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The Wood County Master Gardener Association is a non-profit organization with a mission to educate and share information with its members and the community alike. In addition, it is our charge to promote the UW Extension from which we are founded. We are a diverse group interested in the latest research-based horticultural information.

WCMGV 2021 President's Notebook

Hello members, and Happy New Year. I hope you all are doing well! Remember how in the last November's newsletter I told you that I was trying something new for Thanksgiving Dinner and that I would share my family experiences? Well we enjoyed a wonderful Thanksgiving Dinner, via drive-through at a local church. Our dinner was homemade and included pie. There was no charge....so we left a huge tip as a thank you!

We are so lucky to have such giving people in our area—willing to give up their own Thanksgiving Day...to serve others.

I don't have any new information at this time. Please read Janell's article in this newsletter. Our BODs and other committees will be meeting soon via Zoom. I will share any information from these meetings in future newsletters or via email or both. As always, please feel free to contact me with your questions.

Stay safe! Take care! Thanks to all of you for your support of our organization. Together we will go forward! Spring is just around the corner!

Ruth Cline

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FIRST WCMGV MEETING of 2021 - Tuesday, February 23, 2021 at 6pm via ZOOM.

In 2021 we will be hosting virtual monthly meetings, at least until it will be safe to meet face to face. So to begin, there will be a trial virtual meeting using Zoom. This meeting will be on Tuesday, February 23rd at 6pm. It will be a chance for all to connect virtually and catch up/discuss the activities for 2021.

Starting in March 2021, we will resume our monthly meetings via Zoom with an educational component. Our February meeting will allow us to do a trial run and make sure everyone can connect virtually.

Thank you to everyone who completed the ZOOM survey in November. There were 43 WCMGV who responded. The responses were:

I have had experience with Zoom and would be comfortable meeting via zoom: 22

I have never used Zoom, so would need education on the process: 10

I have a computer/device with video and audio capacity and internet connection: 18

I have a computer/device with internet connection, but without video and audio capacity: 2

I do not have internet access but could participate on my landline: 3

I am not interested in participating in meetings virtually: 8



All WCMGV will get an invite via email/communication about the upcoming meeting on February 23rd. For those who have never used Zoom, refer to the following document included in this newsletter: *Helpful Hints for Connecting to Zoom Meetings*, on the pages 6 and 7 of this newsletter.

There is also a helpful video on YouTube: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=6fIYWnfTc5o>

For anyone who would like to connect with a trial zoom meeting before the February 23rd meeting, contact Sue Wilford at swilford@tds.net or Janell Wehr at Janell.Wehr@wisc.edu. We can set up a one on one meeting to practice connecting.

Marshfield Library Programs via Zoom Sign up on the Marshfield Library

Garden Guru topics-spring 2021

January 18

Reading Seed Catalogs for a Successful Garden Experience Learn how to decipher the descriptions in seed catalogs and pick seeds that will do best in your gardens. We will also talk about indoor gardening in winter and growing microgreens.

February 15

Seed Starting and Winter Sowing Learn how to successfully start seeds to have healthy plants to set out in your garden later this spring. We will also talk about a process called "winter sowing" that allows you to start perennials outside in the winter without the use of artificial lights or using indoor space to start seeds.

March 15 (Sue Wilford will do this month)

The Importance of Using Native Plants in your Gardens This presentation will differentiate between native and non-native plants and why it is important to plant 'native' which benefits our ecosystem. Participants will learn that by planting natives, pollinators, birds and wildlife will be attracted to this natural environment.

April 19

Garden Planning and Planting Learn how to plan your garden for best results and how to sow seeds and successfully transplant starter plants. Emphasis is on vegetable gardens but applicable to flowers.

Continuing Education Hours

If you should still need to re-certify, please read the message below:

Remember, for 2020, you do not need to report Volunteer Hours to certify, however, you still need to report 10 hours of Continuing Education.

What counts for CE hours? Here's a recap:

Here is where you can find the guidance for CE hours. Be sure to click on the green bar labeled "Continuing Education".

Need help finding appropriate resources for Continuing Education? Here's some options for CE:

- This is the approved media list. If you choose a book from that list, each 25 pages count for 1 hour. You can only use books for 5 of your required CE hours.
- Online Articles. Each article is worth .25 hours CE There's a lot of good articles on that page.
- Plants Plus. Most of the Plants Plus will be worth 2 hours each. There will be a short video, an article to read, and a short quiz to check your understanding. Lots of options here.
- You may find some of the playlists of videos under "Extra Stuff" interesting.
- Do you listen to Garden Talk with Larry Meiller? That counts, too.

