

Rutgers Master Gardener Association of New Jersey

Minutes of Aug 2, 2016 RMGANJ Meeting

Kathy Dopart welcomed the group. Donna Faustini from Bergen County joined us as a guest. Caryl Hanamann has had surgery and a card is being circulated. We send her our best wishes.

Terry Zane, President, then welcomed the group to the meeting and proceeded to the Agenda.

Secretary's Minutes from July 2016 Meeting: Minutes from the last meeting were accepted as presented through a motion and second.

Treasurer's Report: The balance is currently \$4051.41, including the recently received Barnes & Noble revenue. We have an expense due for the recent pin inventory purchase of \$2500, plus \$250 in an additional conference program expense, which leaves us a little more than \$1000 in our account. The Conference revenue will not be accrued to our account until after the event in October, so we will need to keep a close eye on the billing and expense processes to avoid accounting problems. Motion to accept the Treasurer's report as submitted is made, seconded and approved.

Attendance:

Atlantic:	Mary-Lou Monihan
Bergen:	Joe Cooper, Karen Pennell, Donna Faustini
Burlington:	Terry Zane, Lee Parry, Merry Bogert
Camden:	Nancy Sullivan, Diane Shonyo
Cumberland:	Carol Henry
Essex:	Gail Chmura
Hunterdon:	Tricia Deering
Mercer:	Bob Robinson
Middlesex:	Kathy Dopart
Monmouth:	Karin Poorvin, Ellen Simonetti, Gordan Boak
Morris:	Pat Hudson, Sandi Gonski, Carla Schan
Ocean:	Jim Digney
Passaic:	Darlene Nowak
Somerset:	Linda Madretzke
Sussex:	Jane Gardner, Pat Schanzlin
Union:	Delores Batz-Culp, Dennis Lenahan
Rutgers University:	Nick Polanin

PRESIDENT'S REPORT:

Meeting Schedule: The new schedule was circulated for 2017. July and Sept were adjusted to 2nd Tues of the month, due to the holidays in the first weeks of these months. Meeting for March will be on March the 8th, Wed in the ECC, which is the first meeting of the year. A revised list will be sent out shortly.

Calendar for 2018: The schedule for 2018 was distributed for review. July and Sept will meet on the 2nd Tues. The Conference will be on October 6th. Motion to accept, seconded and approved. Terry will contact Donna to reserve the rooms and set the dates.

MG Coordinator's Report: Nick Polanin reminded the group of the Great Tomato Tasting and Snyder Farm Open House, Aug 31st at Snyder Farm. There are still spots open or volunteers, should anyone wish to participate. Please register through Volunteer Spot online. Nick went to the National Volunteerism Conference in Little Rock and found the event very helpful. He is also going to the National Coordinators' Conference in Chico Hot Springs Resort in Montana on Sept 19-23. There is an effort on to work with the National MG Committee which is preparing a recognizable logo for use by the national Master Gardener group. They are working on a national curriculum for use across the US as well. Some of the Coordinators are involved in a lively discussion, many of whom work across state lines in cross-referencing materials.

There was a very successful 3-day program at County College of Morris for education of MGs regarding tree and climate change, abiotics and diagnosing tree diseases. An update about the Emerald Ash Borer was shared. This was a continuing education program, which would be nice to repeat at various locations across NJ.

The next Rutgers Department meeting will be on Oct 4. Dan K. will expect working group updates on the strategic plan discussions from the various departments. Between this meeting and the Coordinators' meeting, Nick plans to

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address some of the things that impact the Master Gardener program within the discussions in his team. Board Members Mary Lou Monihan and Terry Zane were on the list as MG delegates who would like to participate in the discussions. Nick has no information on inclusive discussions at this time.

With Emerald Ash Borer, there is no individual state recommendation for pesticide control, but there is a national one in place. It is a pdf document that is relevant in the 23 states where the emerald ash borer is present. You should include this pdf in the materials you have for managing the helpline at your respective counties, should any questions arise.

Certified Tree Experts will now be licensed. A law was passed 6 years ago and at this point, there are rules and regs available for discussion and input online. In the fall and winter, there will be additional information available for every tree firm in the state, since each company must have a licensed arborist on staff in order to be in business. Licensing would probably be retained in the DEP, since it was housed there previously. There is a fee for licensing and to retain the license, individuals must do continuing education. These licening guidelines will be applied to any work on trees 6 inches or bigger for the company doing the work.

