

WHAT'S GROWING ON?

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Submitted by Audrey Ruedinger

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DATES TO REMEMBER

Board Meeting –May 3

Buckthorn and Mustard removal – May 7

Business Meeting – May 10- Speaker Bruce Schweiger

Festival of Spring at the Paine- May 21

Parkview Flower Arranging- June 27

The President's Pen

From Kathy Schultz and Linda Loker

Well we think we can finally say "Happy Spring"!

Temperatures are rising, buds are bursting and oh my, our gardens are waking up and screaming "tend to me!".....finally!

This is the time of year we spend time with our chosen projects and in our own backyards. The great advantage to being a master gardener is that when you join a project and work with experienced gardeners, your Level 1 training comes to life and then you learn so much more! This hands on knowledge helps you grow as a gardener and, it may take awhile, but you begin to realize what you know, and feel confident in sharing this knowledge with others. This is what this WCMG program is all about - and each spring, this excitement resurfaces all over again!

Please check your emails frequently now as the project leads are looking for your help for clean up, planning and planting. We have many projects to choose from, as evidenced by the wonderful presentations that we have had this year at the member meetings.

Bruce Schweiger will be speaking at our May business meeting. He is from Turfgrass Diagnostic Lab and will help us in understanding and caring for our lawns.

Oshkosh Area Humane Society held a tree-pruning workshop in April on a very cold day. There was a nice turnout and Kimberly presented the how to and how not to properly prune trees to maintain their structure and at one point had to suggest that someone step away from the tree with the tool! (No names will be mentioned!)

Sullivan's Woods invited WCMG to come out April 16 to tour the woods, and to assist UW-O students in identifying and removing invasive plants. The Friends of Sullivan's Woods have asked our organization to join them in May and October to assist and advise OASD teachers and students in woodland preservation. It is a beautiful woods, and one of our goals this year is to work with the community's youth. This would be an excellent opportunity!

The Paine's Festival of Spring is right around the corner as well. Ginny Slattery, project lead, will be looking for help for both the set up (May 20) and the advisory booth (May 21). The usual set up help will not be available this year so Ginny is looking for lots of hands to help.

Also, with summer approaching, we typically visit members' gardens. This is in place of member meetings in the summer months. Please consider your garden and let one of us know if you are interested. We have had many members share their gardens in the past years and we thank you very much!

Now it is time to get outside!

Kathy and Linda



SHARING YOUR TIME

By Kathy Gore

Sue Egner is our Master Gardener State Representative for Winnebago County. I was interested in knowing what her duties were and how she represents us at the State. She explained it to me and it sounds like a very interesting job. I want to share it with you.

Local State Representative for Winnebago County- Sue Egner

I have been your local representative for Winnebago County for the past two years. The local reps are invited to the two face-to-face meetings a year. During the other 10 months, the board members teleconference. We then receive the minutes and report back to our local chapter any news or changes.

WIMGA (our MG state organization) is divided into 6 districts with 2 board members elected from the reps to represent each district. Our district is made up of 10 counties. We have been trying to have quarterly meetings in Chilton, where our board member resides. This gives us a better chance to know each other and learn about what is happening in other counties and the state. If our county MGs have an issue that we can not solve, I would then consult with our district board members and they would present it to the state board. This rarely happens, but sometimes clarity is needed.

With the huge budget cuts the state system is experiencing, we are not sure how exactly this will affect our group. We are being grouped together with Outagamie, Calumet and Waupaca counties. We may be sharing resources, but our organizations will continue to function individually. What this all entails, we do not know. Will keep you posted when we know for sure what is happening. I have enjoyed being your Rep. and plan on continuing this position.



WORM CASTINGS FOR SALE

At the May business meeting, we will be selling our worm castings. They will be in 5 and 10 pounds amounts. The cost is \$5.00 for 5 pounds and \$10.00 for 10 pounds.