Need help entering your hours? **No problem!** Send me an email with your hours and I can get them in for you this year.

2020 was a rough year for everyone. If you don't have enough CE hours to certify, **don't panic**. Volunteers that I do not hear from that do not have 10 CE hours for 2021 will be updated from "Certified" to "Exempt" status. You can think of Exempt status as a grace year. You can still participate in the Master Gardener Program but will need to earn volunteer and continuing education hours in 2021 to recertify for 2022.

If you don't see this until after the first of the year, **don't panic**. Send me an email and I can still update your information. Questions? Please feel free to reach out to me.

Sincerely,

Janell Wehr
Horticulture Educator
UW-Madison Division of Extension
Marathon County & Wood County

I am following Wisconsin Department of Health Services, UW-Madison, and federal guidelines due to the COVID-19 virus outbreak. I am working remotely and am most easily reached through [email](#).

Approved Media Resources: Master Gardener Continuing Education

Books:

- Master Gardener Program Manual (Wisconsin)
- The Well-Tended Perennial Garden* by Tracy DiSabato-Aust
- Decoding Gardening Advice* by Jeff Gillman & Meleah Maynard
- Landscaping with Native Plants of Wisconsin* by Lynn M. Steiner
- Pollinators of Native Plants* by Heather Holm

Qualifying Continuing Education Hours

(Continued from Pg.3)

Bringing Nature Home by Douglas W. Tallamy
The Truth About Garden Remedies by Jeff Gillman
The Truth About Organic Gardening by Jeff Gillman
Month By Month Gardening in Wisconsin by Melinda Myers
Lasagna Gardening : A New Layering System for Bountiful Gardens: No Digging, No Tilling, No Weeding, No Kidding! By Patricia Lanza
Birdscaping in the Midwest, A Guide To Gardening with Native Plants to Attract Birds
by Mariette Nowak

Webinar/Video/Television Series:

Wisconsin Gardener
“Great Gardening”, Duluth PBS - WDSE
Badger Talks online recorded webinars (related to plants, gardening, gardens only):
<https://badgertalks.wisc.edu/>
Let's Grow Stuff short webinars <https://pbswisconsin.org/letsgrowstuff/>

Radio Program

Larry Meiller's “Garden Talk”

More Continuing Education Hours

Olbrich Botanical Gardens in Madison is offering a Virtual Lecture Series. There are a total of 5 lectures - one each month and you can sign up for an individual lecture or for the entire series. Each Zoom lecture will be 60 minutes in length plus a 30 minute Q&A with the presenter and will start at 7:00 pm. There is a nominal fee of \$15 for each presentation and if you sign up for all five of them, you'll receive a \$10 discount.

The topics, speakers and dates are as follows:

January 28 - The Bombus Among Us - Bumble Bee Basics presented by Heather Holm, award-winning author of “Bees”, designer, publisher, researcher and prairie restoration ambassador.

February 25 - Diversifying Your Garden Design presented by Fergus Garrett, head gardener at Great Dixter in England.

March 25 - Nature's Best Hope presented by Doug Tallamy, professor at the University of Delaware and author of the award-winning book “Bringing Nature Home: How Native Plants Sustain Wildlife in Our Gardens” as well as his most recent book “Nature's Best Hope”.

April 29 - Edible Landscaping to Kitchen Gardens: Planning, Planting to Harvest Presented by Lisa Hilgenberg, horticulturist at the Chicago Botanic Garden's four-acre Regenstein Fruit & Vegetable Garden, educator, and host of *Weekly Gardening Minute* on WBBM News-radio.

May 27 - Answering the Call-Gardening for a Better Life presented by Jeff Epping, Erin Presley and Katey Pratt, Olbrich Botanical Gardens horticulturists.

For a more detailed description of each lecture and/or to register, go to olbrich.org and click on Virtual Lecture Series.

'FACT SHEETS' updates/additions from UW Plant Disease Diagnostics Clinic (PDDC)

The following fact sheets have been updated or added by Brian Hudelson from PDDC. These fact sheets include the most recent recommendations for control/treatment. Japanese Beetles and Grub Control in Turfgrass are huge issues we deal with every summer in our communities. Get the most updated information for your own knowledge or that we can share with the public.

