

November 3, 2023

Important reminders about the November 8 Board meeting

The meeting will be held at 6 pm at the Green Bay Botanical Garden, Cornerstone Foundation Room (west). The Board will select a Vice President and Secretary for 2024 at this meeting; please forward any nominations for either officer position to Kate Fix.

Nov. 11 Seed Sorting and other Seed Library news

Join volunteers on behalf of the Brown County Seed Library for seed sorting and packing. Volunteers will meet in the second floor Board Room, Central Branch, Brown County Library. Register for one or two sessions: session 1: 9:30am - 12pm; session 2: 12:30pm - 3pm.

The Seed Library is accepting seed donations, from seed companies or seeds you harvest. Anyone is welcome to donate by using the attached form. Butterfly weed seeds are especially in need. For more information about the Brown County Seed Library, view its November Newsletter.

News from state Master Gardener Program

The 2023 Deadline for reporting hours is extended to January 8, 2024. The reporting year remains the same, January 1-December 31, 2023.

NEWMG 2024 Enrollment Form

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Our new mailing address and seed catalogs

When ordering seed catalogs, please ask the vendor to mail one to NEW Master Gardeners, PO Box 135, Green Bay, WI; 54305.. Dues payments should still be sent to our treasurer's home address (see above).

Local vendors offer us discounts

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Congratulations to Shirley Treist-Robertson, Jim Radey, Jennifer Classon, Annette Weissbach (second term) and Megan Ferst for being elected to serve on the NEWMG Board, 2024-2026 at last month's Annual Meeting. The minutes from the Annual Meeting are attached.

Check the Master Gardeners calendar, https://bit.ly/3PnhFQL, to stay abreast of all our events and activities.

October 20, 2023

Seeds Library update

Join volunteers Sunday, Oct. 22, 9am - 11:30am or 12 pm - 2:30 pm. Room 136, STEM Center. Volunteers will be cleaning and packing seeds. Sign up here and indicate which shift you will join.

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October 6, 2023

Important upcoming dates

Saturday, October 14, 9:30 am-noon

NEWMG Annual Meeting at the STEM Center. Necessary documents for the annual meeting are attached. Members are welcome to bring a dish to pass for brunch (9:30 am). Visit this link to volunteer for the brunch. The business meeting begins at 10:15 am. We will approve a slate of members to serve on the Board for three years, 2024 through and including 2026. Nominations of self or others should be sent to President Kate Fix. The Board meets on the second Wednesday of the month, odd numbered months, 6 pm.

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WIMGA Special Membership Meeting (over ZOOM). Click here for more information and to register.

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September 17, 2023

Sunday, October 1, 9:00 am-4:00 pm

Fall Family Festival, Green Bay Botanical Garden, 2600 Larsen Rd, Green Bay Sign up to assist at the Master Gardener's table.

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September 1, 2023

President's Message

Thank you to all who participated in the Master Gardeners Open Houses this summer. By sharing and showing off our beautiful gardens, we build a stronger community of volunteers. We enjoy each other's partnership in making the world a better place. We are stewards of the planet.

As the Harvest Happy Hour (see below) approaches, it is time to ask how our gardens performed. What would we do differently? What are our thoughts for next year? Who would we like to see on our Board in 2024? I look forward to our coming together and sharing our garden stories.

Please put these dates on your calendar as a reminder and plan to attend. Best always, Kate Fix

Update from Brown County Seed Saving

Special thanks to those project teams who hosted a seed saving event at their garden this summer. The next seed steward training workshop will be 5:00 pm-5:45 pm, Wednesday, September 13 at the STEM Center. For more information on Brown County Seed Saving, click here.

Important upcoming dates

Wednesday, September 13, 4:30 pm-6 pm

Harvest Happy Hour with zucchini and tomatoes, 2nd floor kitchen, STEM Center, September 13, 4:30-6:00 pm. Contact <u>Eileen Rueden</u> with any questions.

Saturday, October 14

NEWMG Annual Meeting at the STEM Center. Stay tuned for more details.

