



JUNEAU COUNTY  
**MASTER GARDENERS** ✨  
NEWSLETTER  
May 2019

UW-Madison | Division of Extension  
Juneau County



# May Flowers

**When:** Monday May 20, 2019  
6:00 - 8:30 pm

**Where:** Hatch Public Library  
111 West State Street  
Mauston, Wisconsin 53948  
(608) 847-4454

**Directions:**

- ❖ Downtown Mauston
- ❖ Near corner of State (Hwy 12/16) and Division Streets
- ❖ Car pool if you can.
- ❖ Those signed up for treats: Lutrelle Manna, Irene Klingemann, Brigitte Varga, Natty Kranz, Debby Bollig

**Agenda:**

- ❖ Rain Garden Tour / Garden Book Exchange
- ❖ Approval of Minutes from April 22, 2019
- ❖ Treasurer's Report - Irene Klingemann
- ❖ Historian's Report - Marsha Lubinski
- ❖ Business
  - Sharing Supper Report - Myrna & Natty
  - Master Gardeners Signs - Lutrelle & Alana
  - Master Gardener Brochure Report
  - Spooner Ag Research Station Outing in August 2019
  - Sheboygan Tour - Christopher Farms & Bookworm Gardens
  - 2019 Hosts & Treats Signup
    - ♦ June 24 - Open
    - ♦ July 22 - Open
    - ♦ August 26 - Loretta Connor
    - ♦ September 23 - Open
    - ♦ October 28 - Open
  - Mauston Library Rain Garden Report
  - Teaching or Educational Grab & Go Boxes
  - Necedah Industrial Park Sign - Natty Kranz
  - Elroy Fair - June 27-30
    - ♦ Bev Kozlowski would appreciate labeled plants for the plant sale. Also consider entering exhibits.
  - Any other Business?
- ❖ Review of Ongoing Projects and Contact Person
  - Adopt-A-Hwy - Maureen
  - Boorman House -Margarete, Kari, Bonnie
  - Buckhorn State Park - Maureen
  - Facebook Site - Beth P. & Diane H.
  - Grayside Community Garden - Arris
  - Mauston Food Pantry - Marsha
  - Carl W. Nelson Animal Shelter Planters - Rosemary, Jan, Natty
  - New Lisbon City Planters - Arris
  - Necedah Nat'l Wildlife Refuge - Audrey/Karla
  - Necedah Wildlife Butterfly Program - Audrey

# **Juneau County Master Gardener Meeting Minutes**

**April 22, 2019 6:00pm**

The April Master Gardener meeting was held at the beautiful Twin Creeks Nursery outside of Friendship. There were 20 members and guests present for the lunch and meeting. Thank you to the Twin Creeks Nursery for hosting our meeting. Thank you to all who brought delicious dishes to share.

## **Call to Order:**

President Deb Bollig called the meeting to order.

## **Approval of Minutes:**

Minutes from the October 22nd meeting were approved as written.

## **Historian's Report:**

Marsha Lubinski passed around the Master Gardener history books. She has been working on printing out project pictures and updating the albums. Marsha would like to remind everyone to please remember to take pictures while working on projects.

## **Treasurers Report:**

The Treasurer's report was presented by Irene Klingemann and accepted as read.

## **Presentation:**

The owners of Twin Creeks Nursery, Karen and Bill Miller and their daughter Rae, answered questions and worked with our group while we were shopping and browsing. Karen shared the history of their greenhouses, and explained the processes of managing planting times and all the work that goes into growing beautiful plants. She showed us new hybridized plants and explained the process and benefits. One tip Karen imparted on the group is when planting new shrubs, don't put fertilizer in the bottom of the hole. It's better to not use any fertilizer, than to put it in the hole under the plant.

