

THE HUDSON GARDEN CLUB

NEWSLETTER

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The President's Message

Hello HGC Members:

It is unbelievable how fast the end of 2021 is approaching and Hudson Garden Club is hard at work preparing to showcase our creativity and decorating talents at

Cleveland Botanical Garden, Stan Hywet, and our own downtown Hudson during the holiday season. Many thanks to Barb Earnhardt for coordinating these efforts and be sure not to miss any of them! Details are included in this newsletter so you can make your plans to share in our holiday spirit. If you'd like to help with preparing decorations, please reach out to Barb. She'd welcome any extra pairs of hands.



Our November meeting returns to our more 'traditional' meeting format and this will be the first time since early 2020 that we will be meeting inside. We are excited to be meeting at Christ Church Episcopal, very conveniently located near downtown. Please wear a mask (even if you are vaccinated) and we will socially distance the seating.

Please enter through the back parking lot of the church and look for the Hudson Garden Club sign to direct you to the entrance. Feel free to arrive in advance of the speaker at 7 PM and enjoy a cup of coffee or tea.

Looking forward to seeing you on the 18th at our meeting.

-Jan Lindstrom

Membership

Membership Update

Lois James

Peony

- Kyla Robbins

Lilac Level Members

- Brianna Lemley

Daisy Level Members

- Sunetra Patil



After the completion of our 2021-2022 Membership Drive, the official count is 202 HGC members from Hudson and the surrounding areas. With so many opportunities to join the various groups in our community, we are so appreciative that you have decided to spend time with us increasing your knowledge of plants and the environment.

The new 2021-2023 Directory will be available for you to pick up at our November meeting. Please have a friend pick yours up if you can't attend. Otherwise, it will be mailed out to you at the end of November. It will also be available on our website for you to view or download and print.

Successful New Member Dessert

Monday, October 25th, new members and Committee Chairs met for dessert and beverages at Christ Church Episcopal (the location of our November meeting). The building was a bit challenging to find after dark, but once everyone arrived it was nice to learn a bit about each other and the different roles of the HGC Chairs along with the involvement of the Club in the community since 1933. New member Kierie Courtney was the lucky one to walk away with the beautiful hydrangea arrangement supplied by Sue L'Hommedieu from her garden!

**Editor's note: If available, the contact information of new members will*

be updated on the HGC Website, in the upcoming directory, or addendum.



GLOW GIRLS PLANNING FOR THREE LOCATIONS!

Barb Earnhardt

For our newer members, the Glow Girls are a group of HGC members, growing in number through the last several years, who have been responsible for lovely and creative Christmas Holiday decorations

installed at the Cleveland Botanical Garden. HGC is an Affiliate Club of the CBG, and Affiliate Clubs are asked to participate in decorating the CBG for the holidays. The Glow Girls determine a theme, gather decorations, hand-crafting many, go to the CBG to install them and take them down, having a good time every step of the way.

This year, the CBG asked the Affiliate Clubs to showcase the world of plants - greens, flowers, fruit, herbs, etc. - that are a part of our Holiday traditions. And two other organizations invited us to decorate for them, too! The Glow Girls recently met and talked about the design theme ideas for our THREE locations. Yes, three locations this year! Our Club has been invited to decorate for the Christmas Holiday at the Cleveland Botanical Garden, Stan Hywet, and at First & Main!

At the Cleveland Botanical Garden, for their Garden Holiday Show formerly known as GLOW, HGC will decorate a mantel using live, dried and faux plant material. More than 40 Affiliated Clubs will decorate live trees, doors, dining tables, and mantels to the theme "Hearth and Home for the Holidays: Plants We Use to Celebrate the Holidays". The Garden Holiday Show will run from Nov 20 through Jan 2, 2022. [Click here](#) for ticket availability, hours, information.

Our Club has also been invited to decorate for the Christmas Holiday at Stan Hywet Hall & Gardens for their holiday event, Deck The Hall. HGC will decorate a tree in the 2700 sq ft Music Room of the Manor House, one of a series of trees interpreting The Nutcracker Ballet dances. The 2021 Deck The Hall decorating theme for the Manor House is "Lights, Camera, Christmas". Deck The Hall will run from Nov 26 through Dec 30. [Click here](#) for ticket availability, hours, information.

And, we've also been invited to decorate a vacant store window at First & Main. Look for what we create in a window at the former Rusty Stone

next to Coldstone Ice Cream after Thanksgiving and before the Holiday Walk in downtown Hudson on Dec 5. This window will feature lovely handcrafted decorations to add to the Holiday spirit right in our own downtown!

Looking ahead, as members of Hudson Garden Club, there will be a special free admission day at the CBG during the Garden Holiday Show as a thank you for our Club's donation of time and talent to the event. (This is usually early in December.) Watch for details in an email blast or on the website. Registration will be required for admission.

Photo from GLOW 2020 event

Holiday Decorating for the First & Main Window

Do you have an extra artificial tree or extra holiday lights? If you'd like to lend a tree or lights to help the Hudson Garden Club decorate the First & main window, please contact Barb Earnhardt via email at barb.earnhardt@yahoo.com or phone at 330 671-2024. Thank you!

Flower Arranging Tips!

