

THE HUDSON GARDEN CLUB

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THE PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Sometimes it's hard for me to imagine that under all the snow and frozen ground, my garden is patiently waiting to awaken once again. In the meantime, this is a good time of year to page through the seed, flower and vegetable catalogs. Or, to visit the Hudson Library to check out a few of the many books that our club has donated over the years.

Garden club activities are a great way to break up the long, cold winter. I enjoyed our January program from Cynthia Druckenbrod about English Gardens. Cynthia shared a slide show of photos she's taken when visiting the gardens of England. There are a couple of home and garden shows coming up this month at the IX Center and the John Knight Center in Akron. A visit to the Cleveland Botanical Garden is always a great winter treat, too!

Planning for the 2018 annual Home & Garden Tour is well underway and volunteers are needed for home and garden hostesses, tea room and garden shop. If you can help, please contact Tour chairs, Dawn Maloney ([330-990-4236](tel:330-990-4236), dawnsold@gmail.com) or Patti Starr (starrpatti@aol.com).

Remember to periodically check the HGC website for new photos or updates about current events. Recently added to our website is the option to purchase Tour tickets through PayPal or by credit card. Many thanks to Sue L'Hommedieu and her committee for making that happen!

Included along with the Treasurer's Report in this issue is the 2018 budget. We will vote on this budget at the February 15 General meeting. Hope to see many of you then!

Carla Maurer

A WORD FROM THE HUDSON HOME & GARDEN TOUR CO-CHAIRS

Hello everyone!

It is that time of year again and we are reaching out for volunteers to help with the 2018 Hudson Home & Garden Tour. We always need hostesses, but this year we are looking for two new people to become Logistics Chairs. This rewarding position leads to becoming a co-chair of the Tour, and it is a three-year commitment.

Patti Starr and I would love to talk to you about the logistics position. Please call me, Dawn Maloney, at [330-990-4236](tel:330-990-4236) for more information.

NOW YOU CAN HAVE THE SHARPEST TOOLS IN THE BOX

Take care of sharpening your gardening tools with Kevin Noon, the environmentally friendly sharpener, BBB accredited, coming to **Laurel Lake on Friday, March 2, 2018 from 10am to 1pm**. Mr. Noon is seen at Heinen's and farmers markets in the area also. He sharpens such gardening tools as pruners, loppers, hedge clippers, lawnmower blades, axes, shovels, etc. He sharpens kitchen and sewing tools too. **He will also be in the area at the Hudson Heinen's on 3/14/18 and 5/2/18, both days from 4pm on.** Note your calendar now to take care of one of your Spring gardening chores! For more information, see www.NoonSharpening.com.

HUDSON GARDEN CLUB'S 2018 BUDGET

2018 BUDGET FOR HUDSON GARDEN CLUB

(TO BE VOTED ON AT THE FEBRUARY 15 GENERAL MEETING)

