



WAUPACA COUNTY MASTER GARDENERS

— SINCE 1994 —

EXECUTIVE BOARD

President

Carrie Esch

Vice President

Open

Treasurer

Rebecca Weber Schmoll

Secretary

Nancy Sonnenberg

Past President

Debbie Krogwold

State Board Representative

Pat Ritchie

Member at Large

Patty Tomczak-Virning

UWEX Program Assistant

Amy Ebert

Thursday March 13th Membership Meeting

Waupaca County Courthouse

811 Harding Street, Waupaca, WI 54981

OR Join the ZOOM Meeting online

6:00 PM – Social

6:30 PM – Membership Meeting

INSIDE THIS ISSUE

Page 2 – Membership and Next Meeting Information

Page 3 – March 2023 Meeting Minutes

Page 4 – March 2023 Meeting Minutes continued

Page 5 – Recommended Plant List for the Plant Sale

Page 6 – Waupaca Children’s Garden Program Flyer

Meeting Schedule

Thursday, May 11th

Thursday, June 8th

Master Gardener Meetings 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/or phone.

Refreshment Schedule

April

TBD



Meeting and Member Updates

April Birthdays

No Birthdays

☺ Celebrate Spring ☺

Board Meeting

January 26, 2023

Membership Meetings

February 9, 2023

March 9, 2023

April 13, 2023

May 11, 2022

June 8, 2023

July 13, 2023

August 10, 2023

September 14, 2023

October 12, 2023

November 9, 2023

December 14, 2023

Waupaca Co. Master Gardeners

Join in the February Membership Meeting on Zoom

Topic: Master Gardener April Membership Meeting

Time: Apr 13, 2023 06:30 PM Central Time (US and Canada)

Join Zoom Meeting

<https://us05web.zoom.us/j/86323032623?pwd=YTNmOXRVSklCNWJEeEd3OGkwZUxaZz09>

Meeting ID: 863 2303 2623

Passcode: jaW7wP

REMINDER - 2023 Annual Membership Dues:

Amount per Member - \$15.00

Due Date: February 28, 2022

Please send a check by mail ASAP.

Make Checks Payable to:

Waupaca County Master Gardeners

Send by mail to:

Rebecca Weber Schmoll

N5350 Collier Road

New London WI, 54961

Canvas Online Classroom

<https://login.wisc.edu/idp/profile/SAML2/Redirect/SSO?execution=e1s2> to log into the on-line learning site.

Latest WIMGA Newsletter

https://www.wimga.org/files/uqg/ebc610_40e79c82e3fb47d68f21a5f3f9f4ee0d.pdf

to view updates and additional educational opportunities.

Online Reporting System (ORS)

<https://mastergardener.extension.wisc.edu/report-your-hours/>

to log into the system to report your educational hours.

WAUPACA COUNTY MASTER GARDENER

SPRING PLANT SALE

WHEN: Sunday June 4th, 2023

WHERE: Deana Hirte's Residence

107 East Ann Street

Weyauwega, WI 54983

March 2023 Meeting Minutes

Member at Large Patty Tomczak-Virning called the meeting to order at 6:30 with 2 members, 1 were online and 1 called in to attend.

The Secretary's report was provided by Nancy Sonnenberg. The February Meeting minutes and the Executive Board Meeting minutes were provide in the Newsletter. There were no comments, corrections or additions noted. A motion to approve the minutes was made, first by Pat and second by Patty.

The Treasurer's report was provided by Rebacca Weber Schmoll in advance of the meeting and shared by Nancy Sonnenberg.

Reminder: If you have not already submitted your Annual membership dues in the amount of \$15 for continuing members, please send it in promptly. The due date was **February 28, 2023**. Dues can be paid by cash or check at the next membership meeting or by sending a check by mailed to Rebecca. If you have not done so, please connect with Rebecca.

The State Representatives report was provided by Pat Richie. There was a Presidents meeting via Zoom recently. The ORS system is up and running. Doug confirmed that it was easy to enter hours using the new ORS system.

Committees and Events

2023 Summer Event Planning Decision to have a MGV Plant Sale on SUNDAY JUNE 4th, 2023 at Deana Hirte's Residence. This will be the same day as the Weyauwega Fireman's Chicken BBQ. Rebecca and Jean S. are the chairs of this committee. Members are encouraged to start thinking of plants that you can bring or neighbors who may have gardens that are in need of thinning. If there are plants left over from the plant sale, Doug suggested selling them during the Strawberry Fest held a few weeks later. REMINDER: This event will need "ALL HANDS ON DECK". Please add this to your calendar. Amy in the UW Extension office is assisting with questions, recruitment. Consider bringing a friend who is interested in becoming a "Friend of Master Gardeners".

