

UW-Extension Wood County Master Gardener Association

Wood County UW Extension

May 2018

The Wood County Master Gardener Association is a non-profit organization with a mission to educate and share information with its members and the community alike. In addition, it is our charge to promote the UW Extension from which we are founded. We are a diverse group interested in the latest research-based horticultural information.

WCMGV Program Information

“Ask a Master Gardener” Scenario with Sue Wilford

May 22, 7:00 p.m. Wood Town Hall, Pittsville, 8210 Main St, Pittsville, WI 54466 (on the corner of Main and 4th —Hwy 80 is considered 2nd)

Whether you are at Farm Tech Days, farmer markets, Winged Wonders at Mead Wildlife, or talking to your neighbor, Master Gardeners are asked horticultural questions. Most of us feel we are not qualified to answer these questions, unless the answer is obvious, "Oh, that is Creeping Charlie." We don't feel like experts, We are fearful we will give the wrong answer. This session will give us a process to find the answers. How do we give credible, research documented answers? Come and learn how to be a horticultural detective! We will also have the annual plant exchange at this meeting since it will be after the W.R. spring plant sale. On the off chance that there are plants left over, they will be available that day.

Parking will be available at the lot of the community hall, (one block east on Main) or on the road in front of the hall.



The School at Altenberg's Farm

with Scott Sigourney
June 26, 7:00 p.m.
7020 Plover Road, WR

Scott Sigourney, Farm Education Director at Altenberg's will provide a guided tour for WCMGVs. We should be able to see the wrap-up of the 2018 berry harvest as well as some of the new vegetables growing at the School.

Opportunities for partnering with the WCMGV organization will be discussed. Scott will also answer questions about the School and discuss opportunities for students.

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President's Message

A few years ago, the WCMGV organization decided it was a good idea to mentor the students that were coming into the Master Gardener program, so they made it a requirement for Interns to have a Mentor for the first year they were in the program.

But what constitutes a mentor, and do we have a plan in place for who would be those mentors? When I looked around at fellow Master Gardener Volunteers, apparently everybody

thought that it was a given and anyone that had been in the program for a while could just “be” one. I was not given that memo on how to “be” one. I’ve had mentors, so I kind of knew what they were, but with only a little formal post-secondary education, I had no idea how to be a mentor. It sounded positively daunting.

So, to find out why we even needed mentors, (me not actually thinking I had one, although in retrospect, there were number of people that did take me under their wing, or I wouldn’t be writing this from here) I decided to go on a quest in order to write this column. University of Nebraska, Lincoln, has a nice little web page about mentoring, <https://www.unl.edu/mentoring/why-mentoring-important> and even though it’s about graduate programs it translates into what we do as Master Gardeners in that “Mentoring is important, not only because of the knowledge and skills students can learn from mentors, but also because mentoring provides professional socialization and personal support to facilitate success...”

So, now we know why it’s important. Just what, exactly, is it? To be continued next month....

Famia

WCMGVs Car-Pooling to Meetings

Several requests for car- pooling to WCMGVs Monthly Meetings have been received!

Any member who would like to be a driver or who would like to ride from an area, please let [Famia Marx](#) know what time they would be able to be picked up or drive from Park-N-Ride across from Schalows Nursery in Marshfield or at the court house in Wisconsin Rapids.



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Wood County Master Gardener Volunteers
ColdSnap Aquaponics, Hwy 54 West, Wisconsin Rapids; April 24, 2018; 1 Hour Continuing Education

Meeting was called to order at 8:05pm. Attendance and committee/team sign-up sheets available.

Minutes 3/27/2018: Barb Herreid moved to accept past minutes as written, seconded by Lynn Bushmaker, motion carried.

Financial report: Financial report given by Barb Herreid. Motion to accept reports as presented was made by Donna Streiff. Seconded by Lynn Bushmaker. Motion carried.

Extension Update: No report.

Old Business/Announcements:

WR Children's Festival – Was held April 21st, gave away all 850 sunflower kits, had bean bag toss, vegetable game, peanut kits, seeds and gave stickers and erasers for prizes. Left over seeds were given to Mead School.

Spring Seminar – April 7th at MSTC – Went well with great speakers.

