



Waupaca County August 2016

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, please listen to WJMQ 92.3 and WDUX 92.7 for cancellation information. We will also attempt to notify members via email.

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E7210 White Lake Rd, Weyauwega, WI

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2015 Executive Board Members

- President: Rebecca Weber-Schmoll**
- Vice-President: Sally Marchel/Handrich**
- Secretary: Deana Hirte**
- Treasurer: Bridget Kurth**
- Member at Large: Patty Tomczak-Virinig**
- Member at Large: Kathleen Daley**
- Past President: Susan Morack**
- State Board Rep: Pat Ritchie**
- UWEX Advisor: Greg Blonde**

From Greg Blonde: MGV members please contact my secretary or me at 715-258-6230 extension 2 with any changes regarding contact information. For example send a change in name, email, mailing address, or phone number.
greg.blonde@ces.uwex.edu

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September 8, 2016

Waupaca County Courthouse

Business Meeting

6:00 pm Social

6:30 pm Business Meeting

7:30 pm Discuss all business, sign up for committees

October 13, 2016

Waupaca County Courthouse

6:00 pm Social

6:30 pm Business Meeting

7:30 pm Program with Rob Zimmer "Designing with Unusual

Fall Bulbs - Beyond Tulips & Daffodils & Demonstrate How to

"Force Bulbs" for Winter Interest"

November 10, 2016

Waupaca County Courthouse

6:00 pm Social

6:30 pm Program with Steve Petznick "Invasive Plants"

7:30 pm Business Meeting

December 8, 2016

6:00 pm MGV Christmas Party

We will be planning for programs for 2017. Please contact the Program Committee with any ideas for speakers. Also, we will be looking for June, July, & Aug. 2017 Summer Meeting locations preferably in MG's own gardens. Let either Sally or Ila know if you wish for your gardens to be the location for summer 2017 meetings. Thank you.

Meeting Minutes

July 14, 2016

Call to order

[Facilitator Name] called to order the off-site meeting of the UW-Extension Waupaca County Master Gardener Association at 6:35pm on July 14, 2016 at Graziano Gardens located in Pine River, WI.

Guests welcomed

Patty introduced Vicki Haefer as our guest and new associate member. Vicki helped out at our Garden Walk/Art Stroll and is interested in doing more volunteering with our group.

Host Message

Shelly Graziano, owner of our venue for the evening, was introduced and thanked for her hospitality in letting us meet at her gardens. She spoke on upcoming events and highlighted the Daylily Dazzle event to be held on July 23 from 9am to 6pm. She shared that Darrel Aps will be at the event and showing his hybrid daylilies. He will have specialty plants and seedlings for sale. Mr. Ap is a nationally renowned daylily hybridizer living in Wild Rose, WI. Shelly said there will be specials on daylilies including buy 2 get 1 free.

Secretary's Report/Approval of Minutes

Connie motioned and Patty 2nd to approve the minutes from the June 2016 meeting as emailed/snail mailed out to membership.

Treasurer's Report

Bridget Kurth gave treasurer's report and stated it was a good month.

Committee Reports

Membership: Connie-nothing new to report. Deana asked about recruitment flyer. Sue said we do have some and there should be something online about upcoming classes.

Program/Publicity: The August program will be held at White Lake Nursery site 2. Other meeting programming is in the newsletter.

Garden Walk/Art Stroll: The event was a success-many favorable comments from gardeners and artists alike. Our goal was to sell 200 tickets and 203 were sold, resulting in a profit for our group. All thought the New London location gave Master Gardeners' good exposure. Connie shared that the Herrid's have a lot of pots for anyone that might need some. She has their number.

State Representative Report:

Connie reported on behalf of Pat. Fair volunteers are needed to help with judging, entry sign in and manning the MG booth. A sign-up sheet was passed around.

Old Business:

S.O.P.: Kate not present

By-laws: Bill reported Kathleen pulling by-laws together

Executive Board Meetings held first Monday in October and December at Royalton Church at 6:30 pm.

Bench: A bench was found on EBay to replace the deteriorated one lost to the elements.

