

Union County Master Gardener Association
Monthly Business Meeting
August 24, 2016, 7:00PM – Ag Center

Attending: Dixie Bowen, Chris Burnard, Al Burnard, Pat Houser, Dilu Juvarkar, Penny Rushmore, Carole, Carrico, Joan Griffin, Donna Gehring, Karen Moots, Terri Farley, Kay Nickols, Julie Jones, Bill Ronschke, Scheral Greider, Harry Kirtley, Mary Ann Haynes, Audrey Kise, Kay Covert, George McVey, Bill Paloney, Eunice Hornsby, Melissa Henry, John Walkup, Patty Sweeney, Lisa Kovinchick, Laurie Lowe

Call to Order: Al Burnard

August Educational Program – 7:00 PM

The meeting was moved to the Ag Center because of rain.

Mark Miller from the Delaware Rose Society taught us how to take cuttings from roses. This was a hands-on demonstration to learn the techniques and everyone attending took home a prepared rose cutting.

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Secretary's Report: Donna Gehring, minutes approved as written.

Treasurer's Report: Mary Salimbene-Merriman, preliminary \$2193 income this month, with \$1893 dollars from plant sales.

Coordinator's Report: Karen Long and Laurie Lowe had no updates to report.

Old Business:

- Recognition Event
 - Donna Gehring is developing a survey for members to find out your preferences about this event and how you would like members to be recognized. Look for this soon and please take the time to complete the survey. Coming this month, Mary will assist to use Survey Monkey for the survey.

New Business:

- Nominating Committee for Election of Officers for 2017
 - Audrey Kise has agreed to chair the committee along with Kay Covert and Beth Johnson.
 - We will need to fill the President and Vice President positions. Donna and Mary Salimbene-Merriman agreed to serve another year in the Secretary and Treasurer positions, respectively.

Project Reports:

- Adopt-a-Pot – Donna Maley/Mary Salimbene-Merriman
- August Plant Sale – Karen Long, good variety, good before-the-doors open crowd. Habitat for Humanities took all of the left over plants.
- Covered Bridge Festival – Bea Metz/Kay Nichols, Saturday morning clean up on August 27 at Pottersburg Bridge.
- Cultivating Community Gardens – Chris Burnard, gardens are doing well and working so far.
- McCloud Park – Dixie Bowen/Julie Jones, park was gorgeous, attendance low, food was donated by Sam's Club Dublin.

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- Project GROW – Al Burnard, 10th year of the project, on September 14 there will be a celebration with Master Gardeners and children with an ice cream social. Al is stepping down as chair, need to have volunteers to chair/co-chair, or divide up the functions, etc. Prime objective is to have fun with the children.
- Speaker's Bureau – Eunice Hornsby & Lisa Kovinchick

September Educational Program:

- Mary Lewis, Eco-manager and Volunteer Coordinator, Friends of the Ohio Governor's Residence and Gardens, *Governor's Residence and Gardens - a Virtual Tour*
- Program will begin at 7:00 PM in the Buckeye Room

Future Meeting Educational Programs:

October -- Linda Wuethrich, North Central Ohio Solid Waste District, *Recycled Yard Art*

November -- Joshua Shields, ODNR Game Warden for Union County, Joshua will have a presentation about deer in Ohio, managing the population and dealing with deer problems.

Respectfully submitted,
Donna Gehring
Secretary