



## THE GARDEN GAZETTE

JANUARY 2019

### WABASH VALLEY MASTER GARDENER ASSOCIATION PLANNING AND SCHEDULING MEETING

November 20, 2018, 6:30pm, 4-H Building, Vigo Co. Fairgrounds

Meeting called to order at 6:30pm by President Phil Small.

Educational time 1.0 hours: Vice President Ruth Bohner introduced our speaker from JR Pharmacy, Lori Eldred, whose topic was CBD 101. She said that CBD oil has been rumored to cure almost anything. Cannadol is a non-psychoactive cannaboid found in hemp. Hemp and Marijuana are subspecies of Salvia. Hemp has mainly been used in textiles. Hemp oil comes from the stalks. CBD Oil comes from the flowers and leaves of industrial hemp and is not physically addictive. It will not show up in urine tests (unless the product is impure or taken in excessive doses). THC must be less than 3%. JR Pharmacy carries a brand called Ananda which is organically grown in Kentucky. It comes in capsules, a tincture and salve. Capsules have no taste and is convenient. It is best taken on a full stomach. The extract has bioquality that produces good results and the dosage can be customized. The salve can target one specific area. Edibles containing the oil are unreliable. Used as a vapor it produces the quickest high bioavailability. Some things it is used for include: in antibiotics, anxiety, seizures, inflammation, pain, insomnia, ADHD, Cancer, Diabetes (neuropathy), muscle relaxer, heart disease, Alzheimer's, and neural protection (Parkinson's or Neuralgia). Some of the negative effects include: drug interaction (most occur in liver enzyme P450 like grapefruit. Some drugs need P450). A person should let their doctor and/or pharmacist know what medications they are taking. CBD Oil can be taken with alcohol. If used in moderation. Caffeine and CBD work well together. She provided some pamphlets which describe CBD and its uses and effects.

**MINUTES:** Carole Dreher reported that minutes had been published in the October 2018 Gazette.

**RECORDING SECRETARY:** Carole Dreher passed around an attendance sheet.

**VICE PRESIDENT:** Ruth Bohner requested recommendations for speakers and/or topics for 2019. She has received 15 requests for flower bulb projects in classrooms. Kits are fairly expensive (around \$15.00 for hyacinths). She would like to request funds. Discussion followed. A motion was made and seconded to allocate \$300 to purchase 15 kits. Motion passed by a voice vote.

**CORRESPONDING SECRETARY:** Verna Gaskin checked to see if everyone was receiving emails and The Gazette. Paula Wilson requested a hard copy.

**TREASURER:** Brenda Christianson reported the balance in our account. She said that there is one outstanding check. She recently sent a check for \$1,000 to IV Tech to fund two \$500 agricultural scholarships. She is waiting for confirmation from John Rosene that the check has been received.

**SERVICE COORDINATOR:** Susie Thompson reminded people to record their hours. Hours may be submitted in written format. It was noted that the Purdue Master Gardener site can be reached via [www.wvmga.org](http://www.wvmga.org)

**COMMITTEES:**

**GIVING GARDEN:** Bob Archer said that volunteers had harvested and donated almost 13,000 pounds of produce in 2018. This bounty was delivered to sites in West Terre Haute, Brazil, Terre Haute and Sullivan County. Additionally around 20 hungry animals were relocated.

**FLOWER BEDS:** Larry Agee, Head Bedkeeper, said that the Butterfly Garden has been cleaned up.

**WEBSITE:** Sam Ligget said that he had paid for the 2018 domain name. He said that he had delivered donuts to the Extension office and Parks offices.

