



Thanks, to all of you that made our garden at the arboretum so beautiful!



Lake Owasso Garden Club

October

Next Meeting is October 14, at Affinity Plus, 2750 Snelling Ave N, Roseville, MN, 55117

6:30 PM, Social

7:00 PM Program, "Helping Beautiful Bees in the Garden", JoAnne Sabin

JoAnne Sabin has been a beekeeper since 2005. She started beekeeping when surrounded by 3 other beekeepers in her "day job." One of them invited her to his next honey harvest and she was hooked. He offered to help her get started if she wanted to, it took all of 30 seconds for her to say "Yes!"

She teaches honeybee and gardening related topics, including beekeeping classes and presentations to garden expos, beekeeping groups, schools, conferences, and the county and State Fair. She is also featured in a video about the plight of bees on www.hostasdirect.com.

She has been gardening in Minnesota for over 30 years and her primary interests include perennials, wildflowers, shade plants, rain gardens, beekeeping, and photography.

(Topics she presents include plant propagation, garden planning, rain gardens, digital garden photography, "The 7 Deadly Gardening Sins," beekeeping, pollinator gardens, and honey harvesting.)

Secretary Report

Minutes for September 9, 2013

The meeting was called to order after a wonderful presentation by Renea Lynch on Fairy Gardens. Renea showed us how to incorporate one into existing gardens or creating a fairy container garden. Miniature gardens vary from fairy gardens to replicas of railroad towns. Ron Kvass does such a great job finding speakers and going the extra mile to ensure the electronics at Affinity will function with any laptop brought to our meetings.

Wendy reminded members for Kirsten that the Horticulture Society memberships are due and if you are interested to bring a check for the October meeting so we can make the membership deadline. (\$37 individual membership, \$40 dual membership, and \$55 for household which includes two free tickets to the two spring shows.) All memberships include a subscription to the northern Gardener.

Also Wendy reminded the club that a slate of officers will be presented at the October meeting and interested person should give her a call, 651-482-8592.

Ron talked about the 'Wild Ones' fall tour and to check the Cross Pollination web site for tour details.

Dick Flipp talked about an upcoming Plant Exchange; wonderful plant divisions for only the work of dividing your own plants, sounded very appealing.

More people volunteered for the December Holiday Party committee. The committee now consists of Theresa Malone, Joyce Lasecke, Char Ethan and Pat Costello (the Pat at 651-231-4217).

The Federated fall meeting will be on October 19 at the Heritage Room at the Bachman's Nursery on Lyndale Avenue South in Minneapolis. The topic will be Holiday arrangements. There is no charge for the event! Get new ideas for your table at home.

Our Door Greeters for the October 14 meeting are Vastsala Menon and Kirsten Engelbrecht. We need one more volunteer to be a door greeter for the January meeting.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:45 pm.

Submitted by Wendy Lucas

Treasurer's report

The TCF balance was \$9,480.70 as of 9/20/2013.

For those of you who wish to renew or join the Minnesota State Horticulture Society, I am collecting MSHS dues at the [garden club rate of \\$37](#) at the next LOGC meeting October 14.

Please note the following membership rates:

MSHS Garden Club Rates 2014:

\$37 for an Individual garden club member (Does not include two free tickets to the spring shows)

\$40 for a Dual

\$55 for a Household (Does include the two free tickets)

Please note our Northern Gardener level is \$62 and the Subscription only option rate is \$34 for non-garden club members

Renewal & new membership materials are due to MSHS by November 4th.

Members can join MSHS at any time throughout the year. They would start their subscription to *Northern Gardener* with the next available issue. Their membership card would be mailed within one week after receipt.

I will have a sheet listing all the MSHS membership benefits and rates at the next meeting. Remember to bring your checkbook.

Kirsten Engelbrecht, Treasurer



Monkshood

Plant "Imagination"



Aconitum (Monkshood)
A. napellus (Common Monkshood) or
A. carmichaelii 'Arendsii'

The stately spires of deep blue to purple Aconitum are unforgettable. Commonly called 'monkshood' because each blossom so closely resembles a helmet or hood, it is sometimes also called 'wolfsbane' as its poisonous roots, leaves and stems were once used as poison bait for wolves in old England. Aconitum is a wonderful cut flower but care should be taken when handling it for this reason.

Aconitum is a remarkable and tall plant (3' - 5') for the back of the midsummer garden (A. napellus) or for its late season blossoms and frost hardiness (A. carmichaelii). These plants prefer to settle in where they're planted rather than being moving around, and like full sun with sufficient moisture, but will tolerate a bit of afternoon shade.

Taste That!

Stuffed Pepper Soup,



"Browned ground round and cooked rice are combined with chopped onions and green peppers with tomato sauce and beef and chicken broths in this soup seasoned with thyme and sage."

INGREDIENTS:

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| 1 pound ground sirloin | 1 (14 ounce) can beef broth |
| 1 green bell pepper, chopped | 1 (14 ounce) can chicken broth |
| 1 cup finely diced onion | 1/4 teaspoon dried thyme |
| 1 (29 ounce) can diced tomatoes | 1/4 teaspoon dried sage |
| 1 (15 ounce) can tomato sauce | salt and pepper to taste |
| | 1 cup white rice |

DIRECTIONS

1. In a large stock pot brown ground meat. Drain fat and add pepper and onion. Cook until onion is translucent, not letting them brown.
2. Add tomatoes, tomato sauce, broths and rice, thyme, sage and season with salt and pepper. Cover and simmer for 30 to 45 minutes, until peppers and rice are tender.

Servings: 6



The **new** website is up and running – please check it out!!

<http://www.crosspollination.weebly.com> Once there, There you will find a link to:

The **new** 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 new LOGC website and go to crosspollination! It's so easy.

Our Google Doc

https://docs.google.com/spreadsheet/ccc?key=0AvDTcsB_CgstdE81dUVQNEFrBINUSDBWd250QlpGYWc

Address and directions for our meetings--

Affinity Plus,
2750 Snelling Ave N,
Roseville, MN, 55117

It is just north of County Rd C. on the frontage Rd. 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.

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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