

HENDRICKS GARDENER

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PURDUE EXTENSION
MASTER GARDENER PROGRAM

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President's Message

We're Back!!!

Together again, and ready for summer's heat to be over and for the beauty of the new season. We've grown, new interns joining the group, ready to learn



more about our ways of working together and sharing the newfound knowledge they earned in classes. There is always more to learn, some lessons come easily, and some the hard way with less than

wonderful experiences. Such is life, in gardens and yards, as well as the rest of the world.

The Board discussed ways for the new members to feel more a part of our association. This is the first time we've had so many join us at one time – congrats! And Welcome! We talked about having an Intern Engagement Team, or an Intern Buddy system so the newest among us can feel a part of the group. It's a work in progress, more to come. As you learned in class, getting hours for education and volunteer efforts are a part of being in the Purdue Extension program. Sometimes it is perceived to be a lot more difficult than it needs to

be. There is time! You have 2 years to get those beginning hours in, not 2 months. Joining standing teams/committees is the way to go about meeting more members and feeling more a part of the group. Our main committees and their chairs are listed in the Directory. Call one of them and see if there is something you can do to get involved. Need a directory? We'll have them at the September meeting for anyone who still needs one or call me and we'll get one to you. The directory is also available in electronic format.

Time to get back to the dirt – oops! Soil. Trowels up!

Sara Fenton, President

Communicate

It is very important to keep our members informed. A great avenue to do this is through the monthly Newsletter. The input received this month has been very much appreciated.

Next Meeting

Our next general meeting will be September 20. The educational topic will be **Microgreens** (Stephen Zaffarano).

HCMG 2022 Directory

The 2022 Directory has been completed and some of you have already received yours. We initially printed 50 copies and some of those might still be available at the next meeting.

If there is still a demand for additional copies, we will produce them and get them to you. Let us know so we can make the right number of copies.

Adventures in Gardening – Silent Auction

Adventures In Gardening (AIG) will soon be here and donations for the Silent Auction are needed! These can be from individuals or from

2022 Officers

Sara Fenton, President Debbie Off, Vice President Teri Mitchum, Treasurer
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businesses. Donations do not have to be garden related. They can be antiques, gently used or new. Donors will be acknowledged during the sale. Proceeds will go to Hendricks County Master Gardener projects.



Items can be brought to the September monthly meeting on Sept 20th or you can contact Nancy Rice to arrange for pick up or delivery to be stored at her house or for any questions you might have.

Items will need to be delivered by Tuesday, Oct 4th as Thursday they will be put together before the set up day on Friday, Oct 7th. AIG will be Saturday, Oct 8th.

Thank you for any help you can give.

Thank you,
Nancy Rice

Adventures in Gardening

The seminar begins at 9:00 A.M. on October 8 in the North and South Hall at the Hendricks County Fairgrounds in Danville, Indiana. [Directions and Information.](#)

The doors will open at 8:00 A M for check-in and morning coffee and snacks.

Registration is required. Pay the \$35 fee with a credit card online at [2022 Adventures in Gardening Registration \(hendricksgardeners.com\)](#), or complete the on-line registration form and mail a check prior to the program. Lunch and snacks are included with the registration fee.

AIG Sessions:

Attracting Bees to the Garden - **Larry Kemerly**

Cultivation of Mushrooms, Indoors and Out -
Ashley Adair

Vermin in the Garden - **Tom Setser**

Attracting Birds to the Garden – **Carrie Vanover**

Ponds - **Simon Davies**

2022 Calendar

Sept 20 - General Meeting Classrooms A, B & C

Oct 7 - AIG Set Up North & South Halls

Oct 8 - AIG North & South Halls

Oct 18 - General Meeting Classrooms A, B & C

Nov 15 - General Meeting Classrooms A, B & C

Dec 13 - Winter Dinner & Awards South Hall