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August 18, 2023

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August 4, 2023

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1. Sat., Aug. 5, 7 am-noon; Aging and Disability Resource Center (ADRC) Will include basic seed saving and Brown County Seed Library Seed Stewards training. Use the

ADRC parking lot on the east side of Adams St, opposite Grounded Cafe. Wear your MG name badge or identify as an NEWMB and Automobile Gallery and Captain Winery, both located near ADRC project, and receive a discount on admission or wine, respectively.

- 2. Thurs., Aug. 10, 5 pm-7 pm; St. Mark's Church, 2066 Lawrence Dr, De Pere
- 3. Tues., Aug. 15, 3 pm-5 pm, Tank Garden at Heritage Hill State Park. Enter through Gate 3 on Lazarre Rd.
- 4. Thur., Aug. 17, 4:30 pm-6 pm; Mongin Gardens at STEM Center. Rain date is Aug. 18. Will feature an indoor display on Bob Mongin and the development of these gardens from 2021.
- 5. Tues., Aug. 22, 6 pm-7:30 pm; Children's Edible Garden at Central Branch, Brown County Library.

Membership Committee meeting

The NEWMG Membership Committee will meet Thurs., Aug. 17, 6 pm, STEM Center. All are invited. For more information, contact Eileen Rueden or Kate Fix.

Community events of interest

Tues., Aug. 15, YMCA Block Party at 601 Cardinal Lane, Green Bay. Free events from 5 pm-8 pm. Come to check out the NEW MG Garden

Can you help?

Help judge plants at the Brown County Fair on Tues., Aug. 15, 1:30 pm-5:30 pm. Contact Eileen Rueden, 920-470-5562.

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Can you help?

- 1. We will staff a table at the Green Bay Farmers' Market on Wed., Aug. 2. Click <u>here</u> to volunteer for a shift.
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July 7, 2023

Please join us for the 6 pm, July 12 Board meeting!

Green Bay Botanical Garden, 2600 Larsen Rd, Green Bay, WI 54303

All NEWMGs are invited. After the meeting we are invited to walk the Garden. Members can bring a treat to share.

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Can you help?

Nicolet Terrace Apartments seeks a July guest speaker. Can you address indoor and outdoor plants, roses, raised bed gardens, etc.? Contact <u>Eben</u>.

NEWMG internship program

There will be a meeting to discuss the formation of an NEWMG Internship program at the Aging and Disability Resource Center at 2 pm, Friday, July 21th. The Internship program will grow MGs. Please confirm your interest and attendance by emailing <u>Kate Fix</u>.

Gardeners Club "Garden Walk" is Saturday, July 22, 9 am-3 pm

Click <u>here</u> for additional information. Volunteers are needed; contact <u>Veronica Geurts</u>, 920-471-8649

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June 2, 2023

Free hypertufa planter workshop for NEWMG members, June 22 or 24, STEM Center

What is a hypertufa planter? Hypertufa is a versatile and strong material that you can mold into your desired shape for your outdoor plants. Read more about hypertufa planters here. Click here. Click here. Click here. To learn more about these planters and to sign up for the 6:30 pm, June 22 or 10 am June 24 workshop.

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Volunteer opportunities for new projects and Breakfast on the Farm

The "new projects" at The Brown County Shelter and east side YMCA are moving forward with committed volunteers and our communication with sponsors. Stay tuned for updates if you volunteered for either of new project.

Also, please consider helping to staff the NEWMG information table at Breakfast on the Farm, Sunday, June 4. The event is at 3489 Hill Rd, Greenleaf, WI 54126. The signup is here.

Save the date for the June 16, 7:15 am-6 pm Horticulture Bus Tour! The \$95 reservation includes tours Sisson's Peony Garden, Vines and Rushes, Jung Seed Company, Kelley's Creamery and Park Ridge Organics, bus transportation, lunch, wine tasting, and an ice cream break. NEWMGs and their friends will receive priority treatment if registered by May 5. Please send your payment check payable to NEWMG and mail to Eileen Rueden, PO Box 200, Forest Junction, WI 54123. Contact Eileen Rueden, 920-470-5562, with any questions. Sign up here.

