



Northeast Wisconsin Unit of the Herb Society of America



The Herbal Thymes

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Unit News

Thanks to Patty for hosting us in March and for instructing us on making lip balms.

We discussed our HerbFest – scheduled for Saturday 1 August. So far we have:

9:30 - Kristin will lead a morning tea tasting

10 – 10:55 Pre-registered Hypertufa Pot class (\$20-25)

11 – 11:50 – Sandy and Yvonne will discuss Culinary Herbs

12:30 – 1:20– Jackie & _____ Will discuss Medicinal Herbs – Demo on Fire Cider

1:25 – 2:10 – Tracy and _____ will have an Introducing Herbs to Kids.

2:15 – 3:00 – Patty will demonstrate lip balms

We'll have places to make dream pillows, maybe a pre-registered Fairy Garden. Jackie and Kristin will have a Green Man display in the Lounge in the Center and are thinking of having a tent where they can make inexpensive green man(woman) masks. If you have any ideas – bring them to a meeting. We'll have a big tent (like for the Plant and Rummage Sale last year) – so we can have whatever we like in there. We need vendors (other than club members who can vend for free) – so if you see anyone – tell them about our event. Vendor fees are \$10 and can be any size they want but they have to bring their own equipment. Flyers will be available soon to post everywhere and on FB.

The Green Bay Botanical Garden changed their process on the plants being removed from the herb beds that will be changing. They will still do the digging out, but will put the plants at the volunteer center (in the back) and give us a week to take what we want. The rest will then be composted. Sandy and Jackie volunteered to go retrieve what we can. If you would like to be notified when this is going to occur, let Sandy know. It looks like our roll this year will be weeding and watering when we are able to do so.

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There are still two batches of soap. If you ordered and paid for one – please let Jackie know. They will be at the Center for the meeting on the 11th.

There are also multiple Frontier orders to be picked up. In the future, if you are unable to be at the meeting to pick up your Frontier order, please let Tracy or Jackie know. Send your check to Sandy and then make arrangements to pick it up as soon as possible.

We are scheduled to make nettle paper in April. This will be weather dependent. If nettle paper gets pushed to May when it will definitely be possible, we have a fire cider making demonstration. This will show you how to make it, and you can decide if this would be good for the HerbFest as either a demo or make and take.

We came up with a schedule for the group until October – see the calendar. We'll need ideas for November – May of next year – so come prepared with IDEAS!

The April meeting will be one of what we'd like to do next year, if anyone wants to head or co-head a committee, take an office, etc. We're easy to get along with – so feel free to step up and volunteer to help.

If there is anything in the bylaws you'd like to see changed – now is the time.

Check out our website – www.wisconsinherbies.com

THE WISCONSIN HERBALIST – April 2015 issue will be out the week of the 13th of April. If you have spare book review, an article, some good pictures – the deadline will be April 12th.

Meeting Agenda for APRIL

Savory, the Herb of the Year 2015 & Ginseng is the herb of the month (from March)

HerbFest (1 August). Vendor info, ideas, crafts and promotions for the HerbFest.

Anyone want to take on the cookbook in time for the HerbFest?

Anything else?

Calendar of Events

Saturday, April 11, 2015: Meeting, from 10:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m., at Planhigion Herbal Learning Center (Seymour). (Potluck suggestion: Green Eggs and Ham) Discussion: - Herb of the Year - Savory/Annual Meeting. Plan Plant Exchange. Project: Making Nettle Paper OR FIRE CIDER

Tuesday, May 9, 2015: Meeting, from 6:00 p.m., at Planhigion Herbal Learning Center (Seymour) (Potluck –Suggestion –Salads!) Discussion – Wisconsin native spring plants. Spring Plant Walk to Identify woodland plants – wear long pants. Plant Exchange. Project: Make Nettle Paper

Tuesday, June 9, 2015: Meeting 6:00 p.m. at Green Bay Botanical Garden. (Potluck suggestion: Hummus and breads) Work in the NEW herb beds. Discussion: Lavender. Project: Bring your garden journal ideas.

