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From The President

Kay Logan-Peters

Greetings Garden Lovers! As summer slips away the UNL Garden Friends are busy planning upcoming UNL Garden Friends activities. This fall we will be hosting our second annual fall garden tour which we have decided to call the **Autumn Secret Garden Tour**. We have promised members in the past that we would be hosting tours of member gardens, but to make things interesting we have decided to keep the gardener and location a secret! The tour will be held at a remarkable local garden, and include wine, cheese and other light refreshments, on Sunday, September 12 from 5-7. The tour is free, but we would welcome your voluntary donations, no matter how small, to the Ken Good Endowment Fund. Our gracious host requests that attendance be limited to the first 40 guests to sign up. Please contact Landscape Services at 472-2679 to sign up and find out the location. This is going to be a great event so don't wait to make a reservation. In case of inclement weather, attendees will be notified.

In other news, the Board of Directors has two new members. John and Kit Keller joined the Board in June, just in time for our annual Board of Directors barbecue. John and Kit have both been involved in other organizations and we are thrilled to have them join us on the UNL Garden Friends board. In a future issue of Garden News we will profile the Keller's, along with our other new board members.

Finally I would like to thank all of our members who attended the Preview Party, purchased auction items, volunteered with the Preview Party or at the plant sale. We could not be successful without our great members!

A special thank you goes to Garden Friends members who sent an additional donation with their annual membership renewal.

Preview Party Shines in New Location

Donna Ewoldt

A great crowd showed up early April 23 at the Lancaster Event Center to buy plants, bid on auction items, try the new menu and kick off the garden season. Nearly 360

guests went through the delicious two-meat buffet. Kudos goes to Lancaster Event Center Chef Paul Johnson who cooked 18 beef briskets, 100 lbs of potatoes and baked homemade rolls to feed hungry gardeners.

UNL Advanced Floral Design students under the guidance of UNL Professor Dave Lambe and Interior Designer Deb Arends created brightly colored table décor that were sold to eager guests after the dinner. Spring Affair plant sales were brisk all evening until a thunderstorm struck.

Sunshine and long lines of shoppers came out early on Saturday for the public Spring Affair Plant Sale resulting in excellent sales.

Heartfelt thanks goes to Spring Affair Preview Party Sponsors: St. Elizabeth Regional Medical Center and Eagle Nursery, Bob & Stacie Bleicher, Lancaster Event Center staff, generous silent auction donors, volunteers, UNL Landscape Services, Nebraska Statewide Arboretum, Inc. Garden Friends Board, Garden Friends members and guests. We appreciate your continued support of the annual fundraising event to benefit the UNL Botanical Garden & Arboretum. Hope to see you next April.



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Thank you Preview Party Donors!

Your generous gifts make the Preview Party Silent Auction a success every year.

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Autumn Secret Garden Tour 2010 Garden Friends Members Only Sunday, September 12, 5-7 pm

Notable Southeast Lincoln water garden with wine and cheese refreshments. Call Landscape Services at 472-2679 to get location & reserve your space. At host's request, space is limited to 40 members. Donations accepted to benefit the Ken Good Endowment for Love and Cather Gardens.

Spring Affair Plant Sale April 23-24, 2010 Lancaster Event Center



Setting up for Spring Affair

Spring Affair Sales

Plants Received	46,917
Number of varieties	1,034
2.5" pots	26,631
3.5" pots	2,104
Quarts	7,685
6" round pots	1,508
Troughs	23
Plants Sold	37,951



Customers in line Saturday morning

Top 5 Best Selling plants in 2010

- 1 Ceratostigma plumbaginoides
- 2 Asclepias tuberosa
- 3 Heuchera 'Caramel'
- 4 Echinacea 'Evan Saul' Sundown™
- 4 Heuchera 'Citronelle'
- 4 Heuchera 'Miracle'
- 5 Sporobolus heterolepis
- 5 Melinis nervigulumis

Thank you talented UNL Advanced Floral Design and Shop Management Horticulture 262 class for the fresh table decor at the Preview Party:

Jaclyn Beran
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Jazz in June Garden Tours 2010



June 8
 Kay Logan-Peters leading a tour of historic buildings on campus.



June 15
 Emily Casper leads a tour of the Westbrook Courtyard project



June 22
 Amy Alderman giving a tour of Love Gardens.