## **Alana Voss's Report:**

- Alana will be permanent to the Juneau and Sauk Counties Extension position. She will work in each of the counties 20 hours per week.
- Alana will assist anyone who is unable to get an on-line account set up for reporting Master Gardener hours.
- The Elroy Fair and the Juneau County Fair are both coming up; please think about entering items in any of the classes. Alana has the project books for both of the fairs, listing the projects and categories for submitting entries.
- Alana passed out 150-volunteer-hours awards to Marion Koca, Natty Kranz, and Audrey Traver.

## **WIMGA:**

Maureen Fox gave an update on WIMGA. The WIMGA website is up and working. They are in the process of rewriting their by-laws which will affect Master Gardeners. WIMGA would like to create a speakers' bureau of people who are able to present interesting gardening topics; sign-up if you are interested in presenting.

## **New Business:**

- Marsha Lubinski made a motion to donate money to purchase (2) \$25.00 horticulture ribbons/awards for the Elroy Fair. Maureen Fox seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.
- Maureen Fox will check with Sandridge Treatment Center for plant donations for the Elroy Fair plant sale.
- There will be elections for President and Treasurer at the next meeting in May.
- The hostess and treat sign-up sheets were passed around.

## **Project Updates:**

Natty Kranz went to the Necedah schools, and worked with around 75 children who planted seeds. Natty Kranz, Deb and Vic Bollig, and Myrna Nachatelo worked with children at the March Mauston Sharing Supper, and helped them plant seeds.

## **Meeting reminders:**

The next meeting of 2019 will be held on May 20 at the Hatch Memorial Library in Mauston.

## **Adjournment:**

Respectfully Submitted by Lutrelle Manna

## **JUNEAU COUNTY MASTER GARDENER PROJECTS:**

Anyone interested in helping on any of these, please contact person listed. This is a great way to accumulate volunteer support hours towards certification.

- Adopt-a-Highway – Maureen Fox, 462-4228
  - Cleaning trash along Highway 58 South of Mauston
- Boorman House – Margret Hummelbeck, 562-3856
  - Garden renovation around the Juneau County Historical Society Boorman House
  - Watering and Shade Garden – Natty Kranz, 547-1884/Marion Koca, 847-4580
  - Stewart Chapel – Herb & Diane Dannenberg, 847-4395/Margie Miller, 847-5541
- Buckhorn State Park Project –
  - Maintain plantings and gardens around the office and cabins
- Carl W. Nelson Animal Shelter – Jan Brendle, 565-7290/Rosemary Aney, 847-5558
  - Planting annuals and maintaining flower bed
- Elroy Fair – Bev Kozlowski; 462-5401
  - Manning booth for distributing MG information and plant sales
- Juneau County Fair – Marsha Lubinski, 847-5166
  - Entering an Open Class Booth with MG information
- Mauston Food Pantry Flower Beds – Marsha Lubinski, 847-5166
  - Planting annuals and maintaining flower bed
- New Lisbon City Planters – Arris Sullivan, 562-5181
  - Planting annuals and maintaining flower beds/planters
- Necedah Nat'l Wildlife Refuge – Audrey Traver, 608-427-3761/Karla Riley, 608-847-2506
  - Planting annuals and maintaining flower beds/planters
- Necedah Wildlife Butterfly Program – Audrey Traver, 608-427-3761
  - Start-up project



## *Delicious and Tasty Treats from Last Meeting - Thank You Ladies*

### *Rhubarb or Blueberry Bundt Coffee Cake*

from Bonnie Davey and Kari Olson

1 8oz pkg cream cheese  
 1 cup soft butter  
 1 1/2 cups sugar  
 1 1/2 tsp vanilla  
 4 eggs  
 2 1/4 cups flour divided  
 1 1/2 tsp baking powder  
 1/2 tsp salt  
 2 cups frozen cranberries or blueberries patted dry.  
 1/2 cups chopped pecans

Beat cream cheese, butter, sugar and vanilla until smooth and then add eggs and mix well.  
 Combine 2 cups flour with other dry ingredients.  
 Gradually add to butter mix  
 Mix remaining 1/4 cup flour with nuts and cranberries or blueberries  
 Fold into batter. It will be stiff and thick  
 Spoon into greased Bundt pan

Bake at 350° for 65-70 minutes or till done.  
 Do not over bake  
 Let stand 5 minutes on rack, remove from pan and sprinkle with powdered sugar  
 Serve with cool whip.

