

SATURDAY, September 21, 2013 Garden Tour & Plant Sale: Patrick and Bonnie Ion's garden in Ann Arbor. Patrick and Bonnie have diverse gardening interests, so besides a crevice garden, there will be a variety of other gardens to see.

PLANT SALE PREPARATIONS for September 21st: If you are a newcomer to our group, you will be surprised at the diversity, number of rarities, and size of our two yearly plant sales. They are one of the best things about being a chapter member, and offer the opportunity to get wonderful and unusual plants at very reasonable prices. Also, the sale is very important to the Chapter, as it raises the funds for our excellent speaker program. But because of the size of the sale, we do need to have people try to follow certain rules to make the sale run smoothly and quickly.

At home:

- 1). Please pot or repot plants at least ten days before the sale. Otherwise, the plants may look ragged.
- 2). Please select appropriate plants for the sale. Interesting and unusual alpiners, woodland plants, and small woody plants are ideal. No large, common woody plants, annuals, common perennials, and tropicals, please.
- 3). Before you bring the plants, label each pot, with the name of the plant [scientific name, if known, and cultivar or variety, if known]. On the back of the label put your name and the year. This allows people both at the sale or later to ask you about the plant. It also helps us when setting up the sale to talk to you if, for example, you have missed putting a price on the plant.
- 4). We ask people to price their own plants. You can price your plants at home, if you like, but please use a separate price label. The price labels are pulled out of the pots by the cashier to expedite adding up the total. Prices range from \$2 to \$6, but mostly are within the \$2 to \$4 range. Please use whole dollar amounts.

At the sale:

- 1) If you have not priced your plants at home, please use the chapter price labels provided to price each pot. Set your plants as close together as possible on the selling tables. You should try to get your plants to the sale a half-hour or so before the sale starts to get them set up and priced, if necessary.
- 2) Please tell the people running the auction how many plants you brought. For every 10 plants you bring, you earn one Red Label. Each Red Label entitles you to one "First Pick." This means that those who did not bring plants must stand back and wait for those with Red Labels to make their First Picks. The time for First Pickers to make their choices is limited to 3-5 minutes depending upon the number of First Pick labels given out. Keep in mind that you still have to pay for the plants.
- 3) Please let us know if you think you might have brought a plant or plants that you think might be of "Auction Quality." These are normally a) exceptionally rare and desirable plants not available commercially, b) plants available only at a very high cost, or c) large, well-grown specimens of highly desirable plants. We try our best to keep the auctions highly selective, and if you have plants selected by the people running the auction to be auctioned, you will get an additional Red Label for each plant.

MONDAY, October 28, 2013 Fall Meeting:

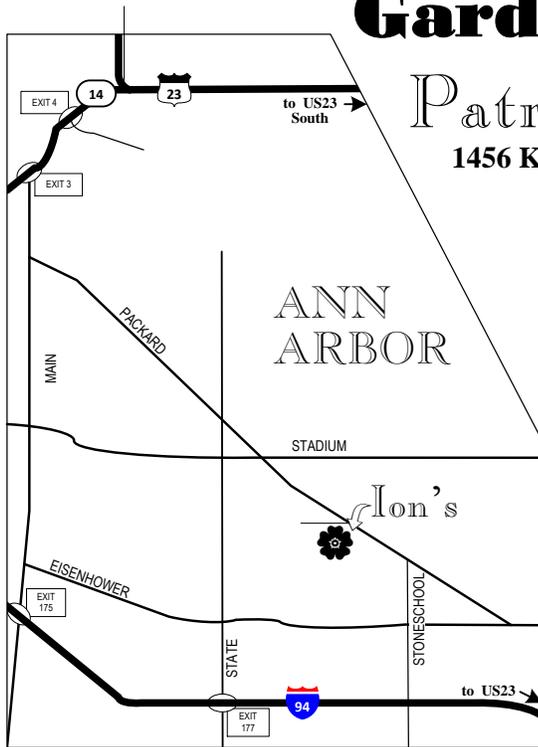
PLEASE NOTE. This talk will be in the evening, at 7:30 PM, in the Matthaei Botanical Gardens Auditorium.

Come see Ian Young, well-known gardener from Scotland, with a strong interest in bulbous plants. Ian is a plantsman *extraordinaire*, as well as an accomplished artist, photographer, writer, and lecture. Along with his wife, Margaret, he has gardened for forty years in Aberdeen, Scotland. He has concentrated his attention on the study of bulb cultivation (but not to the exclusion of other plants) for the past twenty years and has written a Bulb Log Diary, for the Scottish Rock Garden Club web site, since 2003, which is well worth visiting (<http://www.srgc.org.uk/logs/>) Ian will be presenting: *HIGH RISE AND TIME SHARE*. See how he makes the most of space in a small garden. I'm sure it will be instructive to us all.

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11:30 AM – ca. 3:30 PM PLANT SALE 1:30 PM

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From US23/M14: Take Exit 3 (Main Street) South to Packard. Turn Left (Southeast) onto Packard and follow it to Kensington Drive. Turn Right (West) onto Kensington and the Ion's house is on your Left (South).

From I94: Take Exit 177 (State Street) North to Eisenhower. Turn Right (East) onto Eisenhower and follow it to Stone School. Turn Left (North) onto Stone School and follow it to Packard. Turn Left (Northwest) onto Packard. Follow Packard to Kensington Drive. Turn Left (West) onto Kensington and the Ion's house is on your Left (South).

Fall Meeting: Lecture

7:30 PM - ca. 9:00 PM MONDAY, 28 October 2013

Ian Young from Scotland

High Rise & Time Share

**MATTHAEI BOTANICAL
GARDENS**

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From the North off US23: Take EXIT 41 (Plymouth Rd) . Travelling East away from Ann Arbor on Plymouth turn Right (South) on Dixboro Road to MATTHAEI BOTANICAL GARDENS on the Left (East) side.

From the South off US23: Take EXIT 39 (Geddes Rd) . Travelling East away from Ann Arbor on Geddes turn Left (North) on Dixboro Road to MATTHAEI BOTANICAL GARDENS on the Right (East) side.