Tomato Spotted Wilt of Potato https://pddc.wisc.edu/wp-content/blogs.dir/39/files/Fact_Sheets/FC_PDF/Tomato_Spotted_Wilt_of_Potato.pdf

Black Stem Borer https://pddc.wisc.edu/wp-content/blogs.dir/39/files/Fact_Sheets/FC_PDF/Black_Stem_Borer.pdf

Japanese Beetle https://pddc.wisc.edu/wp-content/blogs.dir/39/files/Fact_Sheets/FC_PDF/Japanese_Beetle.pdf

White Grub Control in Turfgrass https://pddc.wisc.edu/wp-content/blogs.dir/39/files/Fact_Sheets/FC_PDF/White_Grub_Control_in_Turfgrass.pdf

Wireworms https://pddc.wisc.edu/wp-content/blogs.dir/39/files/Fact_Sheets/FC_PDF/Wireworms.pdf

Here's an idea...

Have you come across something interesting related to horticulture and you were prompted to share it with your mom or your sister or your best gardening friend? How about sharing that with your WCMG colleagues by submitting the information for our monthly newsletter?

We're looking for anything of interest...

- a great garden book you just read/bought
- a pertinent seminar
- a fabulous greenhouse you found
- an interesting gardening story
- a garden tip that really worked well
- a great recipe

We'd love to hear your experience. Feel free to send a picture featuring your find. All you have to do is send it to Peg Klinkhammer, our newsletter editor (wcmgvs@gmail.com). The deadline is the 10th of every month.

Now another place to share your messages

The WIMGA newsletter is also looking for submission of articles that feature some educational subject, MG tips, fun garden ideas, and especially, news about what is going on in our MG association. So keep that in mind as you plan and implement your project. What aspect of your project can you and your team highlight with an article and pictures? Let's show Wisconsin what Wood County is up to!

Send your submission to the editors of WIMGA newsletter Hali Dressecker at halirenee@yahoo.com or Nancy at westcoasternancy@gmail.com

Follow this link to the latest WIMGA newsletter to see what they are doing.
<https://www.wimga.org/>

Helpful Hints for Connecting to Zoom Meetings



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Meeting participants may use several devices and tools to connect to Zoom Meetings.

This document will provide guidance for each of these methods:

- PC or MAC software (desktop client)
- Web browser
- Android mobile apps, and Apple mobile apps (smartphones or tablets)
- Telephone call-in

Helpful links:

- <https://zoom.us/test>: Test your internet connection by joining a meeting at any time.
- Zoom Support page: [Joining a Meeting](#)
- If you have difficulty, you may find answers on Zoom's support site:
<https://support.zoom.us/hc/en-us>

Join via PC or MAC Zoom software (desktop client)

- If you will join a Zoom Meeting from a personal or work desktop or laptop, downloading the Zoom client is an easy way to join.
- You may automatically download the Zoom desktop client by clicking here: <https://zoom.us/support/download>
- You may either join a meeting without creating an account or signing in by clicking [Join a Meeting](#) and entering the 10-digit Meeting ID
- You may also enter the Meeting directly by clicking on the link included in your invitation, it begins with <https://uwextension.zoom.us/j/10-digit-number>

A screenshot of the Zoom software interface. It shows the 'ZOOM' logo at the top, a 'Join a Meeting' button, and a video preview window showing a person's face.

Join from a web browser

- If you are unable to use the desktop client, you may join from your browser.
- Click on the link in your invitation and this prompt will appear. Click "join from your browser"

If nothing prompts from browser, download & run Zoom.

If you cannot download or run the application, [join from your browser](#)

Recommended browsers:

- Chrome or Firefox work best
- Internet Explorer, Edge, and Safari have limited capabilities.

Join from an Android or Apple app via Smartphone or Tablet

- Open the Zoom Cloud Meetings mobile app from the Google Play Store or the Apple App Store
 - Tap “Join a Meeting” if you want to join without signing in.
 - Sign Up or Sign In with an account then click +Join
- Enter the 10-digit Meeting ID
- If your invitation includes a One-Touch Mobile code, simply tap to connect from your mobile device.
- Apple users! (iPhone, iPad, and MAC users: Please refer to the Settings section on the Getting Started with iOS Zoom support page.