NJ Board of Tree Experts has a position paper on lexusnexus for review. Contact njtreeexperts@gmail.com you can offer comments or ask to for a copy of the law.

Old Business: Pins are ordered and will be in shortly. Remind coordinators that if they have more than 2 people for whom to give pins, they should order pins in advance to have enough on hand for the Conference. Terry asked which counties have members of 25 years – Bergen (4), Middlesex (1), Essex (1), Ocean might have some. Award winners' names were to be submitted by June 30th and names have been received by Suzanne. Marilyn and Terry will have the pins on the day of Conference. Terry will award the 25 year pins to the winners who attend. The remaining award winners' pins will go to the Coordinators for distribution at home meetings.

Conference:

Booklet – The background for the booklet is to be a Catawba nut tree. The Booklet is with the printer for review.

Barnes Noble – Bob will have a list of books to be sold at the Conference together for review at the September meeting.

Evaluation Form – Last year's form was sent for review to Ellen and Terry with revisions for this year's conference.

Facilities – A meeting is scheduled on Aug 18 for walk through, at 10:00 AM at Cook. The Committee will do the walkthrough, then schedule another session if needed after the September meeting to finalize. Terry and Committee will go over to the site and take a look at it today after the meeting for a couple of minutes to discuss setups. The Facilities PO, Equipment Usage and materials vouchers will put us in a negative position (1772.50 for contract), but this bill comes after the event, so we should be okay. Doors need to be open in the community area to allow people to use the space for eating. No seating will be reserved for the Awardees at this year's conference.

Garden Mart – We only have a limited space, so a table request count was conducted. Each of the following counties requested tables: Middlesex, Morris, Mercer, Monmouth, Camden, Cumberland, Bergen and Atlantic needs tables. We will order 10 to make sure there are enough.

Program Flyer – Door Prizes are being handled by Somerset (Linda M), so the credit for that activity should be listed in the program by Carol. Carol is making a draft.

Program Speakers – Ellen asked if everyone has all the speaker information they need. We need to get an invoice from Mr. Simcox in order to get his check issued to him. Pat will speak to his agent, Ms. Chu.

Registration – OCP has been great providing information. As of yesterday, there were 54 registrations received so far. The cost is \$35 until the cutoff, but the cutoffs for written mailing registration is Sep 2 and online is Sept 4. As of those dates, the cost goes up to \$45. Last year we had flyers we sent out and we were ahead on our registrations at this time. We need to remind everyone of the Conference coming up at local levels. Registration email is www.cpe.Rutgers.edu/rmganj. Members should remind everyone that people can also call or mail their registration in. Nick gets updates on progress every Monday and will share these with Terry.

Registration Desk – Barbara Cook is on vacation. Terry suggested that this year, each folder should be made up the same. Then we can use lunch tickets to designate which lunch selection is to be included for the registrant. Jane will send the lunch ticket sheet templates to Ellen for processing. Ellen will get them printed at Staples and these can be handed out when people sign in at registration time. Nick will supply the folders for the September 27th stuffing meeting. Caryl is handling the RCE people who are to be registered. Nick will invite the dignitaries to Larry Dan and Bob Goodman and ask who would like to speak at the Conference.

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Signs – Signs have been corrected and hopefully it will not rain when these need to be set out on conference day.

Speakers Gifts – Pat Hudson is still selecting a gift.

Photos – Joe will begin production of the video in a month. He will figure out how to pause the video and how to run it as a loop. Joe will bring the laptop and the video will run in reverse order this year, starting with Union and ending with Atlantic. Toward the end of the month, Joe will send out the video for review. Awards will only run for 45 minutes this year. Coordinators are not to read the program book entry when giving out awards.

Door Prizes – Linda reported that Middlesex, Camden, Essex, Mercer, Hunterdon, Burlington are the 6 door prizes that are paid for. We need to remember to pay cash for these gifts, not use debit cards, or mix the expense for this gift with anything else you buy. You need to have a specific line item showing what you are including in the basket. Do not put any marks on the receipt. No wine bottles or other alcohol may be included in the baskets. Black pens must be used only for submissions and reimbursement must be put in a timely, preferably within 30 days of your purchase.

Miscellaneous - Trish Deering of Hunterdon will not be at the conference, so Martha is filling in for her. Thank you gifts need to be given to Martha for distribution at the Conference.

