

## **Operations Committees 10/22/15**

### **Education, Lou Hefle**

The Hefles gave a report on the upcoming December workshop at the meeting. The workshop will be 7 p.m. Dec. 15 at the Pavilion on the County Fairgrounds. Nancy Witte-Dycus will be the presenter. Materials and costs are still be determined.

### **Hospitality, Carolyn MacLaurin and Nancy Byers**

Thank you to everyone who brought snacks. A sign-up sheet for future meetings is on the back table.

### **Membership, Heidi Janous and Jean Schanen**

Membership was in full swing; October is our big volunteer hour reporting month. Our hope is to really clean up the membership roster. There appear to be some MGs who neglect to turn in hours and/or forms, but continue to act like members in good standing. Joette Slaasted has taken over the volunteer hour logging responsibility with Claudia and did a stellar job collecting and reporting the data with the state form, processed checks and worked collaboratively with Claudia to complete the state reporting within their timeframe.

The Membership Committee will now take all the updated data and clean up the pending roster.

Joette reported the following at the meeting:

Claudia has sent in the hours into the state master gardener office.

There are 164 potential members

117 people sent in their hours forms on time.

7 members still need to pay.

19 people haven't sent in anything or responded to emails

16 people from the 2014 class have not been heard from.

3 people confirmed that they no longer wish to be members of OMG

9 people sent in money and forms but did not have enough hours and still want to be members.

### **Newsletter, Roseann St. Aubin**

I have already had two submissions for our December (holiday) issue and that is exciting. I would like to pitch that submissions are always welcome. Of particular interest would be photos and stories of garden successes and failures; project reports, gardening-themed holiday gift suggestions, a recipe that uses something that was canned or frozen from the garden patch.

### **Publicity, Jean Schanen**

A press release was sent to the local media concerning our speaker for the October 22 general Ozaukee Master Gardener meeting.

### **Website, De Murr**

Activities De has been working on for the website:

- Updated the hours reporting forms for 2016 and added them to the website. Removed the 2015 forms per the executive committee's request
- Added new expense forms to the website.
- Worked on getting committee reports added to the website.
- Continued to add and update events on the calendar as requested.

**Yard & Garden Line (YGL), Maxine Ellis-Online and Kathleen Awe-Office**

- Kathleen: The Y&GL is open every Thursday until December. Tell your friends and neighbors to call with any late-season questions.
- Maxine: Nothing much new to report from the online Y&GL