New Business/Announcements:

Farm Tech Days – Sign-up sheet for working during FTD distributed. Will need to report all volunteers who are working at booth to FTD committee by end of April. Donna Streiff lives near Weber Store and has volunteered to be a drop point for plants on Monday and pickup on Thursday. Space has been decided and we will have large space inside tent where we can bring in own tables as well as the three they provided. Will have both Ask a Master Gardener tents outside. Roxanne Tomkowiak has created great Gothic mannequins with signage that says 'Master Gardeners See the Whole Picture.' Pots and seeds distributed to those who are growing plants for granny garden and square foot garden.

WR plant sale: May 12th at WR Helen Zoo House. Looking for donated plants. If you suspect jumping worms, clean off roots completely and repot in sterile potting mix. Marshfield can drop off plants at MARS by 5pm on Thursday. WI Rapids can drop plants off at Helen Zoo House on Thursday or Friday until 3pm. If needing someone to dig up plants, contact Paula Klevene or Barb Kleifgen. Posters available for distribution and tags available for plants.

Worm Castings – Orders due by May 1st. delivery will be at plant sale or at May membership meeting.

Garden Walk – July 21st and all gardens are set. Let Barb Kleifgen know if they want to be a greeter or guide, ASAP. Crafters will paint rocks to be used as paper weights for greeters. Still working on obtaining a chef. Would like Ask a Master Gardener – Sue Wilford to check with Eliz Erdman.

Art in the Garden Boutique Items: Crafts making volunteers met to make owls; Next meeting is May 15th at 4pm at Denise Larson's home.

Project Leader/Committee/Team Updates/Information –

Jeanne Osgood reported MGV at Rome Library to start "Lunch and Learn" every third Wednesday of the month from 11:30-12:30. Could have a topic but also open ended questions. Participants to bring lunch and MGV will provide drink. First one is May 16th with topic to be: planting in spring.

Judy Miller asking for help at Edgewater project, especially in May to get gardens ready for Memorial Day.

Mary Czaja asking MGV to gather dried plants (even weeds from roadsides) for fall Marshfield Plant Sale which is September 15th and 16th.

Chris Grimes asked if project leaders have any work days to let her know ASAP, so she can put out all requests in one or two emails with all information.

Farmer's Market/Ask a Master Gardener – Four MGV are covering Marshfield Farmers' Market at Pick n Save. Five MGV are covering Q&A at Extension office on Mondays. Wisconsin Rapids Farmer's Market on Thursday at Mall parking lot will be set up by Eliz Erdman. Still looking for other MGV to help in Rapids.

Additional New Business/Announcements – Fania Marx will be gone and unavailable May 1st to May 8th.

Motion to adjourn at 8:40pm made by Christine Griffith and seconded by Lynn Bushmaker. Motion carried.

Respectfully Submitted – Sue Wilford, Secretary

Members Attending: Sandra Artz, Jill Becker, Debby Brown, Audrey Brundidge, Lynn Bushmaker, Julie Carlsen, Bob Cline, Ruth Cline, Mary Czaja, Patricia Farley, Laurie Francis, Fern Fregien, Christine Griffith, Chris Grimes, Barb Herreid, Barb Kleifgen, Paula Klevene, Bea Kohl, Denise Larson, Scott MacMillan, Joy Mader, Fania Marx, Gail Meyer, Judy Miller, Tammera Neumann, Jeanne Osgood, Patricia Paulus, Tom Ptak, Karleen Remington, Deb Rokke, Janet Sabin, Marjorie Schenk, Roberta Stolt, Thomas Stram, Donna Streiff, Carol Tomke, Sue Wilford, Marlene Winters. Guests: Joy Close, Kris O'Day, and Bev Esser.

Meeting Program: ColdSnap Aquaponics by owner Pam Walker in Wisconsin Rapids.

Farm Technology Days: July 10-12, 2018



Farm Technology Days

D&B Sternweis Farm; Weber's Farm Store Heiman Holsteins,
9885 Co. Hwy. H – Marshfield; July 10-12, 2018
Website: <http://www.wifarmtechnologydays.com/wood/>

Open 9am-4pm Tuesday, Wednesday, & Thursday
MGV – set up on Monday, July 9th
MGV - take down on Thursday, July 12th, at 4pm

***OUR PLAN:** Ask a Wood County Master Gardener booth; Granny Garden vs Square Foot Garden on each side of entrance to tent (with mannequins). Booth to include educational gardens and displays which will show off our various talents and expertise. Our booths will be located in and near the UW Extension Educational tent.*

We have many great educational gardens and displays which will show off our expertise and talents. There will be fairy gardens, succulent gardens, herb gardens, container gardens of vegetables and flowers, rose gardens, fresh flower arrangement and microgreens. There will be educational displays on invasive aquatic species, composting, native vs non-native plants, roses, and mason bees.

