

# Garden Club of Ramsey County (GCRC) News Notes

February 15, 2016

## Agenda

6:30 Business Meeting

- Plant sale
- Plan for Exhibits & Mini-shows
- Garden Party
- Spring Garden Gala
- Sunshine

7:00 Refreshments

7:25 Guest Speaker

## Tonight's program:

### ***Getting Started with Fruit Trees***

**Guest speaker Jennifer Porwit** comes from a gardening family but officially began calling herself a gardener when she signed up for the Garden Project in 4-H. She trained as a Master Gardener in Wisconsin. She and her husband Joe, who is also a master gardener, have been members of our club since 2002. They moved to St. Paul in 2000 and began gardening and volunteering shortly after that.

**Tonight's refreshments** courtesy of Brian Cooper, Evelyn Sunness, Vickie Kunerth, Lee Shannon, Barb Meyer, Barb Parisien. Thank you!

## **Briefs from February Board meeting**

- Treasurer Adina Overbee reported that the club is financially sound. Thanks Adina!
- We are pleased to have secured the Edgumbe Recreation Center as the site for our Great Plant Sale at a very low rate due to the positive impact of our club on the community.
- Ken Nordberg agreed to take charge of Exhibits and Mini Shows for the year and Evelyn Sunness volunteered her lovely gardens for the Summer Garden Party. Thanks!

## **Calendar**

**March 21 GCRC meeting**, Great Gardens & New Trends from Europe, Debbie Lonnee, Bailey Nurseries.

**Plant Sale:** May 14, 8 to 11 a.m., Edgumbe Recreation Center gym, 320 Griggs St. S., St. Paul.

**Next board meeting:** June 6, 7 p.m., home of Adina Overbee. All GCRC members may attend.

**GCRC Summer Garden Party:** June 27, 6 p.m., home of Evelyn Sunness.

**New Member Supper:** July 18, 6 p.m., home of Jerry and Lee Shannon.

**Upcoming learning opportunities** offered by MN State Horticultural Society (651-643-3601):

- Seed Starting Basics, Tuesday, March 8, 6:30 to 8 p.m., MSHS, Roseville
- Evolving Gardens, Tuesday, March 15, 6:30 to 8 p.m., MSHS, Roseville
- Continuous Color, Tuesday, March 29, 6:30 to 8 p.m., Autumn Grove Park Bldg., Roseville
- See new plant introductions at the **Spring Garden Gala**, Apr. 1. Doors open at 11 a.m. for luncheon or 5 p.m. for dinner. More information at [www.northerngardner.org](http://www.northerngardner.org).

**Renew your membership!** Send membership renewal to Kurt Klussendorf, 699 Woodlawn Ave., St. Paul, MN 55116. The form is available on the website at [www.ramseygardeners.org](http://www.ramseygardeners.org). Thanks!

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## **Garden Club of Ramsey County Board**

President - Mary Olson

Vice-President - open position

Past President - Ken Nordberg

Secretary - Brenda Severson

Treasurers - Kurt Klussendorf and Adina Overbee

Directors - Janet Scott, Karen and Michael Parenteau

Education Chairs - Susan Hawken and Andrea Steger

Plant Sale Chair - Laurie Krivitz

