

# THE HUDSON GARDEN CLUB

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## President's Message



I am guilty as charged. Until a year ago, I did not regularly check the Garden Club's website ([www.hudsongardenclub.org](http://www.hudsongardenclub.org)). Now I am a believer and try to check it at least weekly. Our website is a wonderful reference tool for you as members. There is information on upcoming events, photos of recent happenings, Home and Garden Tour updates and so much more. You can download membership forms and grant applications as well as labels to use for the plant exchange (which is coming up Saturday, September 14).

Our website is scrupulously maintained by Sue L'Hommedieu and is always up to date. Do not hesitate to go to this great resource for members and enjoy everything it has to offer.

Happy late summer and early fall gardening!

Wendy Hilty

### The BUGs will be gearing up for fall cleanup.....

*Sherry Beam, Civic Chair*



As summer winds down, the Civic BUGs will be slowly starting the process of winterizing the gardens on the Green and beyond. This spring the daffodils at the Flagpole Garden were dug up, dried and stored and will be planted at the Community Garden as fall arrives — to bloom again beautifully in the spring.

The annuals will be removed, the perennials cut back and mums, asters and kale planted, adding color for a few weeks as winter approaches. The BUGs have done a wonderful job monitoring the gardens each week during the summer and we still have several more work sessions before we end for the season — so we hope more of you will come out and join in the fun! Please contact Civic Chair, Sherry Beam at [sherrybeam@hotmail.com](mailto:sherrybeam@hotmail.com) or (330) 342-0969.



### Attention Garden Club Members!!!

Our General Meetings at Laurel Lake will begin earlier beginning with our September 19 meeting.

Our program will now begin at 7pm with a social time beginning at 6:45pm. This will allow our members to get home earlier especially on those cold, dark winter evenings.



### HERB GROUP BE ON THE LOOKOUT FOR EMAIL IN SEPTEMBER

Herb Group meeting date will be announced and an email will be sent. Program is planned for the **end of September**.



## Hudson Garden Club 2013 Fall Plant Exchange

For the past 27 years the Hudson Garden Club has welcomed the community to share in the time honored tradition of spring and fall plant exchanges. This is not a fundraiser for the club; it is truly sharing plants from our home gardens.

**The Fall Plant Exchange is scheduled for Saturday, September 14 in the May Pavilion at Hudson Springs Park. This is always a fun event for the HGC members and the community. The check-in will begin at 9am with the exchange starting promptly at 10am.**

### Check in:

Each plant needs to be **divided** and **labeled** and brought potted in good condition to the exchange. \*\*\*A label has been designed that will keep all the plants uniformly marked and easy for those volunteering and those choosing plants. The label identifies the plant, providing **name, color, height, bloom time** and **growing needs**, i.e.: sun, shade, etc. We welcome as many plants as you would like to share with the **exception of any groundcovers (no groundcover will be accepted)** or if it is a **known invasive variety perennial or herb**.

**Please Note: Invasive plants will not be accepted. No more than two plants of the following will be accepted:**

Herbs: lemon balm, mints, valerian, tansy, oregano and monarda (bee balm); and

Fast spreading perennials: roadside Daylilies, Yarrow, Gooseneck Loosestrife, Black-eyed Susans, Shasta daisies, Obedient plant, Coreopsis and Violets, among others.

**Tickets:** One ticket will be issued for every **standard size** plant you bring. You may use tickets to purchase plants from the exchange and if you have leftover tickets, they may be used for a plant exchange held in the same year. If you do not have any plants to share, plants may be purchased at the end of the exchange.

All plants, excluding the **premium** plants, which are labeled as such, are available for one ticket/or \$1. Premium plants are priced slightly higher.

This is a wonderful and fun tradition for both the Garden Club and the residents of Hudson. Please come out and join us and hope for a sunny day...there is not a rain date.

**Don't forget to bring containers to take your plants home in!**

If you have any questions, please call Sherry Beam (330) 342-0969 or our HGC email: [info@hudsongardenclub.org](mailto:info@hudsongardenclub.org).

