Who we are

Board of Directors
- President - Robert Reinertson
- Vice President - Shar Soto
- Secretary - Chelsea Trinkner
- Treasurer - Jen Powers
- Brian Barringer, Nancy Cedar, Sandi Chilar, Tom Monk, Vickie Richmond-Hawkins,
  Sheila Rossmiller, Kris Weirauch, Shelley Wells, Paul Whitaker, Hooshang Zeyghami

Staff:
- Executive Director - Darcie Howard
- Education Coordinator - Elise Schuler
- Grounds Supervisor - Wesley Ebert
- Bookkeeper - Darrell Fritzel
- Administrative Assistant - Bleu Heindl

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VISION:
Connect people to plants for a sustainable future.

MISSION:
Monk Botanical Gardens is seeking to be a premier botanical garden, providing opportunities to experience plants and understand their significance.

VALUES:
Stewardship - We promote environmental sustainability, biodiversity, and the protection of our natural resources. We commit ourselves to understanding how our actions create change in the world.

Awareness - We offer experiences to the public that inspire increased appreciation and understanding of plant communities and the relationship between these plant communities and people.

Inclusiveness - We provide a welcoming educational garden for a diverse population of people.

Respect - We have a culture of cooperation and support among staff and volunteers working together to carry out the organization’s mission.

Excellence - We excel at innovation, creativity, collaboration, reliability and accountability.

Aesthetics - We provide a variety of beautiful gardens and plants that engage visitors because of their unique landscaping, design and plant selection.
A Year of Growth!

The last year was another memorable one for the Monk Botanical Gardens. We had another successful year of programming, welcoming many people making their first visit to the Gardens, as well as welcoming back many friends who have enjoyed the Gardens before. We are proud to be able to offer such a variety of programs and events that appeal to all ages and backgrounds.

We could not do any of this without the generosity of our donors and members and the devotion of our volunteers. We continue to be awed by the wonderful gift from Ruth Schwaette, which allowed us to purchase the land where the Robert and Carol Monk home is located, along with the land outside of our entrance on Campus Drive. We had always hoped this land would eventually become part of the Gardens, and we are thrilled to now have the opportunity to incorporate that property into our future planning.

Speaking of future planning, we are well into the process of updating our Master Plan, which was created in 2005. Please visit the website for details on how you can become involved in helping us revise this important piece of the Gardens’ future.

THANK YOU for enabling us to enter the new year on a firm financial footing. As you know, we were able to hire our first executive director, Darcie Howard, two years ago, and Darcie has assembled a staff of creative and talented individuals who are constantly thinking about ways to involve the community in the Gardens and the Gardens in the community.

I am privileged to serve as the current president of the board of directors of the Gardens, and I am humbled to be part of something that was built on the efforts of all who came before us.

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*Indicates a fund of the Community Foundation of North Central WI

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2018 Financial Report

ASSETS at December 31, 2018 (Proforma Figure for 2018 cash basis)

| Cash | $385,348 |
| Property | $2,695,967 |
| TOTAL | $2,678,315 |

REVENUE AND EXPENDITURES for the year ended December 31, 2018

| REVENUE | $8,960,635 |
| EXPENSES | $8,715,010 |
| NET REVENUE | $225,625 |

| REVENUE  | $57,861 | Memberships  | $24,780 | Contributions  | $220,134 | Program Fees  | $31,414 | TOTAL  | $339,787 |
| EXPENSES  | $150,252 | Core Mission Support  | $49,606 | Capital  | $149,929 | Program Expenses  | $3,826,069 | NET REVENUE OVER EXPENDITURES  | $222,222 |