

The President's Message

Join Us!

Welcome back!! The Hudson Garden Club has been very busy throughout our community this summer; however, we resume our monthly General Meetings this month with a special offsite meeting and visit at Suncrest Gardens. Even though the days are beginning to cool and it is getting dark a little earlier, there is plenty of gardening time left in Northeast Ohio. We are sure to see many new fall plants at our September meeting as well as pick up some

great fall planting tips from the Suncrest professionals. Don't miss our door prize drawing of Suncrest gift cards when you attend!

Be sure to look for information in this newsletter about your opportunity to purchase spring bulbs for fall planting and amaryllis bulbs for holiday beauty. The bulbs will arrive at just the right time for planting.

Included in this newsletter is information about your membership renewal as well as an opportunity to indicate those areas of Hudson Garden Club activities that are of most interest to you. Please take just a moment to complete the interest form and drop it in the mail with your renewal.

See you at Suncrest,

Jan Lindstrom



SEPTEMBER MEMBERSHIP DRIVE LET'S GROW OUR CLUB

Lois James, Membership Chair

Do you know someone interested in gardening or who just likes flowers? Someone who might like to learn about floral arranging? Someone who might like garden-related Field Trips? Someone who might like informational Gardener-to-Gardener workshops or learning about the many uses of herbs? If you answered, "Yes," to any of these questions bring that "someone" to the Hudson Garden Club's fall kick off meeting at Suncrest Gardens for wine and cheese and a Tour of the greenhouses. Help us grow our club!!

Unable to attend? Please take a minute to email Lois James (jameslois19@gmail.com) with the names and contact information of anyone you think might enjoy belonging to our club, or direct them to our website where they can print off a Membership Form and discover the many facets of the HGC for themselves!

Dues Change Reminder

Since the \$20 HGC annual dues no longer cover our operating expenses, that amount will be increased by \$5 this year. Dues will now be \$25, or \$30 if you would like your newsletter mailed to you. Your Membership Renewal Form (on bright yellow paper) is included with your issue of the September newsletter. Please fill out and return with your check **today!** Deadline is September 30. You will receive your new 2020-2022 Membership Directory in January.

SPRING BULB SALE FOR FALL PLANTING

Barb Earnhardt, Flower Arranging Chair

This month our Club is offering select, deer-proof Spring bulbs for Fall planting. The order form will be in a separate email. Order for pick-up at our October general meeting on October 17 or sooner if needed. We are able to purchase all these bulbs in bulk so that the quality is high and your cost will be lower than retail. Supplies are limited as we had to preorder to avoid supplier sell-out, first come, first served, so don't delay.

**Hudson Garden Club celebrates over 30 years of Plant Exchanges
2019 Fall Plant Exchange to be held on Saturday, September 21 at
Veterans Way Park Pavilion starting at 10:00am**

For 30 years, the Hudson Garden Club has welcomed the community to share in the time-honored tradition of spring and fall plant exchanges. Thousands of plants have found new homes and brought joy as they grew, many also being shared again years later, and the cycle continues. In many respects, little has changed from the early days when the rule was "bring a plant, and take a plant and if you don't have any, pay a nominal price."



This is not a fundraiser for the club; it truly is sharing plants from our home gardens. This is also a great opportunity to visit the park. The Hudson Garden Club donates through our only fundraiser, the Home & Garden Tour, some of the monies towards trees and other projects in the Parks and throughout the City, and we have a wonderful relationship with all.

Veterans Way Park is located at 55 Veterans Way near downtown and is accessed from Rt. 91 (the traffic light by Starbuck's) or Milford Drive (which runs behind ACME Plaza). The pavilion is just off the parking lot adjacent to the children's playground, making it easy to carry plants to share and take home. It's only steps away.

The date is Saturday, September 21. This is always a fun event for the HGC members and the community. The check-in will begin at 9:00am and the exchange will start promptly at 10:00am.

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. ****Invasive plants will not be accepted**!** No more than two plants of the following will be accepted: Herbs: lemon balm, mints, chives, valerian, tansy and bee balm (monarda). 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 \$1.00. Premium plants are priced slightly higher. This is a wonderful and fun tradition for both the Garden Club and the residents of Hudson and beyond. 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) 573-6353, or our HGC email: info@hudsongardenclub.org. Check out the HGC website: www.hudsongardenclub.org to download **plant labels**, and read more complete guidelines. All plants need to be labeled (thank you). Click on this link to the Plant Exchange to go directly to the site. <http://www.hudsongardenclub.org/page/plant-exchange>

**Volunteers needed for Fall Plant Exchange on
Saturday, September 21 — volunteers start at 8:45am.
Please email Sherry Beam at sherrybeam@hotmail.com
if you are able to help.**

2020 HUDSON HOME & GARDEN TOUR

Planning is underway for the 2020 HGC Home & Garden Tour but help is still needed for future Tour leadership

After last month's newsletter article, we now have a couple more helpers, but what is still needed is someone willing to commit to 2-4 years as a Tour co-chair. Initially in training, but ultimately to take over the position of Tour chair.

Our Tour has been a wonderful tradition for 72 years! It would be unfortunate to lose it.

It is very rewarding to be involved in the planning and see it all come together as another successful tour. It is also very worthwhile when we can award over \$20,000 each year in scholarships, grants and donations of plants and trees in Hudson. We appreciate when our members volunteer to be hostesses and head hostesses, as well as all the other supporting roles, **but without leadership the Tour cannot continue.**

Will you volunteer to continue to make our Tour a success?

Please contact Carla Maurer for more information or to volunteer. cbmaurer@roadrunner.com or 330-524-8026.

