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*The thing that separates the true gardener from the mere architect or mere designer (and there is something extremely suspicious, you may notice, in the airs they give themselves to nowadays) is that the gardener stands in awe before his violets, while others think in terms of substantial blobs and use "plant materials" to effectuate their "themes."*

—Henry Mitchell, Introduction to the 1984 edition of William Robinson's *The English Flower Garden*

## COMING EVENTS!

**June 17, Thursday. 6:30 PM to dusk. Garden tours—Gardens of Nakoma and University Heights.** With the Wisconsin Hosta Society. Will include the gardens of John Tallman, 815 Summit Ave. (off Breese Terrace, near University). In Nakoma, three gardens on Miami Pass (intersects Cherokee Dr. near Thoreau School)—Ed Hasselkus, 746 Miami Pass; Chris Bylsma, 734 Miami Pass; Tom and Sue Saari, 814 Miami Pass—and Frank Greer, 925 Waban Hill (near intersection with Yuma Dr).

**Thursday evening, July 1. 6:30 PM until dusk. Gardens of the Stoughton, Oregon, and Brooklyn area.** These will include David & Nancy Nedveck's display gardens at the Flower Factory.

**July 16 & 17. Olbrich Home and Garden Tour,** Madison's North-side. Will feature gardens of WHPS members Marilyn Sachtjen and Nancy Hogan.

**July 31, Saturday. Day trip to Decorah, Iowa.** We will be visiting the private garden of David Cavagnaro (March speaker), Heritage Farm, headquarters of the Seed Savers Exchange, and Willowglen Nursery with its wonderful display gardens. We will be renting a bus. Cost will be \$50 per person, including a picnic at the Seed Savers Exchange and an evening meal on the way home. *See enclosed flier for additional information.*

**August 26, 6:30 PM Book Signing and Wine and Cheese reception at Olbrich Gardens,** featuring our very own Joan Severa and her new book: *Creating a Northern Perennial Garden*. \$5 donation requested to Olbrich Gardens. Joan's book will be on sale at the Olbrich gift shop.

**September 15. 7-9 PM Olbrich Gardens. Enjoying Your Garden 24 hours a Day—A Primer on Garden Illumination.** Steve Lesch will enlighten us on the subject and will demonstrate his ideas outdoors with a demonstration of what can be done.

**September 16, 6:30-8:00 Allen Centennial Garden (with the Hosta Society).** Tour conducted by WHPS member and garden designer Dennis Buettner.

**October 20 7-9 PM. Olbrich Gardens Annual business meeting and "Highlights of the Garden Year"** by various members.

**October 16 1-3 PM Olbrich Gardens, upstairs meeting room** *Second annual members' seed exchange.*

**November 6, 1999, Olbrich Gardens. Second annual fall symposium—"Great Shady Gardeners."** Speakers include noted fern expert John Mickel (author of the new book *Ferns for American Gardens*), New York Botanical Garden, Darrell Probst, Hubbardston, MA, the leading US authority on the genera *Tricyrtis* and *Epimedium*, Fred Case, Saginaw, MI, rock garden guru, who has recently published a book on the genus *Trillium* and will give two talks: *North American Trilliums* and *Outstanding Eastern Wildflowers for the Shade Garden*; and, finally, Mark Zillis, owner of Q & Z Nursery in northern Illinois, world famous hosta breeder and introducer, who will be speaking about using Hosta in the shade garden.

**November 17, 1999, 7-9 PM Olbrich Gardens Commons.** Program to be announced.

**December 8, 1999 7-9PM Olbrich Gardens Commons.** Program to be announced.

**January 16, 2000. 11 AM to 2 PM Annual pot luck brunch with the Hosta Society.** Program to include a video: *On the Road with the Wisconsin Hardy Plant Society—The Missouri Botanical Garden.*

**February 16, 2000 7PM Olbrich Gardens.** Greg Speichert, owner of Crystal Palace Perennials, St. John, Indiana, will speak on *Plants for the Water and Bog Garden.*

### FUTURE EVENTS

The next *WHPS tour to England* is scheduled for **June, 2000**, featuring Gardens of the West Country. Already on the agenda is a return visit to the Cotswolds, with Hidcote and Kiftsgate gardens on the itinerary. We will also be visiting a private garden in Shropshire and Powis Castle in Wales.

**November, 2000, Olbrich Gardens. Gardening from the Catalog.** Dan Hinckley Heronwoods Nursery, Tony Avent Plant Delights Nursery (committed), Roy Klehm, Klehm Nursery, and one more to be announced.

