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Summer 2003

Save the Date! Sunday August 3rd



GARDEN TOUR – Pride is Blooming Everywhere!

This year, New Harvest Foundation is planning a mid-summer garden tour that should be a wonderful addition to our line-up of events.

Mark your calendars for Sunday, August 3rd, so you won't miss the self-guided tour of some of Madison's most intimate gardens. We'll start at 10:00AM and end about 4:00PM.

The ten gardens are spread throughout the Madison area and have been created by people who love to get their hands dirty. These are your neighbors' gardens. The private yards you've always been curious to see. They're all unique urban hideaways that have that gardener's pride blooming everywhere.

Tickets are available in advance from select outlets for \$10.00 – or – on the day of the tour at each location for \$15.00. (See the enclosed map for more information.)

Come out and wander through these beautiful little sanctuaries and support New Harvest Foundation. Whether you want to see unique flowers and yard-art, gather new ideas for your own garden, or just enjoy a peaceful stroll with some great friends, plan on our mid-summer garden tour in early August!

See you there! ♡



New Harvest Foundation's Board of Directors:

Back row-left to right:

Kevyn Radcliffe, Jaime Zimmerman
Mike Mitchell, Linda Vanden Plas
Glen Rosen, Fey Ferington
John Beutel and Bill Miller

Front row-left to right:

Linda Ketcham, Louie Phillips
Scott Messner, Casey Burnette
Susan Buzby (out-going)
Deirdre Gruendler

Not shown:

Mike Reisinger and Dana Alder

2003 Summer
Garden Tour
August 3, 2003

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See insert for more
details on visiting
10 wonderful
intimate urban
gardens.



Mission Statement

To empower gay, lesbian, bisexual, transgender communities by providing money for projects which nurture our communities' strengths, pride, diversity and positive character for all to see.

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New Harvest Foundation is offering the opportunity to advertise in the Gleaner. We have a circulation of approximately 1,200 people and organizations. Here's your chance to send your message to the lgbt communities.

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What's Up!

by Jaime Zimmerman, Co-Chair

Each year brings inevitable changes for the New Harvest Foundation, and 2003 is no exception. Perhaps the toughest is sadly saying goodbye (but not farewell) to a few hard-working board members, as we hope no one ever really "ends" their relationship with New Harvest Foundation.

Jane LaFlash has been a wonderful asset. Coming to us from PFLAG she has helped us keep our focus. I am thankful she's already committed to helping us with our Garden Tour and that her laughter won't be completely lost.

And what can I say about my fellow Co-Chair, Susan Buzby? She's given numerous years to one successful project after another. From the newsletter to the Dinner Dance, we're going to miss her balance and thoughtfulness. Thankfully, she too plans to continue her work on future Dinner Dances.

We congratulate Linda Vanden Plas as she takes Susan's hand-off as the new Co-chair. Linda brings great energy, humor and integrity to this critical position. I look forward to working closely with her as we lead New Harvest through some ambitious new projects together.

Jim Macho is also moving on, but he too continues on the Garden Tour Committee and a bunch of other projects. He's given us years of his artistic creativity and his calm approach to getting the job done has been a wonderful influence on us all.

Looking forward, we welcome a few new members and a changing of the guard on our Executive Committee. New Harvest Foundation welcomes Dana Alder and Glen Rosen as new board members. Glen has kindly agreed to be our new Treasurer, replacing

the stalwart Mike Reisinger in that role. Mike also turns over the reins of Vice Co-Chair to Scott Messner. Scott continues to head of the Grants Committee and will work with Linda Ketcham as the other Vice Co-Chair. Louie Phillips continues as our very capable Secretary.

In April, facilitator Elizabeth Fadell very ably assisted the board during its annual strategic planning session. The immediate need was to set a calendar of events for the coming two years. We've also scheduled an intense planning weekend this fall. Many of the questions we hope to answer deal with where we're headed. Do we remain a countywide organization or do we get bigger? Does our name fit our purpose? What do we want to be for the next 20 years? As always, we welcome your thoughts on these and any other issues. Since 2004 will be our big 20th anniversary year, this year will be one of organization and evaluation. Next year will be one of celebration!

Please note: This summer's first Garden Tour, August 3rd, will be our only major event for the year. We're hopeful you'll help us raise some extra funds for grants and administration costs, including an upgrade of our website using eTapestry.

Of course, please watch your mailbox for our annual fall fundraising letter. This is always our major source of funding for the numerous grant requests we receive each spring and fall. As always, thank you for your continued support of the foundation and the LGBT community of Dane County. We're looking forward to a wonderful year and to big new things happening at New Harvest! ♡

Great Inspiration...



"Setting the stage for growth 'and' inspirational" is how New Harvest Board member Deirdre Gruendler described her experience at a two day workshop presented by the Gill Foundation in Northbrook Illinois April 11-12.

New Harvest Co-chair, Linda Vanden Plas, who also attended agreed, "I think this is exactly what we needed at exactly the right time." Noting that New Harvest Foundation will be celebrating it's 20th anniversary next year, she added, "We as a board are committed to growing the Foundation financially so that the work that has been done for nearly two decades will continue. This workshop offered us many of the tool to do just that."

Topics that were covered in some of the twelve training sessions included, planning special fundraising events, finding corporate sponsor, recruiting volunteers, planned giving, direct mail and telemarketing as well as basic and advanced fundraising.

In addition to the quality of the Gill training staff, Gruendler said she was impressed with the "amazing diversity of people and organizations". Forty seven non profit organizations, the vast majority of whom were LGBT, participated from throughout the midwest. ♡

Based in Denver Colorado the Gill Foundation was established in 1994 by Tim Gill, creator of Quark, Inc. The Foundation's mission is to secure equal opportunity for all people regardless of sexual orientation or gender identity. Each year they provide four regional training session around the country as well as two national workshops in Denver and Colorado Springs. In 2002 the Foundation provided almost four million dollars in funding grants to LGBT and HIV/AIDS organizations outside of Colorado.

Work Place Giving Really Works

Did you know that New Harvest Foundation is an associate member of Community Shares of Wisconsin? Last year we received over \$9,000 from Community Shares and donors like you through work place giving which amounted to a third of all our contributions in a year! This \$9,000 total translates into five grants we were able to give last year to gay, lesbian, bisexual and transgender causes in our communities. Each year our allocation has grown with your help.

New Harvest is an all volunteer organization with very low overhead. We are pleased to say that 100% of your gifts go directly to provide granting funds to local g/l/b/t non-profits. We are the only foundation in our area that is dedi-

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