NEWS GARDEN BOOKS AT LIBRARY

HGC donated books soon to be on the shelves at Hudson Library & Historical Society:

Deer Resistant Design by Karen Chapman
Heaven is a Garden by Jan Johnson
The Wild Garden by William Robinson
New Small Garden by Noel Kingsbury
The Wild Remedy: How Nature Mends Us
A Diary by Emma Mitchell

CIVIC GARDENS

Sherry Beam, Civic Chair

As September arrives, so will cooler temps and slowly over the next several weeks those vibrant colors of summer will give way to those of fall. The past two years we have not purchased fall mums, ornamental kale and asters since our annuals and perennials have continued to bloom well into later October. A mild fall is currently predicted, so we may be planting bulbs instead and hoping our annuals continue to bloom as beautiful as they are now. A special thank you to the few BUGs who have helped keep all the areas maintained, even in all the heat we have had this summer. Most of all is the fun and camaraderie we have when we are all together!

IF YOU LIKE FLOWERS YOU MIGHT WANT TO CONSIDER THE FOLLOWING

Barb Earnhardt, Field Trip Chair

All members are invited to consider attending one of these upcoming special events. If you like flowers, you will appreciate seeing and hearing from masters in the art of flower arranging! Please mark your calendars and contact Barb Earnhardt via email at barb.earnhardt@yahoo.com or via text at 330-671-2024 if interested to receive more information about the following events as they become known. Carpools may be available.

On **Friday, September 27** (9am—2pm), the Garden Club of Cleveland invites us to visit their Flower Show "Country Weekends, City Nights." See the Divisions of Floral Design, Horticulture, Photography, Botanical Arts and Conservation in the former clubhouse of Acacia Country Club. (Near to Beachwood Place on Chagrin.) Free and open to the public.

On **October 3-6** at Stan Hywet, club members who are Hudson Home & Garden Tour Flower Arrangers will exhibit a floral design in the Manor House for "Inspiration in Bloom." This Fall event, paired with the annual craft show Ohio Mart, has as its theme Lasting Impressions: The Art of Gertrude Seiberling. Mrs. Seiberling's artwork is displayed throughout the Manor House and in works on the grounds and will be used as points of inspiration for the floral designs. Several area florists participate in this event, and visitors will get to vote for their favorite floral arrangement. Visit www.stanhywet.org for more information.

On **Monday, October 28** at the Carriage House at Stan Hywet, the Akron Garden Club will present a program, demo, and workshop on "The Joy of Flower Arranging" with Julie Spear. Mrs. Spear is an award-winning floral designer, a Garden Club of America Flower Show Judge, and has coordinated floral design workshops all around the US.

On **Tuesday, December 3**, 10:30am at the Cleveland Museum of Art, British floral artist Joseph Massie will give a talk and demonstration. Massie is founder of the renowned floral studio Joseph Massie Flowers based in Liverpool, England. Order tickets online at engage.clevelandart.org or call the CMA ticket center at 216-421-7350. Since there is a limit of 2 tickets per order, it is suggested that you decide whether to attend and get your tickets sooner rather than

Amaryllis Bulb Sale for Gifts and November Monthly Meeting Program

Our Club is also offering Amaryllis for Christmas gift-giving and/or planting at our November general meeting on November 21. The large size, top-quality bulbs will be available in several colors — white, yellow, green, red and pink. Be sure to watch for the order form in your email with pictures and information about each one. Supplies are limited as we had to preorder to avoid supplier sell-out. If we get more orders than bulbs in-hand, we may have to substitute or disappoint, so please order early! A small bag of potting soil will be included in the pricing, for DIY, gifting, or planting at our November meeting. (BYO pot as only a limited number of plastic pots will be available.)

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What's Coming Up

Thursday, September 19, 2019

HGC September General Meeting

"An Evening at Suncrest Garden Center"

Program: 7:00pm

See this page for details

Saturday, September 21, 2019

HGC Fall 2019 Plant Exchange

Check-In: 9am - Exchange: 10am promptly

See page 2 for details

Friday, September 27, 2019 -- FREE

Garden Club of Cleveland

Acacia Country Club, Beachwood

See page 3 for details

October 3-6, 2019

"Inspiration in Bloom"

Ohio Mart at Stan Hywet

See page 3 for details

Monday, October 28, 2019

Workshop: The Joy of Flower Arranging

Stan Hywet Carriage House

See page 3 for details

Tuesday, December 3, 2019

See page 3 for details

Treasurer's Report

Julie Kodatsky, Treasurer

Account Balances as of July 31, 2019

PNC Savings	\$	32,051.83
Scholarship Fund		10,005.77
Unrestricted Cash		31,592.16

Investment Accounts		
Field of Interest Fund		67,926.21

Total Bank Accounts \$ 141,575.97

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Hudson Garden Club September General Meeting

"Evening at Suncrest Garden Center"

Guest Speaker: Rob Cowie, Plant Expert

Thursday, September 19, 2019

Social Time: 6:45pm

Program: 7:00pm

Laurel Lake Community Room



Please join us for our first meeting after our summer hiatus, on Thursday, September 19. **We will meet at Suncrest Garden Center** (5157 Akron-Cleveland Road in Peninsula) at 7:00pm for a wine and cheese evening, a tour of the greenhouses, time for shopping and a Q&A session with everyone's favorite plant expert, Rob Cowie.

It is a night to celebrate our successful 2019 Home & Garden Tour and all tour volunteers have been personally invited to attend. Please reach out to any friends or neighbors who volunteered or any who might be interested in finding out more about the club and invite them along too. It will be a fun evening to reconnect with friends we have not seen over the summer and spend time in the beautiful Suncrest greenhouses. And, remember to bring your questions for Rob!

PLEASE NOTE THAT THIS MEETING IS NOT AT LAUREL LAKE....IT IS BEING HELD AT SUNCREST GARDEN CENTER