

# DECEMBER 2003



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## PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Next meeting is our annual auction and pot luck dinner. Look around your garden, is there a duplicate rhododendron, one which may not be suited for the site, or one you could part with and bring for the auction. Pot up or wrap in plastic so they can be transported safely. Almost anything can be auctioned off or added to the raffle items, I'm bringing Linda along. Home made wine, garden ornaments, tools, trees, plants, books, gift certificates and even chocolate chip cookies will be auctioned.

How are your rhododendrons doing. Check adjacent trees and shrubs for overhanging branches which should be removed in case of snowfall. If you are collecting seed, they should be ripened by now so they should be picked and dried for early spring planting. What to do with the dead leaves under your rhododendrons? Your choice. They will break down and form a mulch for the plants. They are a good hiding place for black vine beetles and their predator beetles. In the last ARS journal there is an excellent article on this subject.

Bring a friend, lots of money and your appetite to the meeting, see you there, Richard.

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## NRS MEETING DECEMBER 11 – BEBAN PARK AT 6:30

## AUCTION & POTLUCK DINNER

## BRING FINGERFOOD

## AN ITEM OR TWO FOR THE AUCTION WOULD BE NICE

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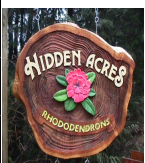
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AND/OR  
DESSERT

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A LITTLE  
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Growers of Specialty Rhododendrons

**Auction 7 p.m. sharp  
Auction items in by 6:30**

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**Bring lots of guests and en-  
joy this fun-filled evening**

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## Nanaimo Rhododendron Society - Minutes of November 13<sup>th</sup> 2003 Regular Meeting

1. The meeting was called to order by President Richard White at 7:35pm.
2. Richard welcomed members & guests. Attendance: 33.
3. **Secretary's report.** M/S/C that the minutes of the October 9<sup>th</sup> meeting are adopted as printed in the newsletter. Correspondence received: Associate Membership renewals for Al & Sandy Campbell & Dot & Ken Gibson; newsletter from BC Council of Garden Clubs.
4. **Treasurer's report:**  
The balance in the Bowen Park Legacy Fund is \$156.12  
The balance in the general account is \$3325.34  
The balance in the library fund is \$368.81
5. **Committee Reports:**  
**Library:** Copies of Greer's Guide available.  
**Social** Reminder to bring a dish for the potluck Xmas party  
**Program** December - Christmas Party & Auction  
January: Charles Turkell. "Wildflower Walks of Nanaimo and Area".  
**Newsletter** Paul Lawry reminded members about the mystery plant contest.
6. **Old business**  
The Christmas Party & Auction will begin at 6:30 p.m. In addition to items for auction and a dish for the potluck, please bring a non-perishable item for donation to the food bank.
7. **New Business.**  
Michael Miller provided information regarding a tour to Nepal in 2004 to see rhododendrons. He will post details in the newsletter.
8. **Draws**
  - ◆ **Door Prize Draw:** Mary Taylor, Ann Williamson
  - ◆ **Name Tag Draw:** John Deniseger, Linda White.
  - ◆ **Raffle:** Joyce Clarke, Ray Lauzier, Barbara Little
  - ◆ **Mystery Plant Draw:** 1<sup>st</sup> prize Phillip Paul, 2<sup>nd</sup> prize Richard White.
9. **Executive meeting** will be hosted by Chris Southwick on November 20<sup>th</sup> at 7pm.
10. **Program.** Richard White gave an educational talk on how to propagate rhododendrons from cuttings.  
Garth Wedemire gave a very interesting presentation on "Gardens from Maple Ridge to Mission" including pictures from his own garden as well as from the Dempsters' garden.

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Yes, its me again, Charlie the Crow. I did some flying around and found that some of you haven't been re-filling the bird feeders. Come on – feed us! We need three squares a day just like you.

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**THANK YOU!  
YOU WILL BE MISSED**

★ Gill Taylor has been folding, inserting and mailing the Newsletter for the past few years.

★ It has been an immense help to both Linda and I and we are taking this opportunity to thank Gill for her dedication and the courtesy shown when we have been late getting the issues to her.

★ When Gill started, there were, as I recall, close to 70 or more Newsletters to mail. Fortunately, email has lessened the load to about 35 now.

★ Thank you Gill for your help and best wishes in your future endeavors.

★ Paul & Linda

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What is the name of the Rhodo pictured above?  
Drop the name in the box at the December Meeting for a chance at a prize. For colour photo check out our WEBSITE.

## NEWSLETTER DISTRIBUTOR NEEDED

**If you can spare couple hours a month we need your help.**

**You would fold, insert into prepaid envelopes and mail Newsletters to those who do not have email.**

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