

THE HUDSON GARDEN CLUB

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THE PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE



It's beginning to feel like spring! We've had a few mild, sunny days and I am excited to see snowdrops in my garden and the hellebores and crocuses are beginning to come back to life too. It won't be long now!

The HGC Scholarship Committee is currently accepting scholarship applications (due March 10) and will soon review those to determine who will receive \$7,500 in *Genevieve Jyurovat* Scholarship awards for 2018. The scholarship dollars are typically divided between four or five high school or college students. The success of our annual Home & Garden Tour and the Garden Gathering allows us to award these scholarships to students studying horticulture or related subjects in the environmental sciences.

Do you have an interest in becoming more involved in the many fascinating aspects of our club? Throughout this newsletter are many opportunities to participate in club activities and perhaps even step into a new role to serve HGC while learning new things and meeting new gardener friends! The June 2018 Home & Garden Tour is in the final planning stages and many volunteers are needed to make it a success. Contact Tour Chairs Dawn Maloney ([330-990-4236](tel:330-990-4236)/dawnsold@gmail.com) or Patti Starr ([330-656-2736](tel:330-656-2736)/starrpatti@aol.com) to help in one of the homes or gardens, or in the garden shop or tea room. The Home & Garden Tour is our major fund-raiser and this will be the 71st Tour for HGC. The proceeds from the Tour are primarily used for Grants, Scholarships, Community donations and programs that support our club's mission. We all benefit from a successful Tour and Garden Gathering.

Happy Spring!

Carla Maurer

ITEMS NEEDED FOR THE TOUR'S GARDEN SHOP TAG SALE

The Garden Shop is once again collecting gently used books and items for the Tag Sale at the middle school commons during the Home & Garden Tour to be held June 14 and 15, 2018.

We will be collecting gently used garden books, plant containers and garden art items to decorate your garden and possibly even give as gifts. The garden art has proven to be an interesting area in the Gift Shop and we welcome your treasures.

If you have any of the above, please save them and drop them off at the middle school on June 13, 2018 or at 2214 Olde Farm Lane starting in May. Thanks!!

DRIVERS NEEDED FOR TOUR'S "GARDEN GATHERING"

The Hudson Local Schools have donated three 8-passenger vans for Saturday, June 9 to transport guests to and from the "Garden Gathering." The driving distance is approximately .5 miles from a church parking lot to a large turnaround at the venue.

If you know anyone with State Farm car insurance that would like to volunteer to drive a van that night from 5:30pm to 6:30-7:00pm and 8:00pm to 9:00-9:30pm please contact Lois James at [330-715-4295](tel:330-715-4295) or jameslois19@gmail.com.

HERB GROUP ACTIVITIES FOR 2018

Sherry Beam, Herb Chair

Now that we are looking at more seasonable weather the Herb Group will be getting active! We want to welcome back all those who have been a part of this group for a long time and we are excited to get to know all the interests of those just joining in.

All the special interest groups of the HGC are open to all members, all the time. We all have different gardening interests and you are able to be a part of as many or as few that may interest you.

This year we will hopefully be on the road a lot exploring different venues, along with fun workshops, crafts and informative programs.

I'm giving all of you an early heads up on our March program - "Companion Planting." It will be held Tuesday, March 20 at the Hudson Library in the Laurel Lake Room at 9:30am.

I am currently doing course work, and this will be one of the areas I will be focusing on here at my own home, so it will be wonderful for all of us to learn more about — and try! I have been finding great info to share and pass on.

What I REALLY NEED from each of you is what you would like? The best way a group like ours works is when we all have input. Having an idea of if you are new or just learning about herbs...to seeing if you want to incorporate cooking with herbs, doing crafts, etc. Please, please let me know what you would like to learn or try.

I would like to see if you are interested in again getting herbs from Art Form Nursery in bulk as we did a couple of years ago. Once I get their 2018 catalog, I'll know which ones they will be offering.

Early field trips should include going to some of the Herb Farms, such as Quailcrest Herb Farm in Wooster and Mulberry Creek Herb Farm in Huron. We didn't get down to the Columbus area ones last year...so let's try to get these in the Spring/early Summer.