There will be two 4X8 ft. gardens which will depict past gardening practices versus modern gardening technique: 'Granny Garden' vs 'Square Foot Garden.' All the vegetables for these gardens will be planted in pots and then covered with mulch to hide the pots.

We are looking for:

WCMGV to plant vegetables in the round pots for the square foot garden. **Pots and plants are to be distributed at the May MGV meeting.**

CONTACT MICKY ERICKSON AT 715-435-3616 OR garymicky@charter.net IF INTERESTED IN HELPING WITH PLANTING VEGETABLES IN ROUND POTS.

Farm Technology Days has various fund raisers that may interest you. There is a t-Shirts, sweatshirts, baseball caps, a personalized commemorative toy truck and cattle trailer, large yard bench, insulated bags and memorial pots. Check out the website for more details.

For more information – contact Ruth Cline, Micky Erickson or Sue Wilford



**2018 WOOD COUNTY WISCONSIN FARM
TECHNOLOGY DAYS**

www.wifarmtechnologydays.com/wood



**HOSTED BY: D&B STERNWEIS FARMS
WEBER'S FARM STORE & HEIMAN HOLSTEINS**

JULY 10-12, 2018 9AM TO 4PM

Wood County Landscaping committee flower pot donation application

You will receive a 15x23 pot arrangement with donor recognition sign for \$25 Donation. Pots will be used to beautify the show and can be picked up by donor at Weber's Farm Store on Friday July 13th from noon to 7PM or will be donated locally for events.

Donor name _____

Mailing address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Phone number _____ Cell phone _____

Email _____

What would you like on the sign (spell as you want it to appear) space is limited to 8.5"x11" horizontal sheet which includes Wood CTY Farm Tech Days Logo and room for 3 lines of print (20 characters or spaces per line)

More characters will make print smaller: could be in Honor or memory of someone or just have donor name

Make checks out to Wood CTY Farm Technology Days and

Mail request by June 1st, 2018 to:

Wood County Farm Technology Days

Attention: Carol Tomke PO BOX 99 Marshfield, WI 54449

**THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT
WOOD COUNTY FARM TECHNOLOGY
DAYS
LANDSCAPING COMMITTEE**



Sign will be a laminated sheet: Example above

Classified Column

Help Wanted on MG Projects

Spring help is needed at all the major Master Gardener projects. If you have a few hours or even minutes, contact the leader for directions and information.

Wisconsin Rapids Zoo Gardens: Call Mary Kay York with questions, 715-459-9373

South Wood County Historical Museum: contact [Chris Griffith](#) or [Micky Erickson](#)

Vesper Library and Park Gardens: contact [Sue Wilford](#)

Edgewater Nursing Home: contact [Judy Miller](#)

Marshfield Fair Grounds: contact [Joyce Fischer](#)

Community Gardens: contact [Laura Lokken](#) or [Jeremy Erickson](#)

Plant Donations wanted

Plants for Eagle Scout Project in Marshfield. New Jersey tea, black-eyed Susan, Indian grass, butterfly weed, aster, mint, red clover, yarrow, prickly pear cacti, sedum "frosty morn", optunia "compressa, or Autumn Joy. Contact Jeremy Erickson for more information

Website/Facebook Co-editor Wanted

We are looking for a volunteer to assist with managing our online presence. We use our website and Facebook pages not only to promote our activities and fundraisers, but also to feature educational articles on timely subjects throughout most of the year. Your responsibilities would include composing articles or editing an article written by someone else and then posting them online. Training is provided. Must have a current account on Facebook. Proficiency in writing and grammar is desired. Time spent researching and writing go toward volunteer hours. Contact Chris Grimes for more information.

