



The “Show-Me” Gardener

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November Meeting

Monday, November 11, 2019 - 7:15 p.m.
Webster Groves Rec Complex - 33 E. Glendale

TOPIC: Conifers

**SPEAKER: Dan Billman
and**

**Voting - Approval of the 2022
Board Members**

and

**Discussion of Success and Failures in our Gardens
(your stories, photos, questions, etc.)**



Speaker

Dan Billman, a 30 year veteran of the St. Louis horticulture industry, now ornamental curator with Kirkwood Gardens, will speak to the club on November 11, about conifers that grow in Missouri, several species of which are native. Learn which conifers are best suited to our changing climate, soils and various residential needs, and how to site, plant and care for them through our often volatile Midwestern seasons.

Discussion

Since we are pleased to have a lecturer for this meeting, the usual yearly discussion feature of our “Garden Success & Failures” will consist more in the form of photos that you may bring for display.

Annual Awards Dinner

Monday, Dec. 9 is our annual awards dinner. Seating is limited to 60. Please respond no later than **December 2nd**. However, if the limit is reached prior to December **2nd**, we will not be able to accept any more reservations. The cost of the dinner is \$15.00 per person. The reservation form will be emailed or mailed approximately one month before the dinner.

Current officers will remain throughout 2020. They are:

President: **Elizabeth Mattingly**

1st Vice President: **Janet Noble**

2nd Vice President: **Kay Walt**

Secretary: **Carol Boshart**

Treasurer: **Steve Seele**

Ex-officio: **Dick Lockard**

Board Members with terms expiring at the end of 2022: **Jeanne Samson & Barb Novack**

We thank all of the above for their service this year and willingness to serve again in 2020.

2020 Membership Dues

You may send in your 2020 membership dues for next year to our treasurer: Steve Seele, 223 Rosemont Ave, St. Louis, MO 63119. Membership dues are \$15 per individual or \$20 for a family.

If you are a new member and have joined our club since August, you do not have to pay dues again for 2020.

Recycling Clean Pots

If you have any clean, plastic pots from 4 inches up to 1 gallon, please repurpose them for use in next year's digs to help save on our expenses. Please give them to Joan Tilford at our next meeting

Website

The Webster Groves Garden Club Website is at <http://www.mgcwg.org/>.

Report of September 25, 2019 Board Meeting

Carol Boshart, Recording Secretary

Committee members reported on various assigned projects, including:

*Programs. Janet Noble reported that upcoming speakers will be Sue Leahy, on native grasses (October 14) and Dan Billman, arborist, on conifer care (November 11).

*Beautification. Mike Tierney reviewed recent developments and future plans for the bus stop turnaround garden at Lockwood and South Rock Hill Road. These include soliciting member donations of plants for the site, and possible placement of a sign noting the club's care of the garden.

*Membership. The board reviewed drafts of updated website pages Joan Tilford brought for board approval. Members also discussed ways the website might appeal to younger users of both web and Facebook, such as emphasizing the club's educational programs.

*Board meeting nights for 2020 were confirmed for the fourth Monday of the month, at 7 p.m. starting in January. The remaining board meeting nights this year will be held on the fourth Tuesday, 7 p.m.

*Publicity. The publicity team will explore placement of flyers for monthly speaker events in the library.

*Monthly meeting assignments: Refreshment assignments are nearly complete and plans for the coming holiday party on December 12 are well underway.

*Book donation. The board discussed what to do with garden books Kay Walt has graciously donated to the club. The board decided to use the more valuable books for the Christmas party gifts and make the rest available to members at monthly meeting for a donation to the club.