

# WABASH VALLEY MASTER GARDENER MAY GARDEN GAZETTE 2013

Next planning and scheduling meeting is Tuesday, May 21, at the Ute Shelter in Deming Park at 6:00pm (note earlier starting time). The Ute Shelter is located next to the Patriotic Garden, Butterfly Garden and the Herb Garden. This is the Intern Graduation Party and carry-in and spouses are always welcome. The meat and drinks are furnished. Those with last names beginning with A to M please bring a fruit or dessert. Those with last names beginning with N to Z please bring a vegetable or salad.

There will be no education time at this meeting.

Minutes of April planning and scheduling meeting: Meeting was held at the Greenhouse at IVY Tech @ 6:30pm.

Program: John Rosene gave an informative tour of the greenhouse at IVY Tech.

Minutes of April 16 planning and scheduling meeting.

Meeting called to order at 7:25pm by President, Sam Liggett.

Minutes of last meeting were approved as posted in the Gazette.

Vice President, Bob Archer had nothing new to report. There will be no speaker in May. The June meeting will be the Garden Tour with Verna speaking on judging at the Vigo Co. Fair.

Corresponding Secretary: Verna had nothing to report.

Treasurer: John reported the balance as of April 16, 2013. He has written Verna a \$46 check for bulbs and a \$50 check for cash to be used at Earth Day.

Committees: No report from the Service coordinator as she was absent.

Giving Garden: Bob reported that the garden has been disked, and they are waiting for the weather to cooperate to get started. You may want to take care of a 10 X 10 section of the garden where you would decide what to plant and take to a soup kitchen. Let Greg or Kate know if you are interested in this.

Flower Beds: Roger reported that the nine bark hedges around the Patriotic Garden have been thinned. There was a work session to clean out the Butterfly Garden. Thank you to Kathy Hutton for transforming the garden into an educational display. There will be a clean-up day at 1<sup>st</sup> and Oak in 2 or 3 weeks. There will be no garden at the treatment plant this year. The money used on that garden will be used on the Springhill Garden. The garden at 3<sup>rd</sup> and Maple was cleaned. They received some good TV coverage.

Earth Day at ISU: Will take place, rain or shine, Wednesday, April 17 from 10am to 2pm. Patti and Yvonne will be there to give out trees and offer information.

Earth Day at Union: Will take place on Friday, April 19 from 10am to 2pm. Plants have been transplanted for the sale.

Earth Day at SMWC: Will take place on Saturday, April 20 from 11am to 3pm. Set up will begin at 9am. Larry and Verna will pick up the plants for the sale.

Herb Faire: Will be Saturday, May 11 at Fairbanks Park from 8am to 4pm. All members who signed up for the committee are expected to work that day. Set up will begin at 7am. John will buy hanging baskets and tomato plants will be ready at the greenhouse.

Hawthorne Park: All roses have been pruned. Need to have a work day to add 3 in 1 systemic to the roses. The day will be announced after the water at the park is turned on.

## **Old Business:**

- Matter in Motion was a success. Over 200 children made pine cone bird feeders. The tree give away started slow, but picked up when a picture of the tree was shown.
- The Hebrew congregation had a neighborhood garden work fair. Patti attended this and helped where needed. It was well attended.

#### **New Business:**

- Spring Seminar: Signed a contract to hold the date for use of the IVY Tech facilities in 2014. There may be a small charge next year.
- Senior Center: Contacted our organization to help spruce up their garden to the north of the center. The board proposed to put up \$100 for the project. It would count as sour special project for this year. Verna made a motion to take this as our project, give \$100 for materials and Julie Baysinger will oversee the project. Seconded by Patti. Motion carried.
- Bill Hiatt said that more tape is needed for labels of plants. Gene Jarvis motioned to pay up to \$30 to buy the tape. Roger seconded. Motion carried.
- Two interns are interested in working on a flower bed in front of Deming Park which is maintained by Bridges. An anonymous donor has given the WVMGA a check of \$500 to use for this bed. It was decided that an active Master Gardener should oversee this project. Patti Weaver volunteered to oversee the two interns. She will be in charge of making an expense list and purchasing the needed material. John will reimburse her. Jim will discuss with future intern classes about not taking on any projects without having it okayed by the membership first.
- Bill Hiatt said that there was too much mulch on the holly trees and the roots are not developing. They are trying to get prisoners to pull the mulch back. Master Gardeners may be needed to add needed nutrients.