If you wish for a larger amount, we would appreciate knowing ahead of time. We will have your order ready for you for your pick up at the meeting.

Please email me with your order to: mgardener4ever@yahoo.com.

An email will be sent out when we have a date set for bagging the worm castings.

Thank you,

Sue Egner and Jerry Schaefer, co-chairs

IT'S A GARDENER'S LIFE

BY VIRGINIA SLATTERY



Jeanne Callen

I was born and raised in Oshkosh. My educational training was in Records Management in which I have an Associate degree. I recently obtained a Certified Records Manager designation (CRM) which is the most prestigious level in the Records Management profession.

I am married and have three adult sons (31, 29, and 25). We have one adorable grandson who will be a year old in June.

I originally took the Master Gardener class to learn more about gardening in general and also for something enjoyable to do. I became certified in 2012.

I got my love of gardening from my mother-in-law. She had a beautiful perennial garden which I was able to help take care of when she was no longer able. She also had a flourishing vegetable garden and many, many houseplants.

I have recently taken on the roll of chapter Historian, which has been a work in progress. I've also worked with the garlic mustard and buckthorn projects and at the Farmer's Market.

Three years ago we put in a 25 foot perennial garden on our property—I wanted it to look just like my mother's-in-law. She passed away two years ago but I was fortunate to be able to transplant many of her plants from her garden in Minnesota into my garden. I have wonderful memories of her and feel she is with me when I'm out in the garden. We also have a vegetable garden, asparagus patch, rhubarb, and eight apple trees.

My husband and I enjoy “adopting” graves at local cemeteries. We pick a handful of them that don't seem to have anyone to care for them and plant flowers for them. We then care for them throughout the year. We enjoy the history of cemeteries and got the idea while attending a cemetery tour.



WHAT AM I?

By Jane Kuhn

I am an herbaceous perennial, widespread across most of eastern North America. My plants grow in zones 3-8 with a height of up to 1 ½ feet tall and a spread of up to one foot. My woodland plants grow in colonies derived from a single root with lobed umbrella-like leaves on stems produced from a creeping underground rhizome. Some stems bear a single leaf and do not produce any flower or fruit while stems with a pair or more leaves produce a single, nodding, waxy, 6-9 petaled, white flower in early spring. Flowers are quite showy but usually hidden by leaves. Each flower gives way to an edible, fleshy, greenish, egg-shaped fruit (berry) which turns golden to red when ripe and may be used to make jelly. All other plant parts are poisonous.

My plant prefers medium moisture, well-drained, rich soil in part to full shade. Propagation is by seed or root division and will self-seed under optimum conditions. I am excellent for naturalizing in woodland settings, wild or native plant gardens. When fully ripe, my berries are eaten by box turtles, opossums, raccoons and skunks but other plant parts are avoided because of their poisonous qualities. As with many of the early spring wildflowers, I go dormant in the summer.



Answer to “What Am I?”

I am mayapple. Order: Ranunculales. Family: Berberidaceae – Barberry family. Genus: Podophyllum L. – mayapple. Other names: American-mandrake, wild mandrake, Indian apple, ground lemon. Though the common name is mayapple, it is the flower that appears in early May. The fruit or “apple” is produced in early summer and ripens in later summer.



References: USDA Plants Database and associated links.

LAWANDA'S GARDEN PATH

By Lawanda Jungwirth

Lovage is Easier to Grow than Celery

By Lawanda Jungwirth

Celery can be grown in Wisconsin, but may be difficult to grow. And it's an annual plant so once it's harvested, its life is over.

An easy-to-grow herb called lovage tastes just like celery and it's perennial so it continues to produce year after year. It dies back to ground level each winter and begins sprouting new shoots early the following spring.

Lovage leaves, stems and seeds all taste like celery. Drying it makes the flavor even more intense.

Stems are hollow and ribbed, just like celery. Near the top, they divide into smaller branches. By mid-summer, yellow umbrella-like flowers reminiscent of those of the dill plant bloom atop the stems. The seeds that form when the flowers fade resemble caraway seed.

