

Japanese Maple in Portland, Oregan

Lake Owasso Garden Club

JUNE

Lake Owasso Summer Garden Tours

Monday June 8th 6:30 Tour the garden of Beth Husby at 1700 Ridgeway Lane South, Roseville and then on to the Experimental Gardens at the University of Minnesota, St Paul Campus. Rebecca will have more information on this and email you on June 8. Or, you can reach her with questions -- Rebecca Patient bbpatient@gmail.com Phone 651-647-9034

Rebecca's Been Busy Planning!

Thursday July 9th Flowers for Vets Project at the VA. All are welcome to come and arrange vases of flowers for the public areas of the VA hospital.

Saturday July 11th 9:30 AM Tour the garden of Myra Peterson in Cottage Grove 8284 Indian Blvd Cottage Grove We will visit Whispering Gardens 11180 70th Street South and Rustic Gardens 12811 Norell Road South Hastings

Monday July 13th Tour the garden of Kate/Mark Podowski 253 Russell Ave So Mpls 612-374-9033 or 612-532-1370 Mpls and Kathy Ripke and Jay Peterson 240 Upton Ave So 612-377-4677 followed by the garden of Lois Weitzel 824 West County Road B2

Monday July 27th Rain Garden Tour with Sage Passi Washington/ Ramsey Watershed District 612-598-9163

Monday August 10th 6:30 Tour the garden of Angie Hoffman-Walters 2074 Cleveland Ave North Roseville and Therese and Marti Malone 3223 West Owasso Blvd. Shoreview Mn

OTHER EVENTS on the crosspollination calendar!!!

Wild Ones and St. Paul Audubon, Plant Sale When: Sat, June 6, 9am – 3pm

Where: Cub Foods Community Pavilion, 1201 Larpenteur Ave. W., Roseville, MN (map)

Description: Native plant sale and expo features plants from local growers. RAIN or SHINE --- cash or check only Contact: www.saintpaulaudubon.org

Go to http://www.crosspollination.weebly.com for more!!

Presidents Message

Thank you to all our hard working members and the weather for another very successful plant sale. The numbers are not all in yet but this was a very good one.

Plant donations, customer service, cashiering, set up and take down were all outstanding. We also have many customer emails to help turnout at our undetermined, new location in 2016. Please send me any suggestions you have.

On Friday, a customer mentioned he really liked that we gave scholarships to horticulture students, as stated on our new club informational sign. He asked if he could donate plants to our sale. We sold about 110 of his plants at a member price, a very nice little windfall as a result of a

good suggestion that we show how we give some of the profits back to our community.

Buying is the easy part, now we have preparation and finding places for all the new plants we bought.

May we have adequate rainfall, not too much heat and enjoy our gardens. Also we look forward to Rebecca's tours and outings.

President, Ron Kvass

Secretary's Report

Minutes of Meeting May 11th, 2015, 29 members and guests present.

Ron Kvass brought the meeting to order @ 8:30

Kirsten passed around a sign-up sheet for the plant sale on Friday, May 15th and Saturday, May 16th.

Rebecca Patient announced the June garden tour, 6:30p.m. @ The home of Beth Husby, 1700 Ridgeway Lane South, Roseville and then onto the experimental gardens @ the U of M. <u>Be at Roseville City Hall no later than 6:15</u> if you would like to carpool <u>or</u> call Lois Witzel 651-484-1885 if you are in need of a ride.

Rebecca also asked if the LOGC would possibly be interested in purchasing and maintaining the beds at Golden Living Health Care Center on Victoria and Woodhill. A show of hands determined it would be shelved.

Mary Fowler gave a presentation of the bed @ the Arboretum. The theme this year will be "Citrus Mosaic" and will be done in predominately oranges and yellows. Planting will proceed on Tuesday, May 19th, however if you are available on any Tuesday for maintaining this garden check with Char Ethen @ 651-484-6473 for times.

Speakers for the evening were Katy Chayka and Peter Dziuk on Identifying & Gardening with Native Wildflowers. They have created an extensive website (minnesotawildflowers.info) that identifies wildflowers by color, shape, form, leaf or bloom time and it will cross reference and identify the plant.

Respectfully Submitted,

Lois Witzel Secretary

Treasurer's report

Balance is \$10,753.11

We Had A Plant Sale!

