



Naperville Community Gardeners

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September 2005
Established 1980

Next Meeting

September 12, 2005, 7 p.m.
(the 2nd Monday due to Labor Day)

John Greene Realty
1311 S. Highway 59, Naperville
(Hwy 59 and Montgomery Rd/83rd St)

Speaker: Jenny Lund

**Topic: Hands-on Topiary, bring
\$10/each for materials**

2005 Officers

President	Tom Campbell
V. President	Mary Wright
Secretary	JoAnn Monge
Treasurer	Logan Wasson

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FROM THE PRESIDENT:

What a great turnout we had for the Ball Gardens Tour on Saturday, August 13! I wish we had an official count, but it seemed like fifty members were there! The weather did not quite cooperate, but we can't complain about a little rain after the dry summer we have had. The Ball Gardens are usually reserved for wholesale customers of the 100-year-old horticultural company, but were opened to the public for the centennial celebration. Our private showing was a very special occurrence. For those who could not make it, the gardens were outstanding! The displays included the Vertical Container Garden, Garden Lookout Point, Container Trials, Hillside Garden, Sky Frame Walk, and the annual All-America Selections Evaluation Trial Beds. In my opinion the best of all was something that I do not even think was advertised as a main feature. That was, of course, the grass stairway. Although after some discussion, many of us decided that it would be very difficult to mow. Another favorite was the Container Trails; I figure that I liked it because it gave me the most ideas for something that may actually work within my landscape. And you may not know it but Ball has wetland and woodland acreage. Those areas are currently undergoing a multi-year ecological restoration project. All in all even with the damp and cool weather we had a wonderful time. Thanks to Betty Earl for her hard work toward setting up the tour!

It is hard to believe that summer is almost over.

It has flown by so fast. I have not even gotten around to doing a lot of the things that I planned in the spring. I guess I planned too much. I do need to trim some shrubs yet and I think the summer was just too hot for most of my hanging baskets because I am not satisfied with them. But soon we will be wrapping up the bulk of the gardening year which means it is time to decide on new officers. So as we have always mentioned at this time in the past, we need to prepare a slate of candidates for vice-president, secretary, and treasurer for the October meeting. If you would like to be included, please notify one of the current officers to be added to the ballot.

Finally, at the September meeting, Jenny Lund will feature a hands-on topiary class. Materials will be ten dollars, please come prepared if you would like to participate.

Happy Gardening,
Tom Campbell
President

September Speaker

Jenny Lund will be here this month to show us how to make a topiary. She will also answer any questions you have about topiary projects. If you are interested in purchasing the materials for a single ball topiary, please have cash or check for \$10.00 for each topiary. We moved the topic up from October so that the topiaries will be looking great for the holidays. Bring a friend if you wish.

Non-members are invited to attend the meeting. There is no charge.
Call (630)355-2626 for information.

Flower and Garden Show

Naperville Community Gardeners will host its Annual Flower and Garden Show on Saturday August 27 at the Riverwalk Community Center. Please join us for a day of beautiful things and friendly camaraderie. Bring that beautiful rose, gigantic dahlia, perfect hosta leaf, red ripe tomato and any other thing you have growing in your garden. You never know what the judges will think is fabulous and you just might find you have a blue ribbon winner. The more you bring, the better chance you have of winning.

Doors will open at 7am. All entries must be staged by 10:30am. Only judges, clerks and Show Committee members will be permitted in the room during judging. All others will be asked to leave at 10:30am. We will strictly enforce this, so please come early to get your plants set up before the deadline.

**Think about bringing your plants in early and then staying to help others get settled. A huge thank you to Rosemary Holdredge for again editing this year's guide and making it look real pretty! Also, thanks to Eleanor Holt and Beth Engle for helping with it. Let me know if you have any questions.
Thanks! Anita**

COMMITTEE CHAIRS ~ 2005

Annual Plant Sale ----- Pam Westfall
 ----- Logan Watson
 Community Projects ----- Ron Ory
 Gardening Workshops ----- Ron Ory
 Garden Plots-Plant A Row- Ben Calvert
 High School Liaison --- Wanda Wohead
 Naper Settlement----- Brain Bell
 Riverwalk Garden ----- Joe Pope
 Flower & Garden Show ----- Anita Mraz
 ----- Beth Engle
 Harvest Banquet ----- Mary Wright

 Historian----- Liz Kelman
 Library ----- Ben Calvert
 Membership/T-shirts ----- Betty Ference
 ----- Anita Mraz
 Meeting Refreshments Mary Carter Beary
 ----- Geri Niemann
 Mini Show ----- Nancy Carroll
 Newsletter ----- Nancy Herron
 Distribution ----- Milly Kay Ginocchio
 Photography ----- Ron Ory
 Picnic -----
 Coordinator -----
 Programs ----- Mary Wright
 Publicity ----- Eleanor Holt
 Shop & Share ----- Wanda Wohead
 Show Directory ----- Rosemary Holdredge

 Special Events ----- Betty Earl
 Web Site ----- Peter Klassen

Our web site:

www.napervillecommunitygardeners.org.

We have a "discussion area" where you may read what others say, add your own postings, receive comments, and ask questions.

