

THE HUDSON GARDEN CLUB

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Hudson Home & Garden Tour
Thursday, June 14 from 10am to 8pm
Friday, June 15 from 10am to 5pm

THE PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

It's almost Tour time! Tour chairs, Dawn Maloney and Patti Starr, as well as the entire Tour committee, are putting the finishing touches on the 2018 HGC Home & Garden Tour. Tour dates are Thursday, June 14, 10am to 8pm and Friday, June 15, 10am to 5pm. This is our 71st annual Tour. The Tour, along with the Garden Gathering, are our only fundraisers, proceeds from these two events are used to award scholarships and grants, and make other community donations that support our club's mission.

Tour programs will be on sale at the Learned Owl bookstore and Acme Fresh Market in Hudson after Memorial Day through Wednesday, June 13. Pre-sale tickets are \$20. Tickets purchased on the days of the Tour, either at the Ticket Tent on the Green or in the Garden Shop at the middle school, will be \$25, so get your ticket early.

We are thrilled to announce that this year we have coordinated with Lake Forest Country Club to offer a special Tour lunch option. Lunch will be served at the private historic Lake Forest Country Club, 100 Lake Forest Drive, Hudson, from 11:30am to 2pm on Tour Days. There will be several menu choices including vegetarian, and a cash bar. You can make reservations by [purchasing a Luncheon Ticket online](#) before June 13. Tickets will also be sold at the door, if space is available. Luncheon tickets are \$20. You do not have to have a Tour ticket to attend the luncheon.

Be sure to stop at the Garden Shop on Tour days. There will be a selection of plants, garden art and other gardening items for sale. And, if you have plants to share from your garden, please drop them off at Hudson Middle School on Wednesday, June 13, 8am until about mid-afternoon. They are sold on a special "From Our Garden to Your Garden" table at the Shop.

Cookie bakers are always needed, too! If you have not already notified her, contact Angela Strach-Gotthardt a.p.strachgotthardt@gmail.com to let her know if you plan to drop off cookies for the Tea Room. Drop cookies off on Wednesday morning.

You will receive a combined July/August newsletter in late July. Our third Thursday of the month general meetings will resume in September.

Have a wonderful summer!

Carla Maurer

SPECIAL TOUR LUNCH REMINDER

Barb Earnhardt



Please do help spread the word! This is our first such event and with the history connecting one of the Tour properties and the nearby Country Club, we are happy to add this gem as an option during the Tour. And we are grateful for the partnership with this members-only Country Club.

If you need a break during Touring on June 14 and or June 15, or even if you can't make the Tour, please consider enjoying the special Luncheon at the private and historic *Lake Forest Country Club!* Invite your spouse, new neighbor, a friend, or group of friends to lunch! And please consider sharing the information about the Luncheon with other groups you may belong to — antique club, book club, bunco group, craft club, mah jongg club, bridge club, bible study group, you get the idea. Still working locally? Ask co-workers to join you at this special event; offer it as an unique option!

The Luncheon will be both days of the Tour, Thursday, June 14 and Friday, June 15 from 11:30am to 2pm. Lake Forest Country Club is located at 100 Lake Forest Drive. More information is on our website www.hudsongardenclub.org or <http://bit.ly/LunchHHGT>.

HAZARDOUS WASTE RECYCLING SCHEDULE

What should you do with old batteries? pesticides? chemicals you will no longer use? You definitely don't want to pour them down the drain or put them in the trash. You do want to take them to the Household Hazardous Waste Recycling Center. The HHWRC will be open for business starting Thursday, June 7. Hours are 2-7pm and every Thursday through September 27. Summit County residents can bring toxic materials to be properly disposed of or recycled at no cost, except for tires, which have a cost of \$1 cash for each and a limit of 10 per visit. In 2017, 252,247 pounds of household chemicals were collected. Of that total weight, 93% was recycled! What type of materials can you bring? A full list is available on www.summitreworks.com/hhw. One item that people are surprised to know is taken at the HHWRC is cooking oil. Latex paint is not accepted. The same website has a video of how to handle latex paint. Keep in mind that the HHWRC is for material generated from your home — materials from churches, schools or businesses are not accepted there, but have other alternatives. Also, bring an ID because you must prove you are from Summit County. The HHWRC address is 1201 Graham Road, Stow, Ohio 44224, located at the Rte. 8 Overpass.



