



**GARFIELD COUNTY  
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# Master Gardener News

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## Next Meeting Date – August 8th, 2023

**Executive Meeting: 8:30 a.m.**  
**General Meeting: 9:00 a.m.**  
**Location: Garfield County OSU Extension**  
**Program: Sustainable Gardening, Jenny Scott**  
**Hospitality: Kathryn Redding, Ann Bryant**

**Message from Barbi Oliver  
Garfield County Master Gardeners  
President**

It sure is hot. Now is the time to see what plants, trees and shrubs are surviving and thriving in these extreme conditions. Also analyze what is going on around the plant. Is there aeration in that area? Is there mulch? How deep is the mulch and what kind? Does the plant get morning sun or afternoon sun or both? These are only some of the considerations that need to be analyzed.

The state Master Gardener conference is now open for registration. The conference will be in El Reno the first weekend in October.

Barbi Oliver

**Minutes of the Garfield County  
Master Gardeners  
July 11, 2023**

**President Barbi Oliver called the meeting to order.**

**Announcements:** Happy Birthday wishes went out to Teresa Boeckman, Ruth Carvalho and Dennis Skaggs

**Minutes of previous meeting:** Accepted as written.

Additions or Corrections: None  
Motion to Adopt: Jenny Gwinnup  
Passed: Yes No

### **Treasurer's Report :**

Read by: Pam Lyon (filling in)  
Checking Account: \$20,701.34  
As of: 07/11/2023  
Savings Account: \$6,722.80  
Total: \$21,335.27

**Bills:** Demonstration garden \$200.00, Weed trimming (John Glaze) \$360.00, Home show \$63.95, Thank you gift (Kayla) for web \$50.00

### **Committee Reports:**

Demonstration Garden (Mike Gwinnup): Diane Ford found some vandalism in the Demonstration Garden on Saturday (7/8). We discussed preventative measures (trail cameras, solar lights, video cameras). Work on the dry river bed needs to be done. Liz Breitenkamp has flagstone we can have to use. Kris Vculek sprayed for weeds.

### **Children's Garden:** (Diane Ford):

Janet Coontz and Pam Lyon have been working on the garden. They have spray painted the bench and squirrel in the garden. They will probably raise the hopscotch or move it to the path. Janet also noted that improvements need to be made to the sensory garden.

**Office & Phones:** (Rick Nelson):  
No report

**Newspaper:** (Kris Vculek):  
She has had good coverage and excellent

articles. Janet Coontz volunteered to do the August 22 open spot.

**Radio Program:** (Sandy Williams/Rick Nelson)  
Sandy is doing the program tomorrow (7/12)

**Community Education:** (Janet Coontz)  
Beginning to get activities planned for fall Scholarship (Cheryl Kephart)  
Our \$4,000 scholarship donation was split between five students. She has received thank you notes from all five. Cheryl plans on attending the scholarship awards on September 9<sup>th</sup>.

**Hospitality & Social Activities:** (Linda Severin)  
Thank you to Deloris and Jean for the food.

**Multimedia** (Barbi Oliver)

**Committee members:** Barbi Oliver, Linda Severin, Pam Lyon, Mike Gwinnup, Amber Gill, Sandy Williams, Kris Vculek, Mickey Chapman and Ruth Carvalho. The committee has been looking at computers to run the website. Also in discussion, whether to open the website up to community access or just members. The committee will look at other sites to help determine which option would serve us better.

**State Conference 2024:** (Mike Gwinnup)  
Dee Nash of Red Dirt Ramblings is interested in speaking. David Hillock is helping navigate some of planning.

**Old Business:**  
Pam Lyon said that a credit card is not going to be an option. She called and spoke with Brian from the Tulsa Master Gardeners. They use a debit card and budgets to aid in managing group purchasing. We discussed moving the bulk of our money from checking to savings, then attaching the debit card to our checking account. Will discuss and make a decision at a later time.

**New Business:**  
Pam Lyon informed us that we need a locking four drawer cabinet to be able to store our credit card processing equipment and any other valuable items. Teresa Boeckman brought plumeria

cuttings and grass from her neighbor for the members that would like them. Kris Vculek asked if any members had curly leaves on their plants. It's not a virus. Several members suggested that it may be from herbicide drift or too much rain. Janet Coontz asked if anyone had any issues with bagworms this year. Members have seen a larger number this season. Eddie Lou and Liz Breitenkamp won the door prizes this month.

Adjourn: Barbie Oliver

### **REMINDER**

The next Master Gardener Meeting will be Tuesday, September 12th– Picnic.

# AUGUST BIRTHDAYS

**Cheryl Kephart, August 7th**

**Edith Medley, August 7th**

**Linda Isaak, August 9th**

**Mike Gwinnup, August 10th**

**Deloris Castor, August 11th**

**Jenny Gwinnup, August 14th**

**Cecil Leaming, August 28th**

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