

Program Committee Report

6 October 2012

Beatrix Farrand Society

Thanks to:

- Peggy Bowditch and Judith Tankard, who served on the 2012 Program Committee. Their ideas, energy, enthusiasm and attention to detail were critical to the program's success. In particular, Judith stepped in to suggest and then arrange Jane Roy Brown's August 15 presentation, after Stephanie Cohen was forced to cancel for health reasons. And, Peggy graciously hosted that event in Lois's absence.
- Caroline Felkel for managing the telephone registration process for programs, and for making every event run smoothly. In 2012, Caroline took on responsibility to provide refreshments as well as doing setup for each event.
- Mount Desert Land and Garden Preserve and the Northeast Harbor Library, for cohosting the Ann Rockefeller Roberts event on July 18 at the library.
- All Board members, their guests, and BFS members, for supporting the program, nominating speakers, spreading the word about programs, and attending events.

2012 Program Summary:

Speakers: The 2012 roster of speakers presented a wide range of topics (brambles, ecology, hardscape, and garden history).

Expenses and Income:

<i>Speaker</i>	<i>Date</i>	<i>Topic</i>	<i>Fees/expenses</i>	<i>Income</i>
Handley	5-3-12	Raspberries and Blackberries in Maine	\$500.00	\$405.00
Cullina	6-9-12	Unraveling and Re-raveling the Web of Life	625.00	165.00
Hayward	7-2-12	Stone in the Garden	750.00	570.00
Roberts	7-18-12	Mr. Rockefeller's Roads	0	0
Carey	7-26-12	Gardens of the Jazz Age	See Notes	310.00
Tankard	8-4-12	Gertrude Jekyll and the Country House Garden	0	0
Brown	8-15-12	The Subject was Flowers: Eudora Welty's Garden	550.00	220.00

Notes: Additional expenses for each event included refreshments; Caroline Felkel handled these. Jenny Rose Carey has not yet submitted her expenses.

Additional notes:

We were able to achieve some of our program-related goals for 2012:

- For the comfort of our guests, we added carpet pieces to the seats. This temporary solution has been superseded by the accession of about 60 stackable, padded chairs from Northeast Harbor Library, obtained for a nominal fee (\$75).
- We've established fans for air circulation, making the barn much airier on warm summer afternoons.
- Shades over the windows make projections much brighter.
- We increased the non-member program registration fee from \$15 to \$20.

2013 Program Plans:

Michaeleen Ward has assumed program committee chairmanship. Peggy Bowditch, Judith Tankard and Lois Stack will remain committee members. A committee meeting is planned for the afternoon of October 6, 2012, to start planning the 2013 program.

Respectfully submitted by Lois Berg Stack, 3 October 2012