News from the Brown County Seed Library

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May 19, 2023

Message from the President and Past President

Thank you all for your participation in the NEWMG Plant Sale. The Sale was a great success; we exceeded total 2022 sales on the first day! Volunteer participation was the real reason for success. As you return to your gardens, we wish you a joyful gardening season. Please share on Facebook your garden learnings, issues and success.

Did anyone say free plants?

NEWMGs are welcome to take any leftover plants from the plant sale (mostly tomato plants remain). The free plants are on the pallets, on the north side of the greenhouse.

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April 21, 2023

President Kate Fix's Message

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We will sell plants grown in our greenhouse and donated plants from members. We are accepting donations of "bare root plants." They may be donated at the STEM Center April 24-May 1. With the concern of jumping worms, remember to wash off all bare plant roots before donating them. There will be a self-serve-repotting table near our greenhouse. Please see the attached handout on jumping worms. We will also sell gardening books and washed tools and garden ornaments during the Plant Sale. Please deposit them April 25-May 1 in the tote under the back stairs near the greenhouse. New benefit and bus tour for NEWMGs!

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Like to write? The Brown County Seed Library seeks a volunteer to write a short article (one or two paragraphs) on Gaillardia–how to grow, when it blooms, and a little history of it. Also, consider sharing a seasonal recipe. And, stay posted for a June seed packing event.

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Continuing education

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Volunteer needs

STEM Center Family Day; April 29, 2023, 9 am-2:30 pm

This is a free event for kids of all ages. UWGB STEM student organizations, Brown County Extension and the Einstein Project are hosting a plethora of other organizations all providing hands-on STEM engagement. Sign up here to volunteer. For more information, contact Eileen Rueden, 920-470-5562.

Photographer needed

If you would like to volunteer as a photographer at our events and work sites, please contact Kate Fix.

Donation needs

We have been granted storage space at the STEM Center. We seek a lockable donated file cabinet, plastic shelving to hold totes, clean totes and shelving, and a dry erase board. Email <u>Kate Fix</u> if you can help.

New Leaf Foods requests donated perennial food plants (such as asparagus, strawberries, rhubarb, fruit bushes [elderberry, raspberries, blackberries] and fruit trees) for the Urban Food Forest program. Contact Garden Blitz, (920) 32B-LITZ.

March 17, 2023

Attention! Tree Pruning Schedule Change

The March 18 tree pruning workshop has been postponed until March 25, 2023, 9:30 am-noon, 526 N Erie St, De Pere. With the change in date, please confirm or reconfirm your desire to attend this free workshop for Master Gardeners only by emailing jclasson@yahoo.com. Coffee and snacks will be provided, but please bring your own mug.

Update from the March 8 NEWMG Board meeting

Draft minutes from the last Board meeting are attached. Note well that we decided to form an ad hoc committee to explore the establishment of a Master Gardener internship program. This program would allow people to assist on a project and meet MGs before making a commitment to Master Gardener training. Interested committee members are welcome to a meeting at 5 pm, Monday, March 27, at the STEM Center, Board Conference Room. For more information about the ad hoc committee, contact Kate Fix.

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Volunteer needs

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Spring Fling at Heritage Hill

Sat. April, 10:00 am to 4:00 pm. We will share stories of our work in Green Bay and at Heritage Hill's Tank Garden. To volunteer for any amount of time, contact <u>Peggy Loritz</u>.

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News from Wisconsin Master Gardener Office

Online Reporting System (ORS) is back online. The ORS has a new website link, ors.wimastergardener.org—please bookmark. Please indicate your preferred name in ORS.

NEWMGA member meeting

Plan to attend a membership meeting at the STEM Center, Sat. April 15, 11:30 am-1 pm. Taco bar lunch (you may bring a dish to pass), organizational updates, and new name badges!

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Introduction to Installing a Rain Garden

5:00 pm-6:30 pm, Thursday, March 9, 2023, Bay Beach Wildlife Sanctuary. Sponsored by Green Bay Conservation Corps. Click here for more information about this free event.

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February 17, 2023

Continuing education

2023 Bob Mongin Garden Series

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Can you help supply?

