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November Meeting

Monday, November 8, 2019 - 7:15 p.m.
Webster Groves Rec Complex - 33 E. Glendale

TOPIC: Trees

***SPEAKER: Tom Beshoar, from DAVEY Tree Expert
Company***

***TOPIC: Proper Tree Healthcare and The Importance
of Dormant Pruning***



Speaker

Tom Beshoar, is a certified arborist and has been working with DAVEY Tree since 1998 and is currently the District Manager. He is a sitting member on the St. Louis Arborist Association Board. He will be speaking about proper plant healthcare and the importance of dormant pruning. Just what is dormant pruning, you might ask? Come and find out at our November meeting. Bring all of your tree questions as Tom has the answers. Tom is also a volunteer fireman and lives in Red Bud, Illinois where there are many trees!

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. 13th is our annual awards dinner. Seating is limited to 60. Please respond no later than **December 6th**. However, if the limit is reached prior to December **6th**, we will not be able to accept any more reservations. The cost of the dinner is \$15.00 per person. The reservation form is attached

Current officers will remain throughout 2022. They are:

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President: **Carol Evans**
1st Vice President: **Janet Noble**
2nd Vice President: **Joan Tilford**
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Treasurer: **Steve Seele**
Ex-officio: **Elizabeth Mattingly**

Board Members with terms expiring at the end of 2021: **Lucia Oswald, Frank Peterson, and Becky Scherer**

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

WGGC Board Members

The WGGC is looking for individuals who are interested in serving on their Board of Directors. Currently there is one vacancy for the term ending in 2023 and three vacancies for terms ending in 2024. The only qualifications are an enthusiasm for and some knowledge of gardening. The Board meets on the 4th Monday of most months. You don't need to be a Webster Groves resident to serve.

Facebook/social media person

WGGC is also looking for someone with experience to maintain the Facebook site. It also would be helpful to have some experience with Instagram and other social media.

2022 Membership Dues

You may send in your 2022 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 2022.

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 contact the chairman of the Plant Sale Committee at Plant-Sale@mgcwg.org

Website and Facebook

Facebook / Garden Club
<http://www.mgcwg.org/>.

President's Corner – November 2021

For the past 2 weeks, I've been driving around with 50 daffodil and 30 tulip bulbs (or is it the other way around?) from Operation Brightside in my car. They are scheduled to be planted in a Neighbors Naturescaping grant garden in the city next Monday morning (November 1st), an especially good time since we're supposed to have the first frost that week. Just so you know that I'm not prescient, the timing was totally a function of convincing volunteers to help me plant them before a freeze and snowfall. The long and short of it is that, if you

plan to put in tulips and daffodils, now is a good time to get it done. And as we are also putting our gardens to bed, the University of Illinois Extension's Newsletter has some great tips for what to do and not do. You can actually save yourself some time and trouble by: leaving leaves on flower beds, allowing plants to remain without cutting them down, mulching and other such tricks. These practices not only save you some work, but more importantly can provide cover for beneficial insects. More information about these fall garden tips can be found in the Newsletter's current October issue here:
<http://hyg.ipm.illinois.edu/>

Below are some online classes and resources you might find helpful this month:

Thursday, November 4 – 6:00 to 7:00 p.m. Virtual Vermicomposting at Home and with Kids

offered by Gateway Greening. Free with registration on Zoom at:

https://us02web.zoom.us/webinar/register/2716325028736/WN_nebPvzQaTgWJeA9MiS6ghQ

Friday, November 5 – 11 a.m. to noon. CDT. Horticulture As An Act Of Conquest (ONLINE LECTURE) presented by Justin Robinson and sponsored by the US Botanic Gardens. Why do American yards and gardens look the way they do? How was it decided which plants were desirable? Please note: This program will be offered through the online platform Livestorm. Click on the pre-registration link below and register through that system.

<https://app.livestorm.co/u-s-botanic-garden/horticulture-as-an-act-of-conquest-online-lecture?type=detailed>

Sunday, November 7 - 1:00 to 2:30 p.m. CST. The Bark Ark – The Role of Botanic Gardens in Tree Conservation sponsored by The Scott Arboretum of Swarthmore College. This lecture will be run virtually as a webinar. Registration is free through Zoom at: <https://www.scottarboretum.org/calendar/the-bark-ark-the-role-of-botanic-gardens-in-tree-conservation/>.

Additional resources of interest:

Webinar: Nature Heals - An Intro to Nature-Based Therapeutics created by the University of Minnesota. This is a recording posted on YouTube at: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=3a46Bk7vdil>. In this webinar, Dr. Jean Larson, director of nature-based therapeutics at the Bakken Center and the Minnesota Landscape Arboretum, introduces the rationale, evidence, and benefits of Nature-Based Therapeutics, and explain the critical role of nature in self-care, community-building, and planetary health.

Now that the weather is getting cooler, you can take a virtual tour of the gardens at the Smithsonian Garden. Smithsonian Garden offers you free virtual tours through their gardens and greenhouses. <https://gardens.si.edu/plan-your-visit/tours/>

Turn Around Garden

The Metro Transit organization supports the Webster Groves Garden Club in our efforts to maintain and enhance the garden at the corner of Rock Hill Road and Lockwood. They have provided the wood chips and mulch pictured here near one of the new Common Milkweed beds. Please feel free to contact us if you would like to volunteer to work with us on this garden."
