



**WABASH VALLEY MASTER GARDENER  
APRIL GARDEN GAZETTE 2013**

The April meeting will be held at the Ivy Tech Greenhouse on April 16 at 6:30pm. We will meet at the greenhouse for a tour and our education time and then proceed to a classroom for our planning session. Don't miss this chance to see what is growing in the greenhouse.

March 19, 2013 Planning and Scheduling Meeting at the Wabash Valley Fairgrounds 4-H Building @6:30pm.

Program: Brad Pugh, CCGS from the Terre Haute Country Club presented on lawn care.

**MINUTES OF MARCH MEETING:**

The meeting was called to order @ 7:25pm by President Sam Ligget.

Minutes of last meeting: Correction on the date of Matter and Motion should read Saturday, April 13<sup>th</sup>.

Vice President, Bob Archer reported that the April 16<sup>th</sup> meeting will be at the IVY Tech greenhouse at 6:30pm with an educational presentation from John Rosene. The May meeting will be a carry-in picnic at the Ute Shelter adjacent to the Butterfly and Patriotic Gardens in Deming Park with the new intern class as our guests along with any spouses that are welcome to attend.

Corresponding Secretary, Verna said anyone interested in getting t-shirts, sweatshirts, etc. can take their shirts to Embroidery Express behind the Mall or she has their catalog for anyone to look at to purchase clothing from them. We

received a thank you card from Debi Gansz for the floral arrangement sent to the funeral home. Bob took donuts to the Tulip co. as a thank you for the tour.

Treasurer, John gave the balance after all proceeds and expenditures had been turned in from the Spring Seminar.

#### COMMITTEES:

Service Coordinator, Cyd had badges for: Brenda Kirchner, Carole Dreher, and Gene Jarvis; Advanced. Charlene McKean; Bronze. Tina Bowen; Silver.

Gardens: Giving Garden: Plants have been started in the greenhouse. The committee will be visiting kitchens this year to determine their needs. They will also be checking yields and finding causes for different yields. 3<sup>rd</sup> and Maple will have a workday on Wednesday, March 20. Butterfly Garden meeting is right after this meeting.

Matter and Motion on April 13, 10:00 to 2:00 at IVY Tech (main campus) will be giving away trees with sleeves.

Earth Day at ISU on 17<sup>th</sup> will also be giving away trees and sleeves.

Earth Day at Union Hospital on April 19<sup>th</sup> will be selling herbs and tomatoes.

Earth Day at St. Mary's on April 20<sup>th</sup> will be giving away seed packets and teddy bear sunflower plants and selling tomatoes and herbs. Plants have been planted in the greenhouse.

Herb Fair committee will be going to Rockville to buy hanging baskets the week before they are needed.

Vigo Co. Fair committee has had one meeting and is still working on the different make and take activities.

Garden Tour has a meeting immediately after this meeting.

#### OLD BUSINESS:

Table scapes had a very nice display that represented our group. This gets our name out into the community and lets them know what we are doing.

Spring Seminar had excellent responses on the evaluations giving credit to the speakers, food, vendors, and venue. Reservation money was refunded to a gentleman who fell and was unable to continue with the seminar. A motion was made by Larry Agee to ask for the same space for next year. It was seconded by Bob Archer. The motion passed.

## **NEW BUSINESS:**

Sue Rosiak suggested that Goose Pond with its Whooping Cranes and other wildlife would be of interest. Bob Archer will check on the web site.

A motion was made by Barbara Brugnaux to increase the amount for our memorial gift from \$40 to \$50. It was seconded by Yvonne Russell. The motion carried.

Beth Keyes and George Needham will co-chair the 3<sup>rd</sup> and Maple garden.

Keeping your own hours is your responsibility. Be sure to keep track of all of your hours and send them in to Cyd Hunter.

Jim Luzar reported on an education opportunity on April 6<sup>th</sup> from 9:00 to noon. There will be speakers on soil testing, vertical gardens, and native plants. You would receive 3 hours of education time for attending.

John Hilderbrand will be cooking his chili for the 100 Men Who Cook this Saturday, March 23<sup>rd</sup>. Cookbooks are on sale for \$20.

Larry Agee reported that 100 roses were pruned at Hawthorn Park. A work day will be scheduled to prune the rest.

A thank you card was received from the IVY Tech FFA members for our contribution.

## **Other Announcements:**

- March 23<sup>rd</sup>, TREES Inc. planting trees at Collet Park at 8:30am
- April in Paris, April 11<sup>th</sup>, Cornerstone Baptist Church, Paris, IL
- Board meeting, April 4<sup>th</sup> at the Vigo Co. Library, 6:30pm, room C

The next planning and scheduling meeting will be April 16<sup>th</sup> at the IVY Tech greenhouse at 6:30pm.

