WINTER: HOLIDAY IN BLOOM

We saw steady traffic via the MITS trolley from Minnetrista’s luminaria event, with busloads of people arriving by Trolley at the University Ave entrance to Glick-Greenhouse. They also enjoyed our luminaria path to our facilities and the Museum.

This lighted pathway continues to encourage the connection of the west corridor, known as the cultural corridor, as it proceeds toward reality in the future. And it made for an absolutely beautiful night-time campus!

Many thanks go to our performers and donors: Magic City Music Men (barber shop quartet); America’s Hometown Band (clarinet quartet); BSU’s chamber choir flash mob; and Joe Rinard (live wreath for raffle). Thanks also go to BSU Student Volunteer Services for

In early December, we kicked off the holidays with our annual Holiday in Bloom Open House event, held on December 1. The weather was marginal, with mild rain throughout most of the day. Thankfully, the clouds parted and we enjoyed a mostly-dry evening!

We had a great turnout, with 450 people visiting the Rinard Orchid Greenhouse! Our neighbors at the Marilyn K. Glick Center for Glass were very busy. For the first time, the David Owsley Museum of Arts joined the fun and we created a beautiful luminaria pathway from the greenhouse to the Museum!
helping with decorating and
set-up, and the many
docents who helped prepare
for and staff the event:
Michelle Bosh, Ellen
Buchanan, Ann Buchanan,
Deb Frederick, Jean
Gadziola, Beth
Gonser, Beth Hahn,
Linda
Hanson, Jackie
Harris, Dan House, Betty
Kendall, Abi Perdue-Moore,
Tom Schwartz, Leslie Slack,
Lisa Weeks, Nancy Umbach,
and Joy VanderHill.

Although it feels like
forever ago, our November
Tropical Edibles program was
a great success, with 90
visitors enjoying home-made
banana muffins and other
assorted food items from
products grown in the
greenhouse.

As we round the corner
with the approaching
solstice, plants
always remind
us of seasonality.
If we watch
closely enough,
we can notice the subtle
changes in day-length. Plants
and their oxygen are literally
a breath of fresh air in our
long dark winters.

We anticipate many
colorful orchids in bloom in
January and February,
especially the Dendrobiums.
Be sure to visit often to enjoy
this colorful show! The rest of
the plants are resting and
preparing for spring, as we
do the same.

Although the
sale seems far off in
April, preparations
are ongoing for the
annual Greenhouse
fundraiser. Our plant sale
will be held April 27th. If you are
interested in helping with this
process, please let us know.
Training is provided.

For those of you who
support us as a Friend of the
Rinard Orchid Greenhouse,
we thank you very much for
your 2017 contribution! Our
free programs depend on
your continued interest and
support of the Rinard Orchid
Greenhouse. We value you!
Thank you!

Spring is coming! Save the date
for our plant sale: April 27, 2019.

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