Join from a telephone

- On your phone, dial the phone number provided in your invitation.
- Enter the meeting ID number when prompted, using your dial-pad.
- Please note that long-distance charges may apply. This is not a toll-free number.



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A New Virtual Experience

2021 Garden & Landscape Expo
Website Now Live! Register Today!

PBS Wisconsin's 2021 Garden & Landscape Expo's Virtual Event website is now live! register for free online now to begin exploring the show! [The Garden & Landscape Expo website](#) is your go-to online destination for everything you'll need for this year's virtual event.

While we will not be meeting together at the Alliant Energy Center in February, we plan to unite and engage the gardening community virtually, sharing inspiration and educational opportunities.

To access information on this year's event, register online today. Registration is free and easy to do, and will grant you access to information on this year's presentation schedule, exhibitor mall, virtual garden tours and more!

[Click here to register for the virtual event and explore the new website!](#)

Cassy Vieth, host of PBS Wisconsin's digital series *Quick Fit With Cassy*, to present at Garden & Landscape Expo!

Prepare your body before you prepare your soil! Led by Cassy Vieth, a professional fitness trainer from Spring Green, Wisconsin, *Quick Fit* focuses on gentle and effective zero-impact moves to help you keep doing the things you love.





Mark your calendars for Cassy's virtual demonstrations on stretches for gardeners. These will take place Saturday and Sunday, Feb. 20 and 21, from 8:30-9:00 am CDT. Saturday's session will focus on lower body stretches for gardeners and Sunday's session will focus on upper body stretches for gardeners.

Looking for fun, easy and free online stretching and workouts you can do in the comfort of your own home? Explore the full Quick Fit With Cassy series online now! Watch for free online and on the PBS app on your phone, tablet, Roku, other streaming devices and Smart TVs.

[Click here to explore the full series.](#)

From *The Wisconsin Gardener*: Colorful Winter Containers

We're going through our archives and uncovering classic segments from *The Wisconsin Gardener*! In this episode from 2009, host Shelley Ryan learns how to create a winter wonderland garden from Caleb Whitney of Green Side Up Landscaping. Caleb creates whimsical garden theater with found objects and plants from the garden.



[Click here to watch the segment.](#)

From WPR's *Garden Talk*: Holiday Gifts for the Gardener

Still looking for that perfect holiday gift for the gardener in your life? In this segment from WPR's *Garden Talk*, gardening expert Erin Presley



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provides a list of gift ideas for holiday giving. They include the practical, the new and the unusual. To check out her list of gift ideas, [click here!](#)

Click here to listen to the segment.

From Garden & Landscape Expo: Three Season Mushroom Garden

In this Garden & Landscape Expo lecture from 2016, Lindsey Bender, Mycologist at Field and Forest Products, provides a basic introduction to different types of mushrooms and discusses how to cultivate fungi indoors, in a compost pile and underneath garden vegetables.

[Click here to watch the lecture.](#)

Garden & Landscape Expo is presented by PBS Wisconsin with UW-Division of Extension

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Native Seed Sowing Experiment

Now that the holidays are over, you might be looking for ways to get your hands into the dirt this winter. The offer still stands for any members who wish to try to grow native plants by the winter sowing method. See the November newsletter for specific directions. I have many different kinds of seeds I am willing to share with anyone who wants to give it a try.

Please let me know if you prefer to have seeds of plants that are sun lovers or those that like some shade. I can send them to you, or we can agree to meet to get them to you. Please email or give me a call as to your preference. I am willing to answer any questions you have. You can count the time you spend planting and tending as volunteer hours. So let's get growing!! Donna Streiff 715-207-6218 streiffonclay@tds.net