Shared courtesy of Barb Earnhardt and Sue L'Hommedieu

Check back monthly for more tips! This month, we focus on holiday and larger arrangements.

- For holiday arrangements, gold and silver spray paint on alliums and hydrangeas. Use with evergreens indoors or outside
- Use fruit speared on sticks – apples and oranges for Thanksgiving or Christmas
- Use cranberries, lemons, cut stems, big leaves, or stones in glass vases to add interest and to hide the arrangement's stem
- Include berried branches in larger arrangements
- Anything can be a container—pitchers, baskets (put a glass or dish inside), glasses, mugs (more masculine arrangement), bottles, jars, teapot, teacup



- When delivering an arrangement in a vase, place it in a heavy cooking saucepan. Stuff clean dishtowels around to steady it. Place on the floor of car, not seat.

Hudson Garden Club Accepting Grant Applications

Sue McCutcheon

Since 2000, the Hudson Garden Club has offered grants to fund worthwhile projects or programs that fulfill the mission of the Club. Hudson Garden Club is dedicated to spreading the knowledge and love of gardening, the beautification of public property, and the support of education in horticultural and related fields.

Grant applications are now being accepted by the Club. The application form can be found on the Club's website at www.hudsongardenclub.org and select "Grants."

The deadline for applications is November 15, 2021. Please email susan.mccutcheon55@gmail.com with any questions.

Do you have a recipe to share?

Send the recipe and a photo or two to Sophia Loferski at HGCeditor@gmail.com!

Upcoming Events

For all events, the Hudson Garden Club follows the severe weather policy of the Hudson City schools. If school is canceled due to bad weather, our meeting/event will also be canceled. Call (330 653-1300), visit <https://www.hudson.k12.oh.us/>, watch HCTV or WKYC's closing page, or tune into television stations to learn of the closing.

November 16, 2021

*Harvest Boutique presented by
Garden Club of Cleveland*

Time: 3PM - 7PM

Place:
Canterbury Golf Club

November 18, 2021

Hudson Garden Club Meeting

Time:
6:30 PM Club Members

Topic:
Tools to Assess Tree Health and Risk

22000 South Woodland Road
Beachwood, OH 44122

RSVP:

You must RSVP by November 13, 2021, to Barb Earnhardt via email at barb.earnhardt@yahoo.com

Tis the season, coming sooner than we realize! HGC has been gifted with a limited number of tickets for this event presented by the Garden Club of Cleveland. Floral design by renowned designer Andrew Thomas Floral Design and one of the talented Garden Club of Cleveland members, Margaret Wilson. See the flyer below and RSVP to barb.earnhardt@yahoo.com by Saturday, Nov. 13, if you would like to attend.

Carpools may be formed; that will be decided after RSVPs close. Join in for what should be a wonderful event!

Place:

Christ Church Episcopal
21 Aurora Street
Hudson, OH 44236

Please join us for our first Hudson Garden Club Program meeting at Christ Church Episcopal since the early years of the garden club. Greg Daigneault from Bartlett Tree Experts located in Oakwood, Ohio, will be joining us to share tools that can help you assess the risks and health of trees in your yard. Please come early for coffee and to spend time visiting with friends you haven't seen in a while or possibly meet someone new who shares an interest in gardening, nature, and plants.

No RSVP is needed. This is open to all club members. Please feel free to bring a friend if you think they would like to join you and see what the garden club is about. We are asking members to wear masks even if they're vaccinated. Any questions can be directed to Tanya McInerney at tanya.mcinerney@icloud.com. We look forward to seeing you!



presented by The Garden Club of Cleveland

November 16, 2021

3pm-7pm

at Canterbury Golf Club

22000 South Woodland Road, Beachwood, Ohio 44122

\$10 per person to support Special Projects Outreach, includes winetasting

Advance Registration: Mail your checks to The Garden Club of Cleveland, Harvest Boutique, P.O.Box 241064, Lyndhurst, Ohio 44124 - Please list the names of all attendees.

Cash Raffles and Drink Tickets for purchase at the door.
Garden gifts, topiary, amaryllis, paperwhites, succulents,
jewelry, clothing, garden books

Wine Tasting, and Floral Design Demonstrations

Something for Everyone!

All Month Long!
Item Donations

Time: Any!

Place:

2297 Middleton Rd.
Hudson, OH 44236

Primary needs:

Wrapping materials, specifically tissue paper and bubble wrap

The Hudson Garden Club

All Month Long!
Club Photos Online

Were you unable to attend our club's October events?

You can view photos from the October field trip to Vigeo Gardens and the Gardener to Gardener workshop in the 2021 Club Activities Album by clicking the link below!

[Garden Club Photos!](#)

Keep an eye out for emails or Facebook posts for additional events! A full calendar is available on the Hudson Garden Club website.

[Have ideas for the newsletter? Click here to share them!](#)

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welcomes garden-related donations of all kinds. Home goods, serving utensils or dishes, garden decor, jewelry, gardening equipment, seasonal or holiday pots, etc. These items are sold to support the Club's initiatives and help us continue giving back to our community.

To donate items, please contact **Judy Mikita** at jugles1@gmail.com or via phone at (330) 656-1849. If you would like to drop items off for donation, please deliver them to Judy's side porch at 2297 Middleton in Hudson.