**CHRISTMAS IN THE PARK:** Ruth Bohner reported that this committee has been working on this project. Our display will be called "Bringing a Dream to Life". She solicited cookie donations for the three dates (12/08, 12/13 and 12/19) that Master gardeners will be operating the refreshment stand while the train is running. The committee would like to replace some of the LED lights which are used in the display. They would like to have an extra

**\$200 appropriated for expenses which can be paid back whenever the event is over. A motion to provide the requested funds was made, seconded and passed by a voice vote. Shannon Giles passed around a sheet for people to sign up to bring cookies. They can be delivered to her early and she can freeze them if necessary.**

**CHRISTMAS MEETING: Phil noted that the date and location for this meeting have been changed. The meeting will take place at 6:00pm on December 11, 2018 and will be held in the Banquet Center at the Vigo County Fairgrounds. Mary Ellen Hlatko, Connie Cooper, Era Nichols and Paula Wilson will serve as hostesses. Members are to bring one of their favorite snacks to be shared with attendees.**

**2019 SPRING SEMINAR: Shannon Giles said that this committee is working on a schedule and hoping to schedule a meeting by the end of the year.**

**OLD BUSINESS: none noted.**

**NEW BUSINESS: Phil asked if anyone had any new business and none was offered.**

**ANNOUNCEMENTS:**

**Dana Gadeken, Purdue Educator, said that a Home & Outdoor Living Expo would take place on 4/26 – 4/28, 2019, at the Vigo County Fairgrounds and we are invited to have a booth. Coral Cochran has invited the Master Gardeners to help arrange flowers for the Breast Cancer awareness meeting in May.**

**NEXT MEETINGS:**

- **Board meeting January 3, 2019, Vigo Co. Library, 6:00pm.**
- **Planning and scheduling meeting, December 11, 2018, Banquet Center at Vigo County Fairgrounds.**

**The meeting was adjourned with .75 hours of volunteer time for the members in attendance.**

**Respectfully submitted by Carole Dreher, Recording Secretary**

**WABASH VALLEY MASTER GARDENER ASSOCIATION  
PLANNING AND SCHEDULING MEETING  
December 11, 2018, 6:00pm, Banquet Center, Vigo Co. Fairgrounds**

The meeting was opened by President Phil Small who thanked the meeting hostesses and invited members to enjoy the snacks shared by members. After members had eaten, Phil called the meeting to order.

**EDUCATIONAL TIME:** none. No educational time was scheduled.

**MINUTES:** Recording Secretary Carole Dreher said that the minutes from the November and December meetings will be published in the January 2019 Gazette. She also passed around an attendance sheet.

**PURDUE EDUCATION ADVISOR** Dana Gadeken said that she had ordered some gold pins and badges. She noted that Verna Gaskin had earned her Gold 4000 award.

**CORRESPONDING SECRETARY:** Verna Gaskin checked to see if everyone was receiving emails and The Gazette. She said that she had received an email from Susan Stallings saying she was unable to attend but wished everyone Merry Christmas and an email from Ruth Johnson saying she was unable to attend and wished everyone Merry Christmas and that she was having knee replacement on 12/31/18.

**TREASURER:** Brenda Christianson reported the balance in our account.

**SERVICE COORDINATOR:** Susie Thompson urged members to record or turn in their hours for 2018. Dana Gadeken asked that members go on line to renew their annual agreement. She said that she had brought her computer with her if anyone needed help.

**WEBSITE:** Sam Ligget said that he had added photos of the Christmas in the Park display.

**CHRISTMAS IN THE PARK:** Ruth Bohner said that our display had received an honorable mention and a cash prize of \$500. She said that she has also ordered bulbs for a school project to put in glass containers on the desks of teachers and principals at Meadows Elementary School.

Phil asked if anyone has any OLD OR NEW BUSINESS to address. None was offered.

**ANNOUNCEMENTS:**

- Dana said the 2019 Bi-State Garden Conference would take place on 1-31-2019 at the Beef House and said that the time would count toward educational hours.

- She also announced a class called Backyard Poultry 200 would be held on 1-31-2019 from 6-7pm in West Terre Haute at the VFW. This class does not count toward hours.

**NEXT MEETINGS:**

- Board meeting January 3, 2019, Vigo Co. Library, 6:00pm.
- Planning and scheduling meeting, January 15, 2019, 4-H Building, Vigo County Fairgrounds.

The meeting was adjourned with .5 hours of volunteer time for the 24 members in attendance.

Respectfully submitted by Carole Dreher, Recording Secretary

**WABASH VALLEY MASTER GARDENER ASSOCIATION  
BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING  
January 3, 2019, 6:00pm, Vigo Co. Public Library, Rm. 6**

President Phil Small called the meeting to order at 6:00pm.