February Garden Guide

from Portage County Master Gardeners Volunteers

- Inspect gladiolus corms, dahlia tubers, begonia tubers and other fleshy rooted plants for rot and desiccation.
- Before ordering vegetable seeds, check last year's seed for viability by placing seeds between moist paper towels for several days.
- To keep your houseplants growing evenly, give the containers a half turn every two days.
- Start seed for impatiens, vinca, pansies, geranium and begonias in mid month.
- Continue to inspect stored vegetables.
- Check for over wintering fire blight cankers on susceptible varieties of apples and pears; remove by pruning.
- Spray dormant oil to control scale and other over wintering pests. Spray on any day above 40 degrees F and when forecast temperatures are to remain above freezing for 24 hours. This may be done until buds swell.
- Prune dormant trees and summer flowering shrubs. Don't prune spring flowering shrubs until after they have flowered.
- When forced bulbs have bloomed and tops have dried, store and then plant in garden in fall.
- Prune roses, fruit trees, and bramble fruits.
- Order catalogues from seed companies you've been meaning to try.
- Check your garden tools and make a list of new tools you will need or want.
- Sharpen garden tools.
- Give houseplants a monthly shower with tepid water.
- Check young trees and shrubs for rodent injury on lower trunks. Prevent rodent injury with hardware cloth or protective collars.
- Try growing some perennials from seed.
- Start seeds for leeks and onions.
- Don't use seeds with poor germination rates; seedlings may be more prone to insect and disease problems.



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Volunteer Opportunity that can be done from your home

Wood County HCE (Home and Community Educators, another UW-Ext program) has requested someone to submit a short gardening article for their newsletter. It could be a tip or information that is pertinent to that time of the year - you get to choose and determine how long of an article to submit. The newsletter is published every other month and the deadlines to submit your article would be Feb 1, Apr 1, Jun 1, Aug 1, Oct 1 and Dec 1.

Contact Barb Herreid by January 22 at bherreid@wctc.net if you are interested in doing this for all 6 months or just sign up to do fewer months. The time to prepare the article will count towards the volunteer hours requirement to recertify.

Extension Update

Happy New Year Wood County Master Gardener Volunteers!

It's one of my favorite seasons- Seed catalog season! Time to curl up with a warm cup, a few pens, and your favorite catalogs while dreaming and mapping out the next season's adventures.

Last year we started a new annual enrollment process. It is very simple; so simple, you may not remember doing it! Volunteers in the Master Gardener Program are required to "enroll" in the program each year. The next time you log into the Online Reporting System, you will first be required to review and agree to the conditions of volunteer service and the volunteer behavior agreement.

The enrollment process begins January 1 and ends March 15. You'll need to complete enrollment prior to any volunteer activity. Any volunteer service completed prior to enrollment is ineligible for reporting. It's as simple as logging into the Online Reporting System (ORS), reading the terms, checking the boxes, and logging out. The enrollment process helps ensure a safe experience for you, our clients, and Extension staff.

I have been sharing parts of the new Master Gardener Onboarding with you each month. This month we will begin to take a closer look at MG Activities and we'll begin looking at how the MG Projects fit in with the program themes.

Be well,
Janell Wehr, Master Gardener Coordinator

International MG Conference 2021- Virtual Event

In 2021, the International Master Gardener Conference will be held virtually. Though a virtual conference was not our original plan, we are excited for this unique opportunity to bring our speakers, workshops, and networking opportunities to even more Master Gardeners at a greatly-reduced cost from attending the in-person event. All sessions will be recorded and available for viewing later. We hope our decision to move to a virtual platform will make the conference more accessible to Master Gardeners near and far.

We are planning a unique and creative virtual conference that will offer not only the chance to attend live webinars and workshops, but also opportunities to socialize with and learn from EMGs from around the nation, to learn about gardening in the Commonwealth of Virginia, and to participate in interactive activities such as iNaturalist and social media challenges. [Check the website for more information.](#)



Continuing Education: Plants Plus! Fall Color



Continuing Education hours: 2.5

One in the Plants Plus Series - a remix of past training presentations, printed materials and other references focused on specific plants or topics to help you increase your knowledge so you can better answer homeowner questions. To get 2.5 hours of continuing education credit for watching the video presentation, just complete the short quiz! This Plants Plus package focuses on the benefits, care and selection of houseplants.

To get 2 hours of continuing education credit, complete the video, readings and take a short quiz!

Scope of the Master Gardener Program

We've covered the history and organization of the Master Gardener Program. In this issue, we introduce the Scope of the Master Gardener volunteer position. In this section we list the types of activities you can do.

Types of Activities

- **Diagnostics:** These are opportunities where you will address gardening questions in a one-on one setting. These include troubleshooting problems for residents at the Extension office, and working "Ask a Master Gardener" booth at farmers markets and fairs. The Master Gardener Program originated with the intent of training individuals to answer gardening questions.

Because of its special status and additional training needed in the Master Gardener Program, diagnostics has its own special category when we talk about what volunteers do.