New Business:

Waupaca County Fair: discussed above
Leadership Waupaca: Sue and Connie spoke about the program. Our group does have budgeted money to pay for a member to attend. Deana said she has applied already to get the early bird discount and would like to formally apply for the MG Leadership Waupaca scholarship. The membership said there was no formal application process for the money and Connie brought up the "first come first serve" clause. Faye motioned and Sue 2nd to award the scholarship money to Deana to attend the training. All were in favor. Deana thanked the group.

Will Allen feedback: Patty spoke about the presentation and shared that about 50 people attended. She said he spoke a lot on urban gardening and has set up several sites throughout the nation. She did buy his book and is willing to borrow to anyone that might want to read it.

Adjournment:

[Facilitator Name] adjourned the meeting.

Food, garden tours, shopping, and fellowship followed.

Minutes submitted by: Deana Hirte

August 2016 President Letter

August already, and why does summer rush by so very fast?!

The mere mention of August used to strike terror in my heart. As a teacher, I would always compose for myself a summer to-do list. Suddenly August would arrive, and I had not started my summer work list! Somehow I always managed to get a couple of those summer chores completed.

Now, being retired from teaching I make a monthly to-do list. Some months I do get a lot accomplished, much to my surprise. This summer I have focused on outdoor painting projects and bringing long neglected flowerbeds back to beauty.

We Master Gardeners do not need to worry about digging plants for a Fall plant sale. Our spring plant sale and Garden Art Walk were both successful. We do have money to fund our pet garden projects.

August 24 to 28 brings the Waupaca County Fair. Please help Pat by signing up to help with fair entries and the judging. There will also be our Master Gardener display booth on

Friday and Saturday where we M.G.s' can answer questions to educate the public. There will be a sign-up sheet at our August meeting. This is an excellent way to pick up last minute volunteer hours.

Our August meeting will be at White Lake Nursery. We will meet the owner of the nursery, Nancy. Again we will have the opportunity to purchase plants. Is there such a thing as too many plants?

Those of us with vegetable gardens are now dealing with the bounty of green beans, zucchini, and raspberries. That first ripe tomato just makes all the work of gardening worthwhile!

Until the elderberries ripen.....Rebecca.

County Fair is coming!!

The Waupaca County Fair is coming August 24-28. This is an excellent time to pick up some last minute volunteer hours. Help is needed all 5 days.

Wednesday August 24 help is needed in the youth building to take in Junior Fair entries and display them. There are shifts from 12 noon until 8:00 in the evening. Shifts this day run from 12-4 and 4-8. There are 3 different areas to work in, Vegetables, Crops and Flowers and Houseplant. Thursday August 25 help is again needed in the youth building for the judging of the 3 above categories. Houseplants and Flowers need about 4 people one of which can climb the risers. The other two areas need 2 people each to help with judging. Work time is 9:30 AM until judging is done, about 4PM or earlier depending on the number of exhibits.

Friday August 26 we are in in the open class building taking in entries and helping with judging of Open Class houseplants and flowers. About 5 people are needed in the morning to help enter the plants and place them and 5 in the afternoon to help with the judging. Shifts run in the morning from 8:00am until noon and Noon until judging is done usually about 4 or 5:00 depending on entries.

On Friday evening and Saturday August 27, and Sunday August 28 the Master Gardeners have a display booth and answer question for the public. This is one of our opportunities to help educate the public. Three hour shifts are offered each day from 10AM-10 PM on Saturday until 7:00pm on Sunday and from 4PM - 10PM on Friday. Please consider and volunteer. Call or e-mail Pat Ritchie for further details.

Two Things Worth Noting

- 1) 4x8 white wooden fence for sale; proceeds will go to Master Gardeners; contact Sue Morack (920-209-7744) to view
- 2) Thank you to all Master Gardeners for keeping me in your thoughts and prayers. My recovery has gone well. Love, Sue Morack

August MG Birthdays

- 8/10 Walt Thompson
8/11 Greg Blonde
8/24 Glenda Rhodes

