

## President's Message

Even though Spring does not officially start this year until March 20th, I always consider March 1st the beginning of Spring. I pull out the red berries and evergreens from my front porch containers and start thinking of pansies. Since bulbs emerged in early February, it is tempting to push the season.

A great way for you as a Club member to push the season is to check out our Field Trip Schedule for this Spring and on into the summer. There is a seminar at Dayton's Nursery on March 10th about garden maintenance as well as a sneak peek at what is new this year on March 17th. Someone is always willing to drive so do not be afraid to sign up.

Many more things are being planned for this summer including visits to private gardens that will feature such things as hostas, outdoor living and daylilies. Watch the newsletter and Emails for upcoming events. If you are interested in attending a field trip or have any questions, do not hesitate to contact our Field Trip Coordinator, Barb Earnhardt, at 330-653-3831 or [bnrearnhardt@yahoo.com](mailto:bnrearnhardt@yahoo.com). This is just another fun way that you can get involved as a Garden Club member.

Wendy Hilty

### HGC to Participate in Stan Hywet Event

This Spring our Club will participate in Stan Hywet's first-ever "Inspiration in Bloom" event. We will be creating a flower arrangement for the Manor House as the year's theme of "The Art of Living Beautifully" begins for the 2012 season.

Area garden clubs and florists have been invited to choose a room at Stan Hywet and create a floral design to reflect the spirit of that room. Our room is the Breakfast Room and our design will be titled, "Good Morning Spring." "Inspiration in Bloom" runs for two days only, Saturday and Sunday April 14 and 15, 2012. Hours are 10am to 6pm.

The Seiberlings featured the motto "Not For Us Alone" at their home. Our Club feels that same way about our gardens and what they contain. We share with each other, whether it be to invite others to see the beauty or to share plants, knowledge and ideas. We share our homes and gardens with the public on the Home & Garden Tour. We gather flowers and greens fresh from our gardens for the arrangements in the homes on the Tour each year. Our design for Stan Hywet will be created according to our tradition, with plant material found in our own local Hudson gardens.

Please help HGC's efforts for this event. If you have cherry, crab apple, late forsythia, flowering quince, pussywillow, kerria or other Spring flowering trees or shrubs, fern fiddleheads, hellebore (Lenten rose), brunnera, fritillaria or special Spring bloomers or greens and are willing to share some for the Stan Hywet arrangement, please send an Email to Wendy Hilty at [wwhilty@yahoo.com](mailto:wwhilty@yahoo.com). You will be contacted in late March/early April by the pickers and arrangers. Thank you.



### Gardener to Gardener

Mark your calendars for our first meeting in 2012. On March 14th at 10am Luann Hanink will describe how she designed and created the herb spiral that was such a success at Cleveland Botanical Gardens.

Luann will provide pictures and information for building, planting and maintaining the garden together with suggestions for the choice of herbs. The meeting will be held at Luann's house at 22 Brandywine Drive in Hudson. Numbers will be limited so please call your reservation to Dorothy Malpass at 330-656-1857 or Email her at [dorothy.malpass@gmail.com](mailto:dorothy.malpass@gmail.com) by March 12th.



## Field Trips Coming Up

Field trips to interesting and educational places are a great way to get to know other HGC members. We will have many field trips offered in 2012. More details will be provided each month in the newsletter and/or via Email blasts. Join us!

March 1  
Thursday  
Orchid Mania: This Side of Paradise  
Cleveland Botanical Garden  
(RSVPs for this trip were due 2/27/12)

March 10  
Saturday  
Understanding Garden Maintenance  
Dayton's Nursery  
3459 Cleveland-Massillon Road  
Norton, OH

March 17  
Saturday  
Sneak Peek—What's New for 2012  
A seminar at Dayton's Nursery

While we wait and plan for Spring, Dayton's Nursery is offering a series of Saturday seminars. Each Saturday has two seminars, the first from 11:00am to 12:30pm for a fee of \$5\* and the second from 1:30pm to 2:30pm which is free. Join other HGC members and bring a friend for one or both of the workshops. Light refreshments will be included before/during the first seminar. We will meet at the parking lot south of McDonalds (near the new Otani restaurant in the Acme Plaza) and carpool.

\* **This fee is for Dayton Garden Club members, which you can join for free even the day of the seminars or online at [daytonnursery.com](http://daytonnursery.com). Otherwise, the fee is \$10.**

### Dayton's Nursery Seminars:

**Saturday, March 10 at 11:00am** Dayton's Nursery is having "Understanding Garden Maintenance" by Michelle Riley of All About You Signature Landscape Design. Learn what garden maintenance practices you should be performing to keep your garden healthy and thriving. The **1:30pm seminar** is "How to Create a Landscape Survival Guide" and "Why is a Garden Journal Important?" Also by Michelle Riley.  
**RSVP by March 7.**

**Saturday, March 17 at 11:00am** is a "Sneak Peek—What's New for 2012" by Tom Dayton and Maggie Bell of Dayton's Nursery. The **1:30pm seminar** is "How to Design My Own Perennial Bed" by Michelle Riley of All About You Signature Landscape Design. **RSVP by March 14.**

**Reservations are required by the Wednesday prior to each seminar for either or both of the talks.** Please RSVP to Barb Earnhardt at [bnearnhardt@yahoo.com](mailto:bnearnhardt@yahoo.com) or 330-653-3831.

## GARDEN SHOP WANT ADS

### **Needed: Styrofoam Coolers**

We are once again making our faux stone troughs to sell at the Garden Shop. We will need styrofoam coolers of all sizes. If you can help us out here, please call Wendy Hilty at 330-656-3928 and she will be happy to pick them up.

