



FRIENDS OF  
BOERNER  
BOTANICAL  
GARDENS  
Milwaukee County's Living Museum

August September October November 2011

# In Season

*Nurture Sustain Preserve*

*Please Join Us!*

**WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 17th**

*5pm – 7pm*

**FBBG Annual  
Meeting**

*Potluck – Nell's Cafe*



**SUNDAY, OCTOBER 9th**

*11am – 3pm*

**FBBG's  
AutumnFest**

*Kids – Adults – Families!*



**SATURDAY, OCTOBER 15th**

*10am and 1pm*

**Autumn's Brilliance  
Garden Walk**

*with Melinda Myers*



**SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 13th**

*1pm – 3pm*

**Green Milwaukee:  
A History of Our Public Parks**

*with John Gurda*

*Writer & Historian*



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# Family WORKSHOPS

*Perfect for families with kids ages 5-12*

## Fall Woods Walk

**Saturday, September 10**

Spend the morning in the woods. Participants will tour Potter's woods to learn about trees and collect leaves. Families can create a "pounded leaf" journal to take home.

## All about Pumpkins, Squash, & Gourds

**Saturday, October 8**

Hands-on learning about pumpkins, squash and gourds. Save some seeds to plant your own pumpkin patch. Refreshments provided.

## Using Herbs & Spices for the Holidays

**Saturday, November 12**

Learn about plants that spice up and flavor the holiday season. Create a scented ornament and plant a fragrant herb to take home. Refreshments provided.

**All workshops scheduled 10am - Noon**

**Members - \$20 per family**

**Non Members - \$25 per family**

**All materials included,**

**To register call: 414-525-5659**



## FALL FUN

### FBBG's AutumnFest

**Sunday, October 9, 11am-3pm**

Fun for kids, families, and adults!

- children's crafts
- local vendors
- & many more autumn themed activities in the gardens – fun for everyone!



## Wishlist

**Help FBBG by donating needed items:**

Gift Cards for Education Supplies:

*Michael's Crafts, Jo-Ann Fabrics, Menard's, Home Depot, Woodman's, Pick 'n Save, Target*

Heavy Duty Vacuum Cleaner

Portable PA System - Anchor Audio MiniVox

*Please contact Jen Schmitz at 414-525-5664 for inquiries*





### From the Desk of Gardens Director, Shirley Dommer Walczak

Welcome to three new members of our Boerner horticultural team.

**Dave Wanninger**, *Horticulturist In Charge*. Dave possesses a vast horticultural and garden background. He is a frequent speaker for horticultural audiences throughout the Midwest.

**Amber Liss**, *Horticulturist for the Trial Garden*. Amber comes to us from the Lacrosse area.

**Alex Hoefs**, *Horticulturist for the Shrub Mall, Rock Garden and Rain harvesting area*. Alex is a Racine native.

**We have big plans to renovate the shrub mall this fall and coming spring!**

Our thanks to Juris Krisans for all his work in our Trial Garden. Juris has moved to the Greenhouses, growing plants for Boerner!

Please visit often and experience...

- blooming grasses
- fall flush in the rose garden
- wonderful fall colors
- Trial Garden and annuals at their peak performance
- rest and relaxation

*Thank you to all the Volunteer weeders who have so generously helped us thus far. You have done a terrific job!*

Our volunteers will be weeding through October.  
Sign up: Jennifer at 414-525-5664 or jschmitz@fbbg.org.

Hoping to see you often at the Gardens,

Happy Blooms,  
Shirley



### Congratulations!

to Bill Radler on receiving the Jane Righter Rose Medal from the Garden Club of America for his achievement in developing the Knock Out® Rose.♦