Check out the HGC website to download [plant labels](#), and read more complete guidelines click on the link to the page on our website: <http://www.hudsongardenclub.org/page/plant-exchange>

## GRANT APPLICATIONS AVAILABLE

*Jan Lindstrom, Grants Chair*

The Hudson Garden Club Grants Program provides grants awarded annually in December. These grants are made possible with profits from the annual House and Garden Tour. The grants have funded many projects that fulfill club goals — spreading the knowledge and love of gardening, beautifying public property and supporting education in horticulture and related fields.

Groups or organizations with a project in mind may request funding through the grant application process by downloading an application form from [hudsongardenclub.org](http://hudsongardenclub.org). Application forms may also be requested by emailing [gardenclubgrants@gmail.com](mailto:gardenclubgrants@gmail.com).

To be considered for this year's grants, the applications must be postmarked or emailed by November 1, 2013.



## GREEN ON THE GREEN DAY

**Saturday, September 7, 2013**

The City of Hudson is holding their 2nd Annual Green on the Green Day on Saturday, September 7 from 9am to 2pm on the Park Lane Green in downtown Hudson. The event offers a day of fun and educational activities with more than 20 exhibitors sharing information about how to help our environmental efforts.

The event will offer education and demonstrations on ways to "Green" your life, including ways to recycle, green landscaping and energy efficiency.

The Hudson Garden Club will have a table and the Gardener to Gardener committee will be there to cover the following areas:

9:00am—10:30am	A Composting Exhibit Q&A and handouts
10:30am—12:15pm	Discussing Putting your Garden to Bed Q&A and handouts
12:15pm—2:00pm	Ideas on Winterizing Roses And Bringing Plants Indoors

Our Youth Chair will also have a display from Youth Programs done by the Club and we will have membership information available for those who wish to join HGC.

We hope to see you there.



**You're like a teabag — not worth much till you've been through some hot water.**

## Treasurer's Report

### Account Balances as of July 31, 2013

Unrestricted Cash (Checking)	\$ 28,259.76
Restricted (Scholarship Fund)	\$ 18,404.19
PNC Savings Account	\$ 68,715.29

**Total Bank Accounts** \$ 115,379.24

Nancy Agler, Treasurer



### SEPTEMBER IS MEMBERSHIP MONTH

September is Membership month and we hope you will choose to renew your HGC membership for the 2014 club year.

#### Membership in the Hudson Garden Club comes with:

Garden-related field trips for planting and design ideas and trips in the spring to greenhouses to see what plants we'd like to introduce into our gardens.

Gardener-to-Gardener get together to plant seeds, pot amaryllis bulbs for a winter surprise, or to hear talks by local member gardeners sharing their many tips from composting to plant care.

Or how about spending an afternoon with the Herb Group swapping beauty tips and having facials using a variety of fruits and herbs. And, of course, another time together making homemade bath salts with wonderful herb fragrances.

Then there is the opportunity to take a class on how to make the perfect make-and-take floral arrangement for your home, complete with ideas you will find very useful.

For the Youth Program you can volunteer in the spring to help assemble seed packs or bag spruce saplings in May for Arbor Day.

Let's not forget the chance to help with the many facets of the Annual Home & Garden Tour. And, membership affords a great way to share your strengths and skills as a committee member.

Monthly General Meetings, held at Laurel Lake, feature speakers on topics from identifying garden pests to how to brighten your home during the holidays using live materials.

Membership also includes receiving a monthly HGC newsletter to keep you informed on upcoming events so you can make the most of the many activities that are offered.

This is just a quick look at what your membership offers. As you can see, we are so much more than a monthly General Meeting. You are welcome to sign up for any of the above that interest you and reap the benefits.

A Membership Renewal Form and envelope are included with this newsletter. To renew your membership for 2014 please fill out the form and mail it with a check for \$20 made payable to Hudson Garden Club. Please return completed form and check before September 30, 2013. Thank you for choosing to be part of the Hudson Garden Club.