### *Roasted Vegetables*

from Mary Rezin

1 medium zucchini sliced  
 Red Bell Pepper cut into bite sized pieces  
 Yellow Bell pepper cut into bite size pieces  
 1 lb fresh asparagus in bite size pieces  
 1 or two red onion cut in chunks  
 1 large container fresh mushrooms  
 1 tsp fresh garlic  
 3 tbsp virgin olive oil  
 Salt and pepper

Heat oven to 450°  
 Place vegetables in roasting or glass pan.  
 Add garlic, salt and pepper and olive oil.  
 Toss to coat.

Roast 30 min. Stir. Cook 10 more min.  
 or until light brown and tender.



# CALENDAR OF EVENTS



**NOTE:** Be sure to check times & dates to verify event.

Contact for more information on any event at [Olbrich Botanical Gardens](mailto:OlbrichBotanicalGardens), 3330 Atwood Ave, Madison, WI; Aleeh Schwoerer, 608-245-3648 [aschwoerer@cityofmadison.com](mailto:aschwoerer@cityofmadison.com)  
For events at [Rotary Botanical Gardens](http://www.rotarybotanicalgardens.org), 1455 Palmer Drive, Janesville, WI 53545, phone 608 752-3885 ext 17, [rotarybotanicalgardens.org](http://www.rotarybotanicalgardens.org).  
For events at West Madison Ag Research Station, 8502 Mineral Point Rd., Verona, WI 53593-9689, phone 608 262-2257, <http://www.cals.wisc.edu/westmad/garden/Events.html>

**May 10-Sept 13 - Garden Art Exhibit on Display - Rotary Botanical Gardens - Janesville WI** - Returning for the tenth year, the "Dazzling Dragonfly" Garden Art Project Exhibit will be composed of 30 large dragonfly silhouettes, mounted on a garden post. All art projects will be sold at a live auction on Thursday, Sept 19.

**May 10-12 - Spring Plant Sale - Rotary Botanical Gardens - Janesville WI** - Think Spring and Join us for our Annual Plant Sale! May 10 - 9am-6pm, May 11 - 8am-5pm, May 12 - 10am-4pm. Open to the general public! The sale includes compost and a wide range of vegetables, herbs, perennials and shrubs. Those with a Rotary Botanical Gardens Membership, 10% discount on purchases. Memberships may be purchased at the sale, online, or at the gardens. Location: Horticulture Center, 825 Sharon Road, Janesville. Parking off of Palmer Drive, on Sharon Road.

**May 11 - 9am-4pm - African Violet Sale presented by Crosstown African Violet Club. - Olbrich Botanical Gardens - Madison** - This annual sale includes gesneriads of all kinds (the African violet is only one member) and potting soil and pots. Call 608-850- 9740 for more information.

**May 11 - 8-11am Grant County MGV Plant Sale - Lancaster, WI** - The sale is located at the Lancaster Fairgrounds in the Crops and Soil Building, 916 E. Elm St., Lancaster WI. All plants are for zone four grown by our MGVs. See pictures of past plant sales on FB [grantcountymastergardeners.weebly.com](http://www.grantcountymastergardeners.weebly.com). Contact: Terry Wood 608-732-4651 - [Woodfam@centurytel.net](mailto:Woodfam@centurytel.net)