Members in attendance: Phil Small, Ruth Bohner, Carole Dreher, Verna Gaskin, Brenda Christianson, Larry Agee, Sam Ligget, Bob Archer.

Non Board Members in attendance: none

Minutes of last Board meeting: Carole Dreher said they had been published in the November Gazette. She said that the minutes for this meeting would be published in the January, 2019 Gazette along with the minutes for the November and December 2018 Planning and scheduling meetings.

Vice President: Ruth Bohner said that she is still searching for speakers. She listed some possibilities that she is pursuing and noted that she is open to ideas from others.

Corresponding Secretary: Verna Gaskin said that she had nothing to report.

Treasurer: Sue Thompson was not present so Brenda Christianson reported. She said that she, Susie and Mary Beth Prickel plan to meet to discuss Treasurer activities. She listed the current balance in our account on 12-20-18. She noted that there are 4 outstanding checks. She also mentioned that IVY Tech has cashed the scholarship check we mailed to them, but we have not received a confirmation from them concerning receipt of the donation.

**Service Coordinator:** Brenda Christianson said that members who prefer to submit written reports of their 2018 hours should send them to the Master Gardener P.O. Box address and she will get them from Sam.

#### **COMMITTEES:**

**Giving Garden:** Bob Archer said he checked the garden for animals and thinks there may be a couple of rabbits making a home there. He hopes to get a trail camera to help him keep track of animal trespassers. He noted that we planted Bush Tomato seeds at the end of January in 2018. It was suggested that we schedule a planting date around the first week in February. We need to check with John Rosene about the \$300 donation we have been giving IVY Tech for the use of their greenhouse. Phil is working with Dana on this matter.

**Website:** Sam Ligget has added photos of the Christmas in the Park Display.

**Spring Seminar 2019:** A meeting of this committee is planned for Tuesday, 1/08/19 at 10:00am at the United Methodist Temple Church. Verna will send out an email. The seminar is scheduled to be held on 3/09/19 at the Vigo County Fairgrounds.

**Flowerbeds:** Larry Agee said that he had presented our budget to the Parks Department at a recent meeting. The amount was the same as last year. Verna noted that Master Gardeners received a reservation form for the Her Fair.

#### **OLD BUSINESS:**

**Christmas in the Park (2018):** Bob Archer reported that we netted around \$400 on this project. Brenda said that she will prepare a report.

Phil reminded members that we need to sign the Annual Purdue Master Gardener Agreement Form which is available on their Master Gardener site.

#### **NEW BUSINESS:**

**4-H Support:** Phil said that he had been in contact with the extension Office about the possibility of our organization providing some help for 4-H members. He was told that the office was considering setting up an endowment to provide 4-H scholarships. There was discussion about how we could go about this. Larry Agee moved that we put \$1,000 in the 2019 for 4-H support. The motion was seconded and passed by a voice vote.

**Audit Committee:** Phil asked Sam Ligget to head up the Audit Committee again this year. Sam agreed to do so and said he would try to schedule the audit for some time in February.

**Tablescapes:** Carole Dreher discussed plans for this event which is scheduled to take place at the end of February. She showed a photo of a tree made out of books that they plan to use as inspiration for their centerpiece. They may need to borrow some books on gardening subjects or cookbooks with recipes using garden produce.

**Garden Tour:** Phil reminded the group that we had agreed to ship the garden tour last year and have it every other year. This year would be the year that we would have one. There was discussion about possibilities.

**Committee Sign-Up:** Sam said that he would bring committee sign-up sheets to the January P&S meeting on 1-15-19. Verna said that she would send out an email prior to the meeting listing committee opportunities and what their duties consist of.

**2019 Budget:** Phil provided a copy of the budget form used to adopt the 2018 budget which also included a comparison of the 2017 budgeted amounts compared to the actual amounts spent or received. There was discussion about several items and amounts we would like to use for the 2019 budget. A motion was made to present this budget to the membership at the January meeting. The motion was seconded and passed by a voice vote. Brenda will prepare a similar form comparing the 2018 budget vs. actual amounts along with proposed 2019 budget amounts prior to the meeting.

