

Newsletter



GOING ONCE...GOING TWICE....SOLD!

SILENT AUCTION TONIGHT:

From the quality of the items processed so far, it looks like there will be some real treasures taken home tonight. Thank you to everyone who has donated. Also thank you to those of you who generously bid. Tonight is a fundraiser for our club. Enjoy the evening.

Auction Agenda:

- **Bidder number:** Get your bidder number in the foyer. You will use it each time you place a bid.
- **Check out the items.** If an item has a bidding slip, you can bid on it.
- **To place a bid:** Write your bidder number on left side of the slip, your bid amount goes on the right.
- **The amount you can bid:** If you are the first bidder, you can bid the "starting bid" amount. To increase a bid, you must increase it by at least 10¢. Or you can increase by 10¢ plus a multiple of 5¢, i.e. you can increase the bid by 10¢, 15¢, 20¢ etc. Of course, increasing by dollar amounts would be much appreciated.
- There will be a 5 minute warning before the end of bidding.
- When it is announced that bidding has ended, everyone leaves the bidding area while a group of members highlights each winning bid and its bidder number.
- When signaled, everyone gathers up their won items. Double check that you are actually the final bidder.
- When all your items are collected, go to a tallier to get the amounts totaled and then proceed to a cashier. You must submit all the bidding slips to the cashier.
- If, at auction end, there are items for which no bid has been placed, you can buy them for the minimum bid. Your bidder number must be put on the slip.

NWHS ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING:

This brief meeting is at the start of our general meeting, Nov 11. We will be electing the 2015 NWHS executive and voting on one bylaw change.

Executive: The positions for Secretary, Treasurer, Show Chair and (5) Members-at-Large are open. Julia Goulden and Lorna Cloutier still have one year left of their two year President & Vice-President terms. Please consider putting your name forward to be part of the group that will guide the club through 2015. Being on executive can be very satisfying.

Constitution Change Motion:

Bylaw 13.48 currently reads: Any member incurring an expense while engaged in the authorized affairs of the society shall be reimbursed upon presentation of receipts.

Proposed change: To be added to the existing wording: Expenses shall be submitted as soon as possible after the expense is incurred and within the calendar year.

PHOTO & CONTAINER CONTESTS:

Submit your entries at the podium where there are additional guidelines. It's easy. Good luck.

Photo: Instead of writing your name on the back of your photos, write your exhibitor number (get it at the podium). Also, put an arrow pointing upward on the back so no mistakes are made when viewing the image. Place each photo in the appropriate envelope.

Container: Use a blank envelope for each of your entries. Please do not write on the envelope. Put in the envelope: your photos, the list of plants and your name. Put your envelope(s) in the designated box.

Tonight's Meeting

Tuesday, Oct 14, 7:30pm

Silent Auction—Members only
Christmas Party tickets on sale
Contest entries due
Florissa order deadline

Mark Your Calendar

November Meeting—NWHS AGM

Tuesday, Nov 11, 7:30pm

Speaker: Emma Holmes, on "Soils"
AGM: elections + vote on bylaw change. See article
Container contest vote

Garden Gals Exhibition, 'Magnificent Trees', All of October; reference floor of New West Public Library

BC Council of Garden Clubs

Fall Meeting

Saturday, Oct 18, 8:30am to 3:30pm
Firefighter's Meeting & Conference Centre, Burnaby. You need to have registered for this event.

New West Seniors' Festival and IMBY Fair

Saturday, Oct 18, 10am to 3pm
Anvil Centre, 777 Columbia St., NW
Free underground parking

Dart's Hill Open House

Saturday, Oct 18, 11am to 3pm
16th Ave & 170th St in South Surrey
www.dartshill.ca

UBC Botanical Garden Apple Festival

Oct 18th & 19th, 11am to 4pm
www.bothanicalgarden.ubc.ca/apple-festival. Admission is \$4 - cash only.

What's Cooking at NWHS:

Fun with Chocolate

Friday, Nov 21, 6pm to 8pm. at Silina's.
See article.

NWHS Christmas Crafts:

Nov 17 to Dec 7, 9am to 9pm
Audrey's basement. See article.

NWHS Christmas Party:

Tuesday, Dec 9, 6pm onward
Tickets must be purchased for this event. \$20 members; \$25 guest. See article.

