



# Waupaca County March 2019

## Master Gardener Volunteers' Newsletter

**Master Gardener Meetings are held the 2<sup>nd</sup> 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.**

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### 2018 Executive Board Members

President: Patty Tomczak-Virning  
Vice-President: Deb Krogwold  
Secretary: Ila Sanders  
Treasurer: Rebecca Weber-Schmoll  
Member at Large: Deana Hirte  
Member at Large: Jane Wilson  
Past President: Sally Marchel-Handrich  
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.  
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### February Meeting Minutes

#### Call to Order and Welcome Guests

Rebecca Weber-Schmoll called to order the regular meeting of the UW-Extension Waupaca County Master Gardener Association at 6:30 pm on February 14, 2019. The meeting was held at the Waupaca County Courthouse lower level. Guests welcomed included Bev Hall from 'Living the Waupaca Way Coalition', and Chris Kurth. Bev spoke about an hours only project opportunity. She requested thoughts, ideas, and volunteers to help with the newly organized community project, enable through a partnership between ThedaCare and The Waupaca Way Coalition. The location of the garden is onsite or the old Riverside School property which is now owned by the medical center. She briefly explained the project and the location issues, adding this community garden will be much more smaller than the previous one in Waupaca. If any MG member would like more information or has ideas, please contact her at [bev.hall@co.waupaca.wi.us](mailto:bev.hall@co.waupaca.wi.us) or at her cell 715 281 8546. Our MG board will consider this opportunity and make a decision if this is a project we will take on. Hours will be offered only if approved. A volunteer meeting is scheduled for the public on March 5<sup>th</sup> @ the Maasch Center at the hospital.

#### Approval of Minutes

Minutes were printed in the newsletter. Sue motioned to accept the minutes as printed and Bridget seconded, all were in favor.

#### Audit Committee Report

The audit committee commended Bridget for her keeping good records as past treasurer.

#### Treasurer's Report

Patty read Rebecca's treasurer report as she was not in attendance. Sue summarized expenditures and reviewed the budget the board came up with at their recent budget meeting. Jane motioned

the budget be approved, Pat seconded and all were in favor, motion carried.

**Committee Reports:**

**Membership**-Nothing to report

**Program/Publicity**-The state will no longer send out hard copies of the MG newsletter. Hard copies for members without internet will received the newsletter with funds budgeted for newsletter.

**State Rep's Report**- Nothing to report.

**Committee Chairs:**

**Home Show (Sue)**-Sue shared the dates of the home show as March 8 & 9. She shared what the home show committee discussed just prior to this meeting and volunteers to work our booth were signed up. All volunteers should wear their MG pins.

**Plant Sale(Patty)**-Patty shared the plant sale is June 2 from 8am-2pm. A committee mtg will be scheduled soon to plan set up, intake, etc.

**Garden Walk/Art Stroll(Sally)**-Sally shared the event is June 22 from 9am-4pm. We currently have 5 confirmed gardens and possibly 1 more. The first committee mtg will be scheduled for April.

**Waupaca Children's Garden(Doug)**-Doug has come up with a tentative schedule starting with the children's meeting at 10am May 18 and possibly a Saturday am planting meeting on June 1<sup>st</sup> due to possible school make up days. After that, activities will be every Wednesday from 9-11am. He has a meeting scheduled with Parks and Recto work out more details. August 21c will be closing date.

**Old Business:**

**Master Gardener's Class**-Greg has asked for speakers for the class. A sign up sheet was available for members to sign up to speak on the class topics. Speakers would have 5 minutes to discuss the topic. Classes are held every Tuesday Feb 12 through April 30 from 6-7:30pm. Speakers do not have top stay for the class. There are 12 participants in the class.

**New Business:**

**Forms:** 2019 Committee and Projects lists were handed out as well as 2019 Board member list and updated membership list with contact info.

**Chair Persons for Projects:** Chairpersons are needed for several projects/committees. Please consider chairing or co-chairing.

**Adjournment:** the meeting was motioned to be adjourned at 7:22pm by Jean and Pat

**March Program:** 2<sup>nd</sup> to enjoy the program given by Sue and Jean as a continuation of their cruise around the horn presentation.

Minutes respectfully submitted by:

Deana Hirte-acting secretary

**Upcoming Opportunities**

Garden Dreams Event-Portage County: March 3 at the Jensen Center

Garden Conference Event-Outagamie County: April 6 at Liberty Hall.

**Garden Walk/Art Stroll - Sally Marchel Handrich, Chair**

We have five gardens at this point - Sally will follow up with each garden and plan the April "Gardener" meeting. **\*\*Garden Walk/Art Stroll Committee will meet at 5:30PM (right before March meeting) on March 14.**

Committee: Chris B., Deana H., Bill J., Bridget K., Sue M., Pat R., Ila S., Rebecca Weber S., Patty V.T., & Jane W. If you didn't get a chance to sign up, please feel free to join us.

**Membership**

Please make note of a couple of educational opportunities (listed in minutes) coming up March 30 - Garden Dreams sponsored by Portage County Master Gardeners and on April 6 - Garden Conference sponsored by Outagamie County Master Gardeners. The Executive Board will approve other educational opportunities in the near future.



**March Birthdays**

3/1 Joan Schmitt

3/15 Jean Medway

3/16 Tom Sanders

3/19 Barb Nollenberg

3/22 Rebecca Weber Schmoll

3/23 Jane Wilson

3//25 Alice Brown