

Garden CLIPPINGS

March 2020

Avon-on-the Lake Garden Club

Plant America...Grow Our Legacy

1930-2019

2019-2020 OFFICERS Avon-on-the Lake Garden Club

President	Jennifer Fenderbosch
Vice President	Elaine George
Treasurer	Jane Kozey
Rec. Secy	Susan Donovan
Cor. Secy	Georganne Wolnowski

Appointed Officers

Advisor	Diane Deasy
Auditor	Barb Nahm /Georganne Wolnowski
Holden Forests & Gardens	Marianne Stern
Historian	Nadge Herceg
GCO & NGC	Jennie Jones
Parliamentarian	Diane Deasy
Membership	Jennie Jones
Publicity	Monica Kimmell
Ways & Means	Anita Webb

Appointed Temporary Officer

Community Council	Jennifer Fenderbosch
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Standing Committee Chairpersons

Awards	Pam Hoffmann
Benevolence	Georganne Wolnowski
Garden Walks/Adventures	Elaine George
Horticulture	Anne Lyon
Hostess	Collen Wilbur/Char Pulit
Inspirational Messenger	Karen Huddle
Mentor	Jennie Jones
Newsletter	Nadge Herceg
Telephone Board	Sally Klepper
Telephone Calling List	Jennifer Fenderbosch
Garden Therapy	Bonnie Armstrong
Website	Sue Jagoda
Mentors	Jennie Jones

Civic Interest Gardens

Gazebo	Pam Hoffmann/Georganne Wolnowski
Herb Garden	Colleen Wilber
Wildflower	Anita Webb/Jennie Jones
Library Butterfly	Lillian McPherson/Bev Stives
Fence Garden	Jane Kozey/ Diana Wyrock
Beach Park Point	Barbara Nahm/Marianne Stern
Walker Rd. Butterfly	Sally Klepper
Old Firehouse	Jennifer Fenderbosch

President's Message

Jennifer Fenderbosch

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Have you heard them singing? The early morning songs of the Northern Cardinals and Sparrows greet us as the yellow winter aconite, white snow drops, and pink Lenten rose blooms. Temperatures are rising as spring creeps closer to March 20th. If you visit the Mayor's office, you will see blooming pussy willows and forsythia in water. Rutgers University conducted a study that shows a link between flowers, mood and emotion for both men and women. There is an immediate response of happiness. They found that red flowers had a positive effect on the immune system and invigorated the recipient. Violet flowers were uplifting and stimulated creativity. Yellow flowers stimulated the memory. Orange flowers encouraged socialization. Blue flowers evoked calmness while green brought tranquility. Pink flowers stimulated the most joy while white was associated with purity, honesty, and perfection. Give yourself or a loved one an emotional lift today with fresh flowers.

GCO Flower Show School Course 1

Submitted by *Jennifer Fenderbosch*

Carpool to the May 20 – 22 GCO Flower Show School Course 1. It will be at the Fernald Preserve Visitor's Center in Hamilton near Cincinnati. Design instructor will be former GCO President and NGC Master Flower Show Judge, Lynn Frank, who will be teaching Traditional Design focusing on Line-Mass and Mass designs. Horticulture instructor will be Sue Kirkman of Kentucky who is a NGC Master Flower Show Judge and member of several plant societies. Horticulture topics will be Iris and Begonia (container grown).

Download the brochure and registration form at gardenclubofohio.org or sign up at the ALGC meetings

Joseph Massie Exhibit

Submitted by *Jane Kozey*

My daughter and I were lucky enough to attend the CMA Women's Council fundraiser on December 3, 2019 at the Cleveland Museum of Art.

For three decades the fund has supported the display of live flowers in the museum's North lobby, which are changed weekly.

To mark the 30th anniversary of the flower fund, Joseph Massie, renowned British floral designer presented a demonstration. Massie has earned a record 5 consecutive gold medals at the RHS Chelsea Flower Show by the age of 25.

Today his capitivating designs are seen and are in demand around the world. Here are some of his amazing works:



Flower Show Time!

Submitted by *Jo'C Walker*

We all know what time it is now and the enthusiasm is growing. Our timeline for the show is on schedule and preparation is well underway. All of the committee chairmen have been briefed and if you haven't been personally contacted you will be soon. If you have a particular interest, it's not too late to get on the committee. All committees can use more help. The flower design classes have been fun and there's still time to have a few more if there's interest, just let Jo'C know. February's role play program, "How to Enter Horticulture in a Flower Show", was fun and a real learning experience. Feedback was so positive we'll follow suit with a role play at our March meeting on, "How to Entry Design and Botanical Arts Exhibits in a Flower Show". The Flower Show Schedule will be passed out at the March meeting. Please look through it and be

prepared to add your name to the signup sheets that will be available at the March meeting. Some classes will fill up fast, so if you're interested in a particular one, quickly signup.

