

# **MARTER BARDENER** UNIVERSITY OF WISCONSIN-EXTENSION Waupaca County January 2021 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.

# Next Meeting January 14<sup>th</sup>:

Membership meeting is cancelled.

# 2021 Executive Board Members:

President: Debbie 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: TBD UWEX Program Assistant: Amy Ebert

# **Pandemic Restrictions:**

Due to the COVID-19 virus outbreak & guidelines from Wisconsin Department of Health Services, UW-Madison, and federal agencies, all upcoming meetings are cancel until the outbreak is under control and restrictions have been lifted. Please continue to stay home, be safe, and enjoy the Holiday Season.

# Membership Meetings

In-person Membership Meeting are cancelled until further notice.

# WIMGA Annual Registration

Master Gardener Volunteers Activate Your Account in January Login (wimastergardener.org)

If you need assistance in using the online system, please contact Amy Ebert, UW-Madison Extension Waupaca County Program Assistant, by email at <u>amy.ebert@wisc.edu</u> or by phone at (715) 258-6331.

# 2021 Membership Dues

The Waupaca County MGV chapter will pay the 2021 dues for continuing members. The 2021 Membership List is attached. Thank you all for persevering! Let's hope for a great 2021!

# 2021 Committees & Projects

The 2021 Committees & Projects list has been finalized and is attached. We are hopeful we will be able to hold both the Spring Plant Sale and Garden Walk this year. But, of course, this will depend on what COVID restrictions are still in place.

# 2021 Budget

The 2021 Budget will be the same as 2020, with the exception of the removal of Franklin Park, as this will no longer be a project for our group.

# Spring Plant Sale

We have reserved the Education Building at the Fairgrounds in anticipation of being able to hold our plant sale this year. The date for the plant sale will be Sunday June 6, but is dependent on COVID restrictions. Mark your calendars! For those of you who start various vegetables from seed, please consider starting a few extra for the plant sale. More info to come in future emails . . .

#### Ideas for 2021 Presentation Topics for Continuing Education

#### **Recycling:** plastics

Soil: worm composting

**Crafts:** dyeing fabrics, using trash, stone mosaics

**Flower arrangements:** Holiday, types for the County Fair

# Photography: flowers

Gardening Fitness and Health: exercise and tick prevention

Tours: member gardens, VA at King

Please contact Sue Morack if there are other topics that you are interested in and/or would be interested in any of these topics.

# **Library Corner**

Nature's Best Hope: A new approach to conservation that starts in your yard Neuschafer Community Library, Fremont

Greenhouse Gardening: How to Build a Greenhouse and Grow Vegetables, Herbs and Fruit All Year-Round by Richard Bray; Raised Bed Gardening for Beginners: Everything You Need to Know to Start and Sustain a Thriving Garden by Tammy Wylie Iola Village Library

Fearless Gardening by Loree Bohl; Plants that Cure by Elizabeth Dauncey Scandinavia Public Library

From Seed to Plant by Gail Gibbons; Gardening Lab for Kids: 52 Fun Experiments Waupaca Area Public Library: Children's Dept.

RHS Gardening Through the Year Weyauwega Public Library

All of these books are available through InfoSoup, the collaborative library catalog, which covers Outagamie and Waupaca county libraries.

# Winter wonderland

The fuzzing looking ice is called "rime ice". Rime ice looks very close to "hoarfrost". In short, the main difference between rime and hoarfrost is that rime is the result of freezing fog, hoarfrost forms in the absence of fog. Rime ice is formed when small supercooled water droplets freeze on contact with a surface which is below freezing.

https://www.wsaw.com/2021/01/04/with-several-days-ofdense-freezing-fog-the-weather-has-been-ideal-for-hoarfrost/

# **Winter Flowers**

Rime ice on sedum.



# **Winter Trees**

Rime ice on blue spruce and oak (right).

# Happy Birthday

January Birthdays

1/9 Bridget Kurth 1/31 Sally Marchel Handrich



It's time for a Celebration!!



