



Waupaca County November 2021 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, members will be notified via e-mail and phone.

Next Meeting

When: Thursday, November 11th

**Where: Waupaca Co. Courthouse,
Conference Room LL42 (basement)**

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:

In-person meetings may take place with state submission and approval, along with the appropriate restrictions.

UW-Extension COVID guidelines strongly recommends masking while indoors.

Membership Meetings

This Month's Membership Meeting:

Thursday, November 11th

6:00pm – Social time

6:30pm – Business meeting

At the Waupaca County Courthouse, room LL42 conference room in the basement where we normally have our meetings.

***Refreshments by Carrie Esch**

Next Month's Membership Meeting:

Christmas Party & Potluck

****Tuesday, December 7****

Where: Royalton Christian Church

6:00pm – Social time

6:30pm – Business meeting

- ❖ \$20 gift exchange (optional)
- ❖ Bring a dish to pass and beverage of choice.
- ❖ For the safety of all, everyone that attends must be FULLY VACCINATED for COVID.

Membership Updates:

Reporting of Hours

Only 10 hours of continuing education are required for re-certification. This is to be done on line, or submit to Amy Ebert at the County Extension office if you cannot submit yourself. Hours spent on any of our committees or garden projects are also reportable **except for** hours associated with the Spring Plant Sale. Remember to include the hours volunteering for the Waupaca County Fair. Deadline for submitting hours is December 31, 2021.

2022 Membership

Membership dues for 2022 will be paid again by our Association for those who have re-certified. Only 10 hours of continuing education is needed. Remember to submit your hours by December 31!

2022 Election of Officers

Voting will take place at the November meeting for the following positions:

President: Carrie Esch*

Vice President: OPEN

Secretary: Nancy Sonnenberg*

Treasurer: Rebecca Weber-Schmoll*

Executive Board Members-at-Large:
Patty Tomczak-Virnig* and OPEN

*Nominee

Nominations will be taken from the floor for all position.

2022 Committees & Projects

Sign-up sheets for the 2022 Fundraising Project Committees, Standing & Functional Committees, and Garden Project Committees will be set out during our November meeting. Please take time to look at the list that is attached to this email and signup at our meeting. If you are not able to make the November meeting, please let Debbie know the committees and projects you are interested in helping with.

Debbie: wdkrogwold@wi-net.com or call 715-677-4974. Thank you!

2020/2021 Audit Committee

Debbie Krogwold is the Chair for the Audit Committee and is in need of a volunteer to assist in the audit of both 2020 and 2021 financials. This won't take a lot of time and will be scheduled sometime in December. Please contact Debbie if interested.

Debbie: wdkrogwold@wi-net.com or call 715-677-4974.

This activity qualifies for Support Hours.

October 14th Meeting Minutes

Location: Waupaca County Courthouse

President Debbie Krogwold opened the October membership meeting at 6:45 pm with 9 members present. After welcoming everyone to the meeting, a new member was introduced, Jennie Elliott. Jennie was a previously master gardener in Portage County and would like to become reestablished with the MGJ program in Waupaca County. She has offered her skills in graphic design, information technology and orchard maintenance, to name a few. Welcome Jennie!

Approval of Minutes – Aug. 5th meeting: One correction was noted to the meeting minutes from August 5th. The recipient of the 2021 Scholarship is Ryan Esch (previously listed as Bryant). With that correction, a motion was made first by Doug P. and second by Pat R.

Rebecca Weber-Schmoll provided the treasurers report which will be available for audit.

Pat Richie gave the State Representative report. Reminder to members of the December 31st due date to submit 10 hours of educational credits on-line or through the UW Extension (contact Amy) for recertification. A list of approved reading material and resources is available on the WIMGA website. Include hours of service in the state site such as community service, phone calls, etc. Also, please remember to wear your name badges to our in person meetings. WIMGA has made some changes to the program, one being the removal of the criminal background check. Send state update with newsletter or mail out.

2021 Committee & Project

Audit committee - Deb K. reported the Audit committee needs a second member to complete pending audits.

County Fair committee - Pat R. shared thanks for all of the volunteers who helped at the County Fair this year. Only members of the organization are able to assist, others who are not members are not covered by the policy.

Children's gardens – Jean S. provided an update for the New London program and Doug P. followed with the Waupaca program update.

Mission of Hope – This garden is in need of work to remove weeds and divide plants in 2022.

Refreshment committee – A signup sheet was suggested and circulated to attending members.

All Members are encouraged to sign up to bring refreshments to monthly meetings. A reminder will be posted in the Newsletter for the next upcoming meeting.

Scholarship committee – The recipient of the 2020 scholarship, Ryan Esch, sends a sincere and grateful "Thank You"! Also, Ila Sanders provide the informational binder she collected during her time as Scholarship committee chair for the incumbent member.

2022 Committees & Projects Review

Chair members and leaders are needed for each. An updated list will be provided to members. Projects with open chair positions will be evaluated for continuation.

Garden walk – To prepare for the garden walk, at least 24 volunteers (members and/or non-members) are needed to support the project.

Home Show – TBD (Under Review)

Christmas Party – Royalton Christian Church was suggested. Pat R. volunteered to request use from the Church. Gift Exchange will be optional for all members; suggested gift cost of \$20. This event will be Pot Luck, please bring a dish to pass. Including door prizes and the Left/Right game were highly recommended.

Nominees for 2022 Officers

Nominees and open positions were announced during the meeting. Voting for executive positions will take place at the November meeting.

The meeting adjourned at 8:00.
Submitted by Nancy Sonnenberg

Happy Birthday

Happy Birthday!! It's Celebration Time!!

November

Jean Skewes 11/12

Deana Hirte 11/19

Amy Madison 11/26