**May 18- 9am-3pm - Hosta Walk & Quilt Show - Uniquely Hosta, Elroy WI** - Hosted by [Mile Bluff Medical Center Foundation](http://www.milebluffmedicalcenterfoundation.org) and [Uniquely Hostas](http://www.uniquelyhostas.com). Nurses Helping Nurses has just the event to help you get in the gardening mood! Area gardeners, landscapers, and plant lovers are invited to join Nurses Helping Nurses at Uniquely Hostas in Elroy for a hosta and quilt show, Uniquely Hostas offers a large collection of plants to meet any gardeners' needs. Quilts made by local quilters will also be on display throughout the gardens, weather permitting. Those who attend can also enjoy a

bake sale. Admission to this event is free. Location: 205 Grove Avenue, Elroy WI

**May 18 - 8-11am - Portage County Master Gardener Volunteers Annual Plant Sale - Stevens Point, WI** - Portage County Master Gardener Volunteers will be holding their annual Plant Sale at the Rettler Corporation parking lot (3317 Business Park Drive) in Stevens Point, WI. Master Gardeners will be on hand to answer any questions and to help you choose the correct plants for your yard. Perennials and vegetables from our own gardens, as well as select perennials from a local grower, will be available for purchase. Contact: Chere or Walt 715-258-0153 or 715-344-6116

**May 18 - 7am-Noon - North Central WI MG Plant Sale - Wausau, WI** - There will be thousands of locally grown plants including perennials, annuals, hostas, vegetables, tomatoes, Wisconsin natives, herbs and seedlings at low prices. We also have a free Children's Garden where children can learn how to pot a plant to take home with them. Our Reference table will answer your gardening questions and Marathon County Solid Waste Department will be there selling compost bins and stainless kitchen pails. Contact: Ann Halfpap 715-843-5493 or [keplrng3@yahoo.com](mailto:keplrng3@yahoo.com) Location: Marathon Park Cattle Barn, 1201 Stewart Ave., Wausau, WI

**May 18 - Outagamie Cty. MG Plant Sale/Garden Expo - Appleton WI** - Sale offers a wide variety of new types of perennial and annual flowers, shade plants, vegetable plants, grasses and garden compost all at reasonable prices. Plant diagnostic clinic throughout the day-get answers to general plant questions and about care, insect or disease problems. Master Gardeners will be available throughout the sale to answer gardening questions and help shoppers select plants. Compost • Garden Art • Flea Market • Plant Diagnostic Clinic • Vendors. Location: UW-Ext. Office grounds at 3365 West Brewster St., Appleton, WI 54914

**May 18 - Door County Annual Plant Sale - Sturgeon Bay WI** - This annual Master Gardener event offers new and unusual plants, as well as old-time favorites. Perennials, Wisconsin natives, annuals, herbs and vegetable plants are available. Door County Master Gardener members are available to answer questions and provide purchase advice. More information is available at <http://www.dcmga.org/plant-sale.html> Location: Peninsular Agricultural Research Station, 4312 Highway 42, Sturgeon Bay, WI

**May 18 - North Country MGV Annual Plant Sale - Spooner, WI** - Features Heirloom tomatoes, peppers, natives, herbs, and cannas. Contact: Sue Reinardy 715-462-3361 or [sreinardy@centurytel.net](mailto:sreinardy@centurytel.net) Location:

Spooner Agricultural Research Station Building, 1035 E Maple Street (Highway 70), Spooner, WI

**May 18 - 9am-3pm - Garden Fair & Plant Sale - Fond du Lac, WI** - Annual Garden Fair & Plant Sale by the Fond du Lac Master Gardener Volunteer Association. Plant Sale (annuals, perennials, herbs, houseplants), Vendors, Horticultural and Gardening Exhibits, Education. Contact: [mgvfdl@gmail.com](mailto:mgvfdl@gmail.com)  
Location: Fond du Lac County Fairgrounds, Cow Palace Building, 520 Fond du Lac Ave, Fond du Lac, WI

**May 18-19 - 10am-4:30pm - Bonsai Show presented by Badger Bonsai Society. - Olbrich Botanical Gardens - Madison** - Marvel at these growing miniature landscapes. Call 608-249-6195 for more information