Donations for Garden Boutique Wanted

As you cleanout your garden sheds and spring clean your garage and basement, please save any garden related items you don't need! Julie Carlsen is collecting your **CLEAN** items and storing them for the upcoming 2018 Garden Walk. Bring items to membership meetings for Julie.. Examples of items to donate include: flower pots of all kinds, garden art items, bird houses, bee houses, bird baths, bird cages, trellises, small benches, garden tools, old small windows (even if glass is missing), old garden gates (small), any item that may be re-purposed into garden art, old pails, garden books and magazines, art work, garden creatures/statues, small colored stones, old bike helmets, baskets—just about any item you think would be useful to a creative gardener. We really need a great variety to make the Garden Art Boutique a success in 2018.



Children's Festival Report

We had a very successful "Zoo-themed" Children's Festival this year. It was held April 21st at Lincoln High school in Wisconsin Rapids and was our fifth year participating as Master Gardeners. We were very busy right until the end. We handed out 850 sunflower growing kits, just under 100 peanut growing kits, coloring pages/books, and Master Gardener information. Before the Festival, we bought seeds from Family Natural Foods and repackage them to hand out. We had over 1000 packages of seeds—everything from cucumbers to zucchini. Many of the vegetable gardens in the area are planted and growing our free seeds.

Specifically for children, we hand out Master Gardner pencils for those who play our vegetable guessing game. We also have a bean bag toss that kids really like and they receive a zoo-themed eraser or a sticker for playing.

We have eight master Gardeners in our group helping with the Festival in one way or another. We meet to plan, to assemble kits and repackage the seeds. Then we work the long day of the festival. We appreciate all the time everyone has put in this, and welcome any master gardeners to help us anyway they can next year.

Submitted by Gail Meyer

Construction Project at UW Extension Office at Wisconsin Rapids Courthouse

Attention all WCMGVs!

Construction will be taking place within the UW Extension Offices starting in late May or early June. WCMGVs will need to move all items being stored in the storage closet located just outside the UW Extension office area. To ease in this process, we will make a list of the items removed indicating their temporary new locations during construction. Several of the items generally stored in the closet are used by the membership for events and meetings. If during the construction phase, your group should need one of the stored items for an event, please contact Ruth Cline well in advance.

We do want all events to continue to operate smoothly. With your help and some long range planning, we anticipate being able to have all items readily available for your use. Your support and understanding during construction is appreciated! Thank You!

Ruth Cline



2018 Garden Walk Corner

Six beautiful gardens in central Wisconsin Rapids have been selected for this year's Garden Walk, one of the main fundraisers for the WCMGV's. Once again, there will be artists, musicians, craft sales, Art in the Garden Boutique and a silent auction.

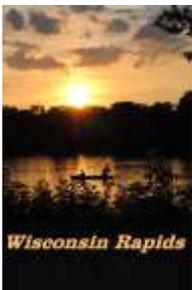
The artists lined up for this year's Walk range from Beekeepers and Maple Syrup producers to sculptors, jewelers, photographers and draftsmen.. This month, we will highlight two more of the artists who will be showing their work at gardens along the walk.

David Farnbrough moved from England to Wisconsin Rapids where he has lived ever since. Before emigration, David spent several years as a lawyer. At this time, David studied photography as part of his M.A. in film and visual media.

Since moving to the USA, David has worked extensively in local media, including as a freelance photographer for local news, for local municipalities and community organizations, and as a volunteer photographer for local non-profit agencies such as the Humane Society and the theatre.

During 2012-13, David had a shop selling framed photographic art in the Trading Post, West Grand Avenue. He now works primarily as a portrait photographer, and with freelance work to keep him busy.

As an artist, David has made it his mission to find beauty in the ordinary or discarded. He has sought to find people who might not be appreciated and photograph them sympathetically, and to find different aspects of buildings or objects which are considered ugly. In this, he hopes to help others to see the beauty in everything.



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Bill Heipp: Bill became interested in beekeeping in early 2011. A glass of Mead (honey wine) was the spark that started it all. After reading "Beekeeping for Dummies" Bill was fascinated by honey bees and wanted to learn more. Bill worked for a local commercial beekeeper that had 2500 hives during the 2011 season. Bill worked for free in exchange for the knowledge and training he received during the season. Bill was hired by the commercial beekeeper the following season and continued learning the art and science of beekeeping during the 2012 season. Teaching himself to raise queen bees during the 2012 season was

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instrumental in Bill becoming self-sufficient and no longer reliant on package bees from outside the state. Bill has dedicated his operation to sustainable beekeeping. Bill has bee yards in both Lincoln and Marathon Counties. Bill has mentored several beginning beekeepers and continues to lecture and teach about bees.

