



THE GARDENER'S DIRT

The Latest Scoop from the Scott County Master Gardeners

October 2011

Save the Date!

Holiday Party

Please mark your calendars for this year's "Holiday Party" on Tuesday, December 6th.

More details coming in the November newsletter.



Board Briefs

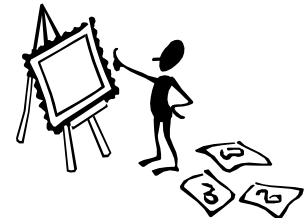
Submitted by Bob Cohee

The Master Gardener's Advisory Board held a meeting on September 14, 2011 with eight members present.

The items discussed were:

- Lack of volunteers for the Hort Clinic
- 2012 Budget
- Possible "bus trip" to Hornbaker's Nursery in spring.
- Possible Hort clinic at Farmer's Market
- Possible booth or some type of "Presence" at the fair other than the 4-H judging.
- Upcoming Board Elections.

A complete copy of the minutes is available at the Extension Office.
The next meeting will be November 3, 2011 at 6:30 p.m.



Our Mission

To provide home horticulture information and education to the citizens of Scott County consistent with Iowa State University recommendations. We also strive to increase members' knowledge of horticulture through educational programs.

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Yard Clippings

Submitted by Christine Rice



Any one seed may be too old to sprout or inferior in some way, but it will never try to be something it isn't fitted to be. A man may study to be a surgeon when he should have been a shoemaker, a talented painter may spend his life trying to convince himself and his fellows that he is a lawyer, but a turnip seed will never attempt to grow into an ear of corn. If you plant a good turnip seed properly a turnip is what you will get every single time.
—Ruth Stout, page 241.

A garden is a grand teacher. It teaches patience and careful watchfulness; it teaches industry and thrift; above all, it teaches entire trust.
—Gertrude Jekyll, page 243.

A Gardener's Bouquet of Quotations, Editor Maria Polushkin Robbins. New Jersey: The Ecco Press. 1993. Pages 241, 243.

Gardeners have three weapons to use against summer drought: mulches, watering pots, and prayers.
—Tyler Whittle, *Some Ancient Gentlemen* (1965), page 39.

The man who planted a garden feels that he has done something for the good of the world.
—Charles Dudley Warner, page 53.

I am fonder of my garden for the trouble it gives me.
—Reginald Farrer, *My Rock Garden* (1907), page 25.

It is a greater act of faith to plant a bulb than to plant a tree. —Clare Leighton, *Four Hedges* (1935), page 66.

The Quotable Gardener, Editor Charles Elliot. New York: The Lyons Press. 1999. Pages 25, 39, 53, 66.