

# HENDRICKS GARDENER

THE OFFICIAL NEWSLETTER OF THE  
HENDRICKS COUNTY MASTER GARDENERS

## President's Message

Hello Master Gardeners: I hope everyone is having a great summer and your gardens are doing well. There has been something in the weather for everyone. Hot, cold, dry, wet-That is Indiana.

I hope many of you had a chance to visit Colletta's and Sharon Miller's open gardens. We really appreciate them taking to time to welcome us into their gardens. For anyone else interested in hosting an open garden, there is still plenty of summer to do so. No special preparations or accommodations are required, just set a time for MG's to come by and visit. Don't worry about a few weeds, we all have them. And we all know that any garden and landscape is always a work in progress.

As we get into summer, there are still lots of opportunity to see each other and volunteer. The Picnic is scheduled for July 13<sup>th</sup> 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 Home, Landscaping & Garden Help Line (formally the Education Center), the County Fair Booth, the Demo Garden, and other projects such as Sheltering Wings or Sycamore Services, and the State Fair information booth. If you don't see a project listed on MGMS, contact the project chair to find out about opportunities.

As I have mentioned, our next business meeting will be in September, when the slate of officer candidates for 2022 will be announced. 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.

Please remember to stay safe and healthy. Restrictions are loosening and we are not hearing about COVID 19 as much now days, but we are not done with the virus quite yet. so be careful. See everyone at the Picnic and Fair.

Steve Pearl, President

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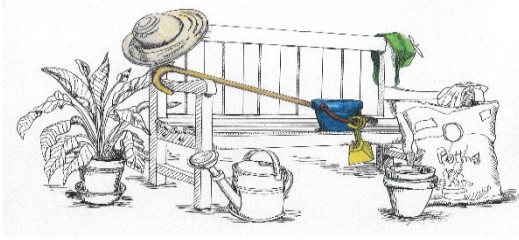
Cathy Frederick,  
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Karen Chapman-Smith,  
Project Coordinator

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### **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**

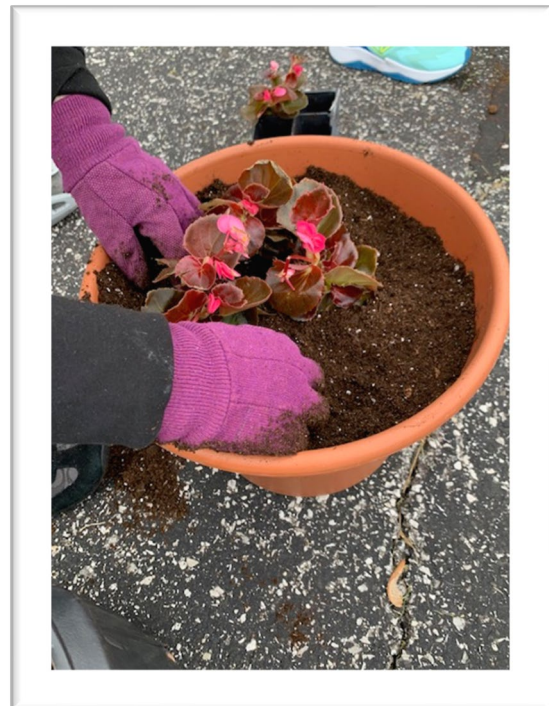
The demo garden creates plenty of opportunities to volunteer—both in caring for the garden and in using it for teaching opportunities. Contact Becky Troutman.

### **Adventures in Gardening**

This year's AIG is scheduled for October 9. The Adventures in Gardening committee is busily preparing for another great event come October. Our theme this year is "Seeds For Thought". We are now looking for silent auction donations. Donations should be in new condition and may include garden related items, gift cards, craft items, home decor, sporting event tickets, etc. Donations will begin to be accepted at our July Picnic or may be dropped off at the extension office. Please contact Andria Grady or any AIG committee member with questions. Thank you in advance for your generous support.

### **Sheltering Wings Update**

Recently, as a part of the Sheltering Wings (SW) project, a container gardening training was provided for interested residents at the shelter. The ten women who participated learned how, and then filled two containers with tomatoes, peppers or flowers. They are responsible for watering the plants and when they leave SW, can take the pots with them to enjoy fresh veggies and/or the flowers this summer. All who attended were eager to learn.



## HENDRICKS COUNTY MASTER GARDENERS

### **2021 Events Calendar**

July 18 - 24, 2021	County Fair	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.*