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**Home Gardener Workshop on August 5<sup>th</sup>**

GREENVILLE – Did you ever notice that some year’s your garden produces too much food for you, your family and even your friends to consume before it goes bad? Have you left fruits and vegetables to rot in your garden because you cannot possibly eat any more of them? Has this ever happened to you? If you have answered yes to these questions, then this home gardener workshop is for you.

The “Don’t Waste Your Garden” workshop is geared toward helping you learn how to best maximize and consume every item your garden produces. By attending the workshop, you will learn how to preserve your food through freezing, instead of the traditional canning method. This can help save time and make it easier to store those fresh vegetables and fruits. Diane Barga, OSU Extension, will cover the basics of properly preserving your garden with freezing.

Krista Fourman, Darke County Soil Waste, will cover composting methods. Find ways to utilize any waste you may have from the dinner table or garden. She will cover the best methods of composting and how to use that material properly in your garden.

And finally, Janell Weiss with Darke SWCD, will cover fall gardening topics. Learn some growing techniques and suggestions for extending your gardening season. If you are interested in seed saving, hear some of the basics on how to dry and store seeds for next year. And finally learn a few ways to use cover crops when closing your garden to help build soil health.

Join us for this free workshop on Wednesday, August 5, 2015 at the OSU Extension conference room located at 603 Wagner Avenue, Greenville, Ohio 45331 from 6:30-8:00 PM. Registrations are accepted over the phone or online. Visit [www.darkeswcd.com](http://www.darkeswcd.com) or call 937-548-1715, extension 3 to register today. Space is limited for this free workshop, register today and learn these tips so you “Don’t Waste Your Garden” this year.