

**Tuesday, February 20, 2018**

**Dunn County Master Gardener's Meeting**

Location: Dunn County Community Service Building, Room 102, 3001 US Highway 12 East, Menomonie, WI 54751

No speaker for tonight.

Present: Sally Schendel, Charlet Keenlyne, Rae Hayden, Kathy Baumgardener, Diane Klemme Nancy Schofield, Katie Wantoch, RaeNell Parker, Jean D'Angelo and Laura Cragin.

DCMGA Meeting Agenda

1. Called to order by President Sally Schendel at 6:30 p.m.
2. No additions to the agenda
3. Approval of 11/14/2017 minutes after corrections: Dick Hertling is not joining MG and Rae Parker is on subcommittee for Spring Begins-not Rae Hayden
4. Dunn County Extension report by Katie Wantoch:  
Many continuing changes occurring within UW Extension. UW Cooperative System will be integrated into UW Madison in the summer of 2019. Some granting of tenure to faculty will occur with this move.  
New support staff in the extension office-Michelle Bachand and Bethany (who will start in March)  
Erin LaFaive-UWEC horticulturist resigned recently. Not sure how this position will be filled. Katie is hosting the Responding to Horticulture Inquires workshop on 4/20/2018 here at the extension office. She sent around registration information.  
Program-Wisconsin Woodland Owners will be in March, on Tuesdays. Info passed around.  
Program-Red Cedar Watershed program is March 8, 2018 at Stout.
5. Treasurer's report-Nancy Schofield , treasurer: balance of the checkbook is now \$2835.29. Nancy has established a checking account at Westconsin now. Expenses this month include WIMGA dues, gas gift cards from Kwik Trip and a purchase of garden gloves to sell at Spring Begins.
6. Committee Reports:
  - A. Local Rep Report- Diane Klemme, WIMGA representative, discussed the upcoming regional conference- 'Autumn At The River' that will be in Eau Claire September 21-22, 2018. Mark your calendars-more details to come. Visit [www.wimgaconferences.com](http://www.wimgaconferences.com) for updates. Diane also asked for a donation for prizes from DCMG's for the conference. Char Keenlyne made a motion to donate \$50.00 for WIMGA prize money and Laura Cragin seconded. Motion was carried.  
Diane also reviewed updates on our website: [www.dunncountymastergardeners@weebly](http://www.dunncountymastergardeners@weebly)
  - B. Project Committee- Laura Cragin passed out a handout with upcoming speakers for 2018 MG meetings. The speaker list is complete. Diane will place it on our website as well.
  - C. Veteran's garden -DCMG's received an award for the work done this year with the Veteran's Garden from Main Street Menomonie. Sally passed the framed award around to members.

Old Business- none

## New Business

1. Spring Begins! is March 3, 2018. Discussion regarding volunteer positions needed to help with a smooth program. Currently we have 24 people registered. Set up will begin on Friday, March 2 at 3:00 p.m. We need folks to set up the registration table and man the door prize table as well. Donations of donuts, water and coffee for food from local businesses as well as scones and fruit platter from members. Howard Lee will announce the speakers.
2. Also needed for the Spring Begins! Is clean up crew-many people volunteered to stay for this. Vendors are confirmed and will set-up in side room.
3. Jean D'Angelo discussed upcoming fieldtrip with high school students to Gerten's greenhouse sometime in May (date to be determined). She needs adult volunteer's-a few people expressed interest. She will keep in contact with specifics when she knows more.
4. Kathy Baumgardener discussed the need for volunteers at the jail garden this summer. Please contact her if interested.
5. There is a Tree and Birdhouse Sale in March, see [www.rodngun.org](http://www.rodngun.org) for details.
6. UW Stout Wellness fair is April 4<sup>th</sup> from 10-2 pm. The DCMG's usually have a table at this event.

Adjourned meeting at 7:30.

Next meeting March 20<sup>th</sup>, 2018 at Dunn County Community Service Building-room 102 at 6:30 -speaker will be Jan Harvey and she will discuss her beautiful hosta gardens and her own cultivar .

Notes by Laura Cragin, DCMG member