# MGC General Meeting Minutes - April 20, 2019

#### President, Elizabeth Wallish:

Meeting was called to order at 10:04

- Sue Rutsen spoke about membership.
- Next Friday Event at Nelson Algren Museum talk Collen Ashcraft
- Cleanup next Saturday meet at Miller and Grand

## Vice President, Karin Crane

There will be four guest speakers today following our short meeting. Learn the where, when's and how's of getting your garden ready for summer

- Karin Crane will cover 'Spring Clean 101'
- Dawn Vanzo will teach 'Soil Amending 101'
- Jack Tonk & Carol Smith will teach 'Correct Tool Uses & Care'

A tool sharpening session needed to be postponed until May. Tool sharpening kits will be available for \$20.

# **Treasurer, Mary G:**

MGC Budget \$9500 to spend.

## **Committee Reports**

Plant Sale MGC Plant Sale, May 11, 2019

- Baskets with advertising for members to pass out to friends, family and neighbors:
  - o plant-rummage sale fliers
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  - Stakes for plant identification available when you drop off your plants the week before.
  - We need wagons by May 6 at the Aquatorium. Please call Marie (219) 763-2440 or Cleo Brown (219) 939-1051 to assist you getting them to the Aquatorium or meeting you there to unlock the doors.
  - Doors will be kept under lock and key when not in use.
- Tuesday the truck arrives to unload.
- New merchandize bucket, bag gloves, kneepads shirts available
- Need more people for Saturday and Thursday for the Plant Sale. Cleanup vol. for Saturday afternoon at 3-5.

We want to invite our volunteers to a Thank you Pizza Party and Pre-Sale, Friday, May 10, 4-8PM. This is the evening before the Plant-Rummage Sale for our volunteers to have first pick! (not family and friends ☺

- Our Fri. night event is just for Miller Garden Club volunteers who are giving of their time & efforts at one of these 3 events:
  - o plant-rummage sale

- MGC booth at the Miller Farmer's Market
- Volunteering with a Community Garden.
- As volunteers arrive at the party/pre-sale, please stop by the volunteer table to see where you are assigned or to sign up for your garden volunteer time.

<u>Miller Beach Farmers Market</u> is looking for volunteers to man-the-booth each Sunday (June only). Not to worry, you will be accompanied by a board member AND we have set-up and break-down assistance by Market staff. (FM Season is June 2 - August 24, on Sundays, 11A-3P

<u>Community Gardens Dawn Vanzo</u> Remember: volunteers who help with Community Gardens are invited to our Volunteer Thank you Pizza Party/Pre Sale, May 10, 4-8 PM. Pat dawn approved

# MGC 19th Annual Garden Walk, "Just Let It Grow" July 6 & 7 - Update & Poster Unveiling

- Working on t shirts with the logo, Signage will be available for sale
- Nancy Schoon does all the graphics work for us on a volunteer basis
- 2 days a 1 night event with party at the Aquatorium; hors d'oevres and drinks; bike tour, vendors.
- \$12.00 for tickets.
- Volunteers Christy Sass for ice and water.

# Benches & Bench Placement - Carol S

- The benches for Bernie Bonk and Tom Eaton are totally pd for and installed.
- Next benches that we are committed for are Bob McAllister Pete Riffle, Deb Doerr
- Donations for Alice Sasak and Betty Schneider are being make directly to Friends of Marquette Park checks to be made out that organization.

### Membership and Sponsorship

- New Membership levels \$20 Daisy, to \$500 as Mighty Oaks
- Any excess over the basic membership can be designated for funding of special projects.

## **Announcements**

- Brinka Cross daffodils are in bloom. On Furnessville Rd.
- Sunset Hills Park walk on Rt 6 and 149 Be
- Deep River Park manure and plant exchange
- Native Plant Sale at Gibson Woods Saturday, May 4,2019, 9-2.