

# THE HUDSON GARDEN CLUB

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Floral arrangement above created by HGC floral arrangers for Stan Hywet's "Inspiration in Bloom" October 2016

**CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR  
HGC FLORAL ARRANGERS**

Pictured below is an floral arrangement in the Stan Hywet dining room created by HGC floral arrangers for "Inspiration in Bloom" October 2016

## The President's Message

We've had a beautiful Indian summer the last few weeks, but, I think it's about over now! Time to look ahead to the upcoming holidays and late fall/winter indoor and outdoor decorations.

We hope you will consider doing some of your holiday shopping at the Case Barlow Farm Holiday House Tour coming up on November 25-26 from 10am to 4pm. Tickets are \$15. There is also a Preview Party on November 19, advance purchased tickets for the Preview Party are required and are \$75. Tickets for both events are available at the Learned Owl, Destination Hudson and the Grey Colt. Tickets for the November 25-26 Tour will also be available at the door. HGC will participate by providing holiday décor/arrangements for the back porch and other areas inside the house.

Volunteers are still needed to fill the positions of Recording Secretary and Historian. Please contact me if you can help!

I wish you all a very Happy Thanksgiving, and I look forward to seeing you at our general meeting on November 17.

*Carla Maurer*

## Books in Memory

Since the Hudson Library already has the books we reported purchasing in the September newsletter, we have selected the following.

**In memory of Kenneth Blower:**

Herterton House and a New Country Garden  
by Frank Lawley

**In memory of Marjorie Anne Derr:**

Garden Design: A Book of Ideas  
By Heidi Howcroft and Marianne Majerus



## COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT

*Barb Earnhardt, Flower Arranging Chair*

### **AT CASE BARLOW FARM**

The Akron Beacon Journal will be on hand with a photographer and reporter on November 15, 2016 as the Holiday House at the Case Barlow Farm is decorated. HGC will decorate the back door entrance to the event which will feature local vendors and Questor group holiday displays. Join in our club's efforts on behalf of Case Barlow Farm, Hudson Heritage Association and our community to beautify the historic farmhouse for this event and the season. We will use live and dried natural materials that are period and place appropriate.

Have some material to share? Want to help? Contact **Barb Earnhardt** at (330) 653-3831 or at [barb.earnhardt@yahoo.com](mailto:barb.earnhardt@yahoo.com).

**Holiday House will be open to the public on  
November 25 & 26, 2016 from 10am to 4pm**

### **AT CLEVELAND BOTANICAL GARDEN**

Did you know that HGC is an Affiliate Club member of the Cleveland Botanical Garden? Because we are, and because we are participating in their GLOW holiday event by decorating a live Frasier fir (one of 30-40 trees), we are invited to see all the trees in their splendor while enjoying free admission and light refreshments in Woodland Hall on:

**Tuesday, December 6, 2016 from 1pm to 6pm**  
**Free limited parking**  
**Affiliate club member, free admission**  
**1 guest per Affiliate club member - \$8 admission**

If you are interested, you must register so they can plan for the size of the group. Take your spouse, a friend, a grandchild! Register online at [cbgarden.org](http://cbgarden.org). On the top R of home page, look for the word ABOUT. Click on ABOUT and you will see a list under ABOUT that includes Affiliated Garden Clubs. Click on that, see a write up about Glow Affiliate Night with a link to register yourself and a guest.

Should you choose to join the Cleveland Botanical Garden, membership also gives you year-round reciprocal admission to The Holden Arboretum. The Holden Arboretum features a new canopy walk (think suspension bridges and platforms 5' in the air) and a Tower above the trees that is 120' high, where on a clear day you can see all the way to Lake Erie. Both are wonderful according to friends who have visited.

