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Playbook: Drag and Brag

Event Purpose

The annual "Drag and Brag" is a social event allowing members to share some of their favorite plants, potted up, with other members. The event includes an on-site raffle of "special" plants.

Timing of Event

Drag and Brag will be held at the **May Membership Meeting**

Event Details

Plant up a division or seedling and "drag" it to the meeting where you can "brag" about it before placing it up for adoption!! Pot it up early so it looks great!

March:

Chair Responsibilities:

- Have the Newsletter Editor advertise the May D+B, encouraging people to start planning for the event.
- Request a membership directory as needed from the Membership chair. ● The names of the last year's Special Plant Winners will be maintained on a Google Sheet.
- Ask the **GRPS Secretary** to email you the list of last year's winners names, the form the winners fill out with comments about the plant, and a plant label (for general use at the meeting). Last year's winners will need to bring the form to the D+B for presentation to membership. If they are not able to come, they need to forward the completed form to a Member-at-Large (Chairperson/s) for presentation.

April:

- Have the Newsletter Editor advertise the D+B and send the Newsletter Editor a plant label master form for members to print, fill out, and attach to their plant. You will also need some blank forms to bring to the meeting.
- **Ask the Executive Board for money to purchase special plants, usually five, for the raffle. Make a list of the Special Plants, fill out a plant label and attach a plant label to each special plant.**
- **Ask the Treasurer to bring raffle tickets, in two different colors, to the D+B.**

Day of Event:

- Arrive early to set up approximately 50 chairs and four rectangular tables. (5:45 pm to 6 pm should allow enough time to set up)



- One table is to be placed at the front of the room for the special plants display and the remaining three are set up in a line, between the aisles of chairs, for member plants. ● Cover the tables with GRPS canvas drop cloths (ask the Program Chair for these). ● Also ask a Program Chair for GRPS Alpha cards and place the cards on the display tables, allowing ample spacing between the cards.

Check-in

- Upon check-in, each member receives **two** raffle tickets. One is for the Special Plant drawing and the other is used to determine place in line for **D+B plant selection. (the fun part)**
- Instruct GRPS members participating to place their plant in the appropriate alpha section by botanical Genus. For example, coneflowers should be placed in E, as their botanical Genus is Echinacea.
- After a brief membership meeting, members who have a plant placed in the alpha card, A-C group, are called forward to pick up their plant, form a line, and brag about their plant to membership. Continue processing through the alphabet until all plants have been presented.

Next up

- Two committee members will start to draw tickets for plant selection. Let the fun begin! Do not draw the next ticket until the previous member has selected their plant. ● Finally, the President or appointed GRPS member, will draw tickets from the second container of raffle tickets and the lucky winner will proceed to select a **Special Plant** for their very own.
- **A volunteer needs to record both the winner's name and name of the Special Plant won.**

After Event:

- **Take down the room:** put away tables and chairs. Fold tablecloths and return them to the Program Chair. Be sure the floor surrounding the plants is clean of debris and dirt, sweep as necessary.
- The Chairperson/s will update the Google Detail Sheet with member attendance number and the names of members who won the "special" plants and which plant they selected.

Volunteers Needed

- Estimated number of Volunteers: minimum four to six
- **The two Members-At-Large will be co-chairs.**
- Volunteers will also set-up and take down tables and chairs, check the floor for debris and dirt and sweep as necessary.



Additional Resources

A **Google Detail Sheet** has been created for each GRPS event with specific helpful details.

The Chairperson/s will need to contact the GRPS Secretary for the Google Detail Sheet. The Chairperson/s must update the Google Detail Sheet with requested information, review the Playbook and advise the Program Committee Chair if changes to the Playbook are needed. The GRPS Secretary maintains the Playbook and the Google Detail Sheet.