**May 25 - Heirloom & Herbs Plant Sale - Mequon, WI** - Rare & Unusual Herbs, Heirloom Vegetable Plants & Tomatoes, Wisconsin Native Plants, Herb of the Year: Anise-Hyssop, Herbal Tea Bar, Fresh Baked Goods, and House Plants. Over 10,000 plants for sale! Hosted by the Ozaukee Master Gardeners. Contact: Stephanie Plaster 262-284-8288 or [stephanie.plaster@ces.uwex.edu](mailto:stephanie.plaster@ces.uwex.edu) Location: Concordia University Field House, 12800 Lake Shore Dr., Mequon, WI

**May 25-26 9am - Open House Weekend - Uniquely Hosta, Elroy WI** Check out the large collection of plants to meet any gardeners' needs. Location: 205 Grove Avenue, Elroy WI

**May 26 - 12-5pm - Iris Show presented by Madison Area Iris Society. - Olbrich Botanical Gardens - Madison** -

**June 1 - 10 am-Noon - Wild Edible and Poisonous Plants Hike - Rotary Botanical Gardens - Janesville WI** - There are many reasons why people might have an interest in learning more about wild edible plants: an interest in natural/organic foods, as an outdoor hobby, as a way to save money, and for those with an interest in developing survival skills. In this outdoor program, naturalist Dave Bendlin will lead participants in a hike around the gardens and the woodland trails across the street to observe and identify a variety of common wild edible plants. He will also point out some common poisonous plants that should be avoided and offer some guidelines for collecting and preparing wild edible plants.

**June 2 - 8am-2pm - Waupaca County Master Gardener Spring Plant Sale - Weyauwega, WI** - UWEX Waupaca County Master Gardener Annual Spring Plant Sale will offer a variety of annuals, perennials and garden art. Educational displays and Master Gardeners will be available the day of the event. Please come with your questions! Contact: Sally Marchel Handrich 608-630-1287 or [sallymarchelhandrich@hotmail.com](mailto:sallymarchelhandrich@hotmail.com)

Location: Waupaca County Fairgrounds, Education Bldg, 602 South St., Weyauwega, WI.

**June 8 - 5:30-8pm - Northwind Perennial Farm - Burlington, WI** - In the mood for a garden party? You're in luck! Kettle Moraine Land Trust (KMLT) is having a party and everyone's invited. "Party with the Perennials" will feature live music, food and beverage, and tours of Northwind's display gardens. This fundraiser for KMLT will feature a silent auction and raffle. Location: Northwind Perennial Farm, 7047 Hospital Road, Burlington, WI

**June 12 - 9am-8pm - Community Appreciation Day - Rotary Botanical Gardens - Janesville WI** - We will partner with a local non-profit to help raise awareness and collect donations to help sustain their mission. All donations collected during our Community Appreciation Days are then split with the partnering organization and Rotary Botanical Gardens. We also say thank you to the Hedberg Public Library for their contributions through youth activities during our Community Appreciation Day.

**June 12 - 9am-8pm - StoryWalk Kick-Off - Rotary Botanical Gardens - Janesville WI** - Join us as we kick-off this year's StoryWalk. The 2019 featured book is "*Rainbow Fish Finds His Way*" by Marcus Pfister. This book is on display near the Giant Aquarium. The StoryWalk is an outdoor exhibit, featuring pages from the story. Enjoy a garden stroll and story with your little one as you read this sweet tale!