There are others, but these are the ones which have the largest variety. I am working on Native plants and trees — especially pollinators in my course work, so I will probably throw in some trips for pollinator plants, also if anyone is interested. We haven't been to the Culinary Vegetable Institute in Milan as a group in over 10 years...it is one of my favorite places ever! So I think we need to plan a trip!

I have a list of Tea Rooms that we can pick from — probably for Fall.

Hops is the 2018 Herb of the Year — we will be doing several programs and field trips for it...next week there is a **free Hops program** sponsored by the Western Reserve Herb Society featuring Kathleen Gips. I will be attending it if anyone else would like to go. It is on **Wednesday, March 7 at 10am to noon at the Orange Library** in Pepper Pike, let me know.

Contact Sherry Beam (sherrybeam@hotmail.com) or [330-573-6353](tel:330-573-6353) with input or questions.

Looking forward to seeing you!!!

INTERESTING PROGRAMS OFFERED IN MARCH

Succulents featured at the Cleveland Botanical Gardens in March

On Saturday, March 17, 2018 from 9:30am to 11:30am learn how to make new succulent planters and how to revive old ones in this fun make-and-take class. Potting mix, succulent starts and containers provided. Bring in your unhealthy succulents to this horticulture revival clinic! \$30 CBG members, \$50 non-members. On Saturday, March 24 (10-5) and Sunday March 25 (12-5) enjoy the diversity of cacti and succulents on display by this affiliate garden club and purchase plants and supplies to take home. Free for members, with admission fee for non-members. More info at www.cb garden.org.

Ikebana Class

The Cleveland Museum of Art is offering an Ikebana class on Saturday, March 10, 2018. "Ikebana is the art of Japanese flower arrangement, with formal display according to strict rules, and many different styles or schools. Ikebana often emphasizes areas of a plant other than the flower, such as its stems and leaves, and draws emphasis toward shape, line and form. Ikebana employs minimalism and the container is a key element of the composition."

Isa Ranganathan, one of the floral designers responsible for the endowed arrangement in the CMA's north lobby, will teach the class. The class is 10am to 4pm, lunch on your own. \$85 (CMA members \$70). To register or get more information call the CMA at [216-421-7350](tel:216-421-7350).

Philadelphia Flower Show

The PHS Flower Show in Philadelphia is March 3-11, 2018. "The Wonders of Water" theme will delight guests in a sea of color and exploration of the extraordinary, essential and life-giving beauty of water — in 10 acres of landscapes, gardens, floral displays, horticulture exhibits, botanical arts, DIY ideas and terrific vendors! For tickets and information, see www.theflowershow.com.

The PHS Philadelphia Flower Show is the nation's largest and longest-running horticultural event, and features stunning displays by the world's premier floral and landscape designers. This is a world-class show!

Treasurer's Report

Account Balances as of January 31, 2018

PNC Savings	\$ 32,003.92
Scholarship Fund (Restricted)	\$ 10,003.25
Unrestricted Cash (Checking)	\$ 3,239.74

Investment Accounts

Field of Interest Fund	\$ 44,464.53
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Total Bank Accounts	\$ 89,711.44
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Julie Kodatsky, Treasurer

GENERAL MEETING MINUTES February 15, 2018

On Thursday, February 15, 2018, forty-two members and guests gathered to hear the presentation "**Designing Outdoor Garden Rooms**" by Megan Vance, owner of Suzanne Jardin Garden Designs.

Prior to the presentation, President Carla Maurer presented the HGC proposed budget for 2018. After addressing all member comments and questions, Carla called for a vote on the budget. Sherry Beam moved to approve the budget and Anmarie Gauntner seconded the motion. The budget was unanimously approved by the members of HGC.

Through pictures and personal anecdotes Suzanne shared her recommendations and tips for planning and installing a beautiful outdoor garden room.

The rose plant recipient for the month was Judy Maupin. Dot Reed was the raffle winner.

Respectfully submitted,
Carolyn Bouquot, Recording Secretary

GARDENER-TO-GARDENER CONTAINER GARDENING CLASS

Dorothy Malpass, Chair

An interest in Container Gardening is quite popular today, perhaps due to downsizing or the lack of time needed to maintain a large garden when both parents work. Besides these practical reasons it can be for the fun and creativity it can provide.