The meeting was adjourned with .75 hours volunteer time and 1 hour education time for the 37 members in attendance.

## **BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING**

April 4<sup>th</sup> at Vigo County Public Library @ 6:30pm

Members in attendance: Sam Liggett, Bob Archer, John Hilderbrand, Bill Hiatt, Larry Agee, Kathy Hutton, Cyd Hunter, Verna Gaskin, Pat Youman.

**President Sam Liggett called the meeting to order at 6:30pm.**

**Minutes of last board meeting:** Was published in the Gazette. No changes were noted.

**Vice President:** Bob reported that a \$25 Lowe's gift card was given to Brad Pugh as a thank you for last month's presentation. The April 16<sup>th</sup> Planning and Scheduling meeting will be at 6:30pm at the IVY Tech greenhouse in the Industrial Park. John Rosene will be the presenter. The May meeting will honor the new intern graduates at Deming Park. The June meeting will be at the end of the Garden Tour. Verna Gaskin will present on the rules for entering projects in the Vigo County Fair. Larry noted that he had been contacted by Aaron Warner about speaking at one of our meetings about Terra Foods. We will get back to him during mid-summer and see if he is still interested in speaking.

**Corresponding Secretary:** Nothing to report.

**Treasurer:** John reported on the balance. A list of those who have paid their dues has been sent to the secretary. Those who have not paid their dues, and are not 2012 interns, will be put on the inactive list.

**Committees:**

**Service Coordinator:** Cyd reported that one new badge was ordered for Mary Ellen Hlatko, certified.

**Butterfly Garden:** There will be a work day on Monday, April 15<sup>th</sup> at 4:30pm. They will be labeling plants and cleaning up the garden.

**Hawthorn Park:** Had a workday on Wednesday, April 3<sup>rd</sup>. All roses were pruned. Larry reported that the water at the park will not be turned on for another two weeks. A work day to add the 3 in 1 systemic will be scheduled after the water is on. Bob will spray weeds during that work day.

**Patriotic Garden:** Workers will split the Ninebark shrubs around the garden. **3<sup>rd</sup> and Maple:** Has been cleaned up.

**Earth Day at ISU on Wednesday, April 17<sup>th</sup>:** will have trees and seed packets to give away.

**Earth Day at Union Hospital on Friday, April 19<sup>th</sup>:** herb and tomato plants are growing in the greenhouse and will be ready to sell.

**Earth Day at St. Mary's on Saturday, April 20<sup>th</sup>:** will have plants ready to sell and sunflower plants and seed packets to give away.

**Vigo County Fair:** Verna reported that the fair books should be coming out soon.

**Garden Tour:** Will be on a Saturday during the end of June. Rocks are being painted. Places to visit are pretty well set. They are waiting to set the date after they get in touch with the rock company in Brazil.

**Matter and Motion on Saturday, April 13<sup>th</sup>:** Will have make and take pine cone bird feeders.

**New Business:**

- It was suggested that the chairperson from each committee should speak during the year at meetings to let everyone know what to expect when they work on the different projects.
- An agreement with IVY Tech was signed and set up for next year's spring seminar.
- The Senior Citizens Center has indicated that they want help with their garden on the north side of their building. They are asking for help in planning and planting the garden. A vote needs to be taken at the next Planning and Scheduling meeting for this. Pat Youman will contact Julie Baysinger to see if she is interested in chairing this project, as she has already shown an interest in it.
- There was discussion about putting a disclaimer on the spring Seminar brochures. John said that our insurance covers us for accidents.
- Labor Ready is looking for a non-profit group to give \$1500.00 this year. It was agreed that we should send in our non-profit information, a letter explaining our goals, and a copy of our by-laws to Labor Ready.
- It was noted that our by-laws state that we should have a special project each year that does not include our on-going projects. If we help the Senior Center, that could count as our special project.

**Announcements:**

- Gardening for all Ages, Hendricks County Fairgrounds, April 20<sup>th</sup>, 9:00am to 4:00pm.

- Honey Creek Garden Club Plant Sale, Fairbanks Park, April 24<sup>th</sup>, 9:00am to 2:00. (NO EARLY SALES)
- Spring Time Herb Faire, Fairbanks Park, Saturday, May 11<sup>th</sup>, 8:00am to 4:00pm.

Next Board of Directors meeting: May 2<sup>nd</sup>, Vigo County Public Library, 6:00pm.

Next Planning & Scheduling meeting: Ivy Tech greenhouse in the Industrial Park, April 16<sup>th</sup>, at 6:30pm.

Meeting adjourned after 1.25 hours volunteer time.

CONGRATULATIONS to Jane Santucci from all the Master Gardeners on her recent marriage.