



# *Waupaca County January 2020 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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### **January 9:**

#### **No regular meeting.**

MGV Executive Board Meeting will be held at the Waupaca County Court House at 6:00 pm, in the Extension Meeting Room. All are welcome to attend.

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### **2020 Executive Board Members**

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-Virnig  
State Board Rep: Pat Ritchie  
UWEX Advisor: Greg Blonde

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### **Wisconsin Master Gardener UW EXT.**

Link to MGV December Volunteer Vibe:  
<https://docs.google.com/document/d/1nek3oIIpBzJ0Nn-9YvYp3obulMrO-A6ui8sW5jKlp4/edit?usp=sharing>

### **January 9:**

No regular meeting; the Board will meet on January 9, 2020.

All are welcome to attend.

Location: Waupaca County Court House Meeting Room is located across the hall from the UW-Ext. office.

### **February 13:**

The meeting will be at the courthouse at 6:00 pm: Social hour followed by business meeting.

### **November Meeting Minutes**

President Debbie Krogwold Call to Order: 7:05pm

A warm Welcome was given to all who could join us on this wintery evening; we had 13 members in attendance. Also, a special Welcome was given to our guests Bob (Joan Schmitt), Ruth (Bill Johnson), and Chris (Bridget Kurth).

Approval of Previous Month's meeting Minutes: one correction noted. Motion to approve minutes with correction was made, approved first by Ila Sanders, and second by Connie Zolkoske.

Treasurer's Report was given by Rebecca Schmoll. Motion to approve financials was approved first by Jean Skewes and second by Pat Ritchie.

State Representative Pat Ritchie provided updates. There are 4 New Members with badges that are still awaiting pick up; attempted to contact them.

## **Committee/Project Reports**

Jean Skewes had an update on the Children's Garden. Seed Savers request was made and 50 packets of seeds (Tomatoes, Peppers, etc.) were donated and are available for use. Other members may have a project where they could be utilized.

Mission of Hope – Homeless Shelter located near the Railroad tracks in New London. Open House for community to learn about the impact to the community; Tuesday December 17th, 11:30 – 1:00 pm or 3:00 – 5:00 pm.  
<https://www.missionofhopehouse.org/>

### **Old Business**

Executive Board Meeting – January 9th at 6pm. Location: Waupaca Co. Courthouse. UWEX Meeting Room, which is across the hall from the Extension Office.

### **New Business**

Audit Committee will be updated to cover needs in 2020. Virginia, Ila and Debbie will work together to complete the required audits.

A motion was made to adjourn the meeting which was approved 1st by Pat Ritchie and 2nd by Carrie Esch. Motion carried at 7:21pm.

## **Happy Birthday**

### **January Birthdays:**

1/9 Bridget Kurth  
 1/31 Sally Marchel Handrich

## **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>

### **Microwave Caramel Popcorn**

Recipe compliments of 2000 Millennium Cookbook – Krause Publications Employees  
 Provided by: Jill Lodewegen and Janele Peterson

#### Gather together:

1 paper bag, brown or white (a full sized grocery bag works best)  
 16 cups Popcorn (Mushroom Popcorn)  
 1 cup Brown Sugar  
 1 stick Margarine (unsalted Butter)  
 ¼ cup Corn (Karo) Syrup  
 ½ tsp. Salt  
 1 tsp. Vanilla  
 ½ tsp. Baking Soda  
 ½ cup Almonds (Optional)  
                   or Almonds and Pecans ☺

#### Directions:

Mix sugar, margarine (Butter), syrup and salt in an 8 cup mixing bowl. Cook in microwave on full power for 1 – 2 minutes. Then boil for 3 minutes on full power, stirring after each minute. Add vanilla, soda and stir. Pour over popcorn in a brown paper bag. Shake, cook 1 minute. Shake cook 1 minute. Shake, cook 30 seconds and shake one more time.

I allowed the finished caramel popcorn to cool on a paper towel and then transferred it to an airtight container for storage.