

Minutes of the October 21, 2014 Meeting  
of the  
HENDRICKS COUNTY MASTER GARDENERS

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by Rosie Lenihan, 2014 HCMG President.

**Officer and Committee Reports:**

Jill Clouser gave the Treasurer's Report. No questions or additions were offered.

Judy Kenninger, Secretary, announced that the minutes from the September meeting had been posted on the HCMG website and provided at the registration table during registration. No corrections or were offered. Robin Elizabeth Parsley moved the minutes be approved, after a second, the motion carried on a voice vote.

April Blevins, Journalist, announced that the newsletter is usually published the first week of the month. Those wanting to have content included should turn that in to her by the last week of the month.

**Adventures in Gardening:** Assistant Event chair Kerry Cates gave the report, announcing that 120 people registered and attended the seminar. Attendees came from across Indiana and even from Kentucky and Ohio. Evaluations were very positive. Next year's AIG will be held Oct. 10, 2015.

**ANR Educator Update:** Rosie Lenihan reported that applications for this position are still being accepted.

**GFAA Update:** Suzy Freeman reported that seeds are already coming in for the 2015 show, which will be held April 25, 2015.

**Nominations Committee:** Steve Pearl, committee chair, presented the following slate of candidates for 2015 leadership positions:

Rosie Lenihan -- President

Barb Zupan – Vice President

Karen Smith -- Treasurer

Judy Kenninger – Secretary

Ed Freeman – Journalist/Communications Director

The election will be held at the beginning of the November meeting. Nominations will be accepted from the floor, but nominators are asked to verify that any nominee is willing to serve.

**Unfinished Business**

**Volunteer Opportunities/Projects:** Rosie Lenihan announced that time spent preparing items for the scholarship auction can be reported. Also, items are needed for the auction. Volunteer time is available to assist a Boy Scout Troop project, decorating the fairgrounds Christmas Tree,

serving on the HCMG Insurance Review Committee and serving on the Operations Manual Committee.

**HCMG Christmas Party:** Committee Chair Becky Troutman announced that reservations are now being accepted for the party, which will be held on Dec. 2 at 6:30 p.m. at Dawson's Too in Brownsburg. Tickets are \$20 and checks made payable to HCMG should be mailed to Becky at 1717 Sparrow Ct., Brownsburg IN 46112 by November 11. Note: **All reservations must be sent in by the Nov. 11 deadline in order to attend.**

**Outdoor Learning Center:** Carol Veys Ford announced that Avon Outdoor Learning Center will hold work days on November 1 and 15 for removal of invasive plants. Work will begin at 9:00 a.m. on both days. Dress appropriately for the weather.

The business meeting adjourned at 7:55 p.m. on a motion made by Jeff Barnett.

Following a break, the winners of the photography and **Elephant Ear Bulb** contests were announced. Jeff Barnett had the winning bulb.

Kerry Cates won the Gardeners' Favorite Award in the **Photography Contest** for "Happy As a Moth" as selected by attendees at the AIG Seminar.

Other winners are:

Winged Things: First, Jackie Rosales, "Giant Swallowtail"

Second, Kerry Cates, "Happy As a Moth"

Single Bloom: First, Jackie Rosales, "Spacecoast Daylily"

Second, Theresa Mathieson, "Found My Slipper"

Garden Landscape: First, Karen Monesmith, "Untitled"

Second, Kerry Cates, "Water Hyacinth in Pond"

Unclassified, First, Jackie Rosales, "Milkweed World"

Second, Suzy Freeman, "Remember January"

Thanks go to Deborah Ashby for judging the contest.

Karen Robbins of Avon Garden then presented a program on Cutting Gardens and Closing the Garden for Winter. At the conclusion of her talk, Karen generously made a donation of \$75 to the HCMG Scholarship Auction.

Respectfully Submitted

Judy Kenninger

2014 HCMG Secretary