



*Northeast Wisconsin Unit of the Herb Society of America*



# *The Herbal Thymes*

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## *Unit News*

Well, the 7<sup>th</sup> Annual HerbFest was a success! We had about 20 people show up, and everyone seemed to enjoy it and have a good time. The presentations were wonderful, and prompted a lot of great questions and discussions with the attendees. Thanks Jackie, for hosting! And thanks to everyone who worked hard to come up with presentations, make food, and set up and tear down. Sandy sent an email that we made \$133 (less a few final expenses). As Sandy said, "Not bad for a day that was so much fun!" Pat Greathead even showed up. It was good to meet her and show her how awesome our group is.

Now, I know it is a long way off, but now that this is under our belts, we'll have to start thinking about the next HerbFest, when the Scots are here. Don't worry, planning isn't right around the corner, but if there were things that you thought went well, or needed some tweaking, or even have good ideas for next time, keep them handy.

Our next big thing will be the August 22 trip to Wausau for the ginseng farm tour and fun with Sandy's sister's group. We'll have to set up car pooling options soon, as I know a lot of people said they were able to drive. We'll also need to come up with meeting spots and times.

Before we know it, we'll be hosting the Downton Abbey Tea at GBBG on Thursday, September 17. There have been a lot of good ideas floating about on email, and I know some of us even took the time to travel to the Paine in Oshkosh to view the exhibit there. Be ready to share more ideas at the next meeting. If you are not able to attend, but have ideas, please send them by email. I know Jackie has been in touch with the gardens about tablecloths and dishes. We'll also need to come up a final idea for dress. It was discussed that black skirt/pants, and a white blouse would be appropriate.

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The schedule for the group has been planned until next May – see the calendar for each month's info.

We're still waiting to hear back from the Herb Society of the UK to see if we have been accepted as an affiliate group – hopefully we'll have an update from Jackie at the July meeting!

Check out our website – [www.wisconsinherbies.com](http://www.wisconsinherbies.com)

THE WISCONSIN HERBALIST – August 2015 issue will be out shortly. The next issue will be out in October; submissions of book reviews, articles, some good pictures, recipes, etc. are welcome – contact Jackie for deadline and to submit.

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## Meeting Agenda for August

Wisconsin Summer Natives are the Herbs of the month

Potluck suggestion: Salsa and Bean dishes

We will be meeting at Minnie's at 6 for a wild plant walk to the creek. Please bring your favorite plant ID books, dress appropriately, and probably have some bug spray just in case.

Bring anything else you want to discuss or add.

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## Calendar of Events

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 14, 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

Saturday, December 12, 2015: Christmas Party – TBD

January – no meeting

Saturday, February 13: High Tea at Sissy’s in Seymour. Please RSVP to me by February 1. We’ll discuss herbal “love potions” and other romantic uses.

Saturday, March 12: Meeting at 10:00 at Planhigion Herbal Learning Center. (Potluck suggestion – Irish fare). Herb of the month is oxalis.

Saturday, April 9: Meeting at 10:00 at Planhigion Herbal Learning Center. (Potluck suggestion – foods using the allium family) Discussion: your favorite herb book and your favorite herb.

Saturday, May 14: Meeting at 10:00 at Planhigion Herbal Learning Center. (Potluck suggestion – Mexican for our Cinco de Mayo party). Herb of the month: cayenne. Project: cayenne tincture and salve.

### *Attendance 2014-2015*

Area	Attendees
<b>Board Members:</b>	🌸 Minnie, Sandy, Jackie, Sue and Kelly
<b>Book Thymes:</b>	🌸
<b>Frontier Ordering:</b>	🌸 Tracy and Jackie
<b>Garden Work:</b>	🌸
<b>Herbal Thymes:</b>	🌸 Jackie
<b>Christmas Tea</b>	🌸
<b>Heritage Hill Decorations:</b>	🌸 <b>Make Them:</b> 🌸 <b>Set Up:</b> 🌸 <b>Take Down:</b>
<b>Hostesses:</b>	🌸
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<b>Meeting Attendance:</b>	🌸 <b>April:</b> 🌸 <b>May:</b> 🌸 <b>June:</b>

	 <b>July:</b>  <b>August:</b>  <b>September:</b>  <b>October:</b>  <b>November:</b>  <b>December:</b> 
<b>Herb Fest</b>	 Jackie, Sandy, Minnie, Kristin, Kelly, Tracy, Patty

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<b>Primary Contacts:</b>	 Sandy Jacques  Jackie Johnson  Sue Mings	<b>Frontier Coordinator:</b>	 Tracy Albrecht
<b>Book Thymes:</b>	 Kristin Urban	<b>GBBG Gardens:</b>	 Sandy Jacques
<b>Crafts:</b>	 Marlene Garvey  Yvonne Haworth	<b>Historian:</b>	 Kristin Urban
<b>Editor:</b>	 Kelly Schwaller	<b>Planning for Scottish Visit:</b>	 All Members