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July 10, 2019 Meeting Notice Prairie Tour at JoAnn Hollander's Residence


- ✔ Please join us for the July meeting at WCMGV member JoAnn Hollander's house on Powers Lake. It's truly a one of a kind property, and we will be touring the house and the outside areas. We know everyone is busy at this time of year, but this is one tour you will not want to miss. The property was featured in *Lakeshore Living* magazine.
- ✔ So, put a note on your calendar and save the date, July 10th, 4pm to 7 pm
- ✔ The address is 39845 90th Place, Genoa City
- ✔ This is a pot luck, please bring a cold appetizer or dessert
- ✔ Plates, silverware, chairs & tables are provided
- ✔ There is adequate parking
- ✔ There is plenty of seating on a covered patio and indoors so rain or shine

Notes from Nina

Reporting your Hours: You are now able to go online to report your hours for volunteering and continuing education. It is called the **Online Reporting System** or ORS for short. If you have not already created your own username and password you will need to do this first. After you are logged in, you can record your hours anytime. They will all be saved to the website. Here is the link to the Wisconsin Online Reporting System web page that will explain the procedure and answer some of your questions.

<https://wimastergardener.org/report-your-hours/>

I have entered around 30 projects for Walworth County including one that is for board and committee work. This would include any tasks that you do for the organization. Please email [Nina Ruskey](mailto:nruskey16@gmail.com) (nruskey16@gmail.com) if you do not see a Walworth County project in the list and I can add it for you. Remember to give me a brief description of the project. If you volunteer outside of Walworth county, you will find that county in the drop down box and  enter hours for that project/county. There are also videos to watch that explain the system.

We are all still learning and tweaking the system. So jump in and just start swimming.... Suzanne and I hope to offer  some time this summer to MG volunteers who may need help with logging in and recording their hours.

New Horticultural Education: Julie Hill, our new Horticultural Educator, started June 17th. We hope to meet her soon!

Reminders & Contacts

UW Whitewater Native Prairie & Nature Preserve Tour: Saturday, July 13, 9am – 10am and also Thursday, August 1, from 6pm - 7 pm. Register & Info: <http://www.uww.edu/ce/workshops/personal-enrichment/garden-and-landscape-tours> Meet at lot 19. Tours held rain or shine. You may also contact Kari Borne at 262-472-1003 or bornek@uww.edu

Pollinator Tour: Saturday, July 27, 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. Hosted by Lake Geneva Conservancy. Join Kathleen Renowden of Delavan Lake for a tour of her pollinator garden in full bloom. Then visit White River County Park for a tour of the prairie restoration. \$10 donation per person, lunch will be available and is an extra charge. Register at www.genevalakeconservancy.org. For more details & info go to <https://genevalakeconservancy.org/list-of-events/>

UW Whitewater Campus Core Garden Tour: Thursday, August 8, 6pm – 7:30pm. Visit and tour the West Campus Gardens including the Chopp Arboretum, Campus Memory, Hyer Hall & the Normal School Grounds. Register at: <http://www.uww.edu/ce/workshops/personal-enrichment/garden-and-landscape/garden-and-landscape-tours> Meet at Visitor Lot 7.

The Lake Geneva Farmer Market began on Thursday May 2. It continues on Thursday's through October 24. If you want to volunteer for the MG info booth, contact Rob Hansen at doctorrobhansen@gmail.com