

## ENVIRONMENTAL STUDIES SCHOOL

The Environmental Studies School (ESS) Program is brought to you by the National Garden Clubs, Inc. (NGC).

This educational opportunity is a series of Four Courses designed to stimulate interest and understanding of our environment. They encompass Land Conservation and Trust, Water Conservation, Groundwater Protection, Air Quality, Energy Awareness, Waste Awareness, litter, and recycling.

Members of MGC Garden Clubs that complete the program are designated as **Environmental Consultants**. They are eligible to join **Michigan Consulting Council** that organizes programs for members to further their education in the areas of Environment, Landscape Design and Horticulture.

Each course consists of 10 hours of instruction, a course outline and a reading assignment. A student wishing to take the optional exam must attend all **10 hours**.

*Please note:*

Any photo taken at this event may be used in upcoming informational and promotional material. If you don't want your photo used, please notify the registrations desk when you check in.

## PROGRAM SCHEDULE

### Monday: April 9, 2018

**9:00 am** Registration, Hospitality  
**9:15 am** ECOLOGY-Water  
 Kelly Goward, MACC Staff  
**10:15 am** Break  
**10:25 am-** PLANTS-Aquatic Plants  
 Drew Rayner, MACD Staff  
**11:30 am** Lunch  
**12:30 pm- 2:30 pm** Field Trip: Paw Paw  
 Water Restoration  
**3:00 pm** Wetlands  
 Dan Callum, Outdoor Discovery  
**4:00 pm** REVIEW

### Tuesday: April 10, 2018

**9:00 am** Environmental Sustainability  
 Michelle Gibbs, Hope College  
**10:00 am** Break  
**10:10 am** Wildlife-Aquatic Animals  
 Dan O'Keefe, MI Sea Grant  
**11:15 am** Youth Programs in Environmental  
 Education TBA  
**12:20 pm** Lunch  
**1:10 pm** Rain Gardens  
 Karen Motawi, MGC Loda Lake Chair  
**2:10 pm** Break  
**2:15 pm** Earth Stewardship- Effective  
 Citizenship  
 Kelly Goward, MACC Staff  
**3:15 pm** Review  
**3:45 pm** Exam

## REGISTRATION MGC Environmental School, Course 4

**April 9-10, 2018**

*Please Register Early*

**Deadline: March 26th**

*Please Print*

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Street: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_

State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip Code: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Garden Club \_\_\_\_\_

District \_\_\_\_\_

Special Diet Needs: \_\_\_\_\_

Taking Exam Yes No

Refreshing: Yes No

**Course Registration: \$70.00**

**Exam/Refresh Fee \$5.00**

**Amount enclosed** \_\_\_\_\_

*Make check payable to:*

**MGC. Inc. Environmental School**

*Send to: Registrar:*

Lynn Miller

427 Adaway SE

Ada, MI 49301

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616-676-2274

### Required Reading

*The National Gardener* Subscription  
1 year (4 issues) \$6.50

*Living in the Environment*-G. Tyler Miller, Jr. Available: NGC Member Services, or online bookstores, latest Edition is Seventeenth : Course 4 Chapters: 1,8,11,13,24, & Glossary

### Certification of Students

Requirement: To be eligible for an Environmental Consultant Card students must have a passing grade of 70% on all exams in the four Courses. The four Courses must be completed within seven years.

Member students attending Courses for credit are encouraged to have a subscription to *The National Gardener*, the official publication of NGC. Updated information pertaining to the Environmental Studies Schools and Consultants can be found in each issue of *TNG*.

When a student obtains Consultant status, a NGC Environmental Studies Consultant pin may be purchased from NGC Headquarters Member Services.

Consultants must refresh by the end of the fifth calendar year of the date following the last Course attended.

### ENVIRONMENTAL SCHOOL COMMITTEE

President, MGC	Carol Brodbeck
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School Chairman	Deannie Picciotti <a href="mailto:dmp77@charter.net">dmp77@charter.net</a>

### HOTEL ACCOMODATIONS

**Haworth Inn \$132.**  
225 College Ave  
Holland, MI 49423 (616-395-7200)

**Hampton Inn \$126.**  
12427 Felch Street  
Holland, MI 49424 (844-402-3687)

**Double Tree by Hilton**  
650 E 24<sup>th</sup> Street  
Holland, MI 49423 (616-394-0111)  
(Please check online for hotels in Holland, most standard chains are located on Hwy 31 with easy access to Downtown Holland)

### ES LOCATION

**First Reformed Church**  
630 State Street  
Holland, MI 49424

Deannie Picciotti: Chair  
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### Course 4

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