**June 12-15 - American Hosta Society National Convention 2019 - Green Bay, WI** - The theme for the 2019 convention is **Hostaffinity**, a reflection of the relationship that we as gardeners share with each other and our beloved plants. Featuring: 11 Stunning Garden Tours - Vendors - Leaf Show and Seedling Competition - Speakers: Rick Goodenough, Don Dean, Olga Petryszyn, Doug Beilstein, and Jeff Miller. Registration Information: [www.ahs2019event.org](http://www.ahs2019event.org) Location: Radisson Hotel & Convention Center, 2040 Airport Drive, Green Bay, WI 54313, (800) 333-3333 or (920) 494-7300

**June 16 - 12-4pm - Rose Show presented by the Madison Rose Society. - Olbrich Botanical Gardens - Madison** - Indoor exhibit of cut roses and arrangements in all sizes and colors. Call 608-634-2146 for more information.

**June 22 - Outagamie Cty. Garden Walk - Appleton, WI** - Hosting a day of educational tours through selected gardens in the Fox Cities. Each garden is tended with sound gardening principles, offering unique horticultural lessons. Contact: De Dalum at [gardenwalk@ocmga.net](mailto:gardenwalk@ocmga.net) or <http://www.ocmga.net/>  
Map: <https://www.ocmga.net/wp-content/uploads/2019/04/Website-2019Map.pdf>

**June 22 - 9am - 4pm. - Waupaca County Master Gardener Annual Garden Walk and Art Stroll -**

Waupaca County Master Gardener "Annual Garden Walk & Art Stroll", This year's event will be in the Waupaca Area allowing you to walk through several unique gardens and also to visit with several artists from Central Wisconsin. More info coming. Cost \$10. Contact: Sally Marchel-Handrich 608-630-1287 or [sallymarchelhandrich@hotmail.com](mailto:sallymarchelhandrich@hotmail.com)

**June 28 - 9am-Noon - Plants for Pollinators:**

**Creating a Pollinator's Paradise - Stevens Point, WI**

- Have you ever wondered which plants provide the best food for pollinators or which plant combinations provide the best cover? If so, then join Sophie Demchik, expert extraordinaire, on an exploration of pollinators and their unique habitat requirements. In this hands-on workshop you will learn what attracts bees and other pollinators, how to alter your garden to attract more pollinators, and how to identify plants and plant characteristics important to pollinators. Plus, you will learn how to identify the 13 most common bees of Wisconsin. The workshop will include a short, half-hour walking tour. During the tour you will gain first hand exposure to pollinator habitat, learn how to identify good pollinator habitat, as well as hone your pollinator and plant identification skills. Finish off the workshop by creating your own plant, pollinator seed mix! For more information and to register please visit: <https://www.uwsp.edu/conted/Pages/Plants-for-pollinators.aspx> Contact: Haley Frater 715-346-3838 or [hfrater@uwsp.edu](mailto:hfrater@uwsp.edu) Location: Schmeckle Reserve, 2419 Northpoint Dr, Stevens Point, WI 54481

**July 12-13 - 9am-3pm - Home Garden Tour**

**Featuring Gardens of Stoughton - Olbrich Botanical Gardens - Madison**

Olbrich's 2019 Home Garden Tour will venture outside of Madison and its immediate suburbs for the first time and feature some of the finest home gardens in Stoughton and the surrounding area. Follow the tour map and explore exquisite home gardens that offer a look into each gardener's individual sense of creativity, imagination, and beauty. Talk with homeowners, landscape architects, and Master Gardeners to get tips on how to incorporate various garden techniques into your own home landscape! This annual two-day fundraiser helps support the mission and daily operations of Olbrich Gardens. Tickets: \$15 Public/\$13 Olbrich Member **Advance tickets** available June 1! **Day-of tickets** will be available at one of the garden sites, to be determined soon.

