Minutes from August Meeting

The Defiance County Master Gardeners met at the Extension office on August 13, 2019 with 9 members in attendance. The meeting was called to order by President Jamie Walters.

Secretary’s Report: Jean Bremer & Tammy Bowers will co-chair the fair booth.

Treasurer’s Report: Gwen Anderson gave amounts in our account and Jean Bremer submitted bills for the fair.

Historian’s Report: Please take photos of the fair and send to Doreen DeLisle.

Communications: Recognition Party is Nov. 21st, 6:00 pm, please RSVP by Friday, November 15th. Paulding Seed Swap is Thursday, October 17th, 6:00pm (see details on pg 2) please RSVP by Tuesday, October 1st.

Committee Reports

Defiance: George Stucky & Doreen DeLisle did a presentation for the Lyons Garden Club and got the roses pruned by ProMedica. Garden jaunt went to Bible Garden and to Defries.

Sherwood: None

Hicksville: Pulling weeds at the land office and library on Aug. 14 at 8am.

Community Garden: Jean Bremer has put many hours into the Community Garden, if you would like to volunteer time to weed around the fence and beds.

Plant Sale: None

County Fair: Jamie Walters reserved the booth for the Master Gardeners & BSBA. The posters are done and the sign-up sheet was passed around. Jean Bremer picked up 3 door prizes from Kircher’s Flowers. Thank you to everyone who signed-up.

Garden Tour: None

Old Business: None

New Business: Northwest Ohio Master Gardener Volunteer Seed Swap, Thursday, October 17th, 6:00pm. Education Committee meeting on Tuesday, September 17th, 5:15pm at the Defiance Extension Office, going over the 2020 schedule. Garden Jaunt, Malabar Farms, Lucas, OH - Saturday, September 28th, lunch at Blueberry Patch Restaurant & Winery. Gwen Anderson has a rain barrel for sale $25.00, call 419.782.0578, if interested.

The meeting was adjourned, motion Doreen DeLisle and seconded by George Stuckey.
Respectfully submitted, Laurel Brehler
2020 Education Committee

We will be meeting on Tuesday, September 17, 5:15pm at the Defiance Extension Office (small meeting room). At this meeting, we will be looking for locations, volunteers to host, and people to give presentations. If you have any ideas, a program you would like to see, or would like to host, please let us know before this meeting. Everyone is welcome to come add their input, treats will be provided for the early birds.

Northwest Ohio Master Gardener Volunteer Seed Swap

Northwest Ohio Master Gardener Volunteer Seed Swap, Thursday, October 17th, 6:00PM Potluck, 6:45PM Seed and Bulb Swap. The Paulding County Master Gardeners would like to invite Master Gardeners from Fulton, Putnam, Henry, Van Wert, Defiance and Williams County to a Potluck and Seed/Bulb Exchange on Tuesday, October 17th at 6:00PM at the Paulding County Extension Center. Please RSVP at your earliest convenience which will allow us to plan accordingly. Bring your seeds/bulbs in containers marked to share. Door prizes. 1 hour of Education Credits available. We look forward to seeing everyone at this event! Please RSVP Deb Walters, 419.782.4771 by Tuesday, October 1st for final count. Location: Black Swamp Nature Center, 753 Fairground Drive, Paulding, OH 45879 Details: Potluck Dinner – Bring a dish to share. Drinks will be provided by the Paulding MGVs.

Garden Jaunt to Malabar Farms

Saturday, September 28th, you’re welcome to join us for a garden jaunt to Malabar Farms, established since 1939, Lucus, Ohio - Ohio State Park. Please RSVP to hostess Donna Hitzeman, 260-515-6929. Lunch will be at Blueberry Patch Restaurant & Winery, Mansfield, OH. School children, farmers, recreational tourists, history buffs, and nature lovers enjoy malabar on any given day. National reach has been enhanced by two award-winning Public Broadcasting Corporation (pbs) television specials. Over 875 acres of public land. With 200 acres of pasture and 124 acres under cultivation. "The Big House" a 32-room country mansion registered as a national historic site. Original buildings and property. Malabar Farm Restaurant and camping. Almost 300,000 people visit Malabar annually. View everything at https://www.malabarfarm.org/events

July Garden Jaunt

The Garden Jaunt went to Calendar Gardens in New Paris, Indiana on Saturday July 27. After lunch they traveled to Biblical Gardens in Warsaw, Indiana. Be sure to sign-up for the next garden jaunt coming up.

Next Meeting - “Putting your garden tools to bed.”

Please bring your garden tools for tips, tricks, and guides to putting your garden tools to bed. This not only saves them for another year, but keeps them in great condition to service you better. Bring your favorite tool for a “Show & Tell”.

The next meeting will be on Tuesday, September 17th, 6:30pm, Defiance Extension Office. We will be meeting at 5:15pm for the Education Committee to work on the 2020 schedule. If you would like to help, please come early. This will be held in the small meeting room, including snacks.