I have contacted Judy Maupin who always creates and maintains beautiful vegetable and herb container gardens. Judy has agreed to do a demonstration with the help of Joan Brandon and Sally Richenbacher, probably during the end of April, early May. There will be discussion on types of containers, best soil mixes to use, interesting combinations and good maintenance. More details will be given closer to the date.

Scholarship Recipient Katherine Block

I would like to thank you for the generous \$1,000 scholarship from the Hudson Garden Club's *Genevieve Jyurovat* Scholarship Fund. I am doing well at Miami University. I am in their honors program and I took honors chemistry this semester. I have learned so much in chemistry here, as it is quite different than AP Chemistry at Hudson High. It has been challenging at times, but I absolutely love it. All of my classes are going well and I am enjoying my time learning from a wide variety of classes.

I have had an easy adjustment to college life and have made some really good friends. The honors program here offers special activities for us beyond the ones offered throughout the campus. I have attended meetings regarding biochemistry research opportunities that I will be applying for and I have periodic meetings with my honors advisor for other guidance.

As part of the honors program, I have attended the Moonlight Masquerade Ball and went on a field trip to Butterfield Farm for some fall festivities. Another event exclusively for honors students that I enjoyed was the Halloween party in the student center.

Again, thank you very much for the generous scholarship. I am very grateful that I was a recipient.

(Received in the Fall of 2017)

Herb group getting ready for Spring with a class on "Companion Planting"

Sherry Beam, Herb Group, Chair

The Herb Group will be kicking off the first day of Spring with a fun, informative and interactive program on "Companion Planting." We will be learning about interplanting our herbs, vegetables and flowers together which offers several beneficial features that can protect your vegetables from insect pests and attract beneficial insects and pollinators, and even make them more productive for the mutual benefit of all. If you have visited gardens over the past few years, you may have noticed that many homeowners and cultural gardens have been doing it, and it has been seamless and working!

Please join us on Tuesday, March 20, 2018 at 9:30am in the Laurel Lake Room at the Hudson Library. Please RSVP to Sherry Beam (sherrybeam@hotmail.com) or [330-573-6353](tel:330-573-6353) by March 16 to ensure we have enough handouts.

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What's Coming Up

Saturday, March 10, 2018

Ikebana @ Cleveland Museum of Art
See page 2 for details

January 27—March 11, 2018

Orchid Mania @ Cleveland Botanical Garden

March 3-11, 2018

Philadelphia Flower Show
See page 2 for details

Wednesday, March 14, 2018

Garden Tool Sharpening at Heinen's in Hudson

Thursday, March 15, 2018

HGC General Meeting
See this page for details

Saturday, March 17, 2018

Succulents @ Cleveland Botanical Garden
See page 2 for details

Tuesday, March 20, 2018

Companion Planting @ Hudson Library
See page 3 for details

Sat. & Sun., March 24-25, 2018

Cacti and Succulents Show and Sale @ CBG
See page 2 for details

SAVE THE DATES

2018 HGC PLANT EXCHANGE DATES

SPRING: Monday, May 21, 2018

Check in: 6pm Exchange: 7pm

FALL: Saturday, September 22, 2018

Check In: 9am Exchange: 10am

HELD AT VETERANS WAY PARK

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Hudson Garden Club March General Meeting

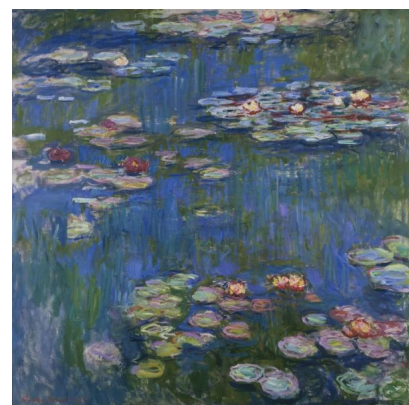
""The Art of Gardening ""

Thursday, March 15, 2018

Social Time: 6:45pm

Program: 7:00pm

Laurel Lake Community Room



Kim Hawkins, a Cuyahoga County Master Gardener will present "The Art of Gardening: Learning from Monet's Gardens and Art."

The evening will explore how Monet created artwork and amazing gardens using light, color, texture and form.