CIVIC BUGS KEEP HUDSON CITY GARDENS BLOOMING

Sherry Beam, Civic Chair

We seemed to bypass most of Spring and jump right into the sun and warmer temperatures of early summer. With a long string of great weather days, we were able to get the gardens cleaned up and ready for planting. On a couple of the outings we had a great turnout which made things go quickly.

We added a lot of new combos to the Community Garden so it should be bursting with color most of the summer. It took three visits to the Flagpole Garden to round up most of the extra sunflower seedlings — well over 3,000 of them!! Many have been taken and transplanted all over Hudson and beyond! These are part of the original seeds I bought in 2008, they are the Lemon Queen sunflowers and have been part of the Great Sunflower Project since that time.

We added some plants to the Flagpole Garden using the two foot tall South Pacific cannas, and we also used them in the plantings on Clinton Street, next to the Open Door.

The Clocktower and fountain were the last to be planted, and we used the same "hot" colors there.

We are grateful to two BUGs, Mary Jane and Rob who have singlehandedly, to this point, tried to keep the thistles and bindweed somewhat in control and removed until we all get there after Memorial Day. Preparing and planting the gardens on the Greens comes first, and there are only a few of us doing it all, so we always appreciate every minute given!!!

We will now go into monitoring and maintenance mode and enjoying up close the beauty of the gardens...we'd love to have you come and join us. Happy almost Summer!

Excerpts from a letter received this March from Austin Reed, a 2017 HGC scholarship recipient.

Over our winter break, we have something offered at the University of Montana called winter session which is a 2-week period. Instead of taking a traditional class, I decided to take Wilderness First Responder which certified me with WFR and has inspired me to get more into the medical aspect of the wilderness emergencies. This spring, I plan to study abroad in Costa Rica for a semester in Wilderness Medicine and will end up with my Wilderness Emergency Medical Technician training and more! I also got a job as a lifeguard at the on-campus pool.

Treasurer's Report

Account Balances as of April 30, 2018

PNC Savings	\$ 32,011.73
Scholarship Fund (Restricted)	\$ 10,004.96
Unrestricted Cash (Checking)	\$ 3,880.76

Investment Accounts

Field of Interest Fund	\$ 45,106.41
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Total Bank Accounts \$ 91,003.86

Julie Kodatsky, Treasurer

GENERAL MEETING MINUTES

May 17, 2018

On Thursday, May 17, 2018 twenty-five members and guests attended our last general meeting until September. President Carla Maurer opened the meeting with general announcements about upcoming HGC events.

Bronwyn Pierson introduced the speaker, Fred Thaxton, owner of Thaxton's Organic Garlic located in Hudson. Fred explained the growing process beginning with planting in the fall, then the plants need a cold period over the winter. In the spring the "scapes" form, which are beautiful as well as delicious in recipes. The garlic is harvested, cleaned and dried in July. Thaxton's Organic Garlic can be purchased at the Hudson Farmers Market beginning on June 2 and every Saturday morning through October 6. The Knock-out Rose plant was delivered to Jan Schrader in memory of her late husband, Steve.

Respectfully submitted,
Carla Mauer, Secretary pro tem

Message to the Membership on Newsletter Distribution

Our 2018-19 Hudson Garden Club membership renewal is coming up in September. Currently the overwhelming majority of our members receive their monthly HGC newsletter by email. This ensures quick delivery, is a significant cost savings to our organization on printing and postage fees and provides greater copy quality (color photos, etc.). If you receive your newsletter by email today, your receipt of the newsletter by email will continue as usual.

