

GARDENER Waupaca County June 2016 Waupaca County June 2016 Master Gardener Volunteers' Newsletter

Master Gardener Meetings are held the 2nd Thursday of the Month.

In the event that a meeting or event is canceled due to weather, please listen to WJMQ 92.3 and WDUX 92.7 for cancellation information. We will also attempt to notify members via email.

JUNE MEETING

Potluck at the Saunders house, N1800 Virginia Drive, Waupaca, WI 6:00 pm Social 6:30 pm Business Meeting 7:00 pm Enjoy Saunders' Garden

Bring you own beverage and a dish to pass.

2015 Executive Board Members

President: Rebecca Weber-Schmoll **Vice-President: Sally Marchel/Handrich Secretary: Deana Hirte Treasurer: Bridget Kurth** Member at Large: Patty Tomczak-Virnig Member at Large: Kathleen Daley **Past President: Susan Morack State Board Rep: Pat Ritchie UWEX Advisor: Greg Blonde**

From Greg Blonde: MGV members please contact my secretary or me at 715-258-6230 extension 2 with any changes regarding contact information. For example send a change in name, email, mailing address, or phone number. greg.blonde@ces.uwex.edu

June 9, 2016 Summer Meeting **Kate & Mark Saunders House**

6:00 pm Social

6:30 pm Business Meeting

7:00 pm Enjoy Saunders' Garden

Potluck at the Saunders house. Directions to Kate and Mark Saunders house: Go south of Waupaca on Hwy 22 then left at the stop lights on County Hwy K past the Red Mill. Turn left onto East Road then turn left onto Virginia Drive. We live at N1800 Virginia Drive. We will provide plastic forks/spoons/knives, napkins, tables for serving and for eating. Phone 715-258-0850 if you have any questions. Please bring a chair and your beverage of choice for our after meeting party. We will have a campfire, and games if you like: horseshoes, bocce ball, cornhole.

July 14, 2016 Summer Meeting **Graziano Gardens**

6:00 pm Social

6:30 pm Business

7:00 pm Enjoy the Gardens & Buy Plants

BYO lawn chair

August 11, 2016 Summer Meeting White Lake Nursery - (Weyauwega, the old Thompsons Nursery)

6:00 pm Social

6:30 pm Business Meeting & meet the owner

- Nancy Vercellotti

7:00 pm Walk through the Gardens/Nursery

Wanted--Purple Coneflower!

We are updating the Waupaca County Fairground Garden and need some purple coneflower (or other plants that would be blooming near fair time--August 24-28). If anyone has something to donate, contact Connie Zolkoske or Jean Skewes. Thank you!

Spring Plant Sale Thank You!

The Waupaca County Master Gardeners did it again. The number of volunteers and quantity of plants was impressive and made the sale successful. Special thanks to Sue Morack for helping me get up to speed in the early planning stages. Sally Marchel Handrich efforts in advertising really paid off. She was the driving force for the sale because of my scheduling conflicts. And Connie Zolkoske definitely took the lead during the pricing. Finally, thanks to everyone who brought plants and helped before and during the three-day event. You are an amazing group! Kathleen Daley (Chairperson)

2016 Garden Walk/Art Stroll

June 25th marks the date! Thanks, everyone, for volunteering and/or helping with committee work for this year's event. Plan to enjoy the gardens and art work on June 25th. Tickets can be purchased at both the Waupaca and the New London Chamber of Commerce offices. Reminder: Rob Zimmer will be presenting a demonstration (Garden Design with Hostas) at 11 a.m. and (Leaf Castings) at 2 p.m. at Tammy Borden's garden at E9288 Crain Road, New London.

May Meeting Minutes May 12, 2016

Rebecca Weber Schmoll called to order the regular meeting of the UW-Extension Waupaca County Master Gardener Association at 6:30pm on May 12, 2016 at the lower lever of the Waupaca County Courthouse.

Attendance will no longer be published in meeting minutes and newsletter.

The minutes from the last meeting were published and distributed in our monthly newsletter. A motion was made to approve the April 2016 meeting minutes by Jean Medway and seconded by Glenda Rhodes. The minutes were approved as distributed.

President Schmoll asked for volunteers for open secretary position. Deana Hirte volunteered.

Executive Board Meeting Minutes were presented by Joan Schmitt.

Treasurer's Report

Bridget Kurth gave treasurer's report. Sally Marchel Handrich made a motion to approve the treasurer's report and Jean Skewes seconded.

Committee Reports

Membership:

Newsletter-discussion held on email vs postage to get newsletter to members. Members w/o email will pay the postage. Sally Marchel Handrich and Connie Zolkoske held last drawing for this year. Jean Skewes was the lucky winner. The membership committee welcomed back Susan Young-a past Master Gardener who has returned to the area. Get well wishes asked for Sue who was released from the hospital yesterday. Member Kathleen Daly not present tonight as she is graduating from the leadership program.

Program Committee

June-meeting held at the Saunders-potluck-bring a chair, your own beverages and a date if you so choose. © July-Grazianos
August-White Lake Nursery
September-business meeting
October- Rob Zimmer *Rob's books on display tonight for all to peruse
November-TBA
December-Christmas Party

Plant Sale Committee

All 6 banners up in the area. Jobs reviewed that members signed up to do for the plant sale. Thursday night set up 5pm at the fairgrounds. Saturday food reviewed. People needed for Friday night signage. Sally has pots for those that need them.