From the Director

Eileen Bergt

The 2010 Special Olympics USA National Games were held in Lincoln and on the UNL campus this last July. More than 30,000 athletes, parents, coaches, volunteers and fans and nearly as many more spectators attended the events which was the largest single special event ever situated at UNL. University facilities that were used during the 5 day event included Bob Devaney Sports Center for the Opening and Closing Ceremonies and for Aquatics. Campus Recreation Center, Cook Pavilion and the Coliseum hosted the Rhythmic Gymnastics and Bocce. Kimball Recital Hall hosted powerlifting and Mabel Lee Fields were the site of flag football. Ed Weir Track hosted all of the track and field events. Special Olympic athletes and coaches filled all of the residence halls on campus except one.

Recycling and composting 50% of the waste was a goal for the event including Zero Waste Events at the Opening and Closing Ceremonies. We had recycling containers everywhere on campus and volunteers willing to help. The event recycled 23, 187 pounds and we exceeded our goal of 50%.



A Special Olympic volunteer recycling outside Kimball Recital Hall

This was a busy week for Landscape Services but all the planning paid off when the Games were a huge success and our staff enjoyed the experiences.

New Campus Projects Means New Plants and Opportunities on Campus

Emily Casper

The campus has changed drastically over the last 10 years, but this last year there have been dramatic changes across campus and on its edges as the Antelope Valley Project wraps up adjacent to campus. There are eight major campus construction and renovation projects on City and East Campus finishing construction this summer and fall. Landscape Services is responsible for installing and renovating the landscapes for all UNL Facilities Management and Planning projects. Three of the projects are new buildings, and the rest are major renovations to buildings that also include major changes to the landscapes around them. The new buildings on campus are Jorgensen Hall, Knoll Residential Center and the 19th and Vine Parking Garage. Renovations and addition projects include the Whittier Renovation, Abel Sandoz Residence

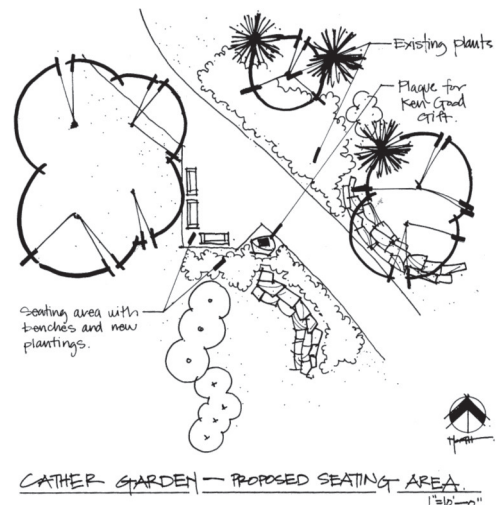
Hall Renovation, Abel Sandoz Dining Hall Renovation and Addition, Keim Hall Renovation and the Barkley Memorial Center Addition.

New and renovated projects mean new plants for campus. Landscape Services will be planting over 170 trees, 1500 shrubs and 1,000 perennials, vines and groundcover between now and the end of the planting season as part of this project work. On each of these projects Landscape Services is working with some tried and true plants, but we also try to incorporate new plant material available in the trade so we can test how sustainable new plant materials are for Nebraska's climate.

One major renovation project completed this year, that is very visible to the Lincoln community, is the renovation of the Whittier Building. The project included renovation of the north annex into a Children's Center and playgrounds and the main building space into research and office space. The landscape design for the Whittier Building was designed based on the original Landscape Architect Ernst Hemminghaus landscape sketch. The plant material was not called out on the sketch so the design for the landscape is based on the plant form and texture from the sketch. Some of the different types of plant material to be utilized include Taylor Junipers, Lodense Privet, Miss Kim Lilac and upright English Oaks. The landscape will be installed in late August and early September for a Community Open House September 28th from 5 – 7 pm.

Ken Good Gift Update

As part of the Ken Good Gift, new plantings were added around the base of the building at Love Library last year. The new planting of Serbian Spruce, Issai Beautyberry and Yews completely transformed the area and added to the beauty of Love Garden. Landscape Services is also planning to install a seating area with brick paving at one of the south entrances to Cather Garden next spring. This project will add much needed seating to the native Cather Garden. Future Ken Good Gift projects include plant signage, interpretive signage and fill-in plantings in both Love and Cather Garden. Thank you Kinder Porter Scott Family Foundation for your gift to the project this year.





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