We currently have some members who are receiving their newsletter by U. S. mail. In keeping with the advantages available by distributing our newsletter by email, our goal is to be as close to 100% distribution of newsletters via email as possible this fall.

However, we are aware that there are members who do not have access to email and we will continue to provide hard copy newsletters via U. S. mail at an additional cost to help cover printing and postage costs. The annual fee for hard copy newsletters will be an additional \$5 per year.

On the membership renewal form you will receive with the September newsletter you will have the option to request the hard copy newsletter and submit payment along with your annual dues if you wish to continue to receive a hard copy newsletter.

We appreciate your understanding as we make this transition while still working to serve the needs of all our members.



From Our Garden to Your Garden Share your plants to be Sold at the Garden Shop

Every year we collect plants donated by members to sell at the Garden Shop during the Home & Garden Tour. Take a few minutes to think what you can dig up or divide and pot up closer to the Tour date. You can download the label forms from our website — here is the direct link — <http://www.hudsongardenclub.org/page/plant-exchange>.

This year we are changing things and the plants will go directly to the Garden Shop (located at the Hudson Middle School on Oviatt Street) starting at 8am and until mid-afternoon on Wednesday, June 13, the day before the Tour. Dorothy Malpass, or volunteers will be there to receive your plants.

The weather is perfect now, and will continue to be great....please dig early to give the plants time to settle from the "shock" of being transplanted.

If there are any questions, call Dorothy Malpass at (330) 656-1857.

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What's Coming Up

Saturday, June 9 (5:30pm—9:30pm)
"Garden Gathering"

Check page 1 in our May newsletter for details

Thursday, June 14 & Friday, June 15
"Let's Do Lunch" at Lake Forest CC
Serving: 11:30am to 2pm

See page 2 for details

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Friday, Saturday & Sunday - June 15-17

Garden Club of America Flower Show
Akron Art Museum

See this page for details

Thursday, June 7 thru September 27

Household Hazardous Waste Open

See page 2 for details



COOKIE REMINDER

If you have signed up to donate cookies for the Tour Tea Room this is just a reminder to drop off your cookies at the Middle School Commons on Wednesday, June 13 from 9am to 3pm.

Thank you in advance for helping us provide a special treat for our visitors at

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GARDEN CLUB OF AMERICA FLOWER SHOW AT AKRON ART MUSEUM

Akron will come to life in the form of flowers when The Akron Garden Club (AGC) returns to Akron Art Museum to produce *Art Blooms 2018: Akron*, a Garden Club of America (GCA) flower show, with entries in floral design, horticulture, photography, botanical arts and conservation. AGC sponsors a Flower Show every three or four years, with hundreds of entries in five divisions, and this show is coming up on June 15-17, 2018. Museum admission is free for children 17 and under and for Blue Star Families.

GCA shows are known for their exceptional entries, *avant-garde* use of flowers and creative designs. Members of GCA clubs from around the country will participate. The show will take inspiration from the revitalization of Akron. Highlights will include 20 floral designs inspired by works on exhibition at the museum, arrayed throughout the galleries. Four large mass designs will be juxtaposed with one of the museum's signature images. The Sol LeWitt *Wall Drawing #1240* in the McDowell Grand Lobby. In addition, there will be four tablescape designs interpreting *Good Neighbors* by University of Akron Myers School of Art Professor Matthew Kolodziej. There also will be entries of botanical arts, including necklaces, earrings, paintbrushes and palettes embellished entirely with dried plant material. The show will feature 25 classes of houseplants, terrariums, container gardens and seasonal cut horticultural specimens from local gardens, including annuals, perennials, hosta, shrubs and trees.

Thirty nature photographs of fine-art quality will capture interior still lifes, landscapes and close-up images of plants and examine the themes of captivating light and the essence of nature. A conservation exhibit, *Akron Waterways Renewed!*, will educate about the city's billion-dollar water quality improvement project.