**ANNOUNCEMENTS:**

Check [wvmga.org](http://wvmga.org) website for additional announcements.

Next Planning and scheduling meeting: 4-H meeting room at the Fairgrounds, 6:30pm on 1/15/19.

Next Board of Directors meeting will be at the Vigo County Public Library on 2/7/19 at 6:00pm.

Meeting adjourned after 1.5 hours of volunteer time.

Respectfully submitted by Carole Dreher, Recording Secretary

*Happy 2019!*

*We made it all the way through 2018, congratulations! First up this year is the next Master Gardener class starting February 5th. Tell your friends and family to call the Extension Office for more information. If you are looking to get involved, Spring Seminar is an excellent way to connect to your fellow MG's. My last comment will be that it is **MANDTORY** to fill out your annual agreement for 2019. This is a legal requirement from Purdue and can be done through the online portal OR by filling out the paper copy with me (pick up at a general meeting or I can mail one). **PLEASE** call if you have any questions or concerns.*

*Sincerely,*

*Dana Gadeken*

*Master Gardener Coordinator*



FEBRUARY 2019

THE GARDEN GAZETTE

WABASH VALLEY MASTER GARDENERS  
PLANNING AND SCHEDULING MEETING  
JANUARY 15, 2019, 6:30pm  
WABASH VALLEY FAIRGROUNDS 4-H Meeting room

Educator: Bret Mishler from World Gospel Church talking about their community garden which was started three years ago. .75 education hours obtained.

Recording Secretary: Carole Dreher not present. Correction to published minutes – Bi-state conference correct date is Jan. 22, not Jan 31<sup>st</sup>.

Vice President: Ruth Bohner – no education for February yet.

Corresponding Secretary: Verna Gaskin not present. However, she is going to send out an email to members the Calendar of Events for 2019.

Treasurer: Susie Thompson gave the balance as of meeting. Christmas in the Park had a net profit of \$369.02 and 2019 membership fee of \$15 is due.

Service Coordinator: Brenda Christianson stated to send volunteer and education hours to our PO Box if you do not want to enter them on the Purdue MG site. Brenda then will manually enter them for the gardener.

Giving Garden: Bob Archer. Will begin planting seeds for Earth Day and Giving Garden after the first of February. Received a letter from St. Benedict Church thanking us for the fresh produce we donated to their soup kitchen this past year.

Website: Sam Liggitt. 2019 form for recording hours posted on the website and previous monthly gazette are posted in the MG forum page.

Spring Seminar: Shannon Giles and Ruth Bohner discussed the format changes for this year. Seminar meetings scheduled for next two Tuesdays, 1/22 and 1/29, 10:30am t the United Methodist Temple on south 3<sup>rd</sup>. Three speakers for this year are John Rosene speaking on garden pests, Jennifer Muller speaking on Rose Hulman community garden and sustainability, Mike Lunsford speaking about nature.

Tablescapes: Carole Dreher. Dates are Feb. 22<sup>nd</sup> and 23<sup>rd</sup>.

Purdue Extension: Dana Gadeken. New Intern Class starts Feb. 5<sup>th</sup>. MG Annual Agreements are due. They can be completed online or on form from Dana. Dana passed out several new badges.

Old Business: Committee sign-up sheets were laid out for individuals to sign.

New Business: 2019 Calendar of events and 2019 proposed spending budget. 2019 spending budget was accepted and passed.

22 members present for .75 volunteer hours.

Submitted by Bob Archer for Recording Secretary Carole Dreher.

WABASH VALLEY MASTER GARDENERS  
BOARD OF DIRECTORS  
February 7, 2019, 6:00pm  
Vigo County Public Library, room 6

PRESIDENT: Phil Small called the meeting to order at 5:54pm.

MEMBERS IN ATTENDANCE: Phil Small, Carole Dreher, Verna Gaskin, Susie Thompson, Brenda Christianson, Larry Agee, Sam Ligget, and Bob Archer.

NON BOARD MEMBERS IN ATTENDANCE: none.

MINUTES OF LAST BOARD MEETING: Carole Dreher said they had been published in the January Gazette.

