



'Frost'

By Anne Flipp, 2013

Lake Owasso Garden Club

"NEW LOCATION"

Next Meeting is February 11, 2013 -- 6:30 Social, 7:00 Program

We will be at,

**Affinity Plus
2750 Snelling Ave N, Roseville**



It is just north of Keller Williams building on the same frontage road.
Next to the old Fuddruckers restaurant. On the east side of Snelling.
Park in back and go up to the second floor. (Stairs or elevator) The room is to your left.
We will be the first group to use the room.

Thank you,
Beth Oelke for telling us about the place, and Ron Kvass for making the arrangements.

Program

Cunning Combinations, by Arla Carmichiel

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Arla Carmichiel

Arla has been a horticulturist with Three Rivers Park District for over 30 years. She supervises the Horticulture Program at Three Rivers Park District and is responsible for garden design throughout the Park District's properties.

The home garden that Arla shares with her husband, nursery owner Steve Kelley, is known for extensive gardens filled with a diverse collection of plants.

Presidents Message

Dear Gardeners,

It will be exciting to be the first users of the Affinity Plus community room. Remember to be there by 6:55 p.m. so you can get in the secured entrance and grab a beverage before the speaker starts.

I went to Bachman's on Lyndale for lunch and enjoyed the orchids and birds flitting about. It gave me hope for spring!

My favorite orchid is the easy to grow phaleonopsis which blooms for three months in the dark of winter. Pick one up and place the pot over a huge saucer of rocks and water. That extra humidity keeps the leaves happy. Water it from the faucet to dampen all the bark in the pot just once a week. Mine are in bud in my northeast windows! I hope you have a few blooms in your home to help you through the cold.

Regards,

Wendy

Secretary's Report

Minutes of Meeting January 14th, 2013

21 members present

LOGC met at the Keller Williams bldg. For those of you unable to attend, there was a show of hands and it was decided that we should try the Affinity bldg, **which is new** and on the same road, just further down. Keller Williams has done some remodeling and the room which we normally meet is considerable smaller.

Patty Costello is again in charge of the Plant Sale and is in need of volunteers_____Pat Costello 651-483-4624

LOGC has hostesses thru Oct. and in need of Nov. hostess_____contact Beth Oelke 651-484-9685

Theresa Malone volunteered for the Holiday party and is in need of 3-4 people_____contact Theresa 651-631-9260

Ask not what your LOGC can do for you; ask what you can do for the LOGC._____ Last year LOGC had the Flower Show and this year we will be represented in the Roseville parade. Volunteers for the chair and co-chair position are open. (Sorry to all of you who love the Flower Show)

Reservations were made for the “Spring @the Inn” luncheon in Lake Elmo headed up by Char Ethen and several LOGC garden club members will be attending. Next year I’m going.

Starting in August the LOGC will be recruiting a chairperson for the Flower Show in 2014.

If anyone reading this would be willing to create a Web and or face book page containing LOGC info. Contact Wendy Lucas 651-482-8592.

Harvey Buchite from Hidden Springs Flower Farm spoke on growing Peonies. He was excellent and also sold some of his peonies after his presentation. I have my fern leaf peony which I have shared at the plant sale and I really wasn’t interested in planting any more but because I am taking notes, I ventured out. I wish I could convey to all of you the things you learn from these knowledgeable speakers and how entertaining they are. Kudos to Ron Kvass for securing him.

Respectfully submitted,

Lois Witzel, Secretary

Treasurer's report

TCF balance was \$8,922.35 as of 1/ 23/ 2013.
by Kirsten Engelbrecht

L.O.G.C. Committees and Chairs for 2013

Community Team, coordinated by *Wendy Lucas*

Liaison for the Roseville Central Park Muriel Sahlin Arboretum/ Garden workdays at the Arboretum: *Char Ethen*

Liaison for Minnesota State Horticultural Society: *Kirsten Engelbrecht*

Liaison for Federated Garden Club of Minnesota, Inc.: *Rose Diestler*

Harriet Alexander Nature Center (HANC) Christmas tree decorating:
Beverly Montain and Sue Higgins

Renaissance Festival Garland: *Evie Larson*

Roseville Parade: *To be determined-position open*

Program Team, coordinated by *Ron Kvaas*

Program Speakers : *Ron Kvaas*

Tours and Field trips : *Char Ethen, Sue Van Zanden, Lois Witzel*

Membership Team, coordinated by *Kirsten Engelbrecht*

Membership: *Kathy Kress*

Sunshine: *Evie Larson*

Hostess and Hospitality: *Beth Oelke and Joanne McCarthy*

Auditing: *Mary Fowler and Angie Hoffman Walter*

Communications Team, coordinated by *Lois Witzel*

Newsletter, electronic: *Dick Flipp*

Compiles MicroSoft Word newsletter for electronic distribution to members.

Maintains e-mail list of members.

Newsletter, post card mailings: *Dick Flipp*

Prints LOGC monthly newsletter (Posts cards in the summer months) and mails copies to members who do not have electronic access. Maintains the address list for mailing.