<u>Chris Reitmeyer</u>, a local horticulturist, seeks leads for scion wood for sweet cherry varieties that are cold hardy to this region. Please let him know if you have a connection.

February 3, 2023

Continuing education

"PBS Wisconsin Garden & Landscape Expo"

The Extension office has two one-day passes to the PBS Wisconsin Garden and Landscape Expo. If you are interested contact Eben.

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January 6, 2023

Membership news

Where do you shop?

Our Outreach Committee is polling all members to determine your go to businesses for plants, seeds and gardening equipment and supplies. The hope is for our organization to form partnerships with our favorite businesses that can provide discounts for members' and organizational purchases. Click here to answer the survey. Please complete the survey by January 9, 2023.

Reminder to log hours

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Continuing education

Green Bay Botanical Garden blog posts

Our friends at the Green Bay Botanical Garden have highlighted their most popular 2022 blog posts: <u>Tips</u> for Planting Spring Bulbs in the Fall, <u>7 Edible Plants to Grow in Smaller Living Spaces</u>, <u>Keep It Clean or Not: How to Tidy Up Your Outdoor Spaces & Still Protect Wildlife Habitats</u>, <u>Threats to Monarch Migration</u>, <u>Good Bugs You Need in Your Garden & How to Protect Them</u>. Check them out for continued learning!

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2022



December 16, 2022

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December 2, 2022

Personnel change

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November 18, 2022

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Volunteer opportunities

Seed Library

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WIMGA News

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November 4, 2022

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Volunteer opportunities

Assistance with ADRC Project

Our ADRC Project team needs help spreading wood chips. If you can help, contact Kate Fix.

Urban Food Forest

Urban food forests are plantings of edible landscape plants like raspberries, blackberries, elderberries, plum trees, apple trees, black chokeberries, and hazelnuts that enhance the yard's beauty and provide healthy food every year. If you would like to learn more about New Leaf Foods Urban Food Forests, click <u>here</u>. If you would like to attend the Nov. 11, 2 pm planning meeting for Urban Food Forests, click <u>here</u>.

Seed Library

Planning for our community's new Seed Library continues to progress. Planners, including our representative Melissa Wass, foresee a March 4, 2023 launch event. Contact Melissa for more information. Stay tuned!

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October 21, 2022

Membership news

Thanks to outgoing and incoming Board members

As a result of the Board member selection at the Oct. 8 Annual Meeting, our Association thanks Nancy Fictum and Mary Sprangers for the completion of six years of Board service. We thank Paula King, Mary Mullins and Nancy Whitfield for accepting another three year term. And we welcome new Board members Sherrill Revolinski, Bruce LaSota, Melissa Wass, Donald Buntman, Michelle Montoya, and Edie Brandt. Retirements and new terms are effective Jan. 1, 2023.

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NEWMG fun facts

In 2021, we recorded 79 members, 2161 volunteer hours and 870 education hours.

October 7, 2022

Learning opportunities

Saturday, October 15; 10 am-noon (rain date October 22)

Meet in Locktender house on Fox Riverwalk, Voyageur Park

Locktender Native Garden Seed Collection Workshop

Free tutorial and workshop on native plant seeds. Registration to csch5677@gmail.com required by October 14, 2022, 6 pm. Please see the attached flyer. Public invited.

October horticulture Webinars by Wisconsin Horticulture

"Tips for Getting Landscape Plants Ready for Winter"; Thursday, October 13, 12:00 p.m.

"Protecting Young Trees from Animal and Other Damage Over Winter"; Thursday, October 20, 12:00 p.m.

"Maintaining Your Festive Houseplants; Thursday, October 27, 12:00 pm

For more information, click here.

Membership news

2022 Annual Meeting is tomorrow, October 8!

Please join fellow MGVs, 9:30 am-noon, STEM Center. Includes brunch (bring a dish to pass), a vote on new Board members and revised bylaws, a review of the 2022 project teams, etc. New Board members may also be nominated from the floor at the meeting.

