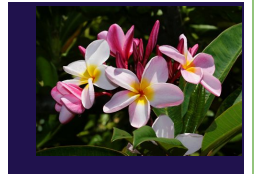




March 2017

PCMGV March 2017



Investing in the Future

Join us March 27, 2017 at 6pm in the Annex for:

Suzanne Viau and Caitlyn Fleischman

Suzanne is involved in the National Junior Horticulture Program. She is from Plover, WI and traveled to Erie, Pennsylvania to compete in the national competition this year. PCMGV helped finance her travel. Caitlyn is one of our 2016 scholarship recipients and will share her experience in Hawaii as she studied tropical flora last semester.

Please join us as we see the fruits of our labors allowing us to do so much good work in the community. Both these students are promoting horticulture and our funding has helped them achieve their goals. All PCMGV should be proud of the work they do.

Our new trainees are invited to attend, anyone interested in becoming a Master Gardener in the future and Master Gardeners we know and love. We usually have a short meeting either before or after our educational program. Coffee, tea, and snacks will be served. Come and join the fun.

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<u>Bylaws</u> Cindy Bredlow Open	<u>Golden Sands Home Show</u> Sharon Omernick Lynn Ligman	<u>Garden Dreams</u> Sally Prideaux Diane Dietrich
<u>Chicago Bus Trip</u> Sally Prideaux	<u>Membership</u> Chrismary Pacyna Sandy O'Brien	<u>YMCA Giving Gardens</u> Lynn Caine
<u>Display</u> Rita Kozlowski	<u>Newsletter</u> Open	<u>Garden Parade</u> Dorothy Steuerwald Jen Haas
<u>Educational Programs</u> Lynn Caine Dianne Somers	<u>Plant Sale</u> Chere Schmit Walt Rasmussen	<u>Funds/Grants</u> Cindy Bredlow Open
<u>Farmer's Market</u> Lori Teuchert	<u>Publicity (Facebook)</u> Shelley Binder	<u>Flower Beds</u> Margaret Parsons Deb Kunst
<u>Rosholt Fair</u> Todd Teuchert		

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2017 Educational Programming UWEX Portage Co Master Gardener Volunteers

Please submit changes, pictures, articles and suggestions by
April 10, 2017
For the April March newsletter.

27-Mar	National Junior Hort Mbr Scholarship Recipient	Suzanna Viau Caitlyn Fleischman
24-Apr	4H/Sherry	Flower arrangement
15-May	Mike Maddox/ Caine Home	Healing Gardens
26-Jun	TBD	
24-Jul	Nina Cass and Lisa Cook	gardens Schmeekle/ Monarch project/ Master Naturalist/
28-Aug	Jill Ziehr	
25-Sep	Dr Aleman	Herbal Preparations
23-Oct		Roses
27-Nov	Holiday Party/ Scholarship Presentation	



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2017 Events

- March 27 PCMGV meeting – 6 p.m., National Junior Hort member, Suzanna Viau, and scholarship recipient, Caitlyn Fleischman
- April 25 PCMGV meeting – 6 p.m., 4H (Flower Arrangement)
- May 15 PCMGV meeting – 6 p.m., Caine Home (Mike Maddox, Healing Gardens)
20 Plant Sale – 8-11 a.m. Rettler Corp. parking lot, Portage Co Business Park
- June 17 Saturdays through Sept. 3, 7 a.m.-noon, St Point Farmers' Market:
Ask a Master Gardener
26 PCMGV meeting – 6 p.m., TBD
- July 14-15 Garden Parade, 2-7 p.m. Friday, 10 a.m.-4 p.m. Saturday
24 PCMGV meeting – 6 p.m., Tour garden Nina Cass/ Linda Cook
- August 28 PCMGV meeting – 6 p.m., Tour Schmeekle, Jill Ziehr (monarch garden)
- September 1-3 Rosholt Fair, 4-H judging
25 PCMGV meeting – 6 p.m., Dr Aleman (herbal preparations)
- October 23 PCMGV meeting – 6 p.m., Roses
- November 27 PCMGV meeting – 6 p.m., Courthouse Annex. Holiday party, Scholarship winners

For more on these events or Master Gardener Volunteers, visit:

<http://portage.uwex.edu/category/master-gardener-2/> or <https://www.facebook.com/pcmgv/>

Portage County Master Gardener Volunteers Meeting Minutes ----- February 27, 2017

The February 27, 2017 meeting of the Portage County Master Gardener Volunteers began at 6:00 in the Portage County Annex.

The general business meeting was called to order by Margaret Parsons.

Those present were: Sue Baldischwiler, Tom Baldischwiler, Cindy Bredow, Donald Caine, Lynn Caine, Michelle Daniels, Daniel Goulet, Rose Grych, Jen Haas, Angie Hauer, Jane Kellerman, Ellen Kiedrowski, Charlotte Kolinski, Debbie Kunst, Lynn Ligman, Marily Malcolm, Pat Mrozinski, Sandra Newby, Carole Olson, Sharon Omernick, Margaret Parsons, Jan Pierson, Sally Prideaux, , Rebecca Roberts, Chere Schmit, Nick Schultz, Lori Teuchert, Todd Teuchert, Kirby Throckmorton, Judy Yenter, Gail Zalewski and Ken Schroeder.