Scrap Book: *Beverly Montain*

Compiles a visual record of club activities in scrap-book format for club enjoyment and reference. Includes photographs, news clippings, etc.

Publicity: *Mary Battee*

Contacts newspapers, magazines, City of Roseville, FGCM, MSHS with meeting and special event notices throughout the year.

Photography: *Marty Malone*

Takes photographs and shares images with Scrapbook and Newsletter Chairs.

Yearbook: *Angie Hoffman Walter*

Coordinates, compiles, prints and distributes the yearbook to each member by the March meeting, (and to new members throughout the year).

Nominating Chairperson: *To be determined: position open*

Recruits one or more nominees for each of the Executive Offices to be filled with consent of the current Executive Board; presents slate of candidates at the September meeting, to be voted upon at the October meeting.

Plant Sale Team Chairperson:

Pat Costello

Special Projects:

Google Doc Page: *Dick Flipp*

LOGC Web Page / LOGC Facebook: *To be determined: position(s) open*

Christmas Party, Theresa Malone and Joyce Lasecke

Plant "Imagination"



Peony

Family: Paeoniaceae

Genus: *Paeonia*

Peonies, have a long history. In our family Mom grew them and though I am sure they are not one of the spectacular varieties available today, they hold a special place in my garden. While no one wanted them when Mom passed the nieces were excited that I had kept them and shared them so that now at least 3 generations have "Mom's Peonies" which are labeled as such. We will never know the name of them but we will always remember where they came from. It was just the side of the garage and the fragrance was unbelievable as a child and still lingers today. I hope you are fortunate enough to have a similar place filled with the aroma and beauty of the peony.

There are two main types of peonies: herbaceous peonies, perennials that grow from tuberous roots, and tree peonies, which are deciduous shrubs. Both types are very long-lived, so choose your site properly and prepare the soil well. Unlike many perennials, peonies do not like to be divided or dug up and moved. The tubers of herbaceous peonies should be planted so that their eyes are no deeper than one and one-half inches beneath the soil. Do use a ruler; and of course it will seem too shallow. But plant the tuber any deeper, and you'll have sumptuous foliage but nary a flower. When applying mulch skip the peony patch. Tree peonies, on the other hand, should be planted deep, even set below the level in that nursery container. Herbaceous peonies are more hardy than the shrub type, although both will do well. Herbaceous peonies require a period of winter chilling to flower well. Plant both types in full sun, placed where their flowers in late spring to midsummer will show to good effect. They will maintain their attractive foliage until fall, except for *P. tenuifolia*, the fern-leaf peony. This one goes dramatically dormant in mid-summer and can leave a gaping hole in your border if not planned for. Clip the other types back in the fall, after their leaves brown. Feed peonies lightly with a balanced fertilizer, once just before bloom and once just after. They'll do well in ordinary garden soil, and they require little additional water during the summer.

Taste That!



The Lemon

Many professionals in restaurants and eateries are using or consuming the entire lemon and nothing is wasted. How can you use the whole lemon without waste?

Simply, place the washed lemon in the freezer section of your refrigerator.

Once the lemon is frozen, get your grater, and shred the whole lemon (no need to peel it) and sprinkle it on top of your foods.

Sprinkle it on your vegetable salad, ice cream, soup, cereals, noodles, spaghetti sauce, rice, sushi, fish dishes, Whisky, wine, the list is endless.

All of the foods will unexpectedly have a wonderful taste, something that you may have never tasted before. The advantage of using the whole lemon other than vitamin C and preventing waste is adding new taste to your dishes and lemon peels contain as much as 5 to 10 times more vitamins than the lemon juice itself. So place your washed lemon in your freezer, and then grate it on your meal. It is a one choice to add zest and make your foods tastier.

Minnesota State Horticultural Society Presents

The **Spring at the Inn 2013** on Thursday, March 28 at the Lake Elmo Inn Event Center.

Contact: **Char Ethan** if you are interested for more details. **651-484-6473.** char.ethen@comcast.net

The **Minnesota Water Garden Society** has agreed to be a 'sister' club with us and we will begin sharing news of each other's events. They look forward to doing this with the **Lake Owasso Garden Club**. **MWGS**, meets the second Sunday of the month at 2 Pm at various locations. That is the day before ours if that helps make it easier to remember. The MWGS website is www.mwgs.org --- check it out for meeting locations and other information about speakers etc.

Address and directions for our meetings--

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Newsletter submissions

We welcome pictures (please title, include latin names of plants), news items, and commentary, preferably via email to raflipp@comcast.net **Deadline** is by the **25th of each month**. I will try to get the newsletter out on the first of the month.

Also, remember our club's **Facebook** page. It is a great place to post pictures and share what's in bloom.

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GOOGLE DOC for Lake Owasso Garden Club -- Check it out.

https://docs.google.com/spreadsheet/ccc?key=0AvDTcsB_CgstdE81dUVQNEFrblNUSDBWd250QlpGYWc