



WAUPACA COUNTY MASTER GARDENERS

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Meeting Schedule

Thursday, April 14th

Membership Meeting
Waupaca Courthouse

Thursday, May 12th

Membership Meeting
Waupaca Courthouse

April 14th Membership Meeting

Waupaca County Courthouse

Lower Level Conference Room

Social time 6:00pm - Meeting starts 6:30pm

**Spring Plant Sale
"Working Committee"
Members**

**Meeting on April
14th at 5:15 pm
just prior to the
membership meeting**

**Starting at 7:00 pm
Guest Speaker**

**Noah
Langenfeld
30 min. presentation
10 minute Q&A**

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**Did you miss the March 2022 Volunteer Vibe?
Connect here to UW Wisconsin Master Gardener Program**

Master Gardener Meetings 2nd Thursday of Month.

In the event that a meeting or event
is canceled due to weather,
members will be notified
via e-mail & phone.

Refreshments Schedule

April Meeting

Doug Pickar

May Meeting

Debbie Krogwold



April Birthdays

4/12 Fay Wilson

4/18 Patty Tomczak-Viring



2022 Meeting Schedule

January 13, 2022

Board Meeting

Membership Meetings

February 10, 2022

March 10, 2022

April 14, 2022

May 12, 2022

June 9, 2022

July 14, 2022

August 11, 2022

September, 8, 2022

October 13, 2022

November 10, 2022

December 12, 2022

Exclusive Educational Opportunity for Master Gardeners for 2022!!

Online Course: **Weedless Gardening**
Featuring **Lee Reich, PhD**

Course snapshot:

Introducing a novel way of caring for the soil, one that results in fewer weeds. This 4-part system emulates rather than fights Mother Nature for healthier plants and less weeds. Each part of the system also brings about other beyond fewer weeds. This presentation will address application of this system to establish new plantings as well as to maintain existing plantings. The principles and practices are rooted in the latest agricultural research and are also applicable to sustainable, small farm systems.

To register in advance click [here](#).

Online: **Zoom Meeting**

Date: **Monday, April 25, 2022**

Time: **6:30 - 8:00 PM**

April 14th Membership Meeting

Guest Speaker: Noah Langenfeld

About the April 14th Guest Speaker

Noah grew up in Hancock and spent his summers working for the Flyte Family Farm. While in high school in addition to training for and receiving his pilot's license, he built his own hydroponic greenhouse where he raised lettuce fertilized by tilapia fish. His undergrad degree in Biology/Botany is from UW- Stevens Point. Currently, Noah is enrolled in a PhD program at Utah State. He is going to tell our group about his research project, which is (in my understanding) helping NASA develop a system of growing food hydroponically for the Mars mission.

Noah plans to talk to our group via Zoom after our meeting at 7:00 on April 14th. He'll talk for about 30 minutes and have 10 minutes for questions. So, please feel free to bring any guests along with you to the meeting. It would be nice to have great turn out for this presentation.

Online Reporting System (ORS) Updates

It's ALIVE! You may now log into the ORS system.

New features include:

- ✓ Improved dashboard for reviewing your annual and lifetime hours.
- ✓ Updates to reflect the activities you do with the organization you volunteer for.
- ✓ A choice if you want to share your information with associations and WIMGA.
- ✓ Ability to add new organizations.
- Watch these [YouTube videos](#) to learn how to add hours, navigate the menu, and more!
- Click [here](#) to Log into the Online Reporting System.

Check out the Frequently Asked Questions.

For your convenience, we took the information we shared in previous emails and moved them into one place. We will continue to use this space to answer your questions about changes to the program. Come back often. These FAQs will be updated periodically.

Click [here](#) to read Frequently Asked Questions.

Meeting Minutes

March 10th, 2022, 6:30 p.m.

Location: Waupaca County Courthouse

Past President Debbie Krogwold called the meeting to order at 6:40 pm with 6 members in attendance.

Secretary Nancy Sonnenberg read the meeting minutes. The attending Members provided one correction.

With this one correction made, a motion to approve the minutes was set forth by Pat R. and second by Rebecca W-S. Motion carried.

Treasurer's report was provided by Rebecca Weber-Schmoll. The report will be filed for audit. Ryan Esch sent a thank you letter and photo for the scholarship he received from the WCMGA. This was provided for the Newsletter.

State Representative, Pat Richie, provided a State update. An upcoming educational event will be held on Monday, March 21, 2022 online through ZOOM. Look for the email from WIMGA Continuing Education Series featuring Dr. Irwin Goldman Plants and Human Well-Being. A phone call dial in option is available for those who are unable to join via computer.

New Membership/Recruitment: A question regarding recruitment and becoming a member was raised. No news on this from UW (restructuring and redistricting).

Committee Updates

Garden Walk/Art Stroll - The committee is making progress with the planning and preparing for the event. A volunteer sign-up sheet was passed around.

Plant Sale - A committee meeting was held just prior to this Membership meeting. The scheduled dates include: June 3rd - Set up, June 4th - Intake, and June 5th - Sale. Items in progress are as follows:

- Purchase New Banners
- General Members - Provide list and quantity of plants available to donate
- Publicity
- Education will be invasive species
- Sign-up for volunteer work hours in April

Children Gardens - The two locations listed are in a good position to start the season.

- New London - Jean is chair. No update.
- Waupaca - Good. Doug is chair. A tentative schedule is in place. Volunteers will be needed to help at each session starting in May. Doug will follow up with an email to all members.

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Meeting Minutes

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Waupaca Community Garden

This garden is located a block east of the Hospital. Carrie provided supporting information related to: when to start plants, recommendations for transplanting and planning information. The commitment from the WCMGA is to educate and help support the community garden. UW-Ext will not be applying for the grant that requires a MGVS this year.

