

## Arboretum Associates Newsletter

P.O. Box 3391 Moscow, Idaho 83843

February 28, 1994

## Message from the Arboretum Associates' President

Message from the Arboretum Director

Dear Members and Friends:

Although there is a fresh covering of snow on the Palouse this morning, this has been one of the milder winters in recent memory. Barring an unusual late winter deep freeze, there should be a minimum of winter kill and other damage to plants. Visiting the Arboretum this spring as the buds and blossoms open up should be a delightful experience.

While our receipts for membership and other voluntary contributions are at an all time high, I encourage everyone who has not contributed this fiscal year (since July 1, 1993), to do so. This is the time when the Director will be buying new plantings. It is interesting to note that all of the plantings in the new Arboretum and Botanical Garden have been purchased with funds contributed by individuals or organizations. As a result, University funds can be used exclusively for maintenance and upkeep. On behalf of the Executive Committee, I thank all those who continue to support the Arboretum and Botanical Garden.

Please plan to attend the 16th annual meeting of Arboretum Associates at 7:30 p.m., Wednesday, April 27, 1994, in the Moscow Community Center (3rd & Washington). At the (short) business meeting, we will have an update from the Director and elect a member of the Executive Committee to a three-year term.

Following the business meeting, Dr. Carlos Schwantes, UI Professor of History, will give an illustrated lecture, "Shaping the Palouse Landscape." Dr. Schwantes is well-known for his excellent illustrated presentations. This is an outstanding opportunity to learn more about the area.

Please contact me (479 Ridge Road, Moscow, ID 83843; telephone (208) 882-5078) if you have questions about or suggestions for Arboretum Associates.

- Duane LeTourneau, President



## NEW TREE BROCHURE FOR MOSCOW

"Moscow's Community Forestry Ordinance", published January 1994, presents a concise overview of policies for Moscow residents' selection, planting, care, and removal of trees, with special attention to trees on the public right-of-way adjacent to their property. A pruning guide brochure will be published soon. Brochures are available at the Moscow Parks and Recreation office, 1515 East "D" Street, Moscow.

Dear Arboretum Friends:

The rapid approach of our 14th planting season is a time of finding and ordering plants for various established and new groves and commemorative trees. Ongoing searches for quality documented plants for our Arboretum are perpetual reminders that completing planned groves sometimes can take a few years. Negotiations for purchases, just like those in the retail trade, are best completed during August through November prior to any spring planting season.

Within the next few weeks, we shall reap first benefits of the Arboretum Associates' support of the North American China Plant Exploration Consortium when we receive our first seeds. NACPEC personnel, under the direction of the U.S. National Arboretum and six other prestigious arboreta, made many seed collections of wild germ plasm in Heilongjiang, China, last autumn. This autumn, NACPEC collections will be made in the mountains adjacent to Beijing.

During March, three permanent signs will be installed at the entries of the University of Idaho Arboretum and Botanical Garden to welcome pedestrians to our "geographically based living museum of documented plants for study, learning, inspiration, and beauty." This installation, which culminates reviews, revisions, and signoffs from all pertinent committees, boards, and administrators at UI, will formally identify the arboretum for residents and tourists and will also distinguish the site from parks and active recreation centers.

I finally have found a source of quality cast bronze plaques for identifying the groves and commemorative trees in the Arboretum. By mid-summer, most of these special plantings should be identified.

Among new commemorative grove and tree plantings to be started this year in the Arboretum, ceremonies are planned for a Borah Symposium Tree (probably March 30), and the UI Silver and Gold Day Tree (probably April 6). The Silver and Gold Day Tree will recognize 80+ years of distinguished service to the University of Idaho by the UI Faculty Women's Club which held its dissolution meeting December 6, 1993.

Under the leadership of President Joyce Parr, the Moscow Garden Club received a \$500 incentive grant for the UI Arboretum Asian rose grove. Her proposal, a joint project of the eight garden clubs in the Clearwater District, was funded by the National Council of State Garden Clubs and the Shell Oil Company for "community improvement/education." Thank you, Moscow Garden Club!

Thank you for your continued and valued gifts and communications.

-Richard J. Naskali, Director 205 C.E.B., University of Idaho Moscow, ID 83844-3226 (208) 885-6250

CORRECTION:

The 27 horticultural reference books received for the arboretum library were from the estate of Joshua Harlan Carey, M.D., Ph.D., UI Alumnus. Due to a typographical error, his name was presented incorrectly in the last newsletter.