Tuesday, July 14, 2015: Meeting at 6:00 p.m. at Green Bay Botanical Garden. (Potluck suggestion: Pesto and Pasta). Work in the herb beds and tour the Cottage and Rose gardens. Discussion: Burdock.

SATURDAY 1 AUGUST - HERBFEST

Tuesday, August 11, 2015: Meeting at 6:00 at Minnie's (in Oneida). (Potluck suggestion: Salsa and bean dishes). Discussion: Wisconsin Summer Natives. Wild Plant Walk to the creek – bring your wild plant books for plant identification.

SATURDAY, 22 AUGUST – Trip to Wausau to tour the Ginseng Farm.

Tuesday September 8, 2015: Meeting at 6:00 at Planhigion Herbal Learning Center. (Potluck suggestion: Appetizers). Discussion: Nigella. Project: Seed saving and sharing.

Saturday, October 10, 2015: Meeting at 10:00 at Planhigion Herbal Learning Center. (Potluck suggestion – Root dishes). Discussion: Blue Vervain. Project: Fire Cider Preparation.

Saturday, November 10, 2015: Meeting at 10:00 at Planhigion Herbal Learning Center. (Potluck Suggestion – Thanksgiving side dishes). Discussion: Get Ready for the Flu and Cold Season. (Bring your favorite recipes to share) Project: Herbal Craft

Attendance 2014-2015

Area	Attendees
Board Members:	🌸 Minnie, Sandy, Jackie, and Sue
Book Thymes:	🌸 August 3: Yvonne, Sandy, Jackie, Sue, Kristin, and Sandy's Sister-in-Law 🌸 January 25: Kristin, Yvonne, Sandy, Sue
Frontier Ordering:	🌸 Tracy and Jackie

Garden Work:	🌸 Minnie(3), Sandy(8), Jackie(2) and Sue(3), Janet (1)
Herbal Thymes:	🌸 Jackie
Christmas Tea	🌸 Yvonne(2), Jackie(2), Sandy (2), Sue (2), Kristin (2), Kelly(2), Minnie(2), Zena (1), Janet (2), Jean (1), Patty (2)
Heritage Hill Decorations:	🌸 Make Them: Yvonne, Sue, Jackie, Zena, Raquel, Kelly, Minnie, Sandy 🌸 Set Up: Sandy, Jackie, Minnie, Zena 🌸 Take Down: Minnie, Yvonne
Hostesses:	🌸 PattyB, Yvonne, Jackie, Kristin, Patty
May Craft:	🌸 Minnie (2), Yvonne, Sandy, and Kelly
Meeting Attendance:	🌸 May: Minnie, Yvonne, Sandy, Jackie, Sue, Kristin, and Kim 🌸 June: Patty, Minnie, Yvonne, Sandy, Jackie, and Sue 🌸 July: Patty, Minnie, Yvonne, Sandy, Jackie, Kristin, Janet, Zena, and Patty's Guest 🌸 August: Janet, Patty, Sandy, Jackie, Jean, Minnie, Sue, and Kristin 🌸 September: Jackie, Janet, Minnie, Crystal, Patty, Yvonne, Sandy, Sue, 🌸 October: Zena, Jackie, Patty, MaryV, Kristin, Yvonne, Kelly, 🌸 November: Jackie, Yvonne, Minnie, Zena, Sue, Kelly, Raquel, Zena's guest, Yvonne's guests 🌸 December: Kristin, Jackie, Kelly, Yvonne, Sandy, Sue 🌸 February: Jackie, Yvonne, Kelly, Sandy, Crystal (+guest), Jennifer, Racquel (+guest), Patty, Mary, June, 🌸 March: Patty, Jackie, Racquel, Crystal, Sue
Rummage Sale:	🌸 Minnie, Yvonne (2), Sandy (2), Jackie (2), Sue (2), Kristin (2), and Kim (2)

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Primary Contacts:	🌸 Sandy Jacques 🌸 Jackie Johnson 🌸 Sue Mings	Frontier Coordinator:	🌸 Tracy Albrecht
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Editor:	🌸 Jackie Johnson	Planning for Scottish Visit:	🌸 All Members