**July 18-Aug 11 - 10am-4pm - Olbrich's Blooming Butterflies - Olbrich Botanical Gardens - Madison**

- Experience the magnificence of free-flying butterflies while strolling through the tropical Bolz Conservatory. Live butterflies emerge from chrysalises daily in the Bolz Conservatory, including low-flyers like the playful yellow and black striped zebras and bright orange julias; and more, native to both Wisconsin and the more tropical areas of the southern United States can be seen at various times. The life span of different butterflies varies from a few weeks to a few months. Cost: \$8 ages 13 and up, \$5 ages 3-12, Free ages 2 and under; Free Olbrich Members



Pennsylvania is very excited to be hosting the 2019 International Master Gardener Conference! It will be held in the Greater Philadelphia Region/Valley Forge, on June 17 – 21, 2019. There will be day trips to public gardens on Sunday and Monday preceding the conference and Friday afternoon and Saturday following the conference. As well, tours to nearby Philadelphia are being planned to provide easy access to the city and its historic landmarks. The conference will begin on Monday evening, June 17<sup>th</sup>, with a celebration of Pennsylvania foods.

**Penn's Woods: Digging into our Roots** is the theme for the 2019 conference, recognizing the region's rich history of horticulture for more than three centuries. The conference will include a full array of lectures, demonstrations, tours, and field study classes on-site at public gardens. Networking, learning, and having fun are on the menu! We will, of course, recognize the many exemplary achievements by Master Gardeners at the Search for Excellence awards ceremony.

A website has been established: [www.internationalmastergardener.com](http://www.internationalmastergardener.com) as well as a Facebook Page: [facebook.com/IMGC2019](https://facebook.com/IMGC2019) for social networking. We encourage you to visit these sites often and sign up for updates. They anticipate 1200-1400 Master Gardener attendees. An October 2018 target for early registration and opening up of a block of hotel rooms is planned.

# Hort - Q&A:



Here's a sample of horticultural questions received and answered by Juneau & Sauk County Agricultural Educator -, Alana Voss or a Juneau County Master Gardener Volunteer. Have a question or comment just call 608-847-9329 or cell 608-477-3945 or email [alana.voss@wisc.edu](mailto:alana.voss@wisc.edu)

**\*\*\*\*\*Please note our office has moved and our office address has changed as of 4/6/18\*\*\*\*\***

**Juneau County - Extension**, 220 E. State Street, Rm 104, Mauston, WI 53948, Website: <https://juneau.extension.wisc.edu/>

Greetings Everyone!

I'm publicizing the following important Extension offering Please consider attending this FREE event.

## **Beekeeping Basics May 22<sup>nd</sup> Located at 129 E. 3<sup>rd</sup> St., Westfield, WI 53964**

Preregistration requested by May 20 to ensure seating for all. You can register by calling the Marquette County Extension office at 608-297-3141 or online at <http://bit.ly/2019Bees>.

In the United States there are over 2.63 million honey bee colonies. Honey bees produce or collect many valuable products, including honey, beeswax, and pollen. Beyond the products they collect or produce, bees are a great pollinator of many of our garden plants or farm crops.

Join us for a FREE evening of learning about beekeeping on May 22. Registration starts at 5:30 pm and the program will start at 6 pm. The meeting will be hosted at the Westfield Community Center located at 129 East Third Street, Westfield.

We will kick off the evening with Patti and Mark Ingram, members of the East Central Wisconsin Beekeepers Association, who will be giving a general overview of the honey bee and beekeeping. The East Central Wisconsin Beekeepers will be bringing some example beekeeping equipment so you can see some of the tools of the trade in person. The East Central Wisconsin Beekeepers Association is focused on local awareness, education, and networking about honey bees and beekeeping.\*

Following this general overview of beekeeping, Marty Havlovic, emeritus Community Resource Development Educator will present on the Nicaragua Bee Project, a local initiative to support families in Nicaragua learning to keep bees. This project brings local Wisconsin beekeepers to Nicaragua to train families about beekeeping. The focus of the project is providing technical assistance to Nicaraguan organizations and families that are focused on developing beekeeping as a means to supplement family income in rural and urban areas.

Finally, if there is interest, to wrap up, we will discuss the costs involved to get started in beekeeping.

Please pre-register for this FREE event by May 20 so that we can ensure we have enough space for all. You can register by calling the Marquette County Extension office at 608-297-3141 or online at <http://bit.ly/2019Bees>.