The Entries Chairmen's name, phone number and email address are listed in the schedule. Don't forget about the trip to Mulberry Creek Herb Farm on March 10, 9:15am to meet at Bleser Park for carpooling. The signup sheet will be at the March meeting.

If you have any flower show questions, please contact the consultants listed in the schedule.

The Flower Show will soon be here.

2020 is the year of Lantana, a luscious group of colors

Chronicle Telegram 1.26.2020 excerpt

Submitted by *Georganne Wolnowski*

Hats off to the National Garden Bureau for designating 2020 as the year of the lantana. It is related to the verbena and, in fact, has a common name of shrub verbena; in the last decade, the number of varieties has exploded.

Keep your eyes open for the Luscious series coming from Proven Winners. This year's Luscious Goldengate has already won!

Gardeners' thoughts turn to spring and planting

Chronicle Telegram 2.16.2020 excerpt Ann Chanon

Submitted by *Georganne Wolnowski*

Every good garden starts with a plan. If you have a map on the garden from last year, pull it out.

Answer these questions:

- What really grew well and what was a disappointment?
- Did the plants receive enough sunlight?
- Did the soil remain too wet?
- Did you have insect and plant disease issues last year?
- Was the garden too big for time available?
- Was the garden too small for the family's fresh vegetable needs?

A garden is a place of life-long learning. Each spring affords a new opportunity to discover

new vegetables, make new friends and have fun with both.

Natural Disaster USA Fund Extends a Helping Hand

National Garden Club Submitted by *Jennifer Fenderbosch*

The Natural Disaster USA Fund was established by NGC in 1997 to receive monetary contributions from states, clubs and individuals for the purpose of assisting local and state clubs with their garden-related restoration efforts. This fund has helped to replant parks, municipal gardens and other garden related sites due to natural disasters caused by floods, hurricanes, earthquakes, tornadoes, ice storms and wildfires.

Grants of up \$5000 per project may be awarded in a fiscal year to local or state clubs. The application form can be downloaded from the link below. The application must include the location of the site involved, nature and severity of the disaster, proposed restoration plan by the garden club, estimated itemized cost of the project, as well as funds received from outside sources. A scale of points guideline is used for determining the grant to be awarded. Applications are to be emailed to [Patricia Smith](#), Chairman: Grants, Natural Disasters Apply for Public Area Funds

A garden club or clubs may [apply for funds](#) to help replant, restore and beautify a **public area** that has been damaged or destroyed by a natural disaster, such as hurricanes, tornadoes, ice storms, floods, fires, etc.

The restoration project is to be sponsored by State Garden Club or Member Clubs. A member club may receive up to \$5,000 per disaster project and may receive no more than \$5,000 per disaster within the NGC Fiscal Year.

Information needed to apply:

- Completed application form
- Nature and severity of disaster
- Location of area to be restored

- Proposed restoration plan by garden clubs
- Estimated itemized costs of your project
- Other funds received toward restoration project

Highland Heights Garden Club Flower Show

“Plant” NGC Horticulture Specialty Flower Show

May 16, 2020- -- 2 p.m. to 5 p.m.

May 17, 2020 – Noon to 3 pm.

Highland Heights Community Center

5827 Highland Rd, Highland Heights 44143

Spring Planning

April 16th-- 2020 Garden Club of Ohio Convention, Holiday Inn, 6001 Rockside Rd, Independence, Oh 44131 with Flower Show, Vendor Sales, Program, Awards Luncheon (**ALGC won awards**. Let’s fill a table with members to receive it.)

May 6th – Annual Meeting and Luncheon with Installation of Officers at Parkers

May 8th – 6:30 p.m. set up for Plant Sale at Goddard School, 430 Avon Belden Rd, Avon Lake (Route 83)

May 9th—9 a.m. to Noon Plant Sale (This is the MAIN Fundraiser for ALGC)

June 16th – 18th – ALGC’s Petite Standard Flower Show— “A Magical Miniature Tour” ALL HANDS-ON DECK for volunteering with set up, take down, and exhibiting

April is Ohio Native Plant Month

Submitted by *Jennifer Fenderbosch*

Many Ohio Garden Club members worked hard to educate the Ohio Legislature about native plants to