

# **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.

December 12: meeting at the Royalton Church 6 PM: social followed by Christmas Party and meeting.

### **2019 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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### December 12:

The meeting is at the **Royalton Church** Address: E7296 Church Street, New London, WI 54961

One block, North on Depot Street, off Hwy 54 in Royalton, near the Royalton Station (gas station).

**6 PM:** social followed by Business Meeting and Christmas Party.

Bring a Dish to pass and a gift, if you wish. (limit \$15.00 - \$20.00)

Bring canned good donation(s) for the Food Pantry, if you wish.

### <u>January 9:</u>

No regular meeting; the Board will meet on January 9, 2020. All are welcome to attend. Location: Waupaca County Court House Room is located across from Greg's office, volunteer training classroom.

### **November Meeting Minutes**

The Waupaca County Master Gardener's Meeting on November 14, 2019, 6:00 p.m. was held at Waupaca County Courthouse.

Patty announced the receipt of 3 grant awards, on behalf of the Waupaca Master Gardener Volunteers. Congratulations! A warm Thank You applause was shared; great job writing the Grant Proposals, Patty! \$100 Parade floats, \$250 Banners, \$400 Educational Speakers Motion to approve the October minutes was presented by Pat Ritchie and approve by Jean, second by Alice Brown. We welcomed 1 guest (speaker), with 17 members in attendance. New Member, Nancy Melum, was recognized with a membership pin.

Our State Representative, Pat Ritchie, acknowledged that all grant applications that were received where funded. This is an area of opportunity for us to generate funding. Grant applications are due on October  $1^{st}$  of each year.

The MGA November Newsletter was sent out to all WMGA members. There has been a lot of great activity and participation happened during 2019 by the WMGA. Pat will need a list of projects to provide a report, summarizing these projects and work done by the Waupaca section. Sally will send a copy and pictures go to Dana Nelson (ex. Home Show, New London's Children's Garden, Plant Sales, etc.).

Pat attended the Board Meeting. There was an informative Jumping worm's presentation and Climate Change lecture which explained zones for planting have changed. Member note: Barb Nollenberg has left the group.

**Reminder:** Don't panic if hours are not in, have until December. Continue to work on getting them in through the online portal: <u>https://volunteers.wimastergardener.org</u> /vms/sec\_Login/.

The treasurer's report was presented by Rebecca Weber-Schmoll.

**Reminder:** Please be sure to pay 2020 annual membership dues (\$5), if they are outstanding.

Connie Z., Nominating Committee Chair, announced members nominated for office.

## Nominees for 2020 Executive Board Officers:

President: Deb Krogwold Vice-President: Carrie Esch Secretary: Nancy Sonnenberg Treasurer: Rebecca Weber-Schmoll Member at Large: Deana Hirte Member at Large: Jane Wilson Past President: Patty Tomczak-Virning State Board Rep: Pat Ritchie UWEX Advisor: Greg Blonde

Motion was made to approve those nominated, Pat Ritchie approved, second by Ila Sanders. Motion carried.

Sally confirmed The Waupaca Home Show reservation fee has been payed. She is actively recruiting for Gardens to participate in the 2020 Garden walk with at least two Gardens confirmed. The Committee List and Project Leaders were announced, open project leadership roles were presented and members were allowed to volunteer.

**Reminder:** Please see Sally if you need a Project approval and Budget Request Form.

### Upcoming 2020 Project dates:

**The Waupaca Home Show:** March 6<sup>th</sup>, 7<sup>th</sup> 8<sup>th</sup> – Friday, Saturday, Sunday

Garden Walk: June 27<sup>th</sup>

Spring Plant Sale: June 7<sup>th</sup>

#### "Thanks! Giving Gardener" Award Presented to: Patty Tomczak-Virnig

"She has truly been willing to step forward whenever needed in the 7 years she has been a with WCMGA... as evidenced by the fact that she is standing up here running this meeting as President!" "We appreciate your dedication and countless hours you have given to this organization!"

All shared a warm round of applause in acknowledgement of this wonderful award, presented by Connie.

The meeting adjourned at 7:00 pm

Immediately follow by Guest speaker **Marilyn Herman presentation**: Wisconsin Settlers and their Gardens

### **Happy Birthday**

### **December Birthdays:**

(Please let us know if we missed you.)

Newsletter compiled by: Nancy Sonnenberg