

Garden Club of Ramsey County (GCRC)

News Notes

17 November 2014 Meeting

AGENDA

6:30 Business Meeting

Membership Renewal

Holiday Party/Auction

Sunshine

Exhibits and Mini-Shows

Announcements

7:00 Refreshments

7:25 Guest Speaker

TONIGHT'S GUEST SPEAKER: - Duane Otto

Winter Containers – Transitioning Your Containers Through Thanksgiving, Christmas, Winter Into Spring

Duane Otto is a landscape gardener at the Minnesota Landscape Arboretum and has been for over 24 years. He selects a new color theme and style for the spring and summer annual displays each year. This includes selecting 32,000 tulips and 7000 pansies for the spring and well over 25,000 annuals for the summer. Duane designs nearly all the container and moss basket combinations and many of the perennial displays. He and seasonal crew and volunteers maintain the many terrace gardens surrounding the Visitor Center and Snyder Building. In November Duane and his gardener assistant

and volunteers enhance the winter landscape by filling most existing containers and moss baskets with evergreen boughs, branches, berried branches and other natural materials.

Duane also does horticultural speaking, garden consultation, perennial garden design and installation. He sells perennials, dried florals, spring branches, evergreen boughs and winter containers at local farmers markets and consignment stores.

THANK YOU HOSPITALITY HOSTS: Joe Baltrukonis, Hafizan Engebretson, Luann Muller, Liz O'Toole, Galen and Ann Thompson, Karen Van Norman

HOLIDAY PARTY AND SILENT AUCTION is Sunday, December 7 at the Lilydale Pool and Yacht Club. Contact Evelyn Sunness at 651.699.2733 with questions regarding the party. Contact Sue Knapton-Hoffman at 651.239.4799 with questions regarding the Silent Auction. Silent Auction proceeds will go to GCRC and will support charitable donations, including food shelves. The GCRC Board decides on donation amounts.

GCRC BOARD MEETING, 1 DECEMBER Joint meeting of incoming and outgoing board members and committee chairs at the Minnesota State Horticultural Society office, 2705 Lincoln Road, Roseville. Bring treats to share. 6:15 informal check-ins; meeting begins at 6:30 p.m.

DECEMBER 4 WORKSHOP Landscape for the River: Native Plants, Raingardens, Lawn Care for Water Quality (+ Winter Tips) 6:00-7:00 pm at the Wilder Center in Saint Paul. Taught by Friends of the Mississippi River (FMR), River Stewardship Coordinator Adam Flett. Free. Contact Any Kilgore, FMR Outreach Coordinator to register and learn more: akilgore@fmr.org or 651.222.2193 x31.

TERRACE HORTICULTURAL BOOKS ANNUAL FALL OPEN HOUSE WEEK

Saturdays, November 15 and 22, 9-5 PM; Monday – Friday, November 17-21, 12-5PM
25% OFF EVERYTHING. 503 St Clair Ave, St Paul, MN, 651-222-5536
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MINNESOTA LANDSCAPE ARBORETUM TRAVEL TOURS "Brazil--Landscapes of Roberto Burle Marx and Beyond" March 9–22, 2015. www.knowmadadventures.com, 612.315.2894.