Rutgers 250 Banners and Pop Up materials will also be available for use at the Conference. Nick will bring these. We can include Rutgers 250 logo in the presentation video for use at the Conference.

BREAK provided by Somerset County. Thanks. Next month's refreshments will be provided by Sussex.

County Report Highlights: (please include contact info for any speakers that you cite in your reports for reference by other delegates)

Atlantic – The courtyard garden at our MaysLanding Library project has been submitted to the MonarchWatch program for certification and consideration as a "monarch way station." Due to the success of our MaysLanding library project, we have been asked to renovate the Egg Harbor Township Tiered beds; so far an herb garden and pollinator garden have been installed and this fall, a salt tolerant garden will be initiated.

Bergen – Garretson Forge & Farm. Garretson has been busy harvesting vegetables and fresh herbs for the St. Paul's Community Development Corporation Food Pantry. This week's basket includes cucumbers, yellow squash, tomatoes, Swiss chard, basil, and mint. Each week, Garretson is able to make a donation due to the dedication of the many Master Gardeners who volunteer their time.

Hackensack River Greenway. Friends of the Hackensack River Greenway through Teaneck has been working on a project with the township to construct a native garden and ADA wheelchair-accessible trail along the Hackensack River in the southern end of town. Last fall, invasive plants were controlled, and some native plants were transplanted from the Teaneck Garden Club to the stream bed near the river. The walking trail was completed. We're awaiting construction of a stone sitting area closer to River Road. To complete the project, bird boxes and more native plants will be added. The Township Council named this site the Mary S. Topolsky Garden and Trail after a township resident who, using her skills as a landscape designer, developed the plan to make this property into a welcoming area for residents and a native habitat for wildlife.

New Jersey Botanical Garden / Skylands is busy in August. The Concert Series continues with 2 more concerts, the Audubon Butterfly Festival takes place on August 14th and Skylands Manor Tours are offered on the first Sunday of each month. A small parking fee is charged on Saturdays, Sundays, and holidays through Labor Day. Please visit the NJBG.org website for more details.

August Trips & Tours: Manitoga House and Woodland GardenTour in Garrison, NY, the house, studio, and 75-acre woodland garden of mid-century designer Russel Wright (1904 - 1976), is a National Historic Landmark, an Affiliate Site of the National Trust for Historic Preservation, and a World Monuments Watch Site. Boulders, plantings, and stone terraces are positioned to bring the outdoors in, blending architecture and landscape. <http://www.visitmanitoga.org/home-woodland-garden/>

We're please to announce our new chair of Community Outreach, Dail Reid. Just retired in June from Rutgers Cooperative Extension, Dail offers her talent, experience, and wisdom of horticulture to us in this role. She also volunteered her husband to help us at the Thielke/Glen Rock Arboretum and the McFaul Environmental Center.

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Burlington –

Projects:

Butterfly Garden at Smith Woods

This month consisted of minimal planting and lots of watering due to the hot temperatures. Some Monarch eggs have been spotted on the underside leaves of the milkweed. Skippers and tiger swallowtails are beginning to frequent the plots more often, and a search for caterpillars continues on the fennel, dill and parsley. More milkweed beetles and lady beetles have been found and the start of aphids are beginning. The aphids are being removed as soon as they are spotted.

More black-eyed susans have been planted since the deer have been eating them and pulling them completely out of the ground. The County donated more cone flowers and shasta daisies so they were also planted. Keeping everything green and thriving is the team's main objective to welcome as many different pollinators as possible.

IPM and Demonstration Plots at BCCAC: All gardens and raised beds are doing well and watering and weeding consumes the team. The soybean plot never did sprout.

Weekly IPM field scout walks continue with Bill Bamka, County Agricultural Agent

Pinelands Preservation Alliance: The first MG Field Day at the PPA project was held Tuesday, July 26. About ten MGs braved the heat and came out to see what the team has done and it was well received especially combining herbs and flowers in the kitchen garden. The beautiful green, white and black yellow swallowtail larvae are happily munching away on the fennel.

Articles published in the *Burlington County Times* Master Gardeners Journal:

- July 4, 2016, "Make your raised bed, and garden in it" by Lise Casagner and Brian McDonald
- July 19, 2015, "Nature center garden makes history" by Toni Price

Events held:

- July 12 - Quarterly Meeting
- July 19-24 – Burlington County Farm Fair; Master Gardeners had a booth answering many questions for attendees
- July 28 – Dr. Jason Grabosky, Professor of Urban Forestry with Rutgers University, gave a second, more in-depth presentation on Urban Forestry
- An "Ask a Master Gardener" table was present at the county farmers' market twice during the month.