Cutting stems low on the plant or cutting off the flowerheads encourages more branches to quickly form. Lovage can get to five feet tall and the more you cut it, the more it produces. Continue cutting it back throughout the summer even if you can't use all that it produces so there will be fresh growth when you need it. Old leaves that are left on the plant turn yellow and lose their celery-like taste.

Lovage can be propagated by seed sown in late summer or by division. Since you probably only need one plant, a nursery seedling or a spring division from a friend is the best way to go.

Lovage is quite hardy and does just fine without winter protection in Wisconsin. It likes moist, fertile, well-drained soil in full sun to part shade.

Seeds can be dried right on the flowerhead in the garden. Gather them when the tiny fruits pop open. Spread them on newspaper to dry for a few extra days indoors before storing them in a glass jar.

Stems and leaves can be cut and hung upside down in a warm, shady spot to dry. Leaves will dry even faster if you remove them from the stems and dry them in a single layer on newspaper. When they are crisp, store them in a tightly sealed opaque container. Light will yellow the dried leaves.

Stems and leaves can also be frozen. Bundle a few stems and dunk them quickly into and out of boiling water followed by an immediate plunge into an ice water bath for two minutes. Drain them well and store them in plastic containers in the freezer. Thawed lovage isn't as crispy as fresh so use it in soups and stews.

Lovage is used just as you would celery. Use leaves in salads, soups, stews and sauces. Seeds are used in brines, cheese spreads, salad dressings and sauces. Stems can be chopped in salads, candied, boiled and pureed, used in stuffing, with rice, or sautéed with other vegetables. You can even use lovage stems to make the kid favorite, ants on a log. Cut stems into pieces a few inches long. Fill the hollow with peanut butter and arrange a few raisins along the top.

The Invasive Grapevine

(The Invasive Grapevine features a short and easy fact about invasive plant species each month)

These species which you may have in your yard are restricted by the Wisconsin DNR: amur maple, black locust, bishop's goutweed, burning bush, common barberry, creeping bellflower, Japanese honeysuckle, Oriental bittersweet, queen of the meadow, Russian olive, tansy and yellow iris. You are strongly encouraged, but not required, to destroy them.



The Latest Dirt

Latest news of the Winnebago Master Gardeners

PROJECT DATES

PAINE GARDENS – Virginia Slattery

Spring clean-up at the Paine has begun. You can volunteer any weekday from 8-2:30.

Festival of Spring is being held on Saturday, May 21. We will need members to man our "Ask the Masters" booth from about 8:30- 4. Please e-mail me if you are interested in helping. I will also have the sign-up at our May meeting.

Set-up for the event will be the Friday before (May 20). LOTS of help will be needed that day beginning at about 8 a.m. This will also be on the sign-up sheet, but if you can alert me before that you can help, that would be appreciated. Ginny Slattery

Invasive Species Control Projects

The Education and Control of Invasive Species project is three-pronged in 2016.

1. Sue Egner continues to lead a project to control buckthorn in Oshkosh North Conservancy Park, just north of Oshkosh North High School. Buckthorn control will begin in fall, but this spring, garlic mustard will be pulled in the park on Saturday, May 7 beginning at 10:00 a.m. More details can be found elsewhere in this newsletter.

Contact Sue at mgardener4ever@yahoo.com or 231-1729.

2. Valerie Stabenow will lead a new project to search for and remove invasive water hyacinth near Winneconne. Participants will paddle kayaks, skiffs, or other small boats in Lake Winneconne, Lake Butte des Morts, and the adjacent channels. Valerie will offer a training session so that volunteers will know exactly what they are looking for. Watch the newsletter and your email for more information. Contact Valerie at hclub34a@att.net or 582-4292.

