

# Hendricks Gardener

The Official Newsletter of the Hendricks County Master Gardeners

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## Message from the President

President's Message – Sept, 2018

It hard to believe that summer is over, but most of us will welcome temperatures that are a little cooler, and a little less humid. We have had a fantastic year thus far with a WONDERFUL GFAA, A FANTASTIC STATE CONFERENCE, as well as other successful events and projects. We kicked off our Fall with an informative presentation by Lindsey Purcell on "Urban Tree Problems". At our October meeting we will hear from Gail Ruhl with what promises to be another informative presentation on "Plant Diseases; Be Aware and Prepared".

We lost a few members over the summer, including our vice president Cathy Dunn, and Jerry McIntyre who moved to Florida. The Executive Board has appointed Bruce Crum to fill in as interim Vice President for the remainder of 2018. Thanks Bruce!

As many of you are aware, HCMG has already began preparing for 2019. A special thanks to the Nomination Committee— Jackie Rosales, Rhonda Legan and Ann Selvy— for their excellent work in putting together the slate for the October election of 2019 officers. We are still looking for a few 2019 committee chairs, including Conference Center Display Cases, Farmers Markets, Refreshments, Summer Picnic Chair and Summer Picnic Host. And if you want to look way ahead, the 2019 Winter Awards Dinner Chair and Tree Decorating Chair. Kim and Steve Somermeyer will also be looking for area chairs for GFAA, and Rosie Lenihan will be needing AIG area chairs. So we still have lots and lots of opportunities in 2019.

Please remember to enter your volunteer and training hours for 2018 in the MG Manager by October 31<sup>st</sup>. Those who have achieved the next level will be recognized and awards presented at the Winter Awards Dinner on December 11<sup>th</sup>. If you have achieved the next level, please let Janet Cunningham know so we can be sure you are not missed. Also, if you haven't already, please log onto MG Manager and sign your annual Purdue Volunteer Agreement.

I hope to see everyone at our upcoming meetings on October 16<sup>th</sup> and November 20<sup>th</sup>. Also please make sure your calendars have December 11<sup>th</sup> marked for our annual Winter Dinner and Awards, more details on the dinner will be forthcoming.

Steve Pearl, President



## Member Meetings & Information

**October 16, 2018**

**Social Time** 6:30 – 7:00 pm

**Presentation** 7:00 pm

Plant Diseases– Be Aware and Prepared by Gail Ruhl

**Business Meeting** 8:00 pm

Time for electing officers for next year. The nomination committee has recommended:

Steve Pearl for another term as President

Theresa Mathieson for Vice President

Joyce Karns for Treasurer

Terri Tramm for another term as Secretary

Veronica Mount for Communications Director

### 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.

### **Reminder— Report Hours and Sign Agreement**

Please enter your volunteer hours and education hours for 2018 into MGmanager. Entries should be completed by the October 31 end of the Master Gardener reporting year. And don't forget to sign this year's Master Gardener Agreement.

## 2019 Events

... **Gardening for All Ages...**

**April 13, 2019**

### **New Co-Chairs**

Steve and Kim Somermeyer and some of the committee are already hard at work on next year's spring show. It's only seven months away!



... **Adventures in Gardening...**

**September 28, 2019**

### **New Chairs**

Rose Lenihan will chair this event for 2019.



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