- **Educating Others:** You may have an opportunity to engage a group with gardening information. This could include workshops, symposiums, and displays. When you report your hours, be sure to include your time for preparation and delivery. Educating others can happen in many different ways within the Master Gardener Program, not just teaching in front of a group. As a trained Master Gardener, you often connect people with information during a conversation with someone visiting a demonstration garden or a Master Gardener display booth. Instead of teaching a whole group, you provide personalized information to address that person's particular needs. Master Gardener Volunteers provide many different kinds of educational programs. Look at the examples below and consider the types of education you are able and willing to do in this role. Create educational displays for farm markets and fairs Staff an educational booth at an event and talking plants with event visitors Make public presentations at libraries, schools, and events Write educational articles for newsletters and blog posts.



- **Gardening:** When you volunteer your time physically gardening at an approved project, you will report those hours under the Gardening category. Some of the approved Master Gardener Volunteer projects require physical garden work. These garden projects may be in partnership with partner organizations as part of some larger goal or purpose to bring change to a community. Participating in only approved projects with partner organizations keeps these activities focused on agreed upon goals and should avoid Master Gardener Volunteers being used as "free labor" for landscaping. Volunteer garden projects that may require a bit of sweat equity include:

- Demonstration gardens that show new trends or proper methods for flowers, vegetables, and landscapes.
- Historical gardens that showcase older plant varieties or share historical gardening methods.
- School gardens for youths or teens.
- Hunger prevention gardens that may supply fresh produce to local food pantries and/or help low-income community members learn to grow their own food.
- We also borrow from our community development colleagues and apply the principles of placemaking to guide planting projects that promote community in public places.



Extension Update (continued)

• **Program Support:** The success of most of the volunteer projects come from thoughtful planning and behind the scenes efforts. These include:

- attending meetings
- preparation and clean -up of planned activities
- writing project descriptions
- recruiting and organizing volunteers for a project
- evaluating projects
- marketing and promoting projects
- managing social media



Master Gardener Program: Project Themes

All programs in the Division of Extension, including the Wisconsin Master Gardener Program, focus our work on identified themes. Volunteer projects can address:

- Supporting healthy and safe food systems
- Protecting valued natural resources
- Creating healthy and vibrant communities
- Improving human well-being

Within each of these themes, we apply the latest unbiased university research-based information to understand and address the situation. Extension also evaluates if and how volunteers make a difference through their activities around these themes.

Supporting healthy and safe food systems

Rates of food insecurity are generally below the national average in the Midwest, including Wisconsin. In the period from 2014-2016, 10.7% of Wisconsin households were food insecure, meaning they lacked assured access to safe, affordable foods. While the Wisconsin food insecurity rate fairs better than the nation as a whole (13.0%), the overall state food insecurity rate masks considerable regional and subpopulation variation. Households at greatest risk for food insecurity are poor, single headed households, households of color, and households with children (USDA ERS, 2017). Food insecurity has a negative impact on health and nutrition and has been associated with nutrient deficiencies, increased rates of chronic disease, and chronic stress (FRAC, 2018).

Our Response: Master Gardener Volunteer activities can improve the motivation and knowledge of participating individuals in activities related to the selection, growing, management, pest control, and harvesting of fruits and vegetables.



Diagnostic Activities:

Answer gardening questions related to growing fruits and vegetables.



Educating Others Activities:

Provide formal and informal learning experiences related to growing fruits and vegetables.

Gardening Activities:

Garden in approved public spaces to demonstrate management of fruits and vegetables.

Program Support Activities:

Participate in the administration and preparation of these activities.



Save the Date!



Elevate! Wisconsin Master Gardener 2021 Kickoff Event!

- When: February 2nd, 6:30pm
- Why: To recognize how important MGVs are to making positive change in Wisconsin. As we enter 2021, let's all come together as a whole state of Master Gardener Volunteers. Join us, the MG Program State Office and Extension staff, as we recap 2020, look forward to reaching new heights in 2021, and ***thank you for what you are doing for your communities.***
- You will have an opportunity to win door prizes, too! More info to come! Watch your email from the State Program Office and Janell Wehr.

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Committees, teams, project leaders, members, BODs, are encouraged to send meeting notices for the column below.

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2021 WCMGV Meetings and Notices

Previously Scheduled Meetings and Programs have been postponed or cancelled! You will be notified when a meeting and /or program is rescheduled. Look for Zoom meetings soon.

Thank You for your patience!