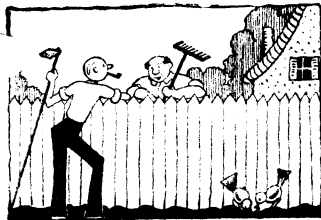


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## JULY GARDEN TOUR

Date: Tuesday, July 11, 1950

Time: 5:30 P.M. - Sharp!

Place: Residence and garden of  
A. R. Blackburn, 5015 Wooddale  
Lane, Edina

Dinner: Deluxe hot special

1/2 fried chicken; French fried  
potatoes; tossed salad; apple  
pie with cheese; coffee

Price: Cheap at \$1.50!

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Our July meeting - as has been our annual custom for a number of years - will be a tour of members' gardens.

We meet at the Blackburn's where we have been invited to break bread and where members of the commissary committee are going to serve a hot fried chicken dinner with all the trimmings. No, they're not going to cook it! Just sling it. A well-known caterer is doing the fixings.

Another surprise: Herb Kahlert is donating no less than five bucks worth of prize iris as a dinner prize, to take home of course, if you're lucky enough to win one!

You had better come early - that is, be there by 5:30 if you like your chicken hot; otherwise take your time for we won't be caravanning to the next garden until 6:20 and you probably haven't room for more iris.

Those of you unfamiliar with Edina, its streets and palatial boulevards, its park and clear water creek when flowing, follow these directions: To 5015 Wooddale Lane from 50th Street, turn south on Wooddale Avenue, then turn left or east at the first corner, which is Wooddale Lane.



## OUR CLUB'S FIRST ROSE SHOW

Under the auspices of the "Rose" interest group headed by Stan Lund, the Club sponsored its first public, amateur, noncompetitive rose exhibit on the main banking floor of the Farmers & Mechanics Bank on Monday, June 19th from 9 A.M. to 6 P.M.

Over 300 specimen blooms and a dozen arrangements in vases were placed on exhibition including 85 named varieties. The specimens were exhibited on a tee-shaped counter made up of 3 eight-foot tables, especially designed by Cortis Rice and manufactured by Stan Lund. Each bloom was displayed in a small glass vial housed in these uniquely constructed showcases.

Art Nelson was the wheelhorse of the Show shouldering most of the responsibility for the collection of the blooms and remaining in attendance at the exhibit from six in the morning until late in the evening. Assisting him were Stan Lund, Herb Kahlert, Cortis Rice, Don Methven and Vic Lowrie.

The roses exhibited came from the gardens of Tom Foley, Art Nelson, Herb Kahlert, Stan Lund, Morris Lifson, Jack Cohen, Bill Holmberg, Art Blackbourn and Vic Lowrie. The Park Board provided the roses for the arrangements from the Rose Gardens.

The bank officials were exceedingly well pleased with the whole affair and invited us to return next year, expressing the wish that we would decide to make it an annual event.

We are most grateful to all who contributed to the success of this venture and to each and every one we extend the thanks of the entire Club membership. We would like to single out for special recognition Art Nelson for his untiring effort in waiting on the public all day and assisting those who were interested in the selection and culture of roses for their gardens; to Don Methven for providing labels of each named variety, and seeing to it that they were all properly identified (Don also donated to the Club an enlarged replica of the Club's insignia which was used for the first time at our June Flower Show); to Stan Lund for promoting the idea and seeing it through to a successful conclusion; to George Luxton for publicizing the Show in his Sunday Tribune column; to the Park Board for its generous donation of roses; and to our Board of Directors who voted the funds for financing the project.

### KAHLERT'S IRIS AND PEONY GARDEN

If you missed Herb's garden during the height of the iris and peony blooming period, you robbed yourself of a treat which you would have long remembered. The Kahlert's garden is always a showplace, but this last month it surpassed in beauty and color all previous seasons.

### GREETINGS

We welcome and extend greetings to the following new commercial members: Lloyd and Lawrence Bachman of Minneapolis; E. D. Lehmann and Kim Andrews of Faribault. We are proud to have these men become associated with us and look forward to their participation in our activities.

### ROSE DAY

The Minnesota Rose Society held its annual meeting on June 24th, and completed a very successful program which included a tour of Twin City rose gardens. Among these were four of our own members' gardens: Messrs. Lund, Nelson, Foley and Lifson. Charlie Doell, superintendent of Minneapolis parks and a fellow Club-member, was re-elected President of the Society for the coming year.

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We are saddened by the untimely death of our fellow Clubmember, Dr. D. C. Arnold, who collapsed on the campus of his alma mater while on a trip east to attend his daughter's graduation. To the Arnold family we extend deepest sympathy.