

## WABASH VALLEY MASTER GARDENER MARCH GARDEN GAZETTE 2013

Next Planning and scheduling session will be March 19 at the Vigo County Fairgrounds 4-H meeting room at 6:30pm.

**Education time will be Lawn Care by Brad Pugh of the Terre Haute County Club.** 

Minutes of Planning and scheduling session of February 19, 2013, 6:30pm in the 4-H meeting room at the Vigo County Fairgrounds.

Education time was by Bob Artis of the Holly Arboretum. .75 hours education time.

The meeting was called to order at 7:10 by President Sam Ligget.

Minutes of last meeting was published in the Gazette. Correction: Earth Day at ISU should have read: Wednesday, April 17<sup>th</sup>.

<u>Vice President:</u> Bob Archer gave upcoming education programs. March: Lawn care by Brad Pugh. April: John Rosene at IVY Tech Greenhouse.

<u>Corresponding Secretary:</u> Verna reported Bill Hiatt had hip replacement surgery and is home recuperating.

<u>Recording Secretary:</u> Pat passed the membership roster and the committee sign-up sheets for members to make corrections and add their names to the committees.

<u>Treasurer:</u> John reported the balance as of February 2013. Payments have been made for seeds, insurance and to IVY Tech. John also reported that you must have an expense report in order to get a check written. Do not come to him with receipts and no expense report and expect to be paid. Fifty-one people have registered for the Spring Seminar.

<u>Committees: Service Coordinator:</u> Cyd Hunter had certificates and badges for: Sue Rosiak and Kevin Brown, Certified; Peggy Harlan, Bronze; and Verna Gaskin, Gold 2000. Badges have been ordered for: Carole Dreher, Brenda Kirchner, and Gene Jarvis, Advanced; Charlene McKean, Bronze; and Tina Bowen, Silver.

<u>Giving Garden:</u> Phil Small reported that a planning meeting was held. More vertical planting will be used this year. The committee will be planting seeds in the IVY Tech greenhouse on Friday, March 8, 2013 beginning at 10:00am.

<u>Gardens: Hawthorne Park:</u> Charlene McKeen reported they will be pruning the roses on Wednesday, February 27<sup>th</sup> at 10:00 am. All are asked to help.

<u>Spring Seminar:</u> The committee is wrapping things up. They will be setting up on Friday, March 8<sup>th</sup> until 5:00pm and before the seminar on Saturday, March 9<sup>th</sup>. Registration will be from 8:00 to 9:00am. You will earn four education hours for attending.

<u>Matter and Motion:</u> The date has been changed to Saturday, April 13<sup>th</sup> at IVY Tech. We will be making pinecone bird feeders. Jim reported we have 400 trees to give away.

<u>Earth Day at ISU:</u> Will be Wednesday, April 17<sup>th</sup> from 10:00am to 1:00pm. We are joining with the Community Garden at their table. Larry Agee made a motion to order 100 trees to be given away at ISU. Pat Secrest seconded. The motion passed. Jim will order 100 more trees.

<u>Earth Day at Union Hospital and St. Mary's:</u> Union Hospital is set for Friday, April 19<sup>th</sup>, and St. Mary's is set for Saturday, April 20<sup>th</sup>. Herbs and tomatoes have been planted for both Earth Days. Sunflowers have been planted to be given to children at St. Mary's. Several members packaged seeds to be given away at St. Mary's.

Old Business: Audit Report: Barbara Brugnaux reported that the books and records were reviewed for 2012, reconciling the beginning balance and ending balance of the check register to the bank statements. The books were also tied out from the beginning balance and adding net receipts for the year and deducting expenses to arrive at the recorded ending balance. It is the opinion of the Audit Committee that the Financial Records of the Wabash Valley Master Gardeners, Inc. fairly represented the financial position of the organization ending 12-31-12 and for the period referenced herein, and are sufficiently complete and auditable. Valley Viewer: Thanks to Larry Agee and Jane Santucci for seeing that pictures were sent in for the February 17<sup>th</sup> article.

<u>New Business: Tablescapes:</u> Nancy Nation, Carole Dreher, and Sharon Polge have decorated a table that shows where our food from the Giving Garden goes. It takes place at the Terre Haute Country Club on Thursday, February 21<sup>st</sup> through Saturday, February 23rd.

<u>Tulip Company:</u> We have been invited to tour the Tulip Company on Davis Drive. A time will be set on the first or second Tuesday of March. This would count as one hour of education time. Watch for an email for the date and time to be there.

Everyone should get permission to use the Wabash Valley Master Gardener's logo. This does not include having it put on your clothing.

We have three active members who need waivers for not getting enough hours in 2012. All were due to health problems. Patti Weaver made a motion to give waivers to these three people for the 2012 year. It was seconded by Yvonne Russell. The motion passed.

The Wabash Valley Master Gardeners will be filling the Purdue Extension booth at the Flower and Patio Show in Indianapolis on Sunday, March 17<sup>th</sup> from 10:00am to 1:00pm. Those going are Larry Agee, Greg Fields, Carol Swearingen, Yvonne Russell, Lorraine Howald, and Pat Youman.

The Spring Intern Class has 19 in attendance.

A thank you card was received from the Terre Haute Parks Dept. for our participation in Christmas in the Park.

