



**Wabash Valley Master Gardeners Gazette**  
**June 2026**  
*Calling All Hands on Deck, Busy Times for WVMGA*

**Next event June 27, 2026**  
**TWILIGHT IN THE GARDEN**  
**In celebration of National Pollinator Month**  
**4 to 8 p.m.**

The flyer for Twilight in the Garden is at the end of the gazette.

**Angie Decker, Lynda Miller and the committee have worked very hard to get sponsors, donations, and raffle prizes. Now they need YOUR support to encourage attendance.**

The flyer can be downloaded and shared with anyone interested in attending or donating.

**Giving Garden: Volunteers are really needed over the next few weeks to get the Giving Garden ready for Twilight in the Garden June 27. Days and times:**

SATURDAY June 13 9:00 AM  
MONDAY June 15 9:00 AM  
TUESDAY June 16 5:30 p.m.  
THURSDAY June 18 9:00 AM  
MONDAY June 22 9:00 AM  
THURSDAY June 25 9:00 AM

Please contact Phil Small ([psmall@aol.com](mailto:psmall@aol.com)) or Angie Decker ([colorgirl1989@gmail.com](mailto:colorgirl1989@gmail.com)) for more information or questions.

Much help is needed with pulling weeds and spreading mulch. Feel free to bring your favorite tool, or we have equipment available.

Located at the Vigo County Fairgrounds (near West entrance)



**July 11-18, Vigo County Fair**

**Make and Takes July 14-17.**

Fair set up time is TBA. The committee needs trucks and volunteers when set up is scheduled. Make and Take times are from 1 to 3 p.m., Tuesday through Friday. Volunteers need to be there around 12:30 p.m. and plan to stay to clean up. Extra trinkets for steppingstones and flowers are needed. Please let Debbie Lazzell know what days/times you can help. [debbielazzell@gmail.com](mailto:debbielazzell@gmail.com)

**Make and Take Schedule:**

Tuesday, Cookie dough ornaments and/or flags

Wednesday, Paint a rock

Thursday, flower arranging

Friday, the ever-popular steppingstones

**Board of Directors Nominations:** Election of new officers and board members is coming up fast. **All** positions are open for nominations. Duties for each office are described in the bylaws. Or ask a current board member any questions about the requirements for a position. Self-nominations welcome!

Please read this note from Angie Decker:

It has been an honor to serve on the Board of Directors for the past three years. I strongly believe that our organization serves our community well. My family has been very supportive of my commitment to our organization. My son will soon be a Sophomore in High School and time with him is fleeting. I have made the difficult decision to not seek re-election as President. I will happily serve my term and do plan to continue volunteering as a Member. Elections are approaching this Fall, please consider serving our organization as a Board Member.

Sincerely,  
Angie Decker

## **WVMGA BOARD MEETING MINUTES**

May 7, 2026

*Approved at June 4 Board meeting*

Attendees: A. Decker, L. Miller, S. Thompson, B. Lutz, B. Brugnaux, V. Cochran, D. Lazzell, T. Flinn

April Board Meeting Minutes-Barbara motioned for approval, Lynda seconded. all approved pending one addition.

Susie T. reported on the organization's finances. One CD invested. The finance report was approved.

Herb Faire - Debbie reported that the seedlings were ready. Scheduled to begin set up on Friday, May 8<sup>th</sup> at 1:00. Volunteers to meet at TH South greenhouse to move seedlings to fairgrounds.

Intern picnic - Scheduled for next business meeting. May 19 at Ute shelter in Deming Park beginning at 6:00 pm. Lynda reported the organization would provide fried chicken. Members whose last name begins A-M provide desserts, and those whose last name begins with N-Z provide vegetable/fruit side dishes.

Twilight in the Garden - Angie reported that the sponsor goal has been met for 2026. Still needing materials for door prizes and raffle items. Susie has received the required state approval for gaming activity.

Dresser House Project - Sharon Polge presented a proposal for the Master Gardeners to approve the project to plant and maintain flowers around the Dresser House in Fairbanks Park. This activity has been completed for the past three years by the Master Gardeners but as an approved Purdue Extension project. Barbara motioned to officially accept the project for 2026. Vicki seconded the motion and all board members present approved.

Funding for this project has been provided by the Historical Society and managed by the Master Gardeners Treasurer. The 2026 Master Gardeners budget would require an amendment to budget for costs involved. Barbara motioned to add a line item to the 2026 budget for \$500 (current receipt from historical society). Lynda seconded and all present approved. Line item to be voted on by the membership present at the next available business meeting.

Strategic Planning - Angie requested input for date and time for an extended board meeting to plan for this activity. A day and time will be announced at a later date.

Meeting Adjourned-1.5 hours volunteer time

Respectfully submitted, Beth Lutz

**NEXT MEETINGS:**

Board – NO July board meeting

Next meeting August 6

S&P – June 27, Twilight in the Garden event

NO July S&P due to fair activities

Next S&P, August 18

*2026 Board Members: Angie Decker, president; Lynda Miller, vice president; Susie Thompson, treasurer; Beth Lutz, recording secretary; Barbara Brugnaux, corresponding secretary; Debbie Lazzell, Vicki Cochran, and Mindy Leo, members at large; Patti Weaver, service coordinator*

**Scroll down for the Twilight in the Garden Flyer on next page**

# TWILIGHT IN THE GARDEN

*In celebration of National Pollinator Week!*

## FREE EVENT

Be one of the first 100 guests to arrive and receive a free Swag Bag!



**Join us in celebrating the pollinators that made it possible to donate over 135,000 pounds of fresh produce.**

The Wabash Valley Master Gardeners' Giving Garden was established in 2010. All of the fresh produce is donated to local soup kitchens, food pantries, and educational programs.

**Donate**



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## Speakers:

- ✓ Jennifer Tames, Catholic Charities Terre Haute -Food Insecurity in our Community
- ✓ Purdue "Pollinators in the Garden"

## Activities:

- ✓ Giving Garden Tours
- ✓ Door Prizes
- ✓ Free Milkweed & Zinnias

## Event Details:



June 27th, 2026



4-7 pm



**The Giving Garden**  
Located at the West entrance of the Vigo County Fairgrounds  
3901 S US Hwy 41  
Terre Haute, 47802