For questions/comments about content, click on the link at the bottom of each page or address your e-mail to:

webmaster@napervillecommunitygardeners.org

Our mailing address:

**Naperville Community Gardeners
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 Naperville, IL 60567-9555**

Annual Banquet

November banquet is being finalized. Anyone interested in helping out with invitations, entertainment, prizes or judging, please let Mary Wright know. e-mail her at: mtwrightnaperville@hotmail.com or call her at 630/355-7201.

We are looking for someone to take charge of the banquet for next year, so if you have an interest, please consider being a co-host.

Thanks.

Future Meetings / Events

**October - Preparing Your Garden for Winter;
 Protecting against Salt and Wind Damage**

November - no meeting – banquet

**Naperville Community Gardeners
July 2005 Treasurer's Report**

	2005	%	TOTAL	VARIANCE	JULY		
	BUDGET		YR TO	(less			
			DATE	transf)			
REVENUES							
01 01	Members Dues		\$1,200.00	7.7%	\$987.55	(\$212.45)	
01 02	Members Banquet Tickets		\$1,000.00	6.4%	\$0.00	(\$1,000.00)	
01 03	Members T-Shirt Sales		\$100.00	0.6%	\$112.00	\$12.00	
	SUB-TOTAL MEMBERS REVENUE		\$2,300.00	14.7%	\$1,099.55	(\$1,200.45)	\$0.00
01 04	Plant Sale: Vendors		\$9,000.00	57.4%	\$12,064.00	\$3,064.00	
01 05	Plant Sale: Members		\$3,000.00	19.1%	\$0.00	(\$3,000.00)	
01 06	Misc. Revenues		\$100.00	0.6%	\$201.86	\$101.86	
	Transfers from						
01 07	Reserves		\$1,250.00	8.0%	\$0.00	(\$1,250.00)	
01 08	Interest		\$30.00	0.2%	\$33.52	\$3.52	\$5.61
01 09	Flower and Garden Show		\$0.00	0.0%	\$0.00	\$0.00	
	TOTAL REVENUES		\$15,680.00	100.0%	\$13,398.93	(\$2,281.07)	\$5.61
EXPENSES							
02 01	Members Picnic		\$500.00	3.2%	\$100.00	\$400.00	
02 02	Members Banquet		\$1,000.00	6.4%	\$0.00	\$1,000.00	
02 03	Members Name Tags		\$50.00	0.3%	\$21.95	\$28.05	
	Members Recognition						
02 04	Fund		\$200.00	1.3%	\$0.00	\$200.00	
02 05	Members T-Shirts		\$80.00	0.5%	\$110.72	(\$30.72)	
	SUB-TOTAL MEMBERS BENEFITS		\$1,830.00	11.7%	\$232.67	\$1,597.33	\$0.00
02 06	Bank Charges		\$25.00	0.2%	\$4.50	\$20.50	
	Club Maintenance						
02 07	Costs		\$125.00	0.8%	\$0.00	\$125.00	
02 08	Door Prizes/Mini Show		\$0.00	0.0%	\$0.00	\$0.00	
	Meetings						
02 09	Refreshments		\$200.00	1.3%	\$48.01	\$151.99	
02 10	Misc. Expenses		\$0.00	0.0%	\$0.00	\$0.00	
	Newslette						
02 11	r		\$200.00	1.3%	\$42.15	\$157.85	
02 12	Program Speakers		\$1,000.00	6.4%	\$377.56	\$622.44	
02 13	Publicity and Website		\$200.00	1.3%	\$0.00	\$200.00	
02 14	Photography Supplies		\$100.00	0.6%	\$0.00	\$100.00	
	SUB-TOTAL CLUB ACTIVITIES		\$1,850.00	11.8%	\$472.22	\$1,377.78	\$0.00
02 15	Donations to 5 HS		\$2,500.00	15.9%	\$0.00	\$2,500.00	
02 16	Donation to Riverwalk		\$500.00	3.2%	\$500.00	\$0.00	
	SUB-TOTAL DONATIONS		\$3,000.00	19.1%	\$500.00	\$2,500.00	\$0.00
02 17	Flower & Garden Show		\$1,000.00	6.4%	\$0.00	\$1,000.00	
02 18	Plant Sale: Vendors		\$8,000.00	51.0%	\$6,463.06	\$1,536.94	
02 19	Plant Sale: Members		\$500.00		\$118.09	\$381.91	
02 20	Transfer to Reserve		\$0.00	0.0%	\$0.00	\$0.00	
	TOTAL EXPENSES		\$15,680.00	100.0%	\$7,667.95	\$8,012.05	\$0.00
	NET INCOME (LOSS)		\$0.00		\$5,730.98	\$5,730.98	\$5.61
AS OF LAST POSTING:							
BALANCE: BEGINNING OF MONTH			\$11,806.70				
+ RECEIPTS			\$13,398.93			\$5.61	
- DISBURSEMENTS			\$7,667.95			\$0.00	
BALANCE: END OF MONTH			\$17,537.68			\$5.61	
BANK BALANCES							
	AS OF 1/1/05:		AS OF 7/31/05				
SAVINGS BALANCE	\$11,665.20		\$16,531.68				
CHECKING BALANCE	\$141.50		\$1,006.00				
END-OF-MONTH BALANCE	\$11,806.70		\$17,537.68				