### **Needed: Blue Wine Bottles**

The Garden Shop Committee needs blue wine bottles for a project to be sold during this year's tour. If you enjoy Riesling and have any of those cool blue bottles, please save them for us. Call Judy Mikita at 330-656-1849 and she will arrange a bottle pick up.

### **Membership Renewal**

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### **Address Correction**

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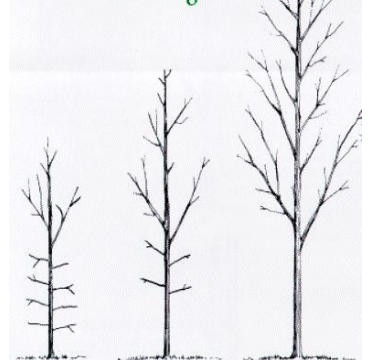
## **YOUNG TREE PRUNING WORKSHOP**

**Friday, March 23, 2012**  
**Barlow Community Center**  
**41 South Oviatt Street**

9:00 am to 3:00 pm  
8:30 am Registration

Learn how to prune and train young shade trees in this hands-on field training session. Starting with a talk on proper pruning techniques the class will move to the field where proper techniques will be demonstrated followed with supervised pruning. You will be able to try your hand on some young trees

### **FAMILY B's TREE — Pruned When Young**



**Dress for the weather, pack a lunch** and bring hand saws, hand pruners, pole saws and pole pruners. If you do not have them **do not buy them** before the class. Good tools will be discussed as part of the class.

Free to HGC members per Tom Munn  
**Sponsored by The City of Hudson**

## Treasurer's Report

Cash on Hand January 31, 2012	
Unrestricted	\$ 57,810.95
Restricted (Scholarship Fund)	\$ 31,978.56
Total Cash on Hand	\$ 89,789.51

Nancy Agler  
Treasurer

## February General Meeting Highlights

February's General Meeting was attended by 40 members and guests. Retiring board members Karen Tornstrom, Carla Maurer and Pat Snyder were thanked for their service to the club. Past President Sherry Beam was thanked for her two years of dedicated service to HGC. New board members Chris Rigby, Brenda Gorenc, Nancy Kolodgy, Judy Mikita and Nancy Agler were welcomed.

Mary Gallo introduced Tom Munn, Hudson City Arborist who presented a program on the value of the urban tree canopy now and its importance in the future.

## SAVE THE DATE

**Monday, April 16—7pm**  
"Gardening Tricks of the Trade"  
Hudson Library  
More details in April's HGC Newsletter



## Look at the Birdie Courtesy of Garden Gate Magazine (December 2011)

Get your camera ready and keep an eye out for nesting birds next spring. From March 1 to June 1, 2012 the Celebrate Urban Birds Program at Cornell Lab of Ornithology is sponsoring its annual Funky Nests in Funky Places photo challenge. There are numerous prizes and all photos will be posted on their Web site at <http://www.birds.cornell.edu/celebration/challenge>. Email your entries to [urbanbirds@cornell.edu](mailto:urbanbirds@cornell.edu) with Funky Nests in the subject line. You can also view the many wonderful entries and related stories from previous years on the website.



## Rides Available to HGC General Meetings

If you would like a ride to the HGC General Meeting held at Laurel Lake, please let us know. Board members are ready and willing to pick you up and bring you to our meeting and return you to your home. It would be our pleasure to do this.

Please contact Wendy Hilty at 330-656-3928 or [wwhilty@yahoo.com](mailto:wwhilty@yahoo.com).

## Snow Princess makes early debut

Wendy Hilty was surprised to find her "Snow Princess" hellebore was showing off its blooms so early this year. Picture was taken February 6, 2012.



## Memorial Books Purchased

Dorothy Malpass, Book Chair, purchased the following two gardening books in February:

*Residential Landscape Architecture: Design Process for the Private Residence* by Norman K. Booth and James E. Hiss in Memory of John and Marcey Krum

*Founding Gardeners: The Revolutionary Generation, Nature and the Shaping of the American Nation* by Andrea Wulf in Memory of Frances Helen Grob

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## **What's Coming Up**

### **February 11—March 25**

Cleveland Botanical Gardens  
"This Side of Paradise" - Orchid Mania  
Tuesday - Saturday 10 am to 5 pm  
Sunday - Noon - 5 pm (Closed Monday)  
Adult \$9.50 - Child (3-12) \$3  
Members & Children under 3 Free  
11030 East Boulevard  
Cleveland, Ohio

*Hundreds of bold, fragrant, blooming orchids will be on display throughout the Garden and in the naturalistic setting of the Garden's Costa Rica Glasshouse.*

### **Wednesday, March 7**

CBG's Director of Horticulture, Cynthia Druckenbrod visits the Hudson Library to give a free program all about orchids.  
7:00pm  
Call the Hudson Library for more info.

### **Thursday, March 15** **Garden Club Meeting**

7:00pm Social Time  
7:30pm Program  
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### **Saturday, March 17**

Succulent & Cactus Show & Sale  
Cleveland Botanical Garden  
10am to 5pm

### **Sunday, March 18**

Succulent & Cactus Show & Sale  
Cleveland Botanical Garden  
12pm to 5pm

### **Newsletter Committee**

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## **"Hudson Reminisces"**

Presenter: April Walton

### **Thursday, March 15, 2012** **Hudson Garden Club General Meeting**

Social Time 7:00 pm Program 7:30 pm  
Laurel Lake Community Room

Join us for an evening of reminiscing with April Walton as she takes us down Memory Lane viewing Hudson gardens and events of the Hudson Garden Club.

April compiled, edited and will narrate the presentation. Along with beautiful gardens to be featured there will be Hudson scenes and slides of some of the many Garden Club activities.

Hope we see you there!