NEWMG Treasurer Nancy Fictum will be collecting \$25.00, 2023 member dues at the meeting. You may pay by cash or check (checks payable to NEWMG). You may also mail a check to Nancy Fictum; 2528 Sage Dr; Green Bay, WI; 54302. Membership dues are due December 31, 2022.

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September 16, 2022

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Questions about Master Gardeners transition from state to local administration?

As we continue to live with the changes of Master Gardening from a state association with local affiliates to a more independent local organization, your questions may be forwarded to <u>Eben</u>. He will group questions, seek answers, and report to all at the Annual Meeting on Oct. 8.

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Upcoming events

Sat., Oct. 8

9:30 am-noon

NEWMG Annual Meeting – STEM Center, 2019 Technology Way, Green Bay.

Bring a brunch dish to pass. Stay tuned for more details.

Attachments Note the two attached documents, revised bylaws for our Association (there will be a vote to approve these revised bylaws at the Oct. 8 Annual Meeting) and draft notes from the September 14 Board meeting.

September 2, 2022

Message from President Eileen Rueden

After viewing beautiful gardens at the Open Houses, it is hard to believe that this year has been extremely challenging for our association. We have weathered the changes from the UW-Extension and we are now a self-managed organization. A draft of our revised by-laws will be presented at the September board meeting, and a copy will go out to all members shortly after September 14. The annual membership meeting on Saturday, October 8 will be a great opportunity for you to find out more about the changes and get any of your questions answered.

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Reminders to log hours and sharing on Facebook

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The NEWMG Communication Committee also reminds everyone to post relevant photos, gardening questions and tips, and links to information sources on our <u>Facebook page</u> Our 166 Facebook group members would love to hear from you!

Upcoming events

Wed., Sept. 7

6 pm-7 pm, Patio at Mulva Library (St. Norbert College)

Plant Swap—Bring a plant (preferably labeled), seeds, or plant cuttings and swap with other plant lovers. Don't have a plant to swap? No problem!

Sat., October 8

9:30 am-noon

NEWMG Annual Meeting - STEM Center, 2019 Technology Way, Green Bay.

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Aug. 19, 2022

Community partnership opportunity

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Educational opportunities, Aug. 24-Sept. 7

Join the Division of Extension--Horticulture for the next set of FREE mini-webinars about late season issues. The 20 minute webinars are followed by Q and A. Registration is required for each mini-webinar. Click here for more information and to register.

Upcoming events; mark your calendars

Thur., Aug. 25

Visit a Master Gardener project! Tour the Bob Mongin Garden at the STEM Center. Stroll the gardens 5 pm-6:30 pm. Potluck social at 6:30 pm. Food demonstration on ways with tomatoes and zucchinis at 5:00 pm in the 2nd floor kitchens and 6:45 pm composting fun with Shirley Treist-Robertson. Patio will be open. Bring your favorite tomatoes or peppers to taste. Bring a flower bouquet to decorate the tables.

Sat., Aug. 27, 10 am-noon

Visit a Master Gardener project! Children's Edible Garden, Central Library, 515 Pine St. (Green Bay). For more information, click <u>here</u>.

Sat., Aug. 27, 10 am-2:00 pm

Wild Ones plant sale, Stone Silo Prairie Gardens, 2325 Oak Ridge Cir, De Pere

Sat., October 8

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August 5, 2022

Reminders:

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Volunteer opportunity

Can you help judge plants at the Brown County Fair on Tuesday, Aug. 16, 1:30 pm-5 pm? Contact Eileen Rueden for more information (erueden@tds.net, 920-470-5562)

Upcoming events

Tuesday, Aug. 9, 4 pm-8 pm

Visit a Master Gardener Project! Square Foot Garden, Howard YMCA, 601 Cardinal Lane, Green Bay. Help needed with plant diagnostics and make and takes, 4 pm-8 pm; free activities, 5 pm-8 pm. If you would like to help, email Eileen Rueden erueden@tds.net, 920-470-5562.

