

Jefferson County Master Gardener Volunteer Association – 4/14/2011 meeting minutes

Location: Jefferson County UW Extension

1. Call to order at 6:50.
2. Introductions – go around the room: name, where you live
3. Presentation by Tim Humphrey of Humphrey Floral and Gift on Container gardening
4. Treasurer's report
Purchased signs – 40 for \$250.48 from The Advertiser, closes funds from state grant
5. Approval of March's minutes as read via e-mail or provided copies
Move to approve - Tim S., approved
6. Old business
 - A. New clothing order: This follow-up order is for embroidered items – a new form was routed, will place order by next Tuesday (4/19) – mail or drop off order at Audray's (see form for address)
 - B. Sign update: PURCHASED and available for use! **Item closed.**
 - C. Summer garden tour: Cantigny Gardens on Saturday, July 30. **Per vote: Cost will be \$20 for members, \$25 for non-members.** Will need 56 to fill bus. There is an option to downsize to a 30 passenger bus if we don't have enough people. We have the opportunity for a private greenhouse tour at 12:00 – **organizers will make arrangements. Members to begin reserving space and turning in payment.**
 - D. Plant Sale reminder – Our sale is Saturday, May 14, 8-2. **Drop off plants at Margaret's** before that.
 - E. Tomato cages - \$4.25 each – Saturday, April 30 - all slots taken, **pay Mary T.**
 - F. Update on Jefferson community gardens – Diane K
Jefferson city garden – estimating people will be able to start end of May, 3-4 people signed up for plots. There is a second project – currently looking for site. Also, County park site (18 acres) near Crawfish River west of Jefferson, south of 18 – decisions still being made. **Contact Diane if you are interested.**
 - G. Seed starters for the Hoard rain garden – Bev D brought in seeds and sign up sheet.
 - H. Other old business
County Fair – sign up sheet – Judging date changed without consulting MGs – moved to Saturday before July 4th usual date, concern as to viability of having fruits and vegetables that stay good enough to see. **Sharon S will call to ask about pushing back.**
Courthouse project – Dennis B met with Molinaro of county, McKay is taking ideas and making up plan, expect them and other businesses to donate plant materials. Dennis will set up a training session on pruning with parks people.
7. New business
 - A. Retirement of Bob Tomesh – training and brown bag sessions – Mike Maddox will take over for next 18 months
 - B. Plant Health Advisor newspaper column – take questions and answer them – **Heidi will advertise, we need info on # words, other details from Heidi.**
 - C. Signup sheet/calendar for Plant Health Advisors – routed, returned to Eve

D. Other new business

Plant sales (some announced at the meeting, others circulated later):

May 7 – (9-4) Olbrich Gardens plant sale

May 7 - (8-2) Jill A plant sale –

May 14, 15- (9-5) Rotary Gardens plant sale

May 14 - (9-12) Wisconsin Hardy Plant Society plant sale – West Madison Agricultural Research Station (Mineral Point Rd. west of the Beltline)

May 14 – (8–2) (OR SOLD OUT) OUR JCMGVA SALE! – drop off donations during the week before

May 21 – (9-12) - Concordia College in Mequon

May 21 – (9-12)- Ozaukee Master Gardeners at Concordia Univ. ozaukeemastergardeners.org

May 21 (8-1:30) - SEWMG (Southeast WI Master Gardener) plant sale –Wisconsin State Fair Park, DNR Enclosure area <http://fyi.uwex.edu/sewmg/files/2011/02/2011-plant-sale-flier.pdf>

May 28 - Cambridge Library

May 28 – (9-3) - Hoard Museum plant sale – donations accepted beginning May 14, proceeds for Rain Garden

May 28-30 & June 4-5 - (9-5) - Hosta Fest at Al's Auto Body & Arboretum - W6866 N Walworth Rd, Walworth, WI 53184 Hostafest.com

Aug 5-7 - Madison Area Iris Society sale - Olbrich Gardens

Aug. 13 & 14 - WI Daylily Society sale –Olbrich Gardens

Master Composer Course – Class was held. Attendees will meet, talked about putting a display at the fair about methods. Noted we have a \$100 grant to help pay for it.

Audray would like to purchase compost worms – looking for other interested people. 1000 worms for \$20-24, \$94 for 5000.

Hoard museum project - **Requesting that a Proposal for Grant of funds for Educational Sign for new Rain Garden be put on May agenda.**

8. Show, tell or ask

September – we start meeting upstairs – bigger room

Patty's Plants in Milton has some organic gardening products

9. Motion to adjourn – Diane K motion to adjourn, seconded and passed at 8: 47

1 hour education, 1 hour support