charleston, West Virginia.
<http://imgc.ext.wvu.edu/registration> This conference is mainly for MG volunteers.

The National MG Program Coordinators’ Conference will be in fall of 2012 in Vancouver WA!