Other

Storage Shed Clean-out: Debbie and others will set up time to go through items and inventory. Jean Skewes husband will look at the Rototiller for maintenance and/or repairs; Doug is willing to help.

Waupaca Home Show event will be held March 26th and 27th. Due to various reasons, the WCMGA will not be hosting a booth at the event this year.

New Business/New Ideas

2022 Grants – Patty would be willing to write grant applications. Pat was not aware of any available.

Tip: Dollar Tree has Gladiola bulbs for sale 4 for \$1. Rebecca had success with them last year.
Event: Outagamie Garden Conference (Appleton) event is taking place March 26 at the Grand Meridian.

The meeting adjourned at 7:15 p.m., with a motion by Jean and second by Bridget.

Photo Entry

Ryan Esch
shares a lasting smile and
sincere "Thank you" to all
members for the
Master Gardeners
Scholarship Award!



Spring Plant Sale June 5, 2022

Mark your calendars, Spring Plant Sale is Sunday June 5, 2022, 8 am - 2 pm at the Waupaca County Fairgrounds Education Building in Weyauwega.

The Spring Plant Sale is our main fundraiser to help WCMGV's lay the financial footings for our upcoming activities, and education and community support.

All members are strongly encouraged to participate!

Right now you can start making a list of the plants you need to dig and divide in your gardens. Estimate the number of plants you can donate.

Maybe it is time to thin overgrown clumps and divide those hostas and daylilies!

Get your labels ready. Need labels? We will have a supply for you at the April and May meetings as well as sent to you via e-mail if you desire. Remember to use clear tape over the label so the plant information does not get washed away in the rain.

There will also be blind slats and pots available.

Sign up! We need your help as cashiers, personal shoppers, at the reference and merchandise tables, refreshments, set -up and clean up.

If you cannot make the April 14th meeting, please contact Debbie if you are interested in any special assignment at the plant sale.

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

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just prior to the membership meeting.****

Spring Plant Sale June 5, 2022

Plants Needed at the Spring Plant Sale

Annuals
Bulbs & Rhizomes
Herbs
Houseplants
Cacti & Succulents
Hostas
Shrubs
Vegetable Plants
Trees
Vines
Ground covers
Native grasses
Ferns
Any Prairie or woodland plants
Hanging Baskets
Perennials: old favorites
Perennials: unusual specimens

Other Donation Suggestions

Garden tools
Flower pots
Garden structures
Gardening books - new & used
Gardening magazines
Bird houses and feeders
Garden crafts

Examples of Popular Perennials

(But please, do not limit yourself to just these!)

Hemerocallis (Daylilies)
Coreopsis (Tickseed)
Dicentra (Bleeding Heart)
Heuchera (Coral Bells)
Hosta (Hosta, Plantain-lily)
Ornamental Grasses
Perovskia (Russian Sage)
Salvia (Perennial Salvia)
Paeonia (Peonies)
Lavendula (Lavender)
Sedum (Stonecrop)
Leucanthemum (Shasta Daisy)
Rudbeckia (Black-eyed Susan)
Rudbeckia triloba (Brown-eyed Susan)
Astilbe (Astilbe)
Delphinium (Delphinium)
Echinacea (Coneflower)
Phlox (Tall Garden Phlox)

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News & Reminders

2022 Garden Walk and Art Stroll

Submitted by: Sue Morack

Master Gardener Volunteer Members

Ask your friends and family if they are interested in being a volunteer at the Garden Walk and Art Stroll. They do not need to be MG to help and they will get a **Volunteer Pass** to visit the gardens.

Please contact Sue Morack at 920-209-7744 if you are interested.



Garden Walk Publicity

Saturday, June 25, 2022 - Waupaca County Master Gardener "Garden Walk and Art Stroll" in Waupaca and the surrounding areas. Sponsored by the Waupaca County Master Gardener Volunteer Association 9:00 AM to 4:00 PM.

Tickets are \$10.00 and are available on May 15, 2022 at the Waupaca Area Chamber of Commerce Office at 315 S. Main Street, the UW Ext. Office at the Waupaca County Courthouse (818 Harding Street, and at the gardens the day of the event.

The five gardens will showcase zen features, a pond, native plants, succulents, hosta beds, a cut flower garden and vegetable and perennial beds. Artists from Central Wisconsin are featured in each garden and are encouraged to sell and demonstrate their art throughout the day.

Come back to these websites periodically for updates:

Waupacaareachamber.com On home page; search under community calendar and Garden Walk

visitwaupacachainolakes.com/events; search for Garden Walk

waupaca.extension.wisc.edu/horticulture; see Upcoming Events.

Garden Locations:

Residence of Carrie Hitchcock-Esch

8550 16th Road Almond, WI 54909

Located 7 mi. west of Waupaca on Hwy. 54 to County Road TT or 4 mi south on Hwy. 22 to Stratton Lake Road

Residence of Karen & Bob Strain

N1850 East Rd Waupaca, WI 54981

Located 3 mi. south from high school on Cty. Rd. K south to East Road

E2525 Lindee Lane Waupaca, WI 54981

Located 3 mi. south of Waupaca on Cty. Rd. E to Lindee Lane

Residence of Pat Lewis

N529 Klemp Rd Fremont, WI 54940

Located 3 mi. east of Fremont on State Hwy. 96; south on Klemp Road

Residence of Anne & Tom Fisher

E1788 Smokey Valley Rd

Located 4 mi. north of Waupaca on Hwy. 49 or 5 mi. south of Scandinavia on Hwy. 49 to Smokey Valley Road