VICE PRESIDENT: Ruth Bohner was not present but Phil said that she has arranged for Sue Rosiak to do a presentation on "Begonia and their habitat".

CORRESPONDING SECRETARY: Verna Gaskin said that she had nothing to report.

TREASURER: Sue Thompson presented a printed report showing income, expenses and balance of our account for the past three months. Some items were discussed and/or explained. She said that she had filled out information for the fidelity bond, removing Pat Youman's name and adding her own. The insurance has not yet been paid. We have received a tax form from Terre Haute Savings Bank. Sam wondered if we should consider moving some of our money to one or more short term CDs in order to earn more interest. Discussion took place. Larry Agee moved that we recommend to the membership

that we move \$8,000.00 to CDs at Terre Haute Savings Bank. Bob Archer seconded the motion which passed by a voice vote.

SERVICE COORDINATOR: Brenda Christianson and Bob Archer led a discussion about entering hours and inactive members. Phil, Brenda, Susie and Bob will meet later to discuss these matters more fully.

#### COMMITTEES:

GIVING GARDEN: Bob Archer said that some seeds have been planted for Earth Day, Herb Fair and City Parks Dept. We need 75 more tomato plants for Earth Day. Verna says she needs to plant Teddy Bear Sunflowers for Earth Day. Bob said he has started trimming Blackberry bushes and may ask for help. In 2-3 days they will be planting tomatoes for the Giving Garden. He said that Shannon Giles has an acquaintance who will till the garden for \$250. Bob said that he would like to go to a Fair Board meeting to thank them on behalf of our organization for allowing us to use their property for our meetings and events.

WEBSITE: Sam Ligget has updated the events calendar.

SPRING SEMINAR 2019: Verna reported that she has added the 2019 Spring Seminar to the events calendar and noted the date has been changed to March 23, 2019 and that it will be held in the Fairgrounds Banquet Center. We will have fewer vendors this year. A committee meeting is planned in the next week.

AUDIT COMMITTEE: Sam Ligget said that he has a room reserved at the VCPL for this committee to meet on Saturday, February 9, 2019 from 9am to 12 noon.

#### OLD BUSINESS:

Phil said that Dana Gadeken has around 15 people enrolled in her Spring Intern Class. Verna said that she will be helping them plant seeds on February 26 in the IVTech greenhouse.

Five people from the 2017 Intern Class have completed the volunteer activities in the time required to become Certified Purdue Master Gardeners and earned rebates that were proposed for them. It is uncertain if these will be offered again in the future.

FLOWERBEDS: Larry Agee said that seeds have been planted for the Patriotic Garden.

#### NEW BUSINESS:

TABLESCAPES COMMITTEE: Carole Dreher reported that she had attended a designers meeting in the new venue at ISU's Student Union Building. Designers received table assignments and discussed several issues. Viewing days will be on February 22<sup>nd</sup> and 23<sup>rd</sup>.

Dana needs to have some volunteers to help in the Master Gardener Booth at the Indy Flower and Patio Show which takes place at the State Fairgrounds from March 9 through the 17<sup>th</sup>. She needs to have 2 to

4 people. Dates available are 3/9, 3/11, 3/13, 3/14, 3/15 and 3/16. Shifts run from 3pm to 8pm. If anyone is interested in volunteering to help with this event please contact Dana.

Phil said that he has the application form for Christmas in the Park and that it needs to be turned in by 3/30 if we intend to participate again this year. He noted that last year's chairman prefers not to do it again this year.

We have been assigned a page in the Valley Viewer section of the Terre Haute Tribune Star on May 13, 2019. We will want to solicit photos from members for this page. Sam said that he may have some on the website.

**ANNOUNCEMENTS:**

Check [wvmga.org](http://wvmga.org) website for additional announcements.

Next planning and scheduling meeting – 4-H meeting room at the Fairgrounds, 6:30pm, 2/19/19.

Next Board of Directors meeting 3/7/19, 6:00pm, Public Library, room 6.

Meeting adjourned after 1.25 hours of volunteer time.

Respectfully submitted by Carole Dreher, Recording Secretary