Our tree and the others will be decorated on November 22. GLOW will be open to the public Friday, November 25 through Saturday, December 31, 2016 during regular Cleveland Botanical Garden visiting hours. For details

and regular admission pricing, visit [cbgarden.org](http://cbgarden.org). "Magical by day and shining even brighter by night, GLOW is the Botanical Garden's winter spectacular and one of Cleveland's most celebrated holiday traditions. Grab a cup of hot chocolate, enjoy seasonal treats and savor the memory with loved ones as you experience everything GLOW has to offer including creative trees, whimsical gingerbread houses, live music, outdoor lights, holiday shopping, a ride on the Garden Express and much more."

Thank you to Jan Lindstrom who is HGC's representative on the Affiliate Council.

### **AT STAN HYWET**

More than 75 dahlias were used in our club's arrangements in the Fall edition of "Inspiration in Bloom" at Stan Hywet Hall on October 6-9, 2016 during Ohio Mart. Three flower arrangements graced the dining room tables and another large design in a silver champagne bucket was placed on the buffet. Designers Fern MacMillan, Jane Harrison and Barb Earnhardt vied with local area florists for the People's Choice award. Julie Frey, Director of Museum Services/Curator at Stan Hywet Hall & Gardens said thousands of visitors to the Manor House placed ballots, and although HGC's designs did not win the top spot, we did place within the top three. In addition to the luminous dahlias from friends Mark and Brenda Depew (hosts of our Garden Gathering a few years ago) and Paul and Mary Ellen Ryerson, we gathered other plant material from our gardens. The other designers at "Inspiration in Bloom" order their material from wholesalers. We use as much of our own gathered material as possible, just as we do for our Home & Garden Tour. This time we gathered purple Beauty berry branches, sword ferns, castor bean flowers, zinnias, pachysandra, clematis paniculata tendrils, crabapple branches and bittersweet. We did use a few apples and pears and one annual called Alternanthera 'Brazilian Red Hots' because of its purple stems and leaves.

Thanks to member Judy Maupin for sharing a 3" castor bean sprout which grew into a 7 foot tall tropical wonder and produced the most interesting and bright flower heads! We used these in the sideboard design.



July was the hottest month in recorded history. Increasingly hot summers are causing Douglas fir trees to stop growing.

*Sierra Magazine - November 2016*

## Treasurer's Report

### Account Balances as of September 30, 2016

PNC Savings	\$ 51,958.97
Scholarship Fund (Restricted)	\$ 18,783.25
Unrestricted Cash (Checking)	\$ 12,865.19

### Investment Accounts

Field of Interest Fund	\$ 21,539.24
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**Total Bank Accounts** \$ 105,146.65

*Julie Kodatsky, Treasurer*

## HGC General Meeting Minutes October 20, 2016

On Thursday, October 20 many HGC members enjoyed our annual October potluck dinner prior to the general meeting.

Forty members and guests attended the meeting. Our speaker for the evening was Stanley Stine, City of Twinsburg Naturalist. Mr. Stine is also a field botanist and his work includes environmental education for Twinsburg and the Cleveland Museum of Natural History. He spoke about native trees and shrubs which included slideshow photos of trees and shrubs recommended for Northeast Ohio.

The evening was topped off with the raffling of the chrysanthemum table centerpieces to members and guests in attendance.



Case Barlow Farm  
&  
Hudson Heritage Association

Present

### Holiday House

Tour: November 25th & 26th, 2016 10am-4pm

Preview Party: November 19, 2016 5pm-7pm  
Case Barlow Farm

1931 Barlow Road

Holiday shopping by:

*Borrow Rentals, Hudson Fine Art & Framing, Laura Yeager Smith Home & Design, Molly Taylor & Co., Red Twig, Suncrest Gardens, Yellow Basket Antiques, Yellow Creek Trading Co. Featuring the fine antiques and displays by the Hudson Questers & Hudson Garden Club*

