Gifts for any Gardener

What’s on your gift “wish list” this year? What are the favorite gardening gifts that you have given or received? These are the questions I have asked my fellow OSUE Master Gardener Volunteers in the past and the list includes: Garden auger for bulbs that attaches to a cordless drill, garden calendar, Planting Guides, Graph paper (for planning beds), Books on butterflies or bees, pruners, Tool sharpener, Worm Composter, Saved Seeds or Plant Starts from garden friends, Birdhouses, Handmade Garden Stones with children/grandchildren’s hand prints or pet’s paw prints, Handmade garden art, a promise to help with Spring cleanup and mulching, Pump sprayer, Nice work gloves, Gardening books and subscriptions to gardening magazines, spade, shovel, rake, Hoe cultivator/hand tool, Gift card to favorite nursery, Garden Wagon, Reference Books, a good water bottle, 3 ring binder and sheet protectors, Garden Journal, Farmer’s Almanac, Sunscreen and Insect Repellant, a good hat to protect you from the sun, seeds, seeds, and more seeds, plant markers, Mason Bee house, Hummingbird feeder, boots to wear in the garden, and a composter.

If there are any young gardeners on your list you might think about these non-fiction titles that include: 1) “I Can Name 50 Trees Today” by Bonnie Worth, 2) “Winter Trees (Ho to Identify Trees in Winter)” by Carole Gerber, and 3) “Leaf Jumpers (How to Identify Trees by Leaves)” by Carole Gerber.

Did you get any ideas? My husband always asks me for a “wish list” and then reminds me that I can’t go buy ANYTHING on the list before Christmas!

The OSUE Brown County Master Gardener Volunteers hope to start some new projects in 2021 and continue to provide research-based education for our community whenever the Corona Virus restrictions are lifted.

I am thankful this time of the year for all my family and friends and especially the delicious, canned chili sauce stored on the shelves!