



MEN'S & WOMEN'S

GARDEN CLUB

OF MINNEAPOLIS



MWGCM Annual Holiday Party and Silent Auction Details



- ◆ **All MWGCM members and their guests** are invited to the annual Holiday Party with a special invitation extended to *new members and others that have not attended before!*
- ◆ The Holiday Party will take place on **December 14th**, 6 to 9 pm at Embassy Suites Banquet Hall located at 2800 American Blvd. W. in Bloomington
- ◆ The Holiday Party will include:
 - **A *Silent Auction*** of member-donated items and gifts during the *Social Hour and Dinner*
 - ***Social Hour*** with punch and appetizers (cash bar in lobby)
 - **Electric piano *Entertainment*** during the *Social Hour and Dinner* by **Benny Weinbeck**
 - **Full turkey *Dinner*** with dessert bar
 - ***Holiday Party Program*** includes:
 - commentary by Bob Olson and Andy Marlow
 - showing of the U of MN Arboretum Winter Lights exhibit with Peter Moe
 - announcement of various MWGCM Award winners
- ◆ Submit your Holiday Party registration form along with the \$35/person fee **BY Monday, December 6th**! For your convenience, a reservation form is included as the last page of this memo



- **Members are asked to contribute items for the Silent Auction. Proceeds from the Member-donated items will assist in off-setting Holiday Party costs not covered by the \$35/person Holiday Party fee**
- **Please bring your Silent Auction items between 4 – 6 pm to the Holiday Party. Bid Sheets can be filled out that evening**
- **Silent Auction suggestions include:**
 - *Homemade baked goods, candies, cakes, jam/jellies, etc.*
 - *Homemade or handcrafted items (quilting, note cards, crafts, etc.)*
 - *Tickets to various events/movies*
 - *Wine or specialty beers*
 - *Gift certificates or gift cards to restaurants, garden centers, etc.*
 - *Donating your time, talent or services (gardening consultation, teaching a craft or skill, making a meal, etc).*
 - *New gardening items such as bird houses/feeders, plants, books, tools, pots, etc.*
 - *Please keep in mind to bring things that you yourself would buy....no white elephant gifts please!*
- **Bidding will be open 6 – 7:40 pm. Announcements will be made 10 minutes prior to the end of bidding and also when the Auction ends**
- **Winning bidders may pay for their items after the Program; cash, checks (made out to the MWGCM) or credit cards will be accepted for payment**
- **Members whose donated items may not have sold are asked to take their items home that evening**

Reservation Form
MWGCM 2021 Holiday Party and Silent Auction

Tuesday, December 14, 2021 at 6:00 p.m.
Embassy Suites, 2800 American Boulevard, Bloomington, MN

To RSVP for dinner, please complete and return this form along with a check made out to "MWGCM".

Send your completed form to **ARRIVE BY MONDAY, DECEMBER 6TH** to:

Sandra Mangel
4100 Bryant Avenue
Minneapolis, MN 55409

Dinner Reservation:

Member Name: _____

Guest Name: _____

Total Amount (\$35 per person) \$ _____

Please note any special dietary needs required:

This year all silent auction items will be provided by the club members.

I will bring _____ **for the silent auction.**

I will not be bringing a silent auction item. _____.