

Hendricks Gardener

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Message from the President

Hey to all Master Gardeners and Interns!

"GARDENITAS UNCONTROLUS". My diagnosis as to why I cannot walk pass a plant place and come away with nothing. I may purchase a prize specimen or more times than not walk away with a plant needing my love and care. This self-proclaimed issue has come into sharp focus recently being away for an extended amount of time. My husband has been given the task of taking care of my menagerie. He even sent photos allowing me to check on them but mainly I just wanted to see my "babies". If you have this malady it is a good thing in my book.

Summer is a busy time for our chapter and I encourage you to try and find time to help. No amount of time is too little. We have a variety of opportunities; Demo Garden maintenance, Hendricks County Fair booth work, the Outdoor Learning Center and Farmer's Market booths. I will be asking some of you to volunteer on our Board selection committee for next year. If you have a desire to do that you may reach me either by phone or email.

Take a drive by the fairgrounds around the West side of the building and notice the Demo Garden. Many fellow MG's have been working long hours getting the new area off to a GREAT start. I am proud of the work being done and look forward to continuing our mission of "Teaching and Education".

Remember: Gardeners ARE the best people.

Come Grow with us!

Becky Troutman, President









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Member Meetings & Information

Date: July 25, 2017 6:30 p.m.

Please join the *Hendricks County Master Gardeners* for their 2017 Summer Picnic at the home and vineyard of Kim and Steve Somermeyer: 2010 N 300E, Danville, 46122

WATER, TEA AND LEMONADE PROVIDED HOT DOGS AND BURGERS PROVIDED

Stay for Wine Tasting and Vineyard Tour (optional)

RSVP to Kim by Tuesday July 18th !!!!! kimberly@somermeyer.com

A LITTLE HELP IS NEEDED:

Appetizers: If your last name begins with A-F Side Dish: If your last name begins with G-Q Dessert: If your last name begins with R-Z

For Upcoming Member Meetings

Contact the president one week in advance of monthly meeting if you have business or committee reports to be included in meeting agenda.

- Meetings are normally held on the third Tuesday of each month except summer months,.
- Master Gardener meeting agenda will be forwarded to membership prior to meeting.
- Remember to wear your Master Gardener badges to all HCMG events and meetings.

Meeting Minutes

Meeting minutes will be posted on the members page of the website after the most recent business meeting.

Reporting Volunteer Hours

Use the Purdue MG Manager system on-line. You must register to use the system. Register for Purdue MG Manager here: www.purdue.edu/mg-volunteer. There is a video on how to register at: http://tinyurl.com/ze9jaz3. You will need to obtain the county code first from the extension office.

Enter all volunteer and educational activity from November 2016 forward. The system will also accept entries (that you have not submitted previously) for older unreported activity that you want to catch up with.

Demo Garden Updates

Serious labor continues in the demo garden.. Time to volunteer if you want to be a laborer. The pollinator section, the raised beds, and the straw-bale garden are completed and in maintenance mode.









Top to Bottom:
Planting Pollinator Section
Unloading Mulch
Raised Beds
Pollinator Section Ready

2017 Events

Adventures in Gardening October 7, 2017

Program detail and registration is available on the website.



Hendricks County 4H Fair

The Master Gardeners will have a booth at the county fair. This year's fair is from July 16 to July 22.



2018 Events

State Conference June 7-9, 2018



Hendricks County will host the Purdue Master Gardener State Conference at the Hendricks County Fairgrounds and Conference Center.

The information and registration website for the event is www.indianamastergardeners.com.

The Master Gardeners on the steering committee include Jan Myers, Rose Lenihan, Theresa Byington, Cathy Frederick, Ed Freeman, Chuck Dallas, Pat Dallas, Vicki Coleman, Martha Rardin, Ginny Brandgard, Theresa Mathieson, Jill Clouser, Steve Pearl, and Kathleen Hutton. Chat with committee members to keep up to date or to let us know how you want to help. Think about how you would like to volunteer to help us host the 2018 Indiana State Master Gardeners Conference.





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