## Other announcements:

• Ash trees need to be treated for the Emerald Ash Bore from April 15 through May 15. They are here in Vigo Co.

- Honey Creek Garden Club Plant Sale, Wednesday, April 24 at Fairbanks
   Park from 9am to 2pm (NO EARLY SALES)
- IVY Tech Plant Sale, at the greenhouse, Mondays and Wednesdays from 12:00 noon to 5:00pm, April 22 through May 8.
- Keep Terre Haute Beautiful, Saturday, May 4 from 8am to 11am, Connor's Center (13<sup>th</sup> & Cruft), T-shirts and light refreshments will be provided.

Next Board Meeting: Thursday, May 2, Vigo County Public Library, 6:00pm, Room C.

Next Planning and Scheduling Meeting: May 21, Ute Shelter at Deming Park at 6:00pm. Bring a covered dish, meat and drinks will be provided.

The meeting was adjourned with 1.5 hours volunteer time and .75 hours education time for the 33 members in attendance.

## **BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING:**

May 2 at the Vigo County Public Library at 6:00pm.

President, Sam Ligget, called the meeting to order at 6pm

Members in attendance: Sam Liggett, Larry Agee, Bob Archer, Verna Gaskin, Carl Trent, Bill Hiatt and Pat Youman.

Minutes of last Board meeting were posted in the April Gazette. No corrections. Corresponding Secretary: Verna had nothing to report.

Treasurer: Carl reported on balance. Deposits made from Earth Day at Union Hospital of \$181, Earth Day St. Mary's of \$312. Deposit made of donation check.

**Committees: No report from Service Coordinator.** 

Giving Garden: Had a work day on May 1 where they planted 1000 onion bulbs, 200 cabbage, 200 broccoli and 100 lbs. of seed potatoes.

Kate Michaw turned in her resignation as co-chair of the Giving Garden due to family obligations. Names of someone to replace Kate were suggested.

Patriotic Garden: Garden has been cleaned of leaves, paths sprayed, and plants have been ordered.

Hawthorne Park: Bob sprayed weeds. There will be a work day on Tuesday, May 7 at 10:00am to put on 3 in 1 systemic. Bring rakes and sprinkling cans.

Butterfly Garden: Has work days planned for Tuesday, May 7 at 4pm to clean beds, and May 14 at 3:30pm for planting and mulching.

Earth Day at Union Hospital earned \$181. Earth Day at SMWC earned \$312.

Herb Faire: 105 tomato plants have been transplanted into larger containers to sell. John and Carl will purchase at least 24 hanging baskets to sell. Bill will loan 2 large tables for the plants.

Vigo County Fair: Make and take projects have been decided on. Items to put in the stepping stones are needed.

## **Old Business:**

- The Garden Tour has changed its date to June 15. Bill will make a map of the gardens to visit.
- Julie Baysinger is working on the project at Senior Center.
- Patti Weaver is working with the interns on a budget for the project at the garden across from Deming Park.

## **New Business:**

 Verna brought a request to help on a project at the Luke House in Sullivan. They are in need of plants and help planting them. They will take care of it after the initial work. The board will make a recommendation to the club to take this project on.  A former officer is needed to replace Kathy Hutton on the board. The board recommends Beth Keyes as her replacement and will ask the membership to vote on this at the next meeting.

#### **Announcements:**

- Hawthorne Park Labyrinth workday Tuesday, May 7 at 10am
- Butterfly Garden work days Tuesday, May 7 at 4pm and Tuesday, May
   14 at 3:30pm
- Giving Garden workday Friday, May 10 at 9am
- Intern Class Picnic and Planning and Scheduling Meeting Tuesday, May
   21 at 6:00pm Ute Shelter in Deming Park bring covered dish.
- Board of Directors meeting Thursday, June 6 at 6:00pm, Vigo County Public Library, Room C.

Meeting adjourned after 1.25 hours of volunteer time.

ITEMS NEEDED: For "Make and Take" projects at the Vigo County Fair:

Tuesday, July 9: Paint a "hypertufa" rock – need lots of craft paint – any color.

Wednesday, July 10: Making Paper flowers – craft paint, any color.

Thursday, July 11: "Flower Arrangement" - Bud vases. Cut flowers and greenery are always needed, ribbon for bows.

Friday, July 12: "Stepping Stones" – Old jewelry, broken dishes, tile or anything that can be placed in a stepping stone (no bullets).