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Change on the MAPS Calendar

We have cancelled the dig and divide event planned for later in September because the plans for our October 14th event have grown and will take the place of the dig and divide annual meeting, training and fundraiser.

The Executive Committee realized that so much work and energy was going into the Adelman lecture event that is seemed like a duplication in effort to hold the dig and divide this year. going to have the opportunity to attend and participate in a wonderful event on the Swarthmore College Campus on Sunday, October 14 at 2:00. Please note that the event is being held in the Science Center in lecture hall 101 which is a change from our usual programs. We needed a bigger hall for the expected crowd.

Start spreading the word about the event as this is part of our society's mission to provide education on peonies. This lecture is free and open to the public.

We have invested in Carol Adelman's book and will have 30 copies available for her to sign and they will be available for purchase for \$20.00 each. She will sign books following her talk. As with most speakers Carol will have a series of slides to share with the audience as she presents "Growing Gorgeous Peonies".

We look forward to seeing you.

The good news is you are

Looking for volunteers to help out

This edition of the newsletter will focus on our need for food at our October event.

We are going to have a reception following the talk. We will need some finger food to have so

people can spend some time following the lecture to socialize.

We will have potted peonies and roots for sale. We are expanding to include the book sale, plant labels, peony plant food, peony cards and more for sale.

We need to have some food to share with our audience. (continued on page 2)



Volunteers needed

Please email Marge Firn at this email address:

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and let her know if you can help out. We will supply the paper products and beverages but are looking for some delicious appetizers and sweets.

State in your email that this is for the

reception.

Exclusive event and we need your help

We are planning on having a pot luck dinner after the October 14 lecture, plant sale, reception, and book signing. The pot luck dinner will be held for MAPS members <u>only</u> and you are allowed to bring <u>one guest</u> with you to the pot luck supper.

We are holding a traditional pot luck dinner which means that MAPS will supply the main course, beverages, and paper products. Each MAPS member attending the pot luck dinner is asked to bring either a salad, side dish or dessert. Marge Firn and Gail Hale are coordinating the pot luck dinner and it would really make their life easier if they knew ahead of time what you might be bringing to the dinner. Ideally, if you could tell them what the food will be, but they would be happy knowing which category it fits in such as salad, side dish or dessert.

The pot luck dinner will be held in the Wister Center (where we typically hold our meetings when on the Swarthmore College Campus).

Pot luck dishes can be dropped off before the lecture at the Wister Center if you get there early. Marge and Gail plan on hearing the lecture so the Wister Center will be locked during the presentation.

Otherwise please make sure that the food item is properly stored in a cooler, if necessary, until the event is over and then bring it to the

Wister Center.

We do not have enough volunteers to transport the food from the Science Center to the Wister Center.

Our speaker will be at the pot luck dinner.

Please email Marge Firn at

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And let her know that you are bringing the food item for the pot luck dinner. She will be handling all emails related to food so it is important that she know if the food is for the pot luck dinner or the reception. We don't want any confusion!

Please email as soon as possible to make planning easier. Thanks for your efforts and support!

We want to thank those of you that have already volunteered to help out on the day of the event. We appreciate your offer and accept. See either Jeff, Eleanor, Marge or Bernie on the day of the event. We will be there at least an hour before the event starts and point you in the right direction.