The **Minutes** from January were approved.

The **Treasurer's** report was given by Lori Teuchert. A volunteer to complete the audit for 2016 is still needed.

Old Business:

Training Schedule Presentations: Those who signed up to present at the upcoming 2017 training sessions will receive an e-mail reminder from Lynn Caine.

Committee Reports:

- **Education / Programs:** These are set for 2017.
- **Flower Beds:** Committee meeting will be scheduled soon. A revised list of the current flower beds PCMGVs work with is forthcoming. A discussion was held with a Wood County representative regarding how to downsize the number of beds they maintain. "Too many gardens, not enough volunteers".
- **Funds and Grants:** Cindy Bredow shared a booklet on flower arranging from the 4-H group. Scholarship funds will be given to UW-SP soon.
- **Garden Dreams:** Sally Prideaux announced that additional volunteers are welcome on this committee. Becci Roberts is working on the speakers. A possible date change to February 2018 is being considered.
- **Garden Parade:** The committee is continuing to work on participant gardens for 2017. Their next meeting is March 8. Any volunteers are very welcome to join this group. Contact Dorothy Steuerwald or Jen Haas if interested.
- **Golden Sands Home and Garden Show:** A THANK YOU was extended to those who volunteered at this event. Approximately 200 people visited the exhibit. Special thanks to Sharon Omernick and Lynn Ligman for coordinating this.
- **Newsletter:** A new coordinator is needed. If interested, contact any board member.
- **Plant Sale:** Chere Schmit announced that this is scheduled for May 20. Master Gardeners are encouraged to each provide at least 6 plants for the sale.
- **YMCA Gardens:** An e-mail with additional information on this will be sent soon.

New Business:

- **UW-Extension Background Check Requirement:** This will be implemented by the Human Resources Department of the UW-Extension *this spring*. All Master Gardeners are required to have a background check on file (and updated every 4 years). All information will be handled discretely and will not be made available to the public. Portage County Volunteer form 1A will also be updated. Additional information regarding the background check requirement and the process involved with it will be forthcoming.
- **Next PCMGV meeting** will be on **Monday, March 27, at 6:00** at the Portage County Annex. Our grant (Suzanna Viau) and scholarship (Caitlyn Fleischman) recipients will be the featured speakers.
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WIMGA report: Lynn Caine reported that the next WIMGA meeting is scheduled for March 18 in Hancock. WIMGA continues to work on its website, speaker list and programs.

Meeting adjourned at 6:35.

Continuing Education: Lori and Todd Teuchert (growing garlic and wine-making) and Lynn Caine (straw-bale gardening) ----- 75 minutes (1.25 hours)

Submitted by,

Lynn Caine, Acting Secretary, and
Chrismary Pacyna, PCMGV Secretary

Composting and Soils: Level 2 registration now open

Join us for Level 2 Training: Compost and Soils. Some of you will be excited for this topic -- we know this because you tell us this is an important subject you want to know more about. Others might be a little less thrilled to learn about... er, dirt... but this training has a breadth of intriguing topics from advanced composting to cover crops for small scale gardens to soil's relationship to



human prosperity. The course is 100% online, interactive, and you can do it whenever it works for your schedule. You have from March 1, 2017 until October 1, 2017 to complete the course. The hours you put into the course count toward your yearly continuing education requirement.

You register online from link in the Volunteer Vibe. Course registration is \$35.00. We hope you'll join us!

Plant Propagation for Master Gardener Volunteers

Plant propagation combines the science of plant biology with the art of the practices to multiply plants. Participants will apply biological principles to various asexual propagation techniques in a hands-on experience with herbaceous leaf and stem cuttings, hardwood cuttings, bulb division and tissue culture. Skills learned in the program can be applicable to home garden management and as volunteer activities with groups. Taught by Mike Maddox, Master Gardener Program Director. Approximately 6 hours continuing education.

Saturday March 11, 2016
8:30am to 3:30pm
DC Smith Greenhouse, UW-Madison

Registration:

- [ONLINE REGISTRATION](#)
- \$35 per person. Open to any certified Wisconsin Master Gardener Volunteer.
- Please contact kristina.crapp@ecc.uwex.edu (608-262-2451) if you have problems with the on-line registration.
- Refunds less processing fee





"80th Birthday & Earth Day"
Free family event at the
Boston School Forest!

Sunday, April 23rd, 2017
1:00pm – 5:00pm

Tree planting, games, hikes, & crafts
2:00pm REGI Birds of Prey Program
3:00pm Pictures with Smokey Bear
4:00pm Tom Pease Performance

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