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### **Hardin County Extension News Release**

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### **Monarch Butterflies Workshop**

*Hardin County* – Area gardeners and others with an interest in gardening are invited to attend the summer gardening programs being offered at the Friendship Gardens of Hardin County. This summer the Hardin County OSU Extension Master Gardener Volunteers have been sponsoring educational demonstration programs in the Friendship Gardens located at 960 W. Kohler Street in Kenton, which is behind Harco Industries. Follow the 'Friendship Gardens of Hardin County' signs to a parking area off West Kohler Street. The events are planned to begin at 9:00 am on Saturday mornings and will last about an hour.

The final summer garden program 'Monarch Butterflies' is scheduled for August 17. Come and learn why Monarch butterflies are in trouble and what we can do to help them. Attendees will search for Monarch caterpillars in the Friendship Gardens and learn how to raise them until they emerge and are able to fly to Mexico. Each person attending will receive a potted common milkweed plant to take home and plant to help attract monarch butterflies to their garden. There will be books and butterfly containers for a few lucky participants. This information is for all ages and will be shared by Master Gardener Carol McKinley. All children must be accompanied by an adult.

For more information about this and other gardening programs, contact the OSU Extension office at 419-674-2297 or view the Hardin County OSU Extension Master Gardeners Facebook page.