- Owner of moonlight Honey in Wausau, Wisconsin
- Classified as a Sideliner Beekeeper. A Sideliner has a full-time job, but does beekeeping as a part-time job for income. Larger than a hobbyist, but too small to be a full-time job.
- Beekeeper for 7 years
- Practices Sustainable Beekeeping. Does not purchase bees from outside sources
- Over-winters bees in Wisconsin
- Currently manages about 50 hives for honey and queen production
- Worked for a migratory, commercial beekeeper in Wausau, Wisconsin for two years learning the trade of Beekeeping
- Breeds and raises queen bees for sale and for use in the operation of Moonlight Honey.
- Past Vice-President of the Central Wisconsin Beekeepers Association for two years.
- Products produced include: honey, bees wax, pollen, propolis, queen bees, Nucleus starter hives, candles, and personal care products.



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Garden Walk Crafts

The second craft night for the Garden Walk sale will be held at Denise Larsen's house at 3917 Pryne Rd, Wisconsin Rapids on Tuesday, May 15th from 4:00 until 8:00 p.m. Wicker plates and painted mushrooms are on the agenda. Please RSVP to Denise at lorden74@hotmail.com so she knows how many crafters to expect. June dates will be announced later.

Anyone having metal bowls or wicker plates to donate, should bring them to the next general meeting or get in touch with Denise.



WCMGV Meetings and Notices

May 15, 2018: Second Craft Night, Denise Larsen's house, 4-8 p.m.

May 15, 2018: Garden and Coffee Talk, Pittsville Library, 1-3 p.m.

May 16, 2018: Lunch and Learn, Lester Library of Rome, 11:30-12:30 p.m.

June 2, 2018: Garden Walk Committee, McMillan Library, 9:00, Conference Room

June 5, 2018: Coffee with MG, McMillan Library, 1-3 p.m.

June 24, 2018: Winged Wonders, Mead Wildlife Center, 11-2 p.m.

July 10-12, 2018: Farm Technology Days, D&B Sternweis Farm; Weber's Farm Store Heiman Holsteins, 9885 Co. Hwy. H – Marshfield; 9-4 pm.

July 21, 2018: WCMGV Garden Walk 2018

August 7, 2018: Community Outreach and Education Team, 2:00 p.m., ETN at UWEX office

August 28, 2018: MG meeting and pot luck, 5:30 p.m., Lester Library of Rome

Committees, teams, project leaders, BODs, are **encouraged** to send meeting notices for this column. Many members wish to attend and help with various WCMGV events. Please let Chris Grimes or newsletter editor know dates and times as soon as they are scheduled.

North Central Master Gardener Plant Sale

(see ad on next page for time and date)

Plants: All plants are grown locally. A large selection of plants are available, including: perennial flowers and annuals, tomatoes, vegetables, herbs, native plants, houseplants, ornament tall grasses and hostas. Several area gardeners (including past Garden Walk hosts) have generously donated plants for this year's sale. Hostas 'Remember Me' and 'Blue Angel', Jacob's Ladders, Yucca, Red Bee Balm, Raspberry plants, Sea Holly, Astilbe, and Brunnera are just a few of the plants that we know will be available at the sale. Master Gardeners bring different plants to the sale every year, so every year is unique. Come and see what's available this year.

Gardening Related Items, Tools: Gently used tools, gardening accessories and decorative garden items are also available for sale. The MCSWD sale will feature the Home Composter™ compost bin that is made from 100% recycled material and has a 17cu. ft./125 gallons capacity. It sells for \$53 and comes apart into two halves, making it easy for turning materials and moving the bin. To encourage more composting of kitchen food scraps, a stainless steel kitchen pail will be sold for \$25 each. The 1.3 gallon steel pail is easy to clean, doesn't stain and has a charcoal filter lid. Worm compost will also be available.

Free Children's Planting Area: Encourage your children to learn more about gardening! Our popular Children's Garden area gives children the opportunity to plant and take home their project. We see lots of smiling faces!

Master Gardener Plants

May 19, 2018

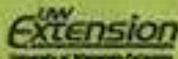


7:00 am - noon

FREE
Kids
planting area

Selling large healthy
plant divisions from a
Master Gardener's garden
and seedlings at low prices.

