



Waupaca County December 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: Tuesday, December 7th

Where: Christian Church, Royalton

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:

Almost Annual Master Gardener

Holiday Christmas Party

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

Note: Date Change

Where: Christian Church, Royalton

Time: 6 P.M. Social time with meal about 6:30 P.M.

- ❖ This will be a potluck meal with the Association providing broasted chicken.
- ❖ Members are asked to bring salads, side dishes, or desserts (think chocolate!)
- ❖ \$15-20 gift exchange (optional) garden related

For the safety of all, everyone that attends must be FULLY VACCINATED for COVID.

There will be a brief business meeting. Then the fun will begin with games, prizes, and an optional gift exchange.

Feel free to wear your best or ugliest Christmas sweater.

See you all soon to share fun and holiday cheer!

Next Month's Membership Meeting:

Thursday, February 10th, 2022

Note: No January Meeting

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

President: Carrie Esch*

Vice President: OPEN

Secretary: Nancy Sonnenberg*

Treasurer: Rebecca Weber-Schmoll*

Executive Board Members-at-Large:

Patty Tomczak-Virnig* and OPEN

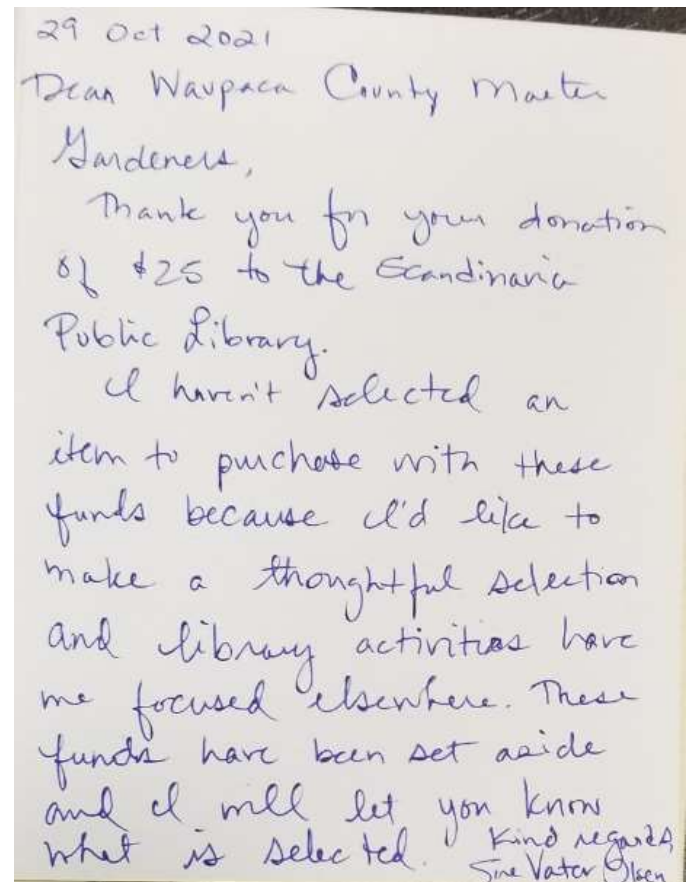
December 11th Meeting Minutes

Location: Waupaca County Courthouse

President Deb Krogwold called to order the November membership meeting at 6:40 p.m. with 7 members present. A Christmas party attendance list was passed.

The minutes of the October meeting were approved with a motion from Carrie E., second by Pat R.

Treasurer Rebecca provided the treasurer's report which will be filed for audit. She sent a "Thank You" card from the Scandinavia Library (below).



29 Oct 2021
Dean Waupaca County Master
Gardeners,
Thank you for your donation
of \$25 to the Scandinavia
Public Library.
I haven't selected an
item to purchase with these
funds because I'd like to
make a thoughtful selection
and library activities have
me focused elsewhere. These
funds have been set aside
and I will let you know
what is selected.
Kind regards,
Sine Vatter Olsen

State Representative Pat R. shared the WIMGA Newsletter and provided an update on the annual (virtual) face-to-face meeting being held on Thursday, December 2, 2021 from 6:30-8:30 pm. An email with this information will be shared to all members. The recent email sent out from the UW Outreach Program Manager, Mike Maddock providing an information video answering many questions that were submitted by MGCV state wide was mentioned.

Elections of the Executive Board Nominees were closed with a motion to pass a unanimous ballot put forth by Pat R and second by Rebecca. Two positions remain open: Vice President and Executive Board Member at Large (1 of 2). These open positions will be revisited at the membership meeting in February 2022.

2022 Elected Board Members

President: Carrie Esch
Vice-President: OPEN
Secretary: Nancy Sonnenberg
Treasurer: Rebecca Weber-Schmoll
Member at Large: Deana Hirte
Member at Large: OPEN

Old Business:

Sue and Debbie will conduct the annual auditing for 2020 and 2021 on the second Thursday in January.
Sue M. provided shared the progress on the four garden visits for the 2022 Garden Walk. Ideas for volunteers, educational information, photography, artists and social interest were shared.

2022 WCMGV Committees sign-up sheet was circulated. Project Approval and Budget Request forms were available for those who signed up to be a Chair on a Committee to set aside funds. These need to be returned for review and approval (preferably by end of year). Also, payment vouchers were provided and will be available upon request. There are still many openings and all members are encouraged to sign up during the Christmas party.

Under New Business:

ThedaCare Garden – Christie with the UW Extension office will be meeting with Debbie on December 6th to talk about a grant being written for funds. They are looking to have a Master Gardener Volunteer work on the project (written into the grant). This garden is located near the old Riverside elementary school.

New Logo – With her background in graphic arts and Information Technology, Jennie presented a new logo design option she created for a 2022 Waupaca County Master Gardener Logo. She has secured two domains (public/private) for the WCMGV association. These can be developed to gain access for public events and member's only access (login and password protected). Creating a refreshed Facebook account is also an area Jennie would like to work on. After member review and approval from the Executive Board Members, these options can be developed further.

Christmas Party – A suggestion was put forth by Rebecca (w/Connie) to provide broasted chicken (catering service) for this event. Members would be encouraged to bring a side dish to pass. A motion was initiated by Carrie E. and second by Jennie E. The motion was discussed further with one member in opposition. Motion carried.

A notice of cancellation will be sent out should hazardous weather become a concern for safety. A reminder regarding social distancing and vaccination requirements for this event should be included.

The meeting adjourned at 8:15 p.m., with a motion by Carrie and second by Jennie E.

Submitted by Nancy Sonnenberg

Thank you Carrie Esch for the delicious Pumpkin Bread and other refreshments!

No December Birthdays