CONTRIBUTIONS RECEIVED DURING THE PERIOD NOVEMBER 1, 1993, THROUGH JANUARY 31, 1994:

We greatly appreciate general contributions to the Arboretum Associates from the following organizations, individuals, and families: Rendezvous in Moscow, Inc.; Merry Tiller's Garden Club, Boise; R.T. & Roberta Bingham; Kenton Bird; Elwood G. & Jean M. Bizeau; T.W. Brown & Lynda J. Jensen; Paul C. & Anna L. Conditt; Thomas V. Dechert; Nick & Margaret DeMattia; Wayne & Sidonia DeWitt; Harold H. Durk; Hazel Erickson; Orval & June Hansen, Donald G. House; Donald R. Huskey, John C. & Mary Ann Judge; Walter J. & Elizabeth L. Kochan; James E. & Barbara J. Kraus; Duane & Phyllis LeTourneau; William C. & Dorothy R. Lindsey; Dorothy A. Martin; Rogert R. Oettli; Warren S. & Pauli D. Owens; James & Patricia Peek; S. Edwin & Mary E. Ranta; Dana S. & Gina M. Rogers; Thomas R. & Jean Ann Sawyer; George M. & Mary Walker Simmons; Howard W. Smith; Kathryn B. Swenson; Stan D. & Lynn C. Tate; Paul F. & Eline L. Taylor; Edwin W. & Norah S. Tisdale; Richard C. & Grace Walter; Calvin C. & Kathleen Warnick; David L. & Lauren T. Wenny; and Grace J. Wicks.

Other valued contributions which benefit the Arboretum endowments, memorials and plantings were received by the UI Foundation, Inc., for categories noted: Arboretum Associates' Centennial Endowment: Robert N. & Pamela R. Steele (Life Membership in Arboretum Associates); and Charles J. & Marguerite C. Smiley (Life Membership in Arboretum Associates). Alfred J. Eiguren Memorial Arboretum Endowment: Simon S. & Delores Martin. H. Eugene and Norma H. Slade Arboretum Endowment: Beverly D. Rhoades. Elisabeth Zinser & W. Don Mackin Arboretum Endowment: Richard J. Naskali. Clearwater District Garden Clubs' Asian Rose Grove: Clearwater District Garden Clubs and Richard A. & Marlene Johnston. William McGowan European Oak Grove: Robert N. & Pamela R. Steele. Chi-Wu Wang Grove of Picea pungens cultivars: Ya-Yen Wang. Watts Family Norway Spruce Grove: M. Arlene Wallace. Earle & Ena Blodgett Sorbus Tree: Robert H. & Mary Ann Bottjer. Tim Ostebo Arboretum Memorial Fund: Edward B. & Gretchen F. Anderson and Gifford D. Pierce. Myra Smart Arboretum Memorial Fund: Rita DuBrow and Clifford A. & Marta B. Robertson.

## CALENDAR OF EVENTS

April 7, 1994 (Thursday): Special public seminar by Martha Schwartz, distinguished landscape architect; her innovative and unique designs transcend experimental and experienced approaches to gardens. Her work in "Transforming the American Garden" was at the UI Prichard Gallery two years ago. See local newspapers for place and time, or contact K. Grinde in UI Landscape Architecture at 885-7448.

April 27, 1994 (Wednesday): Annual Meeting, Arboretum Associates, Moscow Community Center, 3rd & Washington Streets, 7:30 p.m.

April 30, 1994 (Saturday): The Clearwater District section, Idaho Garden Clubs, Inc., special plant sale at Lewiston, ID, to benefit an arboretum grove of hardy Asian roses, 9am-noon. See local newspapers for sale location.

May 7-8, 1994 (Saturday, Sunday of Mothers' Day weekend): Moscow Home and Garden Show, Latah County Fairgrounds, sponsored by Moscow Chamber of Commerce; presenting an array of home and garden materials and seminars/programs about home and garden care.

May 14, 1994 (Saturday): Moscow Garden Club sale of fragrant plants at Latah County Fairgrounds to benefit the Arboretum Asian rose grove, 9am-noon.

We invite support for the UI ARBORETUM AND BOTANICAL GARDEN project. This form is provided for the convenience of all who have not already acted in FY94 (July 1, 1993, through June 30, 1994).

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