Educational Hours 2014

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Monthly Meeting Dates

**2015 Dues**

Dues can be paid starting with the September 22nd meeting. Dues still remain at $10.00 per calendar year. See your club treasurer, Renee Lemberger, to handle this payment. It can also be mailed to her at 11704 County Road K, Reedsville, WI 54230. Checks payable to Master Gardeners of Manitowoc County. Any changes in addresses or e-mails please make a note of this when paying your dues.

Submitted by Renee Lemberger

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**September 22, 2014**

Bees

6:00 pm

Manitowoc Co. Office Complex

**October 27, 2014**

Meeting time: 6:00 pm

with Public Presentation by Rob Zimmer at 7:00 pm

Donation of canned food item for admission

Manitowoc Co. Office Complex
Mandated Reporter Training

wcwpds.wisc.edu/mandatedreporter/

This is the link to take the MANDATED Reporter Training

This must be done by October 1, 2014

Turn certificate in at any monthly meeting.

Reminder:

** Volunteer Hours must be turned in to Judy Lango by October 1

** Mandated Reporter Training counts as one hour of continuing education

Preserving Wisconsin’s Harvest Series

October 6  Preserving Meat Safely

November 3  A Safe Thanksgiving and Crockpot Safety

December 1  Holiday Gifts from the Kitchen

Join us for our Lunch & Learn webinar-based sessions on food safety and preservation topics.

Time: Noon Hour 12:00 pm

Location: UW-Extension Office

Programs will be archived at:

www.foodsafety.wisc.edu

How to Help Houseplants Cope With Winter

By: Julie Day

Now that the weather’s getting cooler, my houseplants are beginning to protest a little – they know that they belong in the tropics, and they’re not too keen on spending their winters in an artificially heated climate. I can identify with that!

Try the following to help plants cope with the cold:

Go Slow: Growth slows down in the winter, so stop fertilizing houseplants and reduce watering until spring growth resumes.

Cold Damage: Low light plants in northern windows can get too cold. Move them to a sunny eastern or southern exposure until spring. On freezing nights, keep foliage from touching cold window glass.

Boost Humidity: Everything seems a little dried out after the lush, humid summer. Even though you can reduce watering in the winter, a humidifier or pebble tray helps keep tropical plants from suffering in a dry, heated house.

Heat damage: Move plants away from heat sources, including fireplaces and heating registers. During the coldest part of winter, I often gather my houseplants into a makeshift “tropical paradise,” by grouping them in the sunniest window with a humidifier nearby and a closed door to hold in the sun’s warmth. It makes a nice getaway for me, too.

I also give my plants permission to draw in on themselves and dream away the winter. Something I plan to do as well!

Date: July 28, 2014  
Time: 5:00 p.m.  
Place: Bookworm Gardens  
Attendance: 15

Meeting started with a tour of Bookworm Gardens from 5:30 – 7:10 pm.  
Vice - President Pat Hollen called the meeting to order at 7:10 p.m.

Treasurer’s Report

Renee Lemberger gave the Treasurer’s Report which was accepted as read.

Minutes

Minutes of last month’s meeting were distributed to all present.

Plant Clinic Update

Rosie Bugs, Eileen Kummer, et.al. reported that there were many questions on Weed Identification.

Invasive Species Update

No report

WIMGA Report

July Lango had no report.

Community Monthly Updates

Rosie Bugs informed us that they planted the Veteran’s Memorial.

Old Business

Garden Walk for 2015 report was given by Judy Lango. There are nine gardens in Two Rivers that were toured by the committee. A letter was sent to the garden hosts.

New Business

Mandated Reporter Training is due soon and lots of members have NOT completed it!

Master Naturalist Program is new in WI and may be hosted by Woodland Dunes in the future.

Marilyn Starzewski suggested that we add an educational component to our Garden Walk in 2015: Veggie Gardens / Compost; Wooded Garden / Branching Out Class “ITree” program to map trees on property; etc.

August meeting will be on the 25th at Himmelgarten Gardens in Newton, WI. They are a grape wine grower. Meeting will start at 5:30 and include a one-hour tour.

Motion to adjourn: July Lango. Second: Sandy Stock. The meeting adjourned at 7:25 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Annette Paul
Date: August 25, 2014
Time: 5:30 p.m.
Place: Himmelgarten Vineyard
Attendance: 15 Members
Education: 70 minutes

Meeting began with a tour of the grape vineyard by the owner of Himmelgarten Vineyard. He explained how he got started growing grapes, pruning techniques he uses and why he selected the grape he is growing. It was a very informative and interesting presentation.

President Chelle Blaszczyk called the meeting to order at 6:45.

Old Business:
Volunteer hours need to be turned in to Judy Lango by October 1.
Mandated reporter training certificates need to be completed. For anyone without access to a computer it is possible to use the computer at the Manitowoc County Office.

Treasurer Report:
Treasurer Renee Lemberger gave the Treasurer’s Report and it was accepted as read.

Secretary Report:
Minutes will be available in the next newsletter.

Plant Clinic:
Common topics at the plant clinic are weeds, stinging nettle, powdery mildew questions, composting and bee and hornet removal as reported by Renee Lemberger.

Invasive Species:
Gladwyn Doughman reported on a new invasive, the autumn olive bush. He feels we need more people to be involved on this project.

WIMGA:
Doris Magyar gave the WIMGA report, volunteer hours need to be turned in by October 1. Grants are available on the website. Also considering a name change to UW Ext. Horticulture Volunteers, was discussion on this and most not in favor of this change.

Member Activities:
Members have been volunteering at various places including the War Memorial, Woodland Dunes butterfly gardens, zoo and New Holstein prairie garden and library.

County Fair Judging:
Renee Lemberger did the 4-H planter judging again this year.
Garden Walk:

The Garden Walk Committee toured 9 potential gardens in the city of Two Rivers for 2015. Committee feels 6 or 7 gardens is the maximum amount we can adequately cover with our volunteers. A meeting will be held in September to decide on the gardens selected and the date of the garden walk.

Garden Expo:

Suzanne Lawrence of the UW Manitowoc contacted Chelle Blaszczyk about the
Garden Expo they are planning for the spring of 2015. There will be a planning meeting to attend if you are interested in working on this project, let Chelle know if you want to be involved. May offer classes on invasive plants, plant clinic information and possibly get speakers form Madison for this event. Will be a good opportunity to get information to the public on Master Gardeners.

October Presentation:

Renee Lemberger will talk to Rob Zimmer about his topic for the October meeting, it will be open to the public.

Board Meeting:

September 15 is the date for the next Board Meeting in Room 100. The Board will be planning next year’s topics. All members are welcome to attend.

Meeting was adjourned at 7:12 with a motion from Rosie Bugs and a second from Pat Hollen.

Respectfully submitted,

Carol Lallensack
Acting Secretary
Edwin Way Teale

For nature, it is a time of sowing, of scattering abroad.

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