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WHAT'S COOKING AT NWHHS:

FUN WITH CHOCOLATE

Join Silina Nakatsu as she guides us through making chocolate ganash and glaze, and tempering and modeling chocolate. Based on the success of the past two classes, you will definitely get your money's worth. The fees are \$33 for NWHHS members, and \$38 for non-members. Silina is donating the instructional component of the fees (\$15 & \$20) to the NWHHS coffers. Thanks Silina. With these very reasonable prices, *fees are non-refundable* but can be transferred to another person. Deadline to register is the Nov 11th meeting or until sold-out. Pick up a detailed class outline tonight.

How to sign-up: In Silina's absence, see Audrey. She will register you tonight or at the November meeting—and any time in between. If you don't have your money with you, get put on the waiting list but be aware that persons with money get placed first. Make cheques out to "Silina Nakatsu".

TREASURER'S REPORT - September

Total Revenues: \$435.80

Total Expenses: \$ 1,499.15

See the bulletin board for report.

FLORISSA:

Tonight is the deadline for your order. The club thanks you. Early next week (perhaps even earlier) your order will be available for pick-up from Audrey. She will contact you.

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Heather Best—Seed Exchange

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CHRISTMAS CRAFTS:

For 3 weeks before the Christmas party, members (and friends) are invited to Audrey's basement to make the prizes for the Christmas Party draw. The basement will be available Nov 17 to Dec 7, from 9am to 9pm but you must tell Audrey that you will be there. Telling her is easy. There is a huge calendar (on the window by the podium this evening) on which you are invited to write your name and the hours you would like to craft. Full name and phone number please. Usually people craft for a 2-3 hour stint. The calendar will also be available at our November meeting. Fresh materials will be worked on only during daylight hours of the final weekend. Even if you consider yourself "craft challenged" you are invited to come to socialize. The maximum number of crafters for one session is 4-5 (less for the fresh materials). At non-meeting times contact Audrey by phone or email.

The crafting materials: An unbelievable amount of stuff is available to play with—ask anyone who has previously crafted in the basement. Often, people spend their first crafting session just checking out the materials. If you have crafting materials or Christmas decorations you no longer want, we can use them. Please drop them off at Audrey's sheltered kitchen door. We cannot use fragrant or glittery materials. We definitely are not offended if you would like to return a prize you won at a previous Christmas party.

NEW WESTMINSTER URBAN FOREST MANAGEMENT STRATEGY:

Our urban forest is a big factor in the livability of our city. New Westminster is in the process of planning how the city's tree canopy can be maintained and enhanced. They are asking city residents for their opinions. The October 8th Open House presented information on the inventory and analysis of our urban forest with the aim to develop community supported targets for future tree canopy cover and proposed tree management practices. If you were unable to attend the Open House, you can review the presented posters and submit your opinions via the survey on-line at www.newwestpcr.ca. Deadline for survey submission is Thursday, October 23rd. Survey results will be presented at a second open house in late 2014.

CHRISTMAS PARTY:

Instead of having a regular club meeting in December, we PARTY! The evening starts with a buffet dinner (why we must sell tickets). After that it is pretty fast paced with door prizes, trivia quiz, contest awards and, of course, the fantastic Christmas draw. The evening starts at 6pm, the feast at 6:30. It ends about 9pm.

Tickets on sale tonight: A steal of a deal: \$20 for members, \$25 for a guest. There are only 120 tickets available as that is the maximum seating. Tonight, ticket sales will end about 15 minutes after the business part of the meeting. After tonight, they are available through Ellen. If some are still available, they will be sold at the November meeting. Until December 1st you can get your ticket refunded if you are forced to change your plans. All seating is reserved so tell Ellen your seating preferences.

Feast Highlights:

Besides beverages (wine & non-alcoholic punch, tea & coffee) we will be enjoying:

- Free range turkey with all the trimmings
- Three cheese rainbow tortellini
- Traditional Ukrainian cabbage rolls
- Marinated Greek salad with feta
- Spinach salad with seasonal berries
- Mixed green salad
- Butter whipped potatoes
- Cranberry apple stuffing
- Glazed carrots with Brussel sprouts
- Several delicious cold platters
- Assorted Christmas desserts