*Kettle Monaine Garden Club nominated Mr. Radler for the award.*



# Adult Education & Programs

## ADULT EDUCATION CLASSES

**All About Monarch Butterflies  
Habits and Habitats**

*Saturday, September 10, 10am - 11:30am*

**Brew it Yourself - Beer!**

*Thursday, September 15, 6:30pm - 8:00pm*

**Now that you've grown it, what's next?  
Preserving your summer fruits and  
vegetables**

*Saturday, September 17, 10am - 11:30am*

**Native American Plants - Learning  
and Tasting**

*Thursday, September 29, 6:30pm - 8:00pm*

**Low Maintenance Gardening -  
Foolproof Plants for the Weekend  
Gardener**

*Thursday, October 6, 6:30pm - 8:00pm*

**Protecting Your Garden**

*Saturday, October 8, 9:00am - 10:30am*

**Tree ID Walk**

*Saturday, October 22, 10am - Noon*

**Eco Friendly Gardening**

*Thursday, November 3, 6:30pm - 8:00pm*

**Chinese Brush Painting &  
Calligraphy in the garden**

*Saturday, November 5, 10am - 11:30am*

**Holiday Centerpieces using live plants  
(Demonstration)**

*Saturday, November 12, 10am - 11:30am*

**Green Milwaukee: A History of  
Our Public Parks with John Gurda**

*Sunday, November 13, 1:00pm - 3:00pm*

**DIY Holiday Landscape Lighting  
for the Homeowner**

*Thursday, November 17, 6:30pm - 8:00pm*

**Orchids for Beginners**

*Saturday, December 3, 10:00am - 11:30am*

**Holiday Bulbs (bulb forcing class)**

*Thursday, December 8, 6:30pm - 8:00pm*

**All classes \$10 members / \$15 non-members, unless otherwise noted  
Registration: 414-525-5659**

## Garden Walk Schedule

*Traditional FBBG Garden Walks - \$5 suggested donation  
Expert led, with new topics each week! All walks leave at  
6:30pm from the Education & Visitors Center Atrium.*

### August 3

**Simple Principles for  
Planting Plans -  
From Ground Covers  
to Woody Plants**

Kerry Mattingly, Tree Tops  
Landscape

### August 10

**Culinary & Fragrant  
Herbs (Herb Garden Walk)**

Brigid McGeehan, Herb Society  
of America Wisconsin Unit

### August 17

**Fabulous Flowering  
Perennials**

Matt Singer, Four Season  
Landscape

### August 24

**Landscape Colors- Ideas  
from our Trial Garden**

Amber Liss, Milwaukee County  
Horticulturist

### August 31

**Transition Plants for  
Late Summer/Fall Color**

John Lamm, Lammscapes

### September 7

*(Please note: 6:00pm start time)*

**Vertical Elements:**

**Vines, Trees & Shrubs**

Nick Ternes, The Flower Source



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# Boerner Through the Seasons

## 2011 Garden Walks with Melinda Myers

Beauty can be found at Boerner in all four seasons. Join me for these seasonal garden walks and find beautiful ideas you can replicate right in your own backyard!

Fee: Member \$20/Walk  
Non-member \$25/Walk

*Class size is limited. Walks Held Rain or Shine*

*Proceeds Support FBBG Children's Plant Science and Environmental Education at Boerner Botanical Gardens*

To register or for more information call 414-525-5659 or visit [boernerbotanicalgardens.org](http://boernerbotanicalgardens.org) or [melindamyers.com](http://melindamyers.com)



*Note to parents: For the October walk, the Friends of Boerner Botanical Gardens will offer free simultaneous activities and snacks for children (ages 3-9), freeing parents to enjoy the Saturday fall garden walks.*

### Autumn's Brilliance

**Saturday, October 15th, 10 a.m. or 1 p.m.**

Enjoy the color, fragrance and sounds of fall and find ways to incorporate the plants that provide them into your landscape. We'll take a look at trees, shrubs, perennials and of course ornamental grasses that can provide a colorful finale to the growing season.

*We'd like to thank our sponsors for their invaluable support.*



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### Volunteer Weeding – Join us!

Come join FBBG, Milwaukee County Parks, and the Southeast Wisconsin Master Gardeners in a collaborative effort to support the BBG Horticultural Staff in our 2nd Annual volunteer weeding initiative.

August 9, 10, 11  
August 23, 24, 25  
September 13, 14, 15  
September 20, 21, 22  
October 4, 5, 6

*For sign up: Jennifer Schmitz 414-525-5664 or [jschmitz@fbbg.org](mailto:jschmitz@fbbg.org)*

**BECOME AN FBBG MEMBER!**

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SUNDAY, OCTOBER 9th

**FBBG's AutumnFest**

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and adults!*



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