



WAUPACA COUNTY MASTER GARDENERS

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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 November 9th

Membership Meeting

6:00 PM – Social

6:30 PM – Membership Meeting

Location: Waupaca County Courthouse

Lower Level Conference room

Or on Zoom

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Meeting Schedule

Thursday, December 14th

Thursday, February 9th

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

November

Open



November Birthdays

11/12 Jean Skewes

11/19 Deana Hirte

Board Meeting

January 26, 2023

Membership Meetings

February 9, 2023

March 9, 2023

April 13, 2023

May 11, 2023

June 8, 2023

July 13, 2023

August 10, 2023

September 14, 2023

October 12, 2023

November 9, 2023

December 14, 2023

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/uqd/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 volunteer and educational hours.

Meeting and Member Updates

Waupaca Co. Master Gardeners Join in the Membership Meeting

Can't make it in person? Join in on ZOOM.

Topic: Waupaca County Master Gardener Meeting

Time: Nov 9, 2023 06:30 PM Central Time (US and Canada)

Join Zoom Meeting

<https://us05web.zoom.us/j/85143145136?pwd=Yr9CELVn4nW7rGgdoJbRyS1dSRRXOf.1>

Meeting ID: 851 4314 5136

Passcode: 1Twfat

Committee Leader REMINDER

Payment Vouchers can be submitted to Rebecca for reimbursement. Thank You!

As part of the revisions to the Wisconsin Extension Master Gardener Program, the program has decided to issue new name badges to all current participants in the program.

- If you accept Terms and Conditions here in the Online Reporting System (ORS) on or before May 15, 2023 you will receive a new name badge in the 2023 calendar year.
- If you accept Terms and Conditions here in the Online Reporting System (ORS) after May 15, 2023 you will receive a new name badge in the 2024 calendar year.
- You will only receive one name badge. No replacements will be issued.
- Please verify your contact information. The name badge will be associated with the address on file in the ORS.
- Your Name in Use (preferred name) will be used on the name badge. Last names will not be used in order to protect your privacy and safety.
- You are expected to discontinue use of all old name badges when conducting volunteer activities or obtaining continuing education related to your participation in the Wisconsin Extension Master Gardener Program.

October 2023 Meeting Minutes

President Carrie Esch called the meeting to order at 6:30 with 8 members in person and 1 attending on zoom.

The Treasurer's report was provided by Rebecca Weber Schmoll and will be filed for audit.

The Secretary's report was provided by Nancy Sonnenberg. Meeting minutes were provided in the September newsletter. There was one correction in the second garden at the King Veterans' Home; the garden is located near the Marden Memorial Center at Olson Hall not the Petals of Honor. A motion to approve the minutes with this correction was moved by Rebecca first and second by Jean.

Committees and Events

Library Donations The annual donation letters and checks have been mailed. Several libraries have responded with letters of gratitude, confirming the receipt. The letter sent out to libraries was requested to be included in the next newsletter.

WIMGA Meeting There was an email to all Master Gardeners with an opportunity to attend the October 6th Special Membership Meeting to review changes to the board, approve updated bylaws and get input from Members.

Education An educational recording on September 27, 2023 focused on Invasive Species presented by Matthew Wallrath Wisconsin First Detector Network (WIFDN) Manager is available on YouTube and was provide by UW-Extension through an email to Master Gardener members.

Executive Board Elections Members discussed options for the group to continue and alternative ways of managing the President position under joint effort by members. Jean Skewes offered to be the State Representative (a.k.a. President); the president position would be governed by a committee in 2024. Carrie Esch presented interest in the Secretary role, with Nancy continuing to support hosting Zoom meetings. Rebecca Weber Schmoll offered to maintain the Executive Board, treasure position.

New London Children's Garden Jean provided an update on the upcoming work the city of New London has planned for the garden. They will be removing all planting boxes and other items to replace fabric/mulch in the area. New boxes and soil will be placed in 2024.

Waupaca Children's Garden A community garden manager may be in place for next year. Consider limiting planting options, automated watering, and marking a clean-up date in advance next year.

There was a motion to adjourn at 7:25 made first by Pat and second by Jean.

Library Donations

Letter sent out to Waupaca County the libraries along with the Donation checks:

September 25, 2023

To: Waupaca County Library Director

From: Waupaca County Master Gardeners

RE: \$100 gift

It is our pleasure to offer funds to support education of both youth and adults. A check for \$100 has been mailed to you (enclosed). Please use these funds to purchase books, magazines, other material and/or activities related to horticulture.

If you would be so kind to inform us of the nature of your purchase, we will share this information with our members. It will be included in our monthly newsletter.

The details can be shared via E-mail at nancyiris@outlook.com or by mailing: N7139 County Road G, Iola, WI 54945. If you have any questions, you can call Nancy Sonnenberg at (715) 570-1096.

Thank you!

Nancy Sonnenberg, Secretary
Waupaca County Master Gardeners

Hello Nancy,

I'm writing on behalf of everyone here at the Marion Public Library. We are so grateful for the recent donation from the Waupaca County Master Gardeners. With it, we will be purchasing the following things for our patrons: Growing an Edible Landscape book, a Farmer's Market Color Sorting Set for children to check out and take home, and packets of flower seed to use as a giveaway in Spring of 2024.

If anyone in your organization is willing to come out and give a presentation, we would love to have you! We typically try to host an event or so every month. Perhaps in late winter/early spring we could try something like that. Give it some thought, and we'll be in touch.

Thanks again for your generous donation!

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