3. Judy Lucas has an individual project to control garlic mustard near her Cowling Bay area home (off County A between Neenah and Oshkosh). She welcomes anyone who would like to help. Contact Judy at judydanlucas@yahoo.com or 969-0958

Garlic Mustard Pull

Where: North High Conservancy Park, behind North High School, Oshkosh

When : Saturday, May 7th from 10:00 until noon-ish

What to bring: Something to kneel on, 5 gallon pail or equivalent, dandelion digger and gloves if you normally use them.

Park your cars at 931 Park Ridge Ave. The woods are directly behind my home. The areas are near my home.

Wanted: as many people as possible. No experience needed!

Other dates will be posted as needed.

See you May 7th. Sue Egner, Invasive species co-chair. Call me at 920-216-9455 or text me if you have any questions or email.

OSHKOSH FARMERS MARKET - Dorothy Gayhart-Kunz

***** NOTE- NEW LOCATION *****

Welcome to the Oshkosh Saturday Farmers Market booth.

Co-Leads are Janet Priebe, Dorothy Gayhart-Kunz, Synda Jones and Patty Schmitz.

We set up at 7:30 AM and leave by 12:30 PM. Our sign up sheet circulates at our meetings. You are welcome to work at the market even though you haven't signed up. Everyone is welcome to come and earn education and volunteer hours.

DRESS FOR THE WEATHER. The Market runs rain or shine. Check their website for any cancellations. BRING YOUR OWN CHAIR!

NEW LOCATION Across from 'Pie on the Porch' on Main Street.

Just South from where we were on the corner of Main & Church.. There is a church bakery next to us. We sell worm castings, give out gardening handouts, answer questions. WE WOULD LIKE MORE PRESENTATIONS. We have had composting, mason bee, and preserving foods presentations. If you have something you are interested in and would like to present it, let us know and we will provide a table for your presentation. It could be hostas, flower arranging, making bird houses, rain barrels, whatever your interests.

We start the first week in June and close our booth after the first week of September. The market goes through October.

July 16 is Kid's Day when we will help around 200 kids plant a flower and make a craft project. HELP IS NEEDED!

A schedule is sent out about a week before we start in June to everyone who has signed up. So sign up at the meeting.

Volunteering at the market is a good way to get to know other Master Gardeners and help educate the public about gardening.

You get to browse the market too! SEE YOU AT THE MARKET!

CUTS AND CLIPS

By Marge Bolding

Source- Wisconsin Garden Journal

May Tasks

Houseplants, Perennials and Annuals

Water perennials if less than 1 inch of rain falls per week. Continue this through June, July, August and September.

Week 1. Harden off any annuals grown indoors, or place in cold frames before planting outside in the garden.

Set Easter lilies in garden

Add organic matter to flower beds

Divide and thin midsummer and fall-blooming perennials.

Week 2. Fertilize perennials

Divide or transplant Shasta daisies before 3 inches tall.

Disbud several peony bushes for bigger flowers, and stake them

Plant tuberous begonias and tuberose outdoors

Week 3. Plant stored geraniums in well-drained soil after last frost and keep moist. New growth should begin in one week.

Pinch off one-half of chrysanthemums when 6 inches tall and continue pinching until July.

Remove faded flowers from spring-flowering bulbs; allow leaves to die down naturally.

Stake Delphiniums.

Week 4. Plant Dahlia divisions after danger of frost is past. Stake plants. Pinch annuals when 4 to 6 inches tall.

Vegetables and Herbs

Mark starter fertilizer by dissolving ½ c of 5-10-5 or 5-10-10 in a gallon of water. Use ½ cup of mixture for each transplant

Take frequent garden walks to check for early signs of insect damage and weed, disease, and fertility problems.

Use floating row covers to protect young transplants from frost damage

Week 1. Begin hardening off seedlings of vegetable transplants. Bring in at night or cover in a cold frame

Plant broccoli, cauliflower, and cabbage when air temperature stays above 40 degrees

Week 2. Plant snap beans, pole beans, sweet corn and onion plants.