Waupaca Children's Garden A change is coming to relocate the Waupaca children's garden from Swan Park to the ThedaCare Community Garden. A meeting was held Monday with the group. Dates have been planned for the program and will being in May. Planting is schedule for the day after the school year has completed and summer break begins. There is NO CHARGE for children to enter the program. There is room for 15 to 18 participants to join in the fun. Grant funding was approved for \$2,000 to build 10 raised beds and bring in fresh soil. Doug is getting support from the 4-H, and school students to build the boxes, volunteer help may be needed. The Waupaca The Parks & Rec All Star – Kids with Disabilities are also looking into gardening at the new location and other sports activities. Excess tools may be donated to the kids.

March 2023 Meeting Minutes

Scholarship Committee update from Carrie Esch in the agenda that applications went out to local high schools, Waupaca County 4-H office and the UW-EX website, as well as contacting the County Post. Scholarship applications are due May 1st, 2023 and listed at \$500. Spread the word if you know someone who is interested.

Old Business

Storage Unit Rental review to reach a decision by September. The unit is paid for through February of 2024. Keep a reminder to reevaluate the material in the shed. Is there an inventory list? Is there another option that is less costly? There will be a new shed at the ThedaCare Community Garden. We may be able to use this to house what is in the storage shed or purchase a metal shed on skids that could work for our needs and stay at this new location.

Social Media (Facebook) Carrie is working with the Waupaca Library – Teen Librarian to start a new Facebook page for the Waupaca County Master Gardener Volunteers. Oversight of this would need at least one Administrator dedicated to review information is needed. More discussion will be coming on this topic.

New Business

Fun Meeting Sites – REMINDER - Send ideas for events, presenters, and activities we can set up during the warmer months to Patty or Carrie.

There was a motion to adjourn by Doug and second by Pat at 6:58 pm.

Recent updates (from President Carrie Esch):

Waupaca Children's Garden: Looking for volunteers on Saturday, May 13th 9:00 -11:00 am to help with construction of raised bed boxes. All the materials will be on hand. So, bring yourself and maybe a cordless drill.

Social Media – Facebook: Last week, Doug and I set up a Facebook page for the group. The Waupaca Youth Librarian, Taylor Wilcox, helped us with the set up. The goals of the Facebook page are: 1) to enhance communicate about upcoming events and projects, and 2) to attract new members. It would be nice if any of you are on Facebook to join the group and you will be able to post pictures and info about group happenings. To join, you need to have your own personal Facebook page and send a request to join the group. For the time being, I will be the administrator of the page. It would be nice to have something to post at least once a week.

Scholarship: WCMGV Scholarship applications are due May 1. Information was sent to all the schools. If you know anyone interested, please let me know and I will get an application out to them.

Recommended Plants to Donate to the WC Master Gardener Volunteer - PLANT SALE –

Popular Perennials

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

Astilbe (Astilbe)

Coreopsis (Tickseed)

Delphinium (Delphinium)

Dicentra (Bleeding Heart)

Echinacea (Coneflower)

Ferns

Hemerocallis (Daylilies)

Heuchera (Coral Bells)

Hosta (Hosta, Plantain-lily)

Lavendula (Lavender)

Leucanthemum (Shasta Daisy)

Ornamental Grasses

Native grasses

Paeonia (Peonies)

Perovskia (Russian Sage)

Phlox (Tall Garden Phlox)

Rudbeckia (Black-eyed Susan)

Rudbeckia triloba (Brown-eyed Susan) Astilbe (Astilbe)

Tomato Plants

Salvia (Perennial Salvia)

Sedum (Stonecrop)

Annuals

Bulbs & Rhizomes

Herbs

Houseplants

Cacti & Succulents

Hostas

Vegetable Plants

Trees Vines

Ground cover

Native Grasses

Ferns

Any Prairies or woodland plants

Hanging Baskets

Perennials: Old Favorites

Perennials: unusual specimens

Other Donations Suggestions

Garden tools

Flower pots

Garden structures

Gardening books - news & used

Gardening magazines

Bird houses and feeders

Garden crafts

WAUPACA

Children's Garden Program

COME GROW WITH US

Living the Waupaca Way is teaming up with the Waupaca County Master Gardeners and several community partners to offer a **FREE** summer-long children's garden program. Children will learn where their food comes from by planting, maintaining, and harvesting produce to keep from their own square-foot garden. Each week will include special guest, activities and themes.

WHO

This program is geared toward children in 1st-5th grade. They must be accompanied by an adult.

WHERE

The Waupaca Community Garden across the street from ThedaCare Waupaca located at: 913 Riverside Drive, Waupaca, WI

WHEN

The program is 10 weeks long and will run from June 1 - August 10 with a Saturday morning meet-and-greet and a Thursday evening planting session.

SUMMER SCHEDULE:

Saturday, May 20 9:30- 11am - Meet and Greet & Planning
Thursday, June 1 3pm - 6pm - Planting
Friday, June 9 9:30 - 11am - First Session
Remainder of classes - Thursdays 9:30am - 11am June 15- August 10

**SIGN UP HERE
BY MAY 1ST**

Space is limited! Call or email Hailee at 715-258-6261 or hailee.struckawisc.edu or scan the QR code to register.

SCAN HERE