2018 BUDGET FOR HUDSON GARDEN CLUB

INCOME	Actual 2017	2017 Budget	2018 Budget	Change in Budget (200)
Dues	\$ 2,830	\$ 3,200	\$ 3,000	\$ (200)
Garden Tour				
Garden Gathering	\$ 12,335	\$ 8,500	\$ 11,000	\$ 2,500
Garden Shop	\$ 7,381	\$ 7,000	\$ 7,000	\$ -
Tour	\$ 33,507	\$ 31,450	\$ 31,450	\$ -
TOTAL Garden Tour	\$ 53,223	\$ 46,950	\$ 49,450	\$ 2,500.00
Interest	\$ 42	\$ 100	\$ 50	\$ (50.00)
Plant Exchange	\$ 35	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
TOTAL INCOME	\$ 56,130	\$ 50,250	\$ 52,500	\$ 2,250.00
EXPENSES				
Administrative	\$ 3,287	\$ 5,390	\$ 5,515	\$ 125.00
Community Donations	\$ 11,365	\$ 11,460	\$ 7,500	\$ (3,960.00)
Community Outreach	\$ 3,096	\$ 5,150	\$ 5,250	\$ 100.00
Garden Club Grants	\$ 9,990	\$ 10,000	\$ 7,500	\$ (2,500.00)
Programs	\$ 1,466	\$ 2,390	\$ 2,390	\$ -
Scholarships	\$ 10,000	\$ 10,000	\$ 7,500	\$ (2,500.00)
Tour				
Garden Gathering	\$ 6,875	\$ 6,800	\$ 6,800	\$ -
Garden Shop	\$ 3,331	\$ 3,000	\$ 3,000	\$ -
Tour	\$ 7,017	\$ 7,100	\$ 7,100	\$ -
TOTAL Garden Tour	\$ 17,223	\$ 16,900	\$ 16,900	\$ -
TOTAL EXPENSES	\$ 56,427	\$ 61,290	\$ 52,555	\$ (8,735.00)
INCOME IN EXCESS OF EXPENSES	\$ (297)	\$ (11,040)	\$ (55)	\$ 10,985.00

Please excuse the size of the above. It is the best we could do without retying the whole budget.



HUDSON HOME & GARDEN TOUR VOLUNTEER POSITIONS

CHECK OUT THESE VOLUNTEER POSITIONS AND SEE WHERE YOU CAN HELP

Tour Chairs - Two year commitment, two person job

Coordinates all aspects of the Home & Garden Tour locations to the staffing and supervision of all committees/workers deemed necessary for a successful event.

Acquisitions - This job entails selection of appropriate properties for the upcoming Tour based on factors such as home/garden interest, traffic flow, parking, safety and walkability.

Logistics - Works not only with head hostesses but trains all other hostesses in the important duties of their job. They are also in close contact with homeowners and Tour chairs in setting specific dates. Present for Head Hostess meetings at Hudson Library. Prepare Head Hostess folders. They are also in close contact with homeowners/tour chairs in setting specific dates, job includes scriptwriting, ordering and placing and removing booties/mats/gear/plaques. Update large signs with Tour dates to prep for placement by Traffic.

Publicity - This committee is responsible for all Tour related public relations as well as print and media advertising, Social media is a very important part of this committee.

Ticketing - This involves presale, ticket booth on the Green and registration at the Garden Shop.

Traffic - Works closely with City and Tour Chairs to design route map, and provides volunteers to assure the safety of all guests. Signs placed on edge of town, as well as no parking signs. Volunteers at each home to direct traffic and control parking.

Garden Shop - Purchases all flowers, plants and garden accessories to be sold to the public during the Tour. Gathers volunteers and trains on cashier duties, prep and tear down. May handle raffle item.

Hospitality/Tea Room - Solicits cookie donations, operates and staffs complimentary Tea at the middle school.

Program - Advertising sales, work with our printer on layout and page count, gather checks and make sure ads are submitted on time and in proper format.

FOR MORE INFORMATION ON THESE POSITIONS PLEASE CONTACT TOUR CO-CHAIRS: Dawn Maloney (330-990-4236) (dawnsold@gmail.com) or Patti Starr (starrpatti@aol.com).

Treasurer's Report

Account Balances as of December 31, 2017

PNC Savings	\$ 37,000.96
Scholarship Fund (Restricted)	\$ 10,002.62
Unrestricted Cash (Checking)	\$ 197.55

Investment Accounts

Field of Interest Fund	\$ 44,415.81
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Total Bank Accounts \$ 91,616.94

Julie Kodatsky, Treasurer

GENERAL MEETING MINUTES

January 18, 2018

On Thursday, January 18, thirty-four members and guests gathered for a slide show presentation of the gardens of southern England including highlights from the Chelsea Flower Show, by Cynthia Druckenbrod.

Prior to the presentation, President Carla Maurer introduced, and we installed, the 2018 HGC board of officers and committee chairs, as listed in last month's newsletter.