Sweet corn planted early in the season has fewer pest problems

Week 3. After late frost date (May 13 in Oshkosh) plant celery, melons, squash, cucumbers, pumpkins, and tomatoes. Plant tomato seedlings, removing lower leaves and burying stems a little deeper, if needed, for stability. Protect from cold with Wall O Water or cut open milk jugs.

Extra seeds can be saved and stored in a cool dry location.

Cover beans, cucumbers and melons with floating row covers after planting

Lawn, Trees, and Shrubs

Week 1. Mulch young evergreens with shredded hardwood bark to keep out weeds. Watch for gypsy moth caterpillars to hatch when the weather warms and leaves open on the trees.

Do not mow the lawn until it is 2 inches. Roots are being renewed in spring, and grass needs vigorous initial growth. Optimal height is 2 ½ to 3 ½ inches

If fertilizing lawn two or three times a year, apply in late May (around Memorial Day) or early June.

Fertilize trees and shrubs with slow release fertilizer if not done earlier in season.

Week 3. Prune junipers, arborvitae, yews, and hemlock any time during late spring or early summer
Prune Pine by cutting up to 2/3 of the new growth.

FOOD FOR THOUGHT

BY RENEE DONER

Lemon Loaf---Copycat from Starbucks

3 eggs

1 cup sugar

1 cup buttermilk or sour cream

1/2 cup canola oil

1 1/2 tablespoons of lemon extract

1 1/2 cups of flour

2 teaspoons baking powder

1/2 teaspoon salt

1 cup powdered sugar

3 tablespoons lemon juice

Whisk together eggs, sugar and buttermilk, and oil and whisk.

Add Lemon extract and whisk with above

Add flour, baking powder, DO NOT OVERMIX

Pour mixture into 9x5 prepared pan, bake @ 350 for 45-50 minutes cool

Mix confectioners sugar and lemon juice, drizzle over top

Very good!

Created by: Katherin O'Mallet, Spoon University

Mayapple Preserves Recipe

Submitted by Jane Kuhn

From Mother Earth News (July, 1977)

Simmer two quarts of mayapples (with stems and blossom ends removed) in one cup of water until the fruit is soft. Then pour the mass directly into a colander and press the pulp through into a container, leaving the skins and seeds behind. Add one box of Sure-Jell for every four cups of cooked fruit, and bring the mixture to a boil. Finally, add five cups of sugar, bring to a hard boil, and — after one minute — pour the finished preserves into sterile jars and seal with paraffin or canning lids.

UW EXTENSION NEWS

Kimberly Miller

NEW in 2016!! Please read this overview.

How you report your hours for 2016 will be different and will require using a new timesheet.

Reporting hours is very important to UW-Extension as a means of quantifying the valuable contributions of our volunteers in the community. Not only do these records allow for recognition of volunteers for their hard work, but they are also invaluable for program evaluation. Records provide the many ways MGVs serve the public. Local and state governments, which fund the program, are very interested in how effectively UW-Extension uses tax revenues. Consequently detailed records benefit both the MGV Program and its clients.

From now on you will be required to submit your hours by project and type of hours (i.e. support services, community education and youth education). The timesheet will be revised to reflect this and once completed will hopefully clear up any questions you may have. I understand that some of you have already completed volunteer hours this year and ask that you do the best in filling out the new timesheet for 2016. The new timesheet will be available prior to the May 10, WCMGA Business Meeting. An email will be sent out and it will be posted to the WCMGA website.

With this new timesheet we strive to make it as easy as possible for you to report, as well as track, your volunteer service and continuing education hours. The new timesheet will be available as both an Excel spreadsheet and a PDF document. If you do not have access to a computer, visit or contact the Winnebago County UWEX office to receive a copy.

As we move through this transition, I appreciate your patience. If you have any questions, please let me know

Thank you for giving so generously of your time and talents.

