

Hendricks Gardener

The Official Newsletter of the Hendricks County Master Gardeners

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Message from the President

Hey to all Master Gardeners and Interns. HAPPY SEPTEMBER!

This Summer has flown by. Spending a good bit of my time in Georgia and away from the physical goings on of our Master Gardener Group, double whammies go out to those of you carrying on the cause. Ever wonder how tasks are started and finished?

All you need to do is look at the wonderful members participating in our activities.

Open Gardens, Farmers Markets, Picnic, Demo Garden, County Fair, State Fair, AIG and State Conference 2018 to name more than a few of the endeavors we have been and are involved with this Summer.

NOTHING and I repeat NOTHING would be possible without dedicated members taking care of business.

I am blessed to be President of such a wonderful chapter and I thank you all for helping out this Summer. I hope to see many of you at our 1st meeting of the Fall season on Tuesday, September 19th.

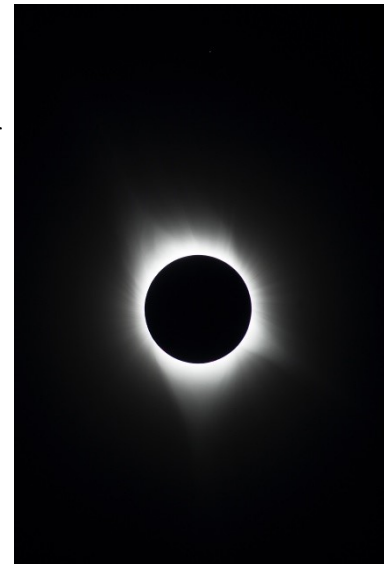
I will be introducing the slate of officers for the 2018 year. The election will be at our October meeting.

Remember donations for the AIG Silent Auction.

Gardeners are the BEST people.

Come grow with us.

Becky Troutman, President



2017 Eclipse (NASA)



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Member Meetings & Information

Date: September 19, 2017

6:30 p.m. Social Time

7:00 p.m. Business Meeting

8:00 p.m. Presentation:

Cover Crops and Soil Health

Kevin Allison Marion County SCWD

Elaine Blaine Hendricks County SCWD

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.

From the ANR

I regret to inform you that I will be resigning from Purdue Extension. My last day will be September 22. I have accepted a new position with the Indiana Department of Natural Resources as the Director of Education, Outreach and Marketing. This was an extremely difficult decision for me to make, however I could not pass up this opportunity for my career, as well as for my family.

I have enjoyed my time working for Purdue Extension and in this community. I have always been proud of the Master Gardener program in Hendricks County. I am working with John Orick, State MG Coordinator to ensure a smooth transition.

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

Entry Garden construction is beginning in the demo garden.. Volunteer to be a laborer—contact Terry Meingastner for work on this phase. There will also be Fall maintenance work on the pollinator section and the raised beds,

Entry Garden staking and layout began on September 5.

Tilling is scheduled for September 9 (Saturday). Still need volunteers with a small rototiller, a second larger rototiller, rakes, shovels, and lots of gung-ho enthusiasm.



2017 Events

Adventures in Gardening

October 7, 2017

Program detail and registration is available on the website.



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 at :

www.indianamastergardeners.com AND

www.purduemgconference.com. The website will be updated this month with the full speaker and event information.

Think about how you would like to volunteer to help us host the 2018 Indiana State Master Gardeners Conference.

Gardening for All Ages



April 28, 2018



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