Perennials, annuals, herbs, grasses, hostas,
vegetables, tomato plants, natives, etc.



North Central WI
Master Gardeners

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Marathon Park Cattle Barn

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Create a Pollinators Paradise



Plants for Pollinators

June 23, 2018 | 9 a.m.- 4 p.m. | Stevens Point, Wis | Instructor: Sophie Demchik

Registration Info

Registration fee: \$55
(lunch included)
Register by June 15
Register at [uwsp.edu/
conted/Pages/
Plants-for-pollinators.aspx](http://uwsp.edu/conted/Pages/Plants-for-pollinators.aspx)



Workshop Itinerary

9-9:15 a.m.	Workshop check-in
9:15-9:45 a.m.	Habitat needs of bees
9:45-10:15 a.m.	Creating the ideal bee habitat
10:15-10:45 a.m.	Bee identification
10:45-12:30 p.m.	Bee habitat of Schmeckle Reserve
12:30-1:30 p.m.	Lunch
1:30-3:30 p.m.	Ideal pollinator habitat walking tour
3:30-4:00 p.m.	Workshop wrap-up



Continuing Education and Outreach
University of Wisconsin-Stevens Point

Questions?
Haley Frater, CNR Program Manager
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June Garden Guide

from [Portage County Master Gardeners Volunteers](#)

- Pinch off one-half inch of chrysanthemums when they are six inches tall and continue pinching through June.
- Pinch annuals when 4-6 inches tall to promote growth.
- Give peonies 2-3 applications of complete fertilizer two weeks before flowering. Disbud several branches for bigger flowers on remaining buds. Stake before buds open.
- Prune spring flowering shrubs (lilacs, forsythia, honeysuckle, hydrangea, mock orange, privet, snowball, spirea, viburnum and weigela) after flowering. Apply annual application of fertilizer.
- Prune junipers, arborvitae, yews and hemlock any time during late spring or early summer.
- Water flower beds weekly during dry periods.
- Remove spent flowers and weeds from gardens and add mulch.
- Dig and divide non-blooming daffodils.
- For large dahlia blooms, prune all but one shoot per clump.
- Cut back delphiniums after blooming.
- Control leaf blight on tomatoes by disposing of diseased foliage or plants immediately and planting disease-resistant varieties.
- Before setting out tomato cages, disinfect with a 10% bleach solution. Control fruit anthracnose and other disease problems by staking plants, maintaining optimal plant spacing and using mulches.
- Plant peppers, eggplant, sweet potatoes and late potatoes.
- Plant successive crops of beans, beets, carrots, kohlrabi, corn, turnips, broccoli, cabbage and cauliflower.
- Spray cabbage, cauliflower and broccoli to control cabbage worm and cabbage looper.
- Stop harvesting asparagus by month-end. Weed asparagus bed carefully after harvesting to avoid damage to roots.
- Prune evergreens.
- Prune out lilac seed heads.
- Treat lawns that are infected with cutworms and armyworms with parasitic nematodes.
- If fertilizing lawn two times per year, apply in June and October; if three times per year, apply in early June, early Sept and mid- to late Oct.
- Continue applying fungicide on trees and small fruits.
- Prune suckers from fruit trees.



Winged Wonders

Join us Sunday June 24th from 11-2pm at Mead Wildlife Station for Winged Wonders – an event to celebrate Mead Wildlife National Pollinators. WCMGV are needed to set-up/staff a booth. This is a great event to earn hours! This year Kathy McGrath from Port Edwards. will be doing her butterfly presentation. Any volunteers can contact [Paula Klevene](#) or [Famia Marx](#).



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WCMGV Website: <http://www.wood-county-master-gardeners.org>

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Lunch and Learn at Lester Library of Rome

Lester Library of Rome, in coordination with Wood County Master Gardener Volunteers, is sponsoring LUNCH and LEARN this summer. To be held the 3rd Wednesday of the month, beginning May 16th, from 11:30am to 12:30pm, participants will meet with the MGVs who care for the library gardens to discuss gardening topics. Brown bag it, take it out, or just stop by with a cup of coffee for these informal talks.

The first three dates will cover these topics or any other questions you have:

May 16th- Planting for Spring

June 20th- Pests

July 18th - Managing your gardens

August, September, October TBA

The library is located at 1157 Rome Center Dr., Nekoosa, WI

