

The Herb Society of America

Wisconsin Unit

Join us if you share a passion for herbs.
No gardening experience is needed.

Our unit explores herb:

- Horticulture and landscaping
- Culinary uses and preservation
- History, poetry, and artistic uses

Our meetings include business discussions, education, and a brunch created by and shared with unit friends and guests.



Visit to the Herb Garden at Boerner Botanical Gardens (BBG)

Our unit's lending library has wonderful titles and very helpful librarians.

Our newsletter, *Sage Leaves*, is published quarterly; it contains business items, calendar of upcoming events, recipes, poetry, and horticultural information. There are also district and national newsletters and events to enjoy.



Cucuma longa
Turmeric
IHA Herb
2026



Hypericum perforatum L.
St. John's Wort
HSA Notable Native™
2026

WI Unit Activities

Monthly Meetings

Our meeting topics are driven by the diverse expertise within our membership and the community.

Herb & Artisan Fair

Our unit holds a free Herb & Artisan Fair at Boerner Botanical Gardens in May. Vendors sell plants, garden art, jewelry, crafts, and herbal and food products. Also offered is a Tea Room with fresh herbal, sweet and savory baked goods and lavender lemonade. Free herb-related lectures and a children's activity area.

Grants & Scholarship Program

The income from the Herb & Artisan Fair funds our Grants and Scholarship Program. A Culinary Arts Scholarship is open to MATC and WCTC students and provides grants to various entities, including the Boerner Botanical Herb Garden, Friends of Boerner Children's Educational Program, and herb gardens at Old World Wisconsin.

Herb Study

We study the HSA Herb of the Month, and one meeting is dedicated to the study of the International Herb Association's Herb of the Year™ – its culture, history, lore, culinary, and other uses.



The Herb Society of America educates and inspires people to explore the wonder and pleasure of herbs.

Our unit is a member of The Herb Society of America (HSA). HSA helps to maintain the National Herb Garden in the National Arboretum, has a large lending library (3,500 volumes) and sponsors herbal themed district and national tours and symposia.

The Herbarist, a compendium of current herbal thought, is published annually. The national website has newsletters, webinars, a blog, a book club, seed exchange info, and discount codes for Richter's, Botanical Interests, Grower's Exchange, Mt. Rose Herbs, RidgeCrest Herbals, *The Essential Herbal*, *Mother Earth News*, and others. Discounted herbal courses are also available.

Members may enjoy the free admission, discounts and other reciprocal membership benefits at 400 gardens throughout North America.



National Headquarters

For additional information, please visit:

www.herbsociety.org

If you would like more information, please contact Membership Chair Pat Greathead at patherbs@frontier.com. If you are ready to join our unit, give Pat the completed form below with payment or mail to:

Pat Greathead, 1744 Tam O'Shanter Trail
Sun Prairie, WI 53590-9517

Regular: \$65 - \$42.50 is tax deductible

Student: \$45 - \$22.50 is tax deductible

Joint: \$90 - \$67.50 is tax deductible

Business: \$100 - \$77.50 is tax deductible

Checks payable to: HSA-WI Unit

NAME _____

Address _____

City _____

State _____ Zip _____ - _____

Cell Phone _____

Home Phone _____ Birthday _____

E-MAIL _____

I DO _____ I DO NOT _____ HAVE AN HERB GARDEN.

I HAVE GARDENED FOR _____ YEAR(S).

What committee interests you or skill might you like to share:

_____ Crafting _____ Grants/Scholarship

_____ Culinary _____ Newsletter

_____ Facebook _____ Socials

_____ Fundraising _____ Website

_____ Garden Tours _____ Workshops

Were you referred by a current HSA member?

If so, name: _____

Do NOT use my photo in media _____

2026-27 SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

- Sep 19 Saturday, Annual Meeting
Pelargoniums and How to Grow 'em
- Oct 24 Saturday, Monthly Meeting
50th Anniversary Event
- Nov 17 Tuesday, Monthly Meeting
My Rose Garden Work at Boerner
- Dec 9 Wednesday, Holiday Party and Meeting
Theme: Antique Holiday Ornaments
- Jan 19 Tuesday, Monthly Meeting – Zoom Only
10 a.m. Grants & Scholarships
- Feb No meeting; info email will be sent
- Mar 20 Saturday, Monthly Meeting
IHA Herb of the Year™ Study – Flax
- Apr 20 Tuesday, Monthly Meeting, Program TBA
Election for Chair and Vice Chair
- May 18 Tuesday, Monthly Meeting
Final Preparation for Herb & Artisan Fair
- May 22 Saturday, Herb & Artisan Fair
9 a.m. to 3 p.m., all members involved
- Jun 19 Saturday, Monthly Meeting
Wrap-up of Unit Events and Potluck

National Herb Garden (NHG)

The tax-exempt portion of your dues helps support this treasure, grants for children to learn about plants, scholarships for graduate students, and the operations at our national office, including the great lending library. NHG has specialty gardens.

Links are available on our website for:

- The Herb Society of America
- Herb of the Month and Year
- GreenBridges™
- National Herb Garden

Visit: herb-society-wisconsin.org

More detailed information for events and meetings is available on the website.

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Meetings are held 9:30 a.m. to Noon
on the third Tuesday or Saturday
September through June
(No Meeting in February)

St. Christopher's Episcopal Church
7845 North River Road
River Hills, WI 53217
(North of Milwaukee near
I-43 and Good Hope Road)

**Visit our website for calendar,
upcoming events, and
more information.**

Website:
herb-society-wisconsin.org