Thursday, Aug. 18, 5 pm-7 pm

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July 15, 2022

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Urgent service opportunity

Barnard Farms, Sturgeon Bay, is short of cherry pickers. It has used Ukrainian workers in the past. Barnard Farms will donate part of the value of your labor to <u>Wisconsin Ukrainians</u>, <u>Inc</u>. Wisconsin Ukrainians has existed since 2014 to generate humanitarian aid from Wisconsin for the people of Ukraine. For more information, <u>click here</u>. To sign up for a shift in the coming week, <u>click here</u>.

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Upcoming events

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Wednesday, July 20

Head to De Pere for two Master Gardener open houses, 5 pm-7pm. Visit Locktender's Garden project on the Fox River Trail (just north of the De Pere bridge on the Fox River Trail) and St. Mark's Lutheran Church, 2066 Lawrence Drive.

Monday, July 25

7 pm ZOOM presentation by Meg McAndrews, "Fall Gardening Season." Contact WIMGA for login information.

Thursday, July 28

Tour of <u>Solaris Farms</u>, 7510 Pinesva Rd, Reedsville, Wisc.,including its daylilies and lilium hybridizer, 7510 Pinesva Road, Reedsville, WI 54230. The tour will start at 2:00 pm. At 3:30 pm-5 pm, you can tour and wine and beer sampling for \$5.00 at <u>Trout Springs Winery</u>, 8150 River Rd, Greenleaf. It is 6 miles from Solaris Farms.

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July 1, 2022

What's new with NEWMGs

Stay tuned to the <u>NEWMG's Facebook page</u> for an announcement about a new contest for all NEWMG Facebook followers

Reminders:

2nd edition Master Gardeners Member Directory

See the attached spreadsheet for contact information for those Master Gardeners who wish to share their contact information with other Master Gardeners. If you wish to be included, email <u>Steve Herro</u> with the contact information that you would like to share.

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Wednesday, July 13

All Master Gardener Member meeting. Meet in the patio at the Green Botanical Garden, 2600 Larsen Rd, Green Bay, 6 pm-7:30 pm. After a short Board of Directors meeting, stay and tour the Botanical Garden (there is no admission fee to tour the Garden as members of the NEWMG that night). Refreshments will be served; RSVP not necessary.

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Manitowoc County Master Gardener's Garden Walk. Complete information for this July 16 event is here.

July 25

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Master Gardeners Member Directory

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Kudos and thank yous to Master Gardeners

Our colleague Sherrill Revolinski was featured in the 6/12/22 *Press Gazette* as the 2022 WPS Volunteer Awards Leadership winner.

Thank you to Yvonne and Joe Schauer, Mary Hanaway, Robert Dreher, Jennifer Casson, Claudia Schultz, Mary Rass, Kathy Amenson, and Annette Weissbach for their help with June 5 Breakfast on the Farm Event.

Upcoming events

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Celebrate Pollinator's Week at the NEWMV Locktender's Garden (Riverwalk, De Pere), 5 pm-7 pm. Meet up with fellow Master Gardeners and learn from our pollinator experts!

Wednesday, July 13

All Master Gardener Member meeting. Meet on the patio at the Green Botanical Garden, <u>2600 Larsen Rd</u>, <u>Green Bay</u>, 6 pm-7:30 pm. After a short business meeting, stay and tour the Botanical Garden (there is no admission fee to tour the Garden as members of the NEWMG that night). Refreshments will be served; RSVP not necessary.

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There is a <u>new link to our survey</u> of your contact information for us to produce an internal member directory. Please complete the <u>survey</u> with the information you would like to share. Only your name and email are required but you may choose to share your phone number and or address. Submissions are due June 10 so we may share the directory by June 17.

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The Brown County Extension seeks help to provide a June 2021 "Gardening 101" series for our new partners at the Kroc and House of Hope. Contact <u>Eben</u> for more information.

Catholic Charities seeks gardening help with Afghan refugees. Plants and mentors are needed. Contact Eben for more information.

Reminders to project team leads

You may request extra assistance from the whole association for single events by posting your request on our Master Gardener's Facebook page or emailing <u>Eben</u>. Also, don't forget about sharing pictures and invitations from your project site to <u>Peggy Loritz</u>

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May 11, 2022 Board Meeting

The unofficial minutes of the May 11, 2022 Master Gardener Board meeting may be found here.