Upcoming Events

- August 1 - MG field day at the Donation Garden at Medford Leas
- August 3 – MG field day at the Butterfly Garden at Smith Woods
- August 4 – MG field day at the IPM/ Demonstration Plots at BCCAC; also being held is the second annual Salsa Contest
- August 7 – MG field day at the Rancocas Nature Center's Annual Garden Day

Camden – Our plant clinic is held on third Saturdays. This an outside event. A Master Gardener volunteer spoke on saving seeds from our gardens. The Help-Line continues to operate 9=12 Monday through Friday. A descriptive booklet is being developed about our demonstration gardens.

Cumberland - The Monarch Teacher Workshop was a huge success with over 30 participants.our butterfly tent with other butterfly activities was a big hit any the 4-H camp. We will be taking a bus trip to the Big Apple to visit the High Line, Jefferson Gardens and the 9/11 Memorial. Pepper harvesting has started. Our Ag agent Jim Johnson will be retiring with a new date of October 1st.

Essex – On August 20, the Master Gardeners will tour 4 Master Gardeners' gardens, including the Montclair Inn Community Garden and 3 personal gardens.

The Master Gardeners class of 2016 has been busy visiting each other's gardens and having a trip to the Highline. Their purpose is to bond and create a good working relationship for future projects.

The Teaching Garden will hold an informal class on August 18 at 6:30 pm to discuss late summer and fall planting and to address any problems people are having with their gardens.

Essex County Buzz Fest will take place on August 6 at the Essex County Environmental Center. Beekeepers will demonstrate how honey is extracted from honey and will allow visitors to crank the extractor.

Hunterdon – In July 2016, Mary Anne Borge from Bowman Hill spoke on Pollinator Strategies at the Master Gardeners of Hunterdon County monthly meeting. The Hunterdon Central Regional High School Special Needs program completed its' summer session. The Experience and Sensory Gardens programs and Community Service

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activities are in full swing. The 4-H Fair and Great Tomato Tasting are both scheduled for August. The Helpline continues with about 85 to 95 client contacts per month. Hunterdon does not have a meeting in August. The Friendship Gardens surrounding the RCE building are beginning to fill in and clients have been commenting on how nice they are. The September meeting will be a pot-luck and the speaker will be Brenda Conner from Pine Barrens Native Fruit speaking on cranberries.

Mercer – Our July meeting was held at a picnic pavilion in Mercer County Park, a pleasant warm weather diversion from our normal venue. The weather cooperated nicely! Our program was a talk by John Cambridge, from Rutgers, who topic was “Insects, Bees and beyond”. As a part of his talk, he discussed an insect trapping and census project, part of which was carried out in our meadow at MEG. There was much interest in his talk, and he will be coming to our Insect Festival in Sept.

The annual “Evening at MEG”, with a theme of “Right plant, right place”, which took place on July 13, was quite successful as an outreach event in spite of the rain that occurred earlier in the day.

The Trent House events in July provided an opportunity for more than 100 inner city children to spend a fun day at an historic location learning about plants, kitchen gardens, pollinators, and a bit of local history. The children came to us through 4-H, the Boys and Girls Clubs, Home Front, and the Trenton YMCA. They learned about colonial kitchen gardens (Trent House has a very large one), pollinators, and had a lunch with story time. Some 35 RMG's participated in the three sessions. We received a very nice letter of appreciation from the Trent House Association for the programs.

Tours for July included a guided tour of Monmouth County's Deep Cut Gardens, and a visit to Hereford Inlet Lighthouse and Gardens. We participated in the Mercer Co. 4-H Fair. A class and demo on butterfly propagation is being held today. This is a repeat of one given last year, which was very popular.

Middlesex – Middlesex County had their annual Fair, which was a great success with record crowds. Our Butterfly house is also enjoying record attendance. The August 20th Open House was well attended. Our veggie garden is producing well and we are donating to Elijah's Promise.

Monmouth – The last week in July, Monmouth County puts on their County Fair. Our Junior Master Gardener Program will have entrants in the Vegetable category and our theme this year is Monarch Butterflies with a wonderful display of live Monarchs. Helpline, JMG and Composting will also be represented with displays. August 20th celebrates our free annual Bugs, Birds and Beyond event for children of all ages. Included in the event will be live raptors, a live bee hive (contained), our famous cockroach race, crafts and games to please, entertain and educate children of all ages! What a fun afternoon!

