



THE UNIVERSITY OF MINNESOTA
landscape arboretum

MEMBERS' NEWSLETTER

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PLANT SALE

Plant sale time at the Arboretum again. Starting this weekend and lasting through Memorial Weekend or until the plants are gone, one can get bayberry, hardy carnation, mollis azalea and a few other miscellaneous plants. Arboretum members receive a dollar credit towards any purchase.

FLOWER CALENDAR

It is impossible to predict the exact date that a specific plant will be in bloom. The following calendar will serve as a guide of what to look for when you visit the Arboretum. The map in the Arboretum office and the trail guide available in the office will help you to locate certain collections.

May 26 - June 4	Azaleas, hawthorns, weigelas, honeysuckles, viburnums
June 5 - June 11	White fringe tree, catalpas, rhododendrons
June 12 - June 18	Peonies, potentillas, roses, mockoranges
June 19 - June 25	Mockoranges, Japanese tree liliac, daylilies, lilies
June 26 - July 2	Daylilies, clematis, lilies

There is a very good bloom on the azaleas now. The peak should be starting the week of May 26th. They will put on a terrific show.

WOODCUT "BIRCH/BARK"

On display at the Dayton/Bachman flower show was the Artist's Proof of the limited edition of a woodcut done especially for the Arboretum by a local artist William Sanchez. A matted print from this woodcut entitled Birch/Bark will be given to the first one hundred 1968 memberships of \$50.00 or more. (A reproduction of this print appears on the cover of the April issue of the Minnesota Horticulturist)

The Arboretum is proud to offer this original woodcut to its membership and thanks Mr. Sanchez for his contribution of time and talent.

FLOWER SHOW PREVIEW BENEFIT

The March 7th Dayton/Bachman Spring Flower Show Preview Benefit was attended by over 500 people. The evening was filled with the lovely sights and smells of over 40,000 tulips and 5,000 hyacinths. A strong feeling of comradery prevailed that evening and the word Arboretum was on everyone's lips.

The information booth that was manned by the Arboretum Guides during the week the flower show was open to the public, proved to be most beneficial. An attractive and informative brochure about the Arboretum was furnished by the University Relations office was handed out to the interested public. We are certain many new friends were made for the Arboretum during this week.

Contributions to the Arboretum may be made through the Minnesota State Horticultural Society or the University of Minnesota, Office of University Relations

ARBORETUM GUIDES

At the spring meeting of the Arboretum Guides (a volunteer group of women who assist with tours) elected Florence Johnstone, President; Marion Couper, Vice-President; and Betty Batzli, Secretary. Mervin Eisel says his work has been much easier this spring because of the generous assistance of some of these volunteer guides.

There are more tours than ever. In 4 days of demonstrating maple syruping, over 1,000 children were in attendance. These tours proved so popular that a maple syrup processor was acquired and plans are in the offering for a maple syrup processing building. Over \$600 in gifts has been specified for this purpose.

LAND ACQUISITION

An option is taken on the remaining Berens property and the Red Barn Exchange is being negotiated. The architectural plans for the Education/Research building are progressing; a new concept has been added - the possibility of a split level building to better fit into the contours of the site.

MEMBERSHIP

This year we are striving for a membership of 2,000. Help us out by sending in names of interested persons, and we will send on to them information about the Arboretum.