\*The ECWBA is not affiliated with the Nicaragua Bee Project and does not make any form of representation or statement which would constitute an express or implied endorsement of the Nicaragua Bee Project.

***Alana Voss***

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## **HINTS FOR TICKS**

Use a lint roller right after being in the woods or on a brush walk, for humans and for pets. This could be the most important thing that you see posted! Ticks are an epidemic this year.



Repellent for yourself: In a spray bottle, mix 2 cups of distilled white vinegar and 1 cup of water. To make a scented solution you could add 20 drops of your favorite essential oil, examples: Eucalyptus, peppermint or citrus oils, strong crisp scents that repel ticks. Reapply every four hours to keep ticks at bay.

Repellent for your pets: Same mix as for yourself but instead of the essential oil, add two tablespoonfuls of vegetable or almond oil, which both contain sulfur (another natural tick repellent). Spray onto the pet's dry coat.



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Irene Klingemann, W5805 Brown Rd, Mauston WI 53948 or email  
iklingemann.mstn@gmail.com

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### PLANT YOUR GARDEN TO LAST A LIFETIME...

#### PLANT THREE ROWS OF PEAS:

1. Peace of mind
2. Peace of heart
3. Peace of soul

#### PLANT FOUR ROWS OF SQUASH:

1. Squash gossip
2. Squash indifference
3. Squash grumbling
4. Squash selfishness

#### PLANT FOUR ROWS OF LETTUCE:

1. Lettuce be faithful
  2. Lettuce be kind
  3. Lettuce be patient
  4. Lettuce really love one another
- NO GARDEN IS WITHOUT TURNIPS:**

1. Turnip for meetings
2. Turnip for service
3. Turnip to help one another

### TO CONCLUDE OUR GARDEN WE MUST HAVE THYME:

1. Thyme for each other
  2. Thyme for family
  3. Thyme for friends
- WATER FREELY WITH PATIENCE AND CULTIVATE WITH LOVE. THERE IS MUCH FRUIT IN YOUR GARDEN BECAUSE YOU REAP WHAT YOU SOW.**

*\*submitted by Pat Seubert*

## Elroy Fair

**June 27-30, 2019**



**NOW Showing**

The 2019 Elroy Fair Book is now online!!!

<https://www.elroyfair.com/2019-fairbook>

Entries open April 15. Late Fees after May 27



154<sup>th</sup>

## Juneau County Fair

**"Something to Crow About"**

[www.juneaucountyfair.com](http://www.juneaucountyfair.com)

**Aug 11-18, 2019**

**Mauston Wisconsin**



## Edgewater Home & Garden Field Trip

**Portage WI - July 18 - 8 am - 5:30 pm**

Join us for a day trip to Rockford, IL to visit the Nicholas Conservatory and Midway Village Museum.



The botanical garden is filled with beautiful gardens, a pond, and butterflies! Just so relaxing to sit and listen to the water and watch the fish. Then join us at the museum.



**Midway Village Museum**  
*Rockford's*  
**HISTORY MUSEUM**

Ticket Price is \$70. Please Call 608-742-6558 for tickets

## 2019 JUNEAU COUNTY MASTER GARDENERS MEMBERSHIP FORM

NAME			
ADDRESS			
CITY			
STATE		ZIP	
PHONE	( )		
E-MAIL			

If you would like to host a garden meeting, list two months of your choice:

1<sup>st</sup> choice \_\_\_\_\_ 2<sup>nd</sup> choice \_\_\_\_\_

If you are a current Master Gardener, list the year you took your training:

If not, would you like information on becoming a Master Gardener?

ANNUAL DUES: **\$12.00** from January thru December 2019

FILL IN THIS FORM AND MAKE CHECK PAYABLE TO: **Juneau County Master Gardeners** AND MAIL TO:

**Irene Klingemann, W5805 Brown Rd, Mauston WI 53948**