

ICMGA Newsletter – Volume 12

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Iowa County Master Gardener Association
Meeting Minutes August 15, 2007

Following an informative prairie walk at Denise Marino's home, the meeting was called to order by President Janet Huebner.

The secretary's report was accepted as read.

Mary Massey, Treasurer, reported a balance of \$1687.00.

Our MG association was given a wildlife habitat award by the Iowa County Land Conservation Committee. An intern in the Iowa County Extension designed a booklet about the history and work that was done on Iowa County MG sites.

A reminder for all MG's to send in their volunteer hours by September 25, 2007 to Resha Wyman, 4250 Greenleaf Drive, Dodgeville, WI, 53533.

It was announced that Farm Technology Days will be September 18-20 at Albany, WI.

Denise Marino reported a successful year at the community garden sites at Bloomfield. The Children's Garden was well done and the whole garden space was used. She suggested offering more space, possibly where the rhubarb and asparagus are growing and reduce the herb beds to two beds.

Mary Mayo gave a report on the bulb sale. Handouts and order forms were passed out. The first shipment of bulbs will be October 8-15. The last date to order bulbs will be September 10. Send orders to Mary Mayo with a check. Mary Massey asked if she could send an email attachment in the Garden Club newsletter about the sale. It was agreed to do so. The possibility of selling left over bulbs at the Farmer's Market or other sites will be investigated by Carol Rademaker. A fair booth was discussed. Karen Crawford pointed out that it would be expensive and the club would also have to purchase insurance.

Jayne Wisler announced that the Bloomfield clean up will be near the end of October.

If there are any changes in mailing addresses or email addresses, they should be sent to Brenda Walter at bwalter@chorus.net, or 4354 Hwy Y, Dodgeville, WI, 53533.

It was announced that a fall MG class on ornamental trees and shrubs will be offered if enough members are interested.

The next meeting will be October 24, 2007 at Stonefield Apartments with Anne Bachner discussing her book.

**November 14 - Annual Meeting at Stonefield at 7:00.
Nominations for open positions shall be accepted at this meeting.**

Janet Huebner

Reminders:

Send pictures of projects to Ruth Olson. She just called and is waiting to receive photographs.

We still need someone to answer questions for the Extension Office. If you have had your fill of the physical work gardening requires, you can get your hours researching interesting questions in the comfort of your home. Call me if you are interested.

The next Uplands Garden Club meeting is at the home of Carol Rademaker at 1900 Black Oak Road in rural Hollandale on September 5 at 6:00.

Next MGV meeting date is Oct. 24 with speaker Anne Bachner at Stonefield at 7:00 p.m.

The fall 2007 Specialized Master Gardener Program will start on Sept. 25.

I received the attached letter and raffle tickets right after our last meeting. I will have them with me at the garden club meeting if you are interested. You can also give me a call if you are want tickets. Packer fans be sure to read on. The raffle tickets were printed before they received the Packer tickets and that prize is not listed on the tickets. See the attached.

Janet Huebner

From the St. Croix Valley Master Gardeners Association

Hello,

As you know, the State MG conference will be Oct. 5&6th. It seems summer is fast disappearing, and the conference will be here soon! I would just like to let you know about a few things.

- 1) Raffle tickets. Every organization is asked to sell about 25 packets of tickets. We will be sending these to you soon. If you want more of the raffle tickets, please let me know. I'll be more than happy to send you more. The price will be the same as in the past - \$1 each or 6/\$5. The raffle items are meant to appeal to a wide audience. First prize is \$300, second prize is \$200, and third prize is \$100. Please sell as many tickets as you can – at your meetings, farmers' markets, community gardens, churches, schools, where ever your MG's congregate. You do not have to be an MG to purchase tickets. Additional prizes will be listed on the website.
- 2) Donations for the silent auction. In the past, each organization was asked to either donate an item worth at least \$50, or send a check for that amount. We are asking that again this year. Already some of you have made your donation. Thank you. If you have not yet done so, please let us know your intentions. You can contact me at dbarron@presenter.com or at 715-425-8926. If you will be bringing an item for the silent auction, just let me know. We don't have to have it until Friday of the convention.

If you have any other questions, please contact me at the number below. Evenings are best.

Thank you as always for your support of WIMGA and the annual conference.

Debbie Barron
St. Croix Valley Master Gardeners
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715-425-8926

NEW RAFFLE ITEM ADDED

One of the raffle items will be two tickets to the Packer Game in Green Bay on Sunday, November 18th against the Carolina Panthers. The game starts at noon. The tickets are indoor club seats, so you will be out of the weather. Don't miss the chance at these great tickets! They are worth \$197 each!!! Watch the website for more great prizes. All of the prizes should be listed on the website by August 3rd.

(No website was given. – editor's note)