## New Member

Kathy McCord  
2074 Jesse Drive  
Hudson, OH 44236  
Phone: (330) 655-2246



## SEPTEMBER FIELD TRIP



**"A Celebration of 50 Years and Growing"**  
Presented by the  
**Twinsburg Garden Club**  
at the **Twinsburg Public Library**  
**Sat., Sept. 7 from 1pm—4pm**  
**Sun., Sept. 8 from 1pm—3pm**

The Twinsburg Garden Club presents "A Celebration of 50 Years and Growing," a Standard Flower Show at the Twinsburg Public Library. This flower show, which includes judged exhibits in several horticulture and floral design categories, is free and open to the public. The two-day show is open on Saturday, September 7, 1pm to 4pm and Sunday, September 8 from 1pm—3pm. The library's address is 10050 Ravenna Road, Twinsburg.

Those wishing to go as a group will meet in the Acme parking lot near the Otani Restaurant and leave from Hudson at 1:30pm on Saturday. Drivers needed for carpools. Please RSVP to Barb Earnhardt at [barb.earnhardt@yahoo.com](mailto:barb.earnhardt@yahoo.com) or (330) 653-3831 no later than Friday, September 6, 2013.

## FALL NURSERY SALES



**Autumn Discovery Day Tree & Shrub Sale**  
**Saturday, October 5, 2013 from 9am to 12pm**  
**Secrest Arboretum**

**1680 Madison Drive, Wooster, OH**

Web Link: [http://secrest.osu.edu/pageview/Contact\\_Us.htm](http://secrest.osu.edu/pageview/Contact_Us.htm)

Rain or shine the sale goes on! Come ready to purchase a variety of unique trees and shrubs to diversify your landscape. Receive expert advice and enjoy the autumn foliage. Parking and admission are free. All proceeds benefit arboretum programs.

**Sixth Annual End of Season Sale Auction**  
**Saturday, October 19, 2013**

**Registration: 9am**

**Sales Begins Promptly: 10am Rain or Shine**

**Lowe's Greenhouse**

**16540 Chillicothe Road, Chagrin Falls, OH**

The nursery clearance auction is a fun and easy way to landscape your yard for less.

**Suncrest and Dayton's also have fall sales. Maybe a general reminder that fall is a great time to get bargains and it is a good time to plant.....**

Hudson Garden Club  
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## What's Coming Up

**Saturday, September 7, 2013**

**Green on the Green**—9am to 2pm  
Park Lane Green in Downtown Hudson  
*See page 2 for details*

**September 7 & 8, 2013**

**"A Celebration of 50 Years and Growing"**  
Flower Show @ Twinsburg Library  
**RSVP by Friday, September 6**  
*See page 3 for details*

**Saturday, September 14, 2013**

**HGC Fall Plant Exchange**  
Check In: 9am  
Sale Starts: 10am promptly  
*See page 2 for details*

**Thursday, September 19, 2013**

**HGC General Meeting**  
Farming the Trapp Family Way  
Social Time: 6:45pm  
Program: 7:00pm

**NOTE TIME CHANGE**

*See this page for details*

***Be on the lookout for Herb Group event  
planned for end of September.....  
Announcement will be sent via email***



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IS  
HUDSON GARDEN CLUB  
MEMBERSHIP MONTH**

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## **Hudson Garden Club September General Meeting**

**Farming the Trapp Family Way  
Featured Speaker: Mark Trapp  
Thursday, September 19, 2013  
Social Time: 6:45pm  
Program: 7:00pm  
Laurel Lake Community Room  
**Note time change****

Trapp Family Farm is a small, well-diversified, horse-powered farm located in the Cuyahoga Valley National Park. The farm is the eleventh farm in the last decade brought back into use through a unique partnership between the Cuyahoga Valley National Park, the Cuyahoga Valley Countryside Conservancy and sustainable farmers.

The Trapp farm has two breeds of laying hens with approximately 140 of each breed in addition to meat chickens. Pigs and turkeys round out the livestock.

Mark Trapp, a former mechanical engineer, will discuss the beginnings of the farm, the farm's growing food guild and many of the innovative methods and techniques used throughout the farm to grow healthy plants and animals. The Trapp Family Farm is free of herbicides, pesticides, fungicides, antibiotics, hormones, and synthetic fertilizers. Crop rotation, cover cropping, compost methods and much more will be highlighted.