*Tour Tickets at the door, Learned Owl, Destination Hudson, Grey Colt \$15.00*

*Preview Party Tickets Learned Owl, Destination Hudson, Grey Colt \$75.00pp*

## FLOWER ARRANGING NEWS & FIELD TRIP

*Barb Earnhardt, Flower Arranging Chair*



The flower arrangers from the Hudson Home & Garden Tour were invited to see a program and participate in a workshop presented by the Akron Garden Club on October 24, 2016. Two award-winning floral arrangers from Illinois demonstrated how to create lovely arrangements using the most common and inexpensive containers — clear glass. Ginger jars, square cubes, cylinders short and narrow and large and tall, and low dishes showed off very creative uses of flowers and greenery PLUS vegetables, succulents, fall foliage, colored Oasis blocks and foam, lighting, yard and even plastic gutter guard in nearly a dozen different arrangements.

Who knew a Brussels sprout could be manipulated into a petaled flower? We were happy to hear these very experienced and skilled designers extol the virtues of pachysandra as greenery in arrangements as it is one of our own staples! In the workshop we received instruction and help to create a contemporary design to take home, this time featuring manipulated aspidistra leaves, 'Green Trick' Dianthus, and freesia and alstroemeria in water tubes. Grace Blower, Connie Chakford, Barb Earnhardt, Kathy Foley, Nancy Ginsburg, Jane Harrison, Judy Jaffray, Fern MacMillan and Paula Shaw all agreed it was time well spent and came away with many ideas to adapt for our 2017 Home & Garden Tour!

### FIELD TRIP PLANNED FOR NOVEMBER 16, 2016

As we saw and heard about many products that are helpful and/or fun to use in flower arranging, we decided to plan a **field trip on Wednesday, November 16, 2016 to Nordlie's**. Nordlie's is "Cleveland's largest wholesale floral distributor specializing in fresh flowers from around the world and design supplies for retail florists, event planners and all floral industry professionals." In addition to a full line of fresh cut flowers and plants they have all the latest trends in containers, accessories and home décor. New Christmas and Holiday offerings will be on display in their showroom when we visit.

Hudson Garden Club has an account at Nordlie's so purchases can be made that day using personal credit cards or cash. We will meet in the parking lot near Otani (next to McDonald's), form carpools and leave at 9:30am. Anyone can come along — you don't have to be a flower arranger! Please RSVP to Barb Earnhardt at [barb.earnhardt@yahoo.com](mailto:barb.earnhardt@yahoo.com) or (330) 653-3831 **no later than Monday, November 14.**

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### What's Coming Up

**Tuesday, November 15, 2016**

Decorate the back porch at Barlow Farm  
*See page 2 for details*

**Wednesday, November 16, 2016**

Field Trip to Nordlie's - Wholesale Florist  
**RSVP no later than Monday, Nov. 14**  
*See page 3 for details*

**Thursday, November 17, 2016**

**HGC November General Meeting**

**Speaker: Jessica Schneider**

Social Time: 6:45pm

Program: 7:00pm

*See this page for details*

**Tuesday, November 22, 2016**

Decorate HGC Tree at CBG

*See page 2 for details*

**Fri & Sat, November 25 - 26 , 10am-4pm**

**Holiday House Tour & Holiday Shopping**

**Case Barlow Farm**

*See page for details*

**Saturday, December 3, 2016**

Decorate for USO Party at Hudson High

**Tuesday, December 6, 2016**

Affiliate Day at Cleveland Botanical Garden

**Register Now**

*See page 2 for details*



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## Hudson Garden Club November General Meeting

### "Learning About Hops"



**Guest Speaker: Jessica Schneider**  
**From Schneider's Hops Haus**

**Thursday, November 17, 2016**

**Social Time: 6:45pm**

**Program: 7:00pm**

**Laurel Lake Community Room**

The Hudson Garden Club will welcome **Jessica Schneider from Schneider's Hops Haus** as the speaker for our November meeting. Located in Aurora, the organic farm grows lavender and hops using sustainable methods.

Jessica will explain their growing process, share stories from the farm and explain why gardeners should add hops to their own yards.

As the interest in home brewing and craft beers grows, our November meeting will be a great night!