Kimberly Miller

Winnebago County UWEX
Horticulture Educator

BUZZIN AROUND

BY MARY JO MAHER



Sometimes you think spring will never arrive! This was my thought one Saturday morning when I decided to find my spring fix and take some dear friends with me. Off we went to discover spring at Haentze Floral and Green House in Fond du Lac, located at 658 Fond du Lac Ave. What a thrill to walk in and see all the blooming geraniums, multi colored coleus, and just to smell the plants! It was a thrill to buy a fresh basil plant and use some of the leaves for dinner that night. The staff was very friendly and accommodating. Please enjoy a view of spring that we enjoyed!



Just as a recap from last year, here are some greenhouses you can visit locally. Greenleaf garden Center- Greenleaf, Honeymoon Acres- New Holstein, Mayflower Garden Center- Hobart, Rose Hill Gardens- Hobart, Wreath Factory- Menasha and Plymouth, Caan Floral- Sheboygan, Fernaus Greenhouse- Oshkosh, The Plant Station- Appleton, Koeune's Greenhouse- Neenah, Stewarts- Appleton, Steins- Oshkosh and Appleton. This is just a few to choice from. ENJOY!

Winnebago County Master Gardener Association turns 25!
By Jeanne Callen



The Winnebago County Master Gardener Association is celebrating its 25th anniversary this year. In 1990, as the Winnebago County Master Gardener Program grew, many of its Master Gardeners felt the need to form an organization which could provide unity, a vehicle for volunteer service, continuing education, and funding for horticultural programs and activities. It began with a meeting of 22 people on January 5, 1990 and became an official association by the summer of 1991. The association was led by Garry Blomberg, Community Resource Development, and Joan Hoffman, Horticulture Assistant/Advisor.

Now, twenty-five years later, the program is still going strong. Over 520 people have been trained and there are currently 104 certified Master Gardener Volunteers in Winnebago County! Co-Presidents Linda Loker and Kathy Schultz lead the group and Kimberly Miller is the Horticulture Educator from UW Extension.

Watch for “History in the Making” questions and “1990 fun facts” at upcoming meetings and in future newsletters.

Congratulations Winnebago County Master Gardener Association on celebrating 25 years!



1990 – Fun Facts!

President: George Bush

Cost of a new home: \$149,800

Median household income: \$29,943

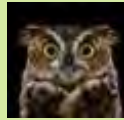
Gallon of regular gas: \$1.16

Dozen of eggs: \$1.00

Gallon of milk: \$2.78

By Jeanne Callen

WHO KNEW?



By Lynne Slat

Jumping worms confirmed in 5 counties

Jumping worms, an invasive species, were discovered in Wisconsin for the first time in Dane County in the fall of 2013. Since then, they have been confirmed in five counties, including Milwaukee and Waukesha. The DNR says the worms may be present in a total of 14 Wisconsin counties.



Jumping worms

- Native to: East Asia
- Length: 1.5 inches to 7 inches
- Identifying features: Milky-white clitellum; jumps and thrashes when handled
- Problem: They turn soil dry and grainy.



WINNEBAGO COUNTY MASTER GARDENER ASSOCIATION

March 8, 2016 Minutes

Winnebago County Master Gardener Business Meeting

April 12, 2016

Meeting began at 6:00 PM

Speaker: Paul Skaworski, Statewide Coordinator for WI citizen Lake Monitoring Network gave an educational talk on invasive water plants.

Treasurer Report was given per Joni Pagel.

Secretary Report was given per Kathy Schultz in Linda Petek's absence.

NEW BUSINESS

1. **Education Committee update:** Roy Anne reported that the New York trip was cancelled. Also notified membership that she will be stepping down as chair of this committee.

Linda Loker, on behalf of the board and entire membership, gave a thank you to Roy Anne in appreciation for her dedication and hard work over the last several years of heading this committee. A standing ovation was received.