5-18-15 Deposit Total \$5364.00

Cash Box \$200.00

Plants

South Cedar - \$1602.00 Hosta Farm.... Hostas - \$287.00 Hosta Farm.... Clematis - \$129.00

Total Profit \$3146.00

We added a new vendor this year and spent more on plants (\$2018) than last year (\$1155). Our profit for this year's plant sale was more than the profits of the previous four years' sales. Our profit for 2014 was \$2528, profit for 2013 was \$2316, profit for 2012 was \$2356, profit for 2011 was \$2797.

Member plants were a nice variety, nicely potted and labeled.... and lots of them. We had a spontaneous donation of 7 trays of plants from a previous customer, and members Mary Fowler, Wendy Lucas and Kirsten Engelbrecht picked-up and potted lots of perennials last minute from a Vadnais Heights garden.

Thanks to the cashiers, sales staff, signage crew, set-up and take-down crew and those who helped with our extended hours on Saturday.

A special thank you goes to Ron Kvaas for the new lawn sign that listed our donations and scholarships and Patsy Costello for the new laminated signs for our perennial, sun, shade, and annual table labels and new cashier price sheets. And thank you Patty Costello for hosting this plant sale in your beautiful gardens one last time.

Kirsten Engelbrecht, Plant Sale Co-chair

"Flowers for Vets Project"

Dear LOGC members: Last year our club participated in the "Flowers for Vets Project". Just to refresh your memories, this project provides flower bouquets for the Minneapolis VA Health Care System. A large group from our club went to the VA on Thursday July 3rd and arranged around 20 vases of flowers for public spaces in the hospital. I believe all who went really enjoyed themselves.

Federated Garden Clubs of Minnesota is doing this project again this summer. I told Ron Kvass that I would coordinate a group again. I am looking at two dates, July 2 and July 9th. Please let me know if

you would be willing to help and what date works best for you. I will arrange a date based on the response I get from those who would like to participate. We also will need donations from member's gardens. Last year we got tons of filler (beautiful Hosta leaves, shrubbery, etc) which was so helpful.

Please let me know at your earliest convenience if you can help out with this service project. My email is bbpatient@gmail.com, Rebecca Patient

Plant "Imagination"



Iris pallida 'aureo variegata'

Pallida Variegata

Gold-variegated Sweet Iris, Zone:3-9

Also known as the Zebra Iris, this is a very old garden plant, still as popular as ever. It forms a low clump of sword-like leaves, with golden-yellow and grey-green stripes running lengthwise, remaining nearly evergreen in mild winter regions. Fragrant lavender-blue flowers appear in early summer. Excellent for cutting. Plants must have excellent drainage, particularly in hot, humid summer regions or areas with wet winters. Clumps may be easily divided every 3 to 4 years in late summer. It is fragrant, Lavender-orchid color, that blooms midseason. It can reach about 34 inches in height. A change of pace with the accent on striking foliage! This is the golden variegated form of the original species Iris pallida. The flower form is not modern, but it is charming in its own right. Fragrance reminiscent of grade soda pop!

Taste That!

ALMOND CRACKERS

INGREDIENTS:

1 pkg. Club Crackers

1 cup Almonds

1 stick margarine

1 stick butter

2/3 cup sugar

Line a jelly roll pan (11.5x 17) with aluminum foil. NO PAN? Use heavy foil.

Put a layer of Club Crackers on the foil and sprinkle one cup sliced almonds on them.

In a saucepan, melt together one stick of margarine and one stick of butter (**no substitutes!!**) along with 2/3 cup white sugar. Bring to a boil and **stir constantly** for two minutes to incorporate into a nice sauce. Gently pour this over the crackers and almonds, covering all of them.

Bake at 350 degrees for about 15 minutes or until they are nicely browned.

Cool in the pan and break apart.

If no kids are around you probably have time to store in a zip bag!! ENJOY,

From the kitchen of Harriet Kilgo (a lifetime friend of my Mom)



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The Lake Owasso Garden Club website: http://www.lakeowassogc.weebly.com
On our LOGC website you can link to our Facebook site

Or, you can start out at the LOGC website and go to crosspollination! It's so easy.

Our Google Doc

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OUR MEETINGS ARE HELD AT,

Presbyterian Church of the Way 3382 Lexington Ave North, Shoreview MN 55126

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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