Carla Maurer for Carolyn Bouquet
Recording Secretary

SCHOLARSHIP UPDATE FROM JUNEE GREWAL

I have completed my first term of school at the University of Waterloo and wanted to update you on my progress and how things are going. College has been an all around great experience for me. It has given me the opportunity to be surrounded by like-minded individuals who care about the environment as much as I do.

One of my favorite memories is when we went on a camping trip to Elora Gorge at the beginning of the term. It was absolutely beautiful. We went on a nature hike and identified plants we had been studying in the classroom and discovered new ones. It was a great opportunity to bond with not only my peers, but nature as well. As the term went on, the classes became more and more interesting. I think my favorite class was Introduction to Environmental Studies which provided an overview of human ecological aspects of environmental studies from an intercultural and global perspective.

I am truly grateful for the opportunity the Hudson Garden Club has given me and other students who want to pursue the environmental science field.

Juneew Grewal
2017 Scholarship Recipient

BOOKS DONATED TO HUDSON LIBRARY



In almost every HGC newsletter you will see a list of gardening books that have been purchased by HGC and donated to the Hudson Library. These books vary from how to prune your trees and shrubs to how to grow herbs to how to make your home come alive with flowers, just to mention a few..

We invite you to visit and take advantage of the many beautiful and informative books, as well as magazines, that we have put on the Hudson Library's shelves for your reading pleasure. Thanks to Dorothy Malpass, our Book Chair, who carefully selects the best of the best.

Flower Arranging Trends In 2018

All art forms have trends or fads. Here's the floral design trends you will see at florists, weddings and events this year, including short Smithers-Oasis videos with how-to ideas on you.tube.

ETSIAN—found objects, eclectic, handmade look for containers; inspired by Etsy (<https://youtu.be/Cas31rj7JE>)

MODERN - clean lines, industrial, white walls (<https://youtu.be/kduHUjQ9BW0>)

EURO - texture, contrast, hidden elements, low designs (<https://youtu.be/PEm-zgNLHi0>)

FARM TO TABLE - natural, earthy, rustic wire, galvanized/tin containers, magnolia leaves (<https://youtu.be/jWsZPpwa4A>)

RETRO - bright colors, over the top, 1980s (no video)

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What's Coming Up

Thursday, February 15, 2018
HGC General Meeting
"Creating Outdoor Living Spaces"
See this page for details

**FOR MORE INFORMATION ON HOLDEN
ARBORETUM AND CLEVELAND
BOTANICAL EVENTS TO BE HELD IN
FEBRUARY /MARCH 2018 PLEASE GO TO
THEIR WEB SITE (cbgarden.org) FOR
COMPLETE DETAILS.**

NOTE: ORCHID MANIA
January 27 - March 11, 2018

NOTE TO HGC MEMBERS

**Please follow and share our
Facebook posts. They offer more
timely publicity than our
website. Our website is more
like a reference book.**

IN CASE OF BAD WEATHER

Hudson Garden Club follows the severe weather policy of the Hudson City schools. If school is canceled due to bad weather our meeting/event will also be canceled.

Call (330) 653-1300, visit www.hudson.edu or watch HCTV or other television stations to learn of the closing.

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Hudson Garden Club February General Meeting

"Creating Outdoor Living Spaces "

Thursday, February 15, 2018
Social Time: 6:45pm
Program: 7:00pm
Laurel Lake Community Room



Thinking about making a change in your garden this year? Come to our February 15 meeting for inspiration!

Megan Vance, Summit County Master Gardener and owner of Suzanne Jardin Garden Designs, will share her knowledge about creating outdoor living spaces. Megan will share her experience in both commercial and residential settings to highlight practices to ensure a success.

Social time will begin at 6:45pm and the meeting will kick off at 7:00pm. Contact Bronwyn Pierson (330) 612-4879 for questions about the evening.