Next Planning and Scheduling meeting will be March 19<sup>th</sup> at the Vigo County Fairgrounds 4-H Building at 6:30pm.

Next Board meeting will be March 7<sup>th</sup> at the Grand Traverse Pie Co. at 6:00pm. Beginning in April, the Board meeting will be at the Public Library.

Motion to adjourn was made by John Hilderbrand, Peggy Harlan seconded. The motion passed.

The meeting adjourned with .75 hours of volunteer time and .75 hours of education time for 37 members in attendance.

BOARD OF DIRECTORS: Meeting held March 7 at 6:00pm at the Grand traverse Pie Company. President Sam Ligget called the meeting to order.

Members in attendance: Sam Ligget, Cyd Hunter, Bob Archer, Verna Gaskin, Larry Agee, and Pat Youman.

<u>Minutes of last board meeting:</u> Were posted in the February Gazette. No changes were noted.

<u>Vice President:</u> Bob Archer confirmed that the March program will be on lawn care by Brad Pugh, and the April program will be at IVY Tech Greenhouse with a presentation by John Rosene.

<u>Corresponding Secretary:</u> Verna sent get well cards to two members and a sympathy card and flower arrangement to Debi Gansz for the death of her husband, Ric. A sympathy card will be sent to Luke Anderson Family.

<u>Treasurer:</u> Sam reported the balance as of March 4<sup>th</sup>. Expenses and some income from the Spring Seminar had not been accounted for at that time. One hundred twenty-three people have registered for the seminar.

COMMITTEES: <u>Service Coordinator</u> Cyd Hunter ordered a Certified Master Gardener badge for Lorraine Howald. Cyd supplied a list of hours that had been turned in for 2012. It should be recognized that anyone who does not turn in their needed hours cannot vote or hold office, and they are not currently certified.

Giving Garden: Bob reported that planting for the garden will be Friday, March 8<sup>th</sup>, at 10:00am in the greenhouse.

<u>Hawthorne Park:</u> Pruning the roses has been set for Wednesday, March 13<sup>th</sup> at 10:00am. Bed Keepers are still needed for 3<sup>rd</sup> and Maple and the Butterfly Garden.

Spring Seminar: Set-up begins at 12 noon on Friday, March 8<sup>th</sup>. Everything is ready to go.

<u>Earth Day:</u> At ISU on Wednesday, April 17<sup>th</sup>, at Union Hospital on Friday, April 19<sup>th</sup>, and at St. Mary's on Saturday, April 20<sup>th</sup>. Trees will be given away at ISU. Tomato and herb plants have been planted and will be sold at both Union and St. Mary's.

Herb Faire will be Saturday, May 11th.

<u>Old Business:</u> Thanks to the TableScapes committee, Nancy Nation, Sharon Polge, and Carole Dreher for setting up a nice table showing where the food from the Giving Garden is going in the community. They gave us great recognition and made us proud.

Matter and Motion: will be on Saturday, April 14th at IVY Tech.

<u>Tour of The Tulip Company</u> was attended by 32 people. Bob will take donuts to the staff as a thank you.

<u>New Business:</u> The site of the Board meeting has been changed to the <u>Vigo County Public</u>
<u>Library.</u> However, the July meeting will be Tuesday, July 2<sup>nd</sup> at another site.

**Dues:** If paid after February 28, 2013, are \$20 for the year.

## **Announcements:**

- Indiana Flower and Patio Show March 9 through March 17, Indiana State Fairgrounds.
- Chicago Flower and Patio Show March 9 through March 17, Navy Pier
- April in Paris, April 11, Cornerstone Baptist Church, Paris, Il.
- TREES, planting trees at Collett Park, March 23<sup>rd</sup>

Next Board of Directors meeting: April 4<sup>th</sup> @ <u>6:30pm</u> at the Vigo County Public Library in Room C.

Next Planning and Scheduling meeting: March 19, 2013, 4-H Building, Fairgrounds, 6:30pm. Meeting adjourned after 1 hour volunteer time.

Anyone wanting a t-shirt (jacket, polo, etc.) with our Master Gardener logo may go to the Embroidery Express located behind Honey Creek Mall on the access road to Highway 63. If

you take your own garment in it is \$7.50 plus tax to have the Master Gardener logo embroidered on. Your name is extra and is \$4.00 plus tax. You can take your own shirt, etc. in or you may purchase one of theirs at an additional charge. If you purchase one of theirs it is \$4.00 plus price of garment plus tax.

For a 10½ inch logo on the back of a jacket (this is a larger emblem than on a shirt) it runs \$20 plus tax.

I have their catalog that they order from and will have it with me at the next meeting. They place orders at least twice a week.

A great big "THANK YOU" goes out to the Spring Seminar committee for all their time and work they put into making the seminar a success this year. The speakers were great, the food was great and the vendors were great. What more could you ask for; even cushioned seats and plenty of parking and all together it made for a delightful day. There were 27 members present not counting the committee, so it was a great turn out in support of the association.

The Earth Day committee still needs 20 to 24 oz. pop bottles. They can be brought to our planning and scheduling meeting in March or April.

Vegetables are a must on a diet. I suggest <u>carrot</u> cake, <u>zucchini</u> bread, and <u>pumpkin</u> pie!!!!!!!!!

See you at the meeting in March.