Plant sale success

Thanks to Kate Fix, Doris Magyar, Annette Weissbach, Sara Greenwood, Edith Brandt, Steve Herro, Bernie Jansen, Mary Mullins, Julie Cole, Mary Hanaway, Robert Dreher, Eileen Rueden, Shirley Triest-Robertson, and Lynette Green, who helped with the plant sale at the STEM Center. Special thanks to Al Nass for taking charge of the greenhouse. Gross income without expenses was around \$4300. If you have any comments or suggestions for next year, please contact Eileen Rueden or call 920-470-5562.

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Reminders

Arboretum-TOMORROW!

All members are invited to learn about the UWGB Arboretum on Saturday May 21, from 9:00 - 10:15am. Following the tour, we will volunteer in the courtyard, 10:30 am-noon. Bring gloves, shovel and tools for weeding. Meet at the Mary Ann Cofrin Hall near the courtyard. Questions? Contact Eileen Rueden or call 920-470-5562.

May 6, 2022

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What's new

Tours

All members are invited to learn about the UWGB Arboretum on Saturday May 21, from 9:00 - 10:15am. Following the tour we will have a break, and then we have the opportunity to do volunteer work in the courtyard from 10:30 - 12pm or so. Bring gloves, shovel and tools for weeding. We will meet at the Mary Ann Cofrin Hall near the courtyard. If you have any questions, call or email Eileen Rueden 920-470-5562, erueden@tds.net.

Reminders

Website Feature

As previously shared, our Communications Committee has redesigned our website. We would like to point out the <u>contact page</u> in this edition. By using this page, you can easily get in touch with the Communications Committee with any additions, corrections, concerns or ideas you would like to see on our website.

2022 Master Gardener Plant Sale update-plants and volunteers needed!

We welcome donated plants, and are looking especially for a variety of hosta. It's your last chance! The potting station will remain open through Sunday, May 8th. A membership perk is early plant purchasing

on Thursday morning before the public sale starts. If you have trays to donate for the plant sale, please bring them to the STEM greenhouse after Wednesday. Confirm your donated plants with <u>Eileen Rueden</u>. And it's not too late to <u>sign up</u> for volunteer hours at the plant sale.

ORS Support

If you need assistance with ORS, come to the plant sale with your laptop (and username and password) and someone there should be able to help you.

Breakfast on the Farm

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If you have recent photos of work on your project, please share them on our Facebook page.

April 29, 2022

pseudo E-blast

Help dig perennials from the old Mongin Garden TODAY, Friday April 29 at 4PM. The old Mongin Garden at 1150 Bellevue St will be dug up for construction this year so we are trying to recover some more plants. Please bring a shovel/tools and come lend a hand. Plants will go into the pool of offering for the Plant Sale.

2022 Master Gardener Plant Sale update-plants and volunteers needed!

Our annual Plant Sale is scheduled for May 12-14. Sign up (click blue text) at your earliest convenience to volunteer.

If you would like to donate plants from your garden the pots/soil will be available at the Stem Greenhouse today thru May 4. There is an important description of measures to follow to help fight the spread of jumping worms here.

Please confirm your donated plants with Eileen Rueden so she can make lables.

Brown County Volunteer Form - All Master Gardeners will need to fill out a Brown County Volunteer form prior to working on our projects this year. If you have yet to fill out this form please stop by the extension Office in the STEM Center to get and fill out one of these forms.

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STEM Open House - There will be an Open House at the Stem Center tomorrow, Saturday April 30 complete with food trucks. Stop in and see what's going on with the Extension Department. Also if you have a bit of time to help Eileen will be heading our table at the event.

Free Plants - There are some remaining plugs (baby plants) from this spring's Greenhouse Project. Interested members should text Al Nass at 920-664-0217 to set up a time to get the plugs. Members would need to provide their own soil and pots. The plants will be available until 4 PM on Tuesday May 3nd. List of Plants: (all cultivars)

Hypoestes, Fennel, Rosemary, 4 colors of Pentas, 4 colors of Cosmos, Lavendula, Snapdragon, Begonia, Spilanthes, Columbine, 4 colors of Zinas, 2 colors of Pansy, 2 colors of Dianthus, Leucanthemum. Not to oversell these, they are very small plants.

