

HENDRICKS GARDENER

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President's Message

We had a great time at the annual Plant Sale & Auction, sorry to those who couldn't make it, we missed you. A BIG, BIG THANK YOU to Barb Pantos who worked so hard on the event, and to all the volunteers who helped make it happen. The Cartlidge Barn worked very well, and the event was a big success. Thanks also to our wonderful auctioneers, Rosie Lenihan and Deloris Elza. We knew Rosie was a good auctioneer, and Deloris displayed a talent that many of us didn't know she had.

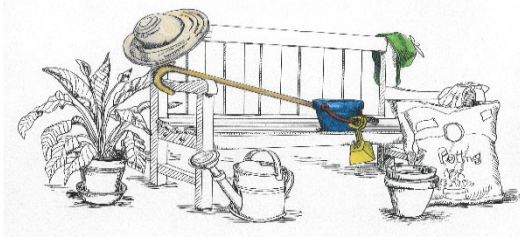
As we get into summer, there is still lots of opportunity to see each other and volunteer. The Picnic is scheduled for July 13th at Becky Troutman's, you will be seeing details on the picnic via your email. There are also lots of opportunities to volunteer including the Garden Help Line (formally the Education Center), the County Fair Booth, the Demo Garden, and other projects such as Sheltering Wings or Sycamore Services. If you don't see a project listed on MGMS, you may contact the project chair for opportunities.

As I have mentioned, our next business meeting will be in September, when the slate of officer candidates for 2022 will be announced. So even though it seems early, it is time to start thinking about 2022 officers. Since I have reached the limit on Board membership contained in the Bylaws, there will be at least one vacancy on the Board. If you would be interested in serving our wonderful group of members by becoming an Officer, please contact one of the Nomination Committee members. Our appreciation goes out to Vicki Coleman, Jackie Rosales and Sue Squiller for graciously volunteering to serve as the Nomination Committee. As I have found, serving as an Officer is a good experience, and you will learn much more about our organization.

Remember, summer is Open Garden season. Anyone interested or willing to host an Open Garden, please contact Sara Fenton. Nothing extra is required, just simply set a date and time for fellow MG's to visit and see your pride & joy.

It has been wonderful to see everyone at our recent events, and I think everyone feels the same. Hoping we get to see each other more and more as things pick up, but in order for that to happen we need to stay safe and healthy. So please continue to take the prudent precautions and take care of yourselves. See everyone at the Picnic and Fair.

Steve Pearl, President



Communicate

Now that we are back up and running on activities and events, it is very important to keep our members informed. A great avenue to do this is through the monthly Newsletter. If you have information to share, please write it up and send to Ed Freeman as soon as possible before the first of each month. And please be sure to read the newsletter to stay in tune.

Demo Garden

The demo garden creates plenty of opportunities to volunteer—both in caring for the garden and in using it for teaching opportunities. Contact Becky Troutman.

Plant Sale Results

Thank you to everyone who brought such beautiful plants to our sale this year. Also, a big thank you to those who brought or secured donations for the auction. We raised over \$1100!! Well done!!

Volunteers make these events possible, and we appreciate all of you who volunteered to make this a successful sale and auction. Special thanks to Rosie L. and Dee E. for the great job on the auction. We received many comments on how well this event worked in the Cartlidge Barn, so will try to secure that location for future sales.

To Steve Pearl and the Board, your confidence and support really made the difference.

Barb Pantos

Help Line Update

The Home, Landscaping, Garden Help Line is open. There are two shifts: Tuesdays 9-12 and 1-4 in Classroom D. An instruction sheet will be e-mailed to all that sign up and a copy is in the cabinet. It is basically the same as 2019.

If you are an intern or you do not feel comfortable working alone, please email Vicki and she will be sure there is an experienced Master Gardener to work with you. If you have any questions please let her know.

Sycamore Update

Carol Gillaspay and Susan Gackenheimer met with Sycamore Services Annex on 3/19/21. The Sycamore Annex added a new section to the sensory garden this spring with the addition of new cement walkways. We are now working on a plan for Phase 2 (the new walkways, sensory stations, retaining wall). We are still looking for plants to add to the project that are durable and sensory stimulating. If you have plant donations email Susan or Carol.

GFAA Final Update

The GFAA 2021 committee met on May 10th to review. Positives: Vendor Satisfaction, Vendor Gardening Content, Attendance at speaker sessions. Revenue good. Door prizes distraction not missed. Negatives: PA system, seed flexibility, motorcycle event gatekeepers, cold. Committee for 2022 will meet on second Monday of each month.

Adventures in Gardening

This year's AIG is scheduled for October 9. The committee is currently working on securing interesting speakers. Watch for more updates.

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2021 Events Calendar

July 18 - 24, 2021	County Fair	TBD, Expo and/or Demo Garden
July 13, 2021	MG Summer Picnic	Becky Troutman's
Sept. 21, 2021	General Meeting	Classrooms A, B & C
October 8, 2021	AIG Set Up	North & South Halls
October 9, 2021	AIG	North & South Halls
October 19, 2021	General Meeting	Classrooms A, B & C
Nov. 16, 2021	General Meeting	Classrooms A, B & C
December 7, 2021*	Winter Dinner & Awards	South Hall

2022 Calendar

January 18, 2022	General Meeting	Classrooms A, B & C
February 15, 2022	General Meeting	Classrooms A, B & C
April 22, 2022	GFAA Set Up	Hendricks Power Expo
April 23, 2022	GFAA	Hendricks Power Expo
October 7, 2022	AIG Set Up	North & South Halls
October 8, 2022*	AIG	North & South Halls

** Times will be announced at a later date.*