Garden Walk:

Posters and flyers ready and passed out however membership should wait to distribute/hang until June 1. We have 9 gardens, 18 artists and 35 volunteers. Artists

and gardeners meeting scheduled for May 24th.

State Representative Report: Pat absent.

Old Business:

Secretary Needed: Deana Hirte volunteered. Secretary is a board member position. Kate continues to work on S.O.P.s-Standard Operating Procedures. By-laws revision ongoing. Executive Board Meetings held first Monday in October and December at Royalton Church at 6:30pm.

New Business:

Guest Speaker Lori Prahl spoke about Mission of Hope of Wisconsin, Inc. and asked membership to consider helping with plant education projects for Mission of Hope House in future. House located at 520 N Shawano St. in New London. The goal of the organization is a homeless shelter for the area. She spoke about the Mission of Hope outreaches started 5 years ago and built off the valley's Convey of Hope. These outreaches held to gather people in the community to serve one another, giving awareness of area services.

Greg Blonde talked about 9 perspective members obtained through WDUX Home Show. They will be considered associate members until they can attend formal Master Gardener training. They will not have regular member rights.

N.L. Children's Garden cleaned out and plants to go to sale and/or other projects.

Grant proposals are due Oct 1. Must be for garden related projects.

Kate Saunders motioned to adjourn meeting, Tom Sanders seconded. Rebecca Weber Schmoll adjourned the meeting at 7:15pm.

The Chelsea Flower Show 2015 presentation followed.

Minutes submitted by: Deana Hirte

June President Letter

As I write this letter, our spring plant sale has just taken place. From all indications, we had a very successful sale. That success is due to all the hard work of our members. Thank you.

Thank you too to Deana for stepping forward to fill our vacant secretary spot. This is an important M.G. position. I also am glad that I do not have to "beg" someone to take the notes at the beginning of each meeting.

Can you believe that we are beginning our summer meetings now? Spring was so cold and slow to come this year. Then suddenly Spring burst forward in all her beauty. Fruit trees, daffodils, tulips, and even seas of dandelions blooming. Beautiful orioles, bluebirds, rose breasted grosbeaks, and all our migratory birds have returned. Spring in Wisconsin is so beautiful.

Our June meeting will be at Kate and Mark's home, and we will be able to tour the beautiful gardens there. We are also resuming our annual tradition of a potluck meal. I wonder if asparagus, rhubarb, and strawberries will be featured ingredients?!

Our next big fund raiser is coming up June 25. This is our Garden Walk/Art Stroll. Many of us will be at the various gardens volunteering our time. It is also a good idea to spread the word to friends and family about this garden walk.

Gardens to plant and weed, lawns to mow, and plants to get in the ground; much to do. Please remember your fellow Master Gardeners and make your plans for both our June meeting with potluck meal and our Garden Walk/Art Stroll.

Until those newly planted seeds germinate... Rebecca.

For Your Information

On Saturday, June 18 from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m., the Outagamie County Master Gardener Volunteers, in keeping with their objective to assist the UW-Extension horticultural staff with educational opportunities in our community, are hosting a day of educational tours through six select gardens in the Fox Cities. Each plot is tended

with sound gardening principles, offering unique horticultural lessons

For a \$8 entry fee in support of Goodwill Grows (the Fox Valley Area Community Gardens) and two items of non-perishable food (to be donated to St. Joseph's Food Program and the Salvation Army), guests will experience beautiful area gardens with an opportunity to learn horticultural lessons during each visit.

- --Fees and food items are collected the day of the Garden Walk at the first garden visited.
- --Just one entry fee for all six gardens; tickets available the day of the event. You can start at any of the six gardens and move around as you please; volunteers will be at each of the six gardens to assist you. The addresses:
 - * 63 Thistle Down Court, Appleton
 - * 833 E. Cecil St., Neenah
 - * 140 Woodside Ct., Neenah
 - * 2150 Hidden Creek Rd., Neenah
 - * FVTC Greenhouses and Growing

Operations, 1825 N. Bluemound, Appleton

* 3313 W. Twin Willow Ct., Appleton

The Garden Walk is supported in part by a Thrivent Action Team grant. For more information about Goodwill Grows, visit http://www.goodwillncw.org/programs/diversity/grows/

Oatmeal Muffins

(requested from Ila after taste testing at the plant sale)

Soak 1 c. rolled oats in 1 c. buttermilk for 1 hour

Mix well: 1/3 c. oil, 1 egg

Blend dry ingredients: 1/3 c. brown sugar 1 c. flour 1 tsp. baking powder 1 tsp. baking soda

1/2 tsp. salt

Add wet and dry ingredients alternately to the oatmeal mixture.

Avoid over mixing.

Bake at 400 degrees for 15-20 minutes in

greased or lined muffin cups.

Great additions: dried fruits, nuts, fresh

finely chopped apple

Yield: 12 medium muffins

June Birthdays

6/5 Diane Furhmann 6/17 Sue Morack 6/22 Pat Ritchie