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What's new

Take a bow as a Master Gardener Volunteer during National Volunteer Week, April 17-23

Acknowledge the gratitude that the Extension Office and wider community have for Master Gardener volunteers and other public servants. We all contribute so generously to our quality of life in Brown County. The Extension Office invites us to three different events this week; click here to learn more, register and mark your calendars to celebrate your community service as a Master Gardener.

Instructions for preventing and lessening jumping worm growth

There is an important description of measures to follow to help fight the spread of jumping worms here. Master Gardeners are invited to come to the STEM Center April 18-23 to repot plant donations in order to prevent the spread of jumping worms from plants sold at our May 11-14 Plant Sale. If you need help with these procedures, there will be someone present to help on Friday, April 22 from 11pm-3pm and Saturday, April 23 from 9am-12pm.

Have you visited our redesigned Website lately?

As previously shared, our Communications Committee has developed a new <u>NEW Master Gardeners</u> <u>Web page</u>. We are very proud of its new features and content, including <u>a page with carefully selected links</u> to expert gardening articles.

Reminders

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If you have recent photos of work on your project team, please submit them to Peggy Loritz.

Nicolet Elementary School also seeks a volunteer(s) to present to the student Garden Club, Mondays and Wednesdays this spring, 4:40 pm-5:30 pm. Contact <u>Eben</u> for more information.

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Member directory

The Executive Committee seeks your permission to share your name, phone number, email address, and postal address with all NEW Master Gardeners, Eben Erhard, and Andrea Ackerman. Please remember that email is the primary communication tool within our membership. If you would not like your information shared, please contact <u>Nancy Fictum</u> as soon as possible.

PBS Wisconsin Garden & Landscape Expo (virtual)

Saturday, April 9, 2022 8:30 am-6 pm

Our Board of Directors met on March 10, 2022. Preliminary draft minutes of the meeting are attached.

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Reminders

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Website update and new logo

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Follow us on Facebook.

What's new

Website update

We now have a "Members only" section of our Webpage, <u>newmastergardeners.org</u>. Click on **More,** along the upper menu options, choose **Members only**, and enter password **newmga19**

Plant seed kits are available for sale from the Land and Soil Water Conservation Department. See the attached flyer.

Our association is adopting a new logo. Submit an idea by March 5. For more information, click here.

If you have a **small refrigerator** for seed storage to donate, please contact Andrea Ackerman.

Information sources

Martin, Peter. "Seed Starting for Green Thumbs: 9 Tips for the Veteran Gardener," Green Bay Botanical Garden

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New informational resources

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Vieth, Cassy. "Why stretching reduces soreness for exercise and daily activities – Cassy Vieth of 'Quick Fit' explains," PBS Wisconsin, January 19, 2022.

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2022 NEWMG Annual Dues

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2022 PBS Wisconsin Garden & Landscape Expo

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Master Gardener's Facebook page

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January 7, 2022

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What's new

January 2022 WIMGA Newsletter

WIMGA is the Wisconsin Master Gardeners Association. Its current newsletter is available here. Amongst other things, WIMGA President Marilyn Gorham reminds us, "...Your completion of Onboarding Lite and acceptance of the new Terms and Conditions of the Master Gardener Program are very important changes for all Master Gardeners. Both need to be completed before you can volunteer in 2022...."

Onboarding Lite is available <u>via University of Wisconsin Canvas</u>. I believe that the Terms and Conditions of the Master Gardener Program are on <u>ORS</u>, which will be operational again soon. ORS will be up for one day, January 10, for agreement of the Terms and Conditions.

December 2021 Volunteer Vibe

Click <u>here</u> for important updates from the State office on the Master Gardener changes and other news.

Literature review

We are still in the Christmas season! See Wisconsin Horticulture Department of Extension, "Holiday Cactus."

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