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Finally, please remember that spring is a time of renewal. As always, we encourage you to renew your membership. Our Friends form the foundation of our organization and WE THANK YOU.

From the Director

Eileen Bergt

UNL Master Plan Update

UNL is currently updating the Campus Master Plan and developing a new Landscape Master Plan for both city and east campuses. Sasaki Associates from Watertown, Massachusetts has been hired to update the plans. The Master Plan process began last summer and is now in the final phase of development with the final plan to be released in March. The design team developed three conceptual plans and have narrowed it to one plan. The plan will be online at http://planbig.unl.edu to view and provide comments.

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garden spaces found on both City and East Campus. The projects have one of three criteria: filling in a gap or cut in department funding to maintain special features or areas of campus, beautifying a garden area that needs renovation and increasing education and community awareness of the campus gardens.

This year the Garden Friends funded two projects. The first project is the annual maintenance of the Sheldon Sculpture Garden ponds. This is a project that fills a gap in department maintenance funding, but also beautifies a wonderful space where art and garden are mixed to create a relaxing retreat on campus. The Garden Friends contributed \$3,000 to the annual maintenance of the Sheldon Ponds.



The second project funded was for plant labels in the perennial gardens on the south side of Andrews and Burnett Hall on City Campus. These gardens were recently renovated with new plantings because of a construction project. The area has many interesting and useful plants for a south facing garden. The new labels will help communicate and educate the community about the plants that work together in this particular microclimate. The cost of this project was \$1,400.

Ken Good Gift Project Update

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A Gathering of Friends Event

It's cold. It's dark. It's the time of year when getting a garden catalog brings us hope of spring; when your fingers itch for the feel of dirt and your senses long for the smell of loam. Join your gardener friends to commiserate and celebrate the coming spring. UNL Garden Friends has the cure for the winter blues: A Gathering of Friends—UNL Garden Friends Annual Lecture and Luncheon.

UNL Garden Friends is hosting a luncheon and lecture at 12:30 p.m. Sunday, February 24. This new annual event is our major fundraiser to support the UNL Botanical Gardens and Arboretum. The cost is \$30 per person.

A Gathering of Friends will take place at the Landscape Services Shop just east of 33rd Street on the East Campus Loop Road and will feature a soup and salad luncheon, a silent auction and a fabulous lecture by



Jan Riggenbach, whose newspaper and magazine columns have been inspiring Midwest gardeners for more than 30 years. "Midwest Gardening," Jan's syndicated

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