The board then announced that there would be a search for a new Education Committee chair among the committee, and everyone in the membership was invited to consider the position. It was also announced that there is an interested committee member, however, this member would like to co-chair with another person - perhaps a newer person from the general membership. Anyone interested was asked to contact a member of the board.

2. **Extension Update:** Volunteer Vibe will have designated articles that will count for education hours for MG. Articles that are designated for this purpose will have a comment section included.

Hours form will now change to include all projects and how many hours are spent on each.

This week is Volunteer Appreciation week, and Kimberly invited the members to an open house at the Extension offices on April 13th from 1 to 4:30. Kimberly also expressed appreciation to all the members for their volunteer work.

Mike Maddox will be teaching a therapeutic garden workshop on June 24th from 9am to 3pm. Cost is \$5.00 for supplies.

3. **Project Presentations:**

Lutheran Homes: Jane Kuhn and Diana Dougherty gave a slide presentation of the butterfly garden that was started last year, and gave plans for 2016. They invited membership to consider working on this project.

Oshkosh Area Humane Society: Matt and Julie Miller gave a slide presentation and discussed their recent pruning workshop held April 9. Kimberly Miller gave a presentation at the workshop. They also shared their goals for 2016 and asked for assistance from the membership.

Parkview Health Center Vegetable and Cutting Gardens: Tom Weber gave a history of the gardens that was very enlightening for all.

Invasive Species: Lawanda Jungwirth (garlic mustard), Val Stabenow (water invasives), and Sue Egner (buckthorn) each gave a talk on their respective projects. Sue reports that there is now garlic mustard at the North Conservancy Park so would like some help in knowing what to do to eradicate. Judy Lucas also invited help for her project on Cowling Bay.

4. **Worm Casting Committee:** Kathy Schultz reported that Worm Castings will now be a committee led by Sue Egner and Jerry Schaefer. This newly formed committee will be added to the member booklet.

5. **Paine Docents:** Kathy Schultz reported that the Paine approached WCMG to ask if anyone would be interested in becoming a docent for the Paine. Inside docents would not acquire MG volunteer hours; however, docents giving tours of the grounds with educational information on the plants would be able to use this for community education hours. Forms were available at the meeting. The training for this is every Monday and Wednesday from 10 to noon in June. Please contact Kelli Marsicek at the Paine at 920-.235.6903 ext. 40 if interested.

6. **Sullivan Woods:** Linda Loker gave an update on Sullivan Woods project. The Friends of Sullivan Woods will be holding an invasive species workshop with approximately 20 UW-O students this Saturday, April 16. Zaiga Frievalds would welcome anyone interested in attending and education these students on the invasives to remove. If interested, please come to the woods 9-12N on Saturday. Address is 6342 Hay Road, in the town of Utica.

Zaiga will also inform the group of the dates in May for the city wide 4th grade Sullivan Woods days.

7. **Menominee Park Zoo Gardens:** The board decided that the gardens at the Zoo are more of a maintenance need, and the association would not take this on a project. However, if members have an interest in working there, please contact Chad Dallman, Assistant Director of Parks at 920-232-5315

8. **Paine Update:** Ginny Slattery gave a Paine update: Festival of Spring will be held May 21. Anyone interested in attending and advising on plants is invited to come. Set up for this is Friday May 20.

9. **PHA:** Mary Shepard gave a PHA update: Plant Health Advisors will hold an additional training workshop at Coughlin Center on May 17.

10. **Picnic:** Donna Kudlas reminded everyone that the annual picnic is set for June 14. There will be a sign up sheet at the May member meeting.

11. **25th Anniversary:** To continue giving honor to WCMG 25 year anniversary, the board decided to have a history board and a quiz for members at the meeting today. Both were created by our historian, Jeanne Callen. It was fun and informational for all of us!

Meeting adjourned at 8:20PM.

Respectfully Submitted,

Kathy Schultz

Sullivan's Woods

Submitted by Gerald Schaefer



May 2016

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June 2016

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