



# July, 2022, Newsletter



## Current News & Notes

### June 11 outing to the MN Landscape Arboretum



June turns out to be a great time to see azaleas at The Arb. Char, Joyce, Joe, and Alice wandered through a "forest" of 15 ft. azaleas from the trial gardens. Orange, apricot, magenta, white, lemon, banana, scarlet, pink--all mixed together in a profusion that wound up and down hills. All this beauty was about 10 days after peak bloom. Other highlights--bearded and Siberian irises and peonies (pictured at left). A surprising number of clematis were blooming in the rose garden, and the designs in the perennial gardens were beautiful examples of color contrast.

### June Member Garden Tour

Dick and Anne Flipp welcomed us to

their home on June 13 after a day of rain. The weather was beautiful for our tour of their many gardens, waterfall and fish pond. We enjoyed wine and snacks next to the pool afterward. Thanks so much, Dick and Anne!



### Nursery Crawl—June 18

We changed the itinerary a bit. We spent most of our time on the MN side of the St. Croix:

- Garden art was the star of our nursery tour-- Abrahamson's had some tempting stone & crystal designs
- Rose Floral & Greenhouse--if you know of it and haven't been there in years, it's been expanded. Relatively small perennial selection but lots of unusual houseplants and succulents.
- Crabtree's Garden Gate--lots of garden art and outdoor living furniture and decorations. A find: Mad Mats indoor-outdoor rugs. Made of recycling plastic and polyester threads. Several sizes, pretty designs.

- Abrahamson's--worth the trip! Many plants, great garden art, small gift shop with interesting decorative art, and a 1-yr guarantee on perennials.
- Logger's for lunch--very busy place, very friendly staff.
- Kent's Plants. Lovely place with gardens on a hillside, lots of hostas and lilies, a good selection of perennials. Few annuals left. Kent wasn't available to greet us.



## Upcoming Club Activities

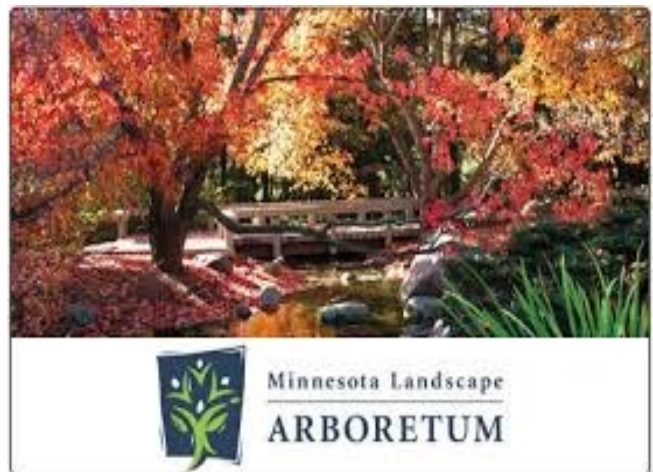
Garden tours this summer are planned as follows:

July 11—Tour of The Nord Farm, Bailey Nursery’s propagation farm, 6750 103<sup>rd</sup> Ave in Cottage Grove. To car pool, meet at Roseville City Hall by 5:15, tour starts at 6 p.m. For Club Members and any others interested. Non-club guests who want to carpool should RSVP to Joyce Lasecke (contact info on page 3) by July 4.

August 8— Garden tours at homes of Club members Ron Kvass and Vatsala Menon (across the street from each other) starting at 3489 Milton Street North, then to 3496 Milton, in Shoreview at 6:30 p.m.; For Club Members Only

Minnesota Landscape Arboretum—Update—no July 7 outing; July date tbd.

Plans have been made to visit the Arboretum on the following dates, weather permitting, in order to see the progression of various garden areas throughout the summer. You can go directly to the Arboretum; plan to arrive by 10:30, OR meet at Roseville City Hall at 9:30 to carpool. Everyone in the Club has received an email regarding these tours and can reply to that email to sign up. All attendees MUST have made a reservation with the Arboretum in order to attend since the number of people who can be on the grounds is limited; make an individual reservation for 10:30 a.m. on the following dates if you want to attend as part of the LOGC group. For Club Members Only



Saturday, August 13      Saturday, September 17

Garden Expo--The Club is planning a garden expo, theme “The Fall Garden,” at the Ramsey County Library on Hamline sometime in late September or early October. It will be on a Saturday from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. and open free to the public. There will be 6 to 8 tables staffed by Club members, and/or master gardeners, and/or friends of the Club who can provide information to the public in the form of pictures, web site information, actual plants, etc., about a particular garden topic/issue. The expo will give the Club a chance to provide information to the public, expose the public to the Club, and provide an opportunity to grow our membership.



## Volunteer Activities

Many volunteers will be needed to organize the expo at the library. The Committee Chair is Lorene Roste; other members are Ron Kvass, Joyce Lasecke and Rebecca Patient. One or two more people would be helpful on the committee. As soon as a date is planned (Library only schedules 60 days in advance), volunteers



will be needed to staff the tables at the expo, and help with other details such as publicizing the event. Please contact Lorene at [jlroste885@gmail.com](mailto:jlroste885@gmail.com) or 651-647-9597 if you can help.



## **Thank You, Thank You!!!**

Thank you to all of the members who have helped at the Arboretum.

Thanks to Anne and Dick Flipp for opening their gardens for an LOGC tour.

Thanks to Ron Kvass for organizing a successful Nursery Crawl; what a busy and interesting afternoon. Saw wonderful things!!



## **Membership Information**

Membership dues are \$25/year for a single/couple membership. They are paid every October for the following year. Of the \$25, \$15 stays with the Club, and \$10 is forwarded to the Federated Garden Clubs of Minnesota which provides a quarterly email newsletter, an annual spring get-together for members of various garden clubs in Minnesota, and scholarships to horticulture students. People who join mid-year pay pro-rated dues of \$2.00 a month for the year in which they join. Dues entitle you to attend the monthly meetings, the December Holiday party, and the summer garden tours at members' homes.



## **Financial Report**

The Lake Owasso Garden Club is a nonprofit organization which has three sources of income: member dues, occasional donations from members and/or guests, and the net profit from their annual sale of garden plants. The balance of funds available in the bank as of June 20, 2022 is \$18,856.. Funds are used to pay the monthly speakers, occasionally fund special projects to benefit the members, and to underwrite annual donations to the following: Minnesota Horticulture Society, the Roseville Arboretum, the Como Park Conservatory in St. Paul, and scholarships distributed by the Federated Garden Clubs of Minnesota.



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