At this time, we will also be planning for our Annual Fall Recognition Picnic held in September.

Ag. Building gardens (Rain/Native Gardens, PAR, JMG, Monarch way station and Herb) continue to be weeded and attended to and all look glorious! So far, our new interns have harvested over 800 lbs. of vegetables which are all donated to the various local food banks. Helpline has been “hot” with questions phoned in and many “walk-ins”. Our Community Gardens continue to grow and produce...quite a learning experience for many of our community members!

Morris – Our quarterly MG newsletter is back in operation after being on hiatus since last year. We finally found a replacement editor. We had an outreach table highlighting the creation of *Backyard Bird Habitats* at the 4-H Fair on July 22 – 24. We also did horticultural judging on July 21.

We are making plans for a second monthly Outreach Event at the Parsippany Library in August. We manned outreach tables at eight community gardens July 30 & 31. This event showcased the beauty and diversity of Morris County's Community Gardens and highlighted the people, plants, and planting techniques that make these gardens thrive.

We offered out MG population five educational opportunities for a total of 9.0 C.E.U.s this month, including an *Advanced Helpline Training: Trees in NJ* lecture at the County College of Morris jointly with Essex County.

Wildflowers of a pollinator garden we planted in May at St Paul's Inside the Wall in Madison are flowering nicely. We are still interviewing for a new MG Coordinator.

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Ocean – July is a quiet month for us. Three Master Gardeners had fun judging in the 4H tent at the Ocean County Fair. Some of our Educators are giving talks at the Ag. Center (RCE) once a month for the public. The latest being Propagation, where coleus cuttings were taken home by all participants. Our monthly small group Diagnostic sessions are very popular and have waiting lists for both a.m. & p.m. time slots. Helpline calls are down, but Ticks/insects and plants for diagnoses keep coming in to the office. Stafford Library Helpline table continues to be active with our Southern residents bringing in samples and questions about their garden problems twice a month. Many of our members enjoyed a tour of the garden and then, a “harvest” buffet at the Cuisine on the Green where the chefs used our vegetables in the dishes served. The IPM Committee had their July session at the Cuisine garden earlier that day.

Coming up, we will install our 2016/17 Board of Directors on Thurs. On Aug. 30, there will be an all-day training called, “It’s a Jungle Out There” with Rich Buckley, Steve Rettke, and Ellen Silverman.

Passaic – No meeting was held in July, but we had the annual picnic, which was well attended. A Skylands piece was used from Bergen County. We continue to digitize virtual tours of the Skylands. We are applying for arboretum Level I certification. MGs provide horticultural therapy around the county. We have the County Fair coming up this week as well.

Somerset – Things are very quiet in Somerset this month.

Sussex – In Sussex County, Master Gardeners are heavily involved in readiness and support of the NJ State Fair and Sussex County Farm and Horse Show to be held this month. MGs take great pride in ensuring that Founders’ Garden is in excellent order and serves as a key focal point of beauty at the fair. Throughout the year, MGs support the planting, propagation and maintenance of various planting beds around the fair grounds. MGs also serve as docents and support staff for the flower show and other activities during the fair. They help with set up, clean up and information for fair goers.

Union – Scholarship - The Master Gardeners recently honored Aaron Etienne, a student in the Horticulture program at Union County Vocational-Technical School. At the school’s 2016 Awards Ceremony, Richard Leister, president of the Union County Master Gardeners, presented him with a check. Mr. Etienne serves as the Horticultural Program’s Sentinel and is very involved in Future Farmers of America (FFA), attending all leadership conferences and participating in Career Development Events (CDE). This year the events included Turf Management and Floriculture held on Cook Campus, Rutgers. In March, Aaron competed on the UC Floral Design Team at the NJ FFA Floral Design CDE and Horticultural Exposition, held at Mercer County Community College, where he ranked 9th in the practicum portion of the event. He was awarded a second place ribbon for his Fresh Holiday Wreath entry, third place for his entry in Flat of Bedding Plants and his Permanent Holiday Wreath entries, and fourth place for his Winter Solstice.

Fresh Arrangement - Aaron attended State FFA Chapter Officer Leadership Training, Advocacy & Legislative Leadership Event, and the State FFA Convention, serving as a chapter delegate. Aaron participates in every FFA event he has the opportunity to attend. He recently sold over 60 Ronald McDonald House boosters for the NJ FFA State wide Community Service Project. Aaron has been the top fundraising salesman with both the Fall & Spring Dutch Mill Bulbs, as well as the Pee Jay’s Fruit Sale. Aaron attended the Horticulture Advisory Board Meeting as the student representative. Aaron volunteered at our campus beautification projects, planting bulbs on a Saturday in November. Aaron represented the chapter at the February Freeholders Meeting, in Celebration of FFA Week for the presentation of the FFA Proclamation.] Aaron plans to attend the County college of Morris, taking classes towards the Landscape Maintenance Certificate Program. The Union County Master Gardeners in coordination with Ms. Bonnie Baldasare, the head of the Horticulture Program and advisor to the school’s FFA, honors a high school student in the program every year.

Union County Master Gardener Helpline - Contacts have increased in volume this year over last year, and Union County’s “Free Garden Helpline for Union County Gardeners” press release for the Spring Garden Fair in May has been beneficial. (<http://ucnj.org/press-releases/public-info/2016/05/06/free-garden-helpline-for-union-county-gardeners/>) Calls have increased for Eastern Yellow jacket wasps (*Vespula maculifrons*), winter damaged perennials, and problems with the Rutgers 250 Tomatoes, as well as others.

Demonstration Garden - As of July 28, 636.25 lbs. of herbs, berries and vegetables were distributed to ten different community organizations.

The Biggest Home-Grown Tomato and Zucchini Contest for Union County Master Gardeners opened from July 14 until Sept. 1.

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The Thornless Honey Locust tree at the Demo Garden has lost branches in the storms. The County will come and cut off the dangerous branches.

On Tuesday, July 19 - Rutgers Cooperative Extension of Union County's Environmental Agent, Michele Bakacs, sponsored a bus tour of Green Infrastructure highlights in Union County. The tour featured rain gardens at schools, municipal sites, residential neighborhoods, and our rain gardens at the Master Gardeners of Union County's Demonstration Garden. Other green infrastructure sites include a pervious pavement parking lot in Clark and the Cistern at the Master Gardeners of Union County's Greenhouse.

Repair started on the rose pergola's bases of two posts. The same company that installed all the pavers in the Sharing Garden is performing this work.

Children's Activities Committee

The committee kicked off June 22 starting with "Bugs and Beyond" session. Leading activity was an insect/butterfly catch, followed by special birds in the garden session, and an insect walk.

On Wednesday, July 20 - the committee hosted the "Art of Nature" program with the campers of Trailside Nature and Science Center. Activities included making nature paints from gathered flowers, grasses, herbs, a scavenger hunt through our theme gardens, and pizza pins using Herb Garden herbs. August 10th this program will be repeated with a different group of 13 children.

The first "Friday for Families" Program with Trailside Nature and Science Center occurred on July 29. The program had 22 people consisting of parents, a grandparent, and children of varying ages. We presented the "Bugs and Beyond" activities done inside our greenhouse (due to inclement weather in the morning) featuring our insect collection focusing on bees and cicadas, birds in the garden, and Madeline presented an interactive program of "Messytown," and a rain garden tour (outside).

A new program is being worked on for September to have fifty 5th grade students from a charter school. Children's Activities will be offered and they will learn how volunteers take care of the demonstration garden. One of the teacher's goals is to show students first-hand the effort that goes into gardening. They are hoping to start a garden at the school in the spring.

General

Lastly, MG Hours have been calculated for The Presidential Volunteer Awards (2015 hours only) and are being calculated until the end of August for reporting to Rutgers and for recognition our upcoming Pin Party (Sept 15).

Caring and Sharing: If you have a chance to go to White's Bog for the Blueberry Festival, it is a very interesting day. Entry fees are on a "pay by the car load" arrangement. Lot of the building devised nad staff is dress in period clothing. Lots of activities offered throughout the month.

Butterfly Workshop is coming up for 2 days on Aug see flying. Karen Pennell has MG hats for sale for only \$20. They have the Rutgers logo and MG on the front. Lapdadermis bushes available through Terry. She has about 20 of them if you want to come dig them.

ADJOURNMENT:

Motion was posted and seconded, voted to adjourn. Meeting was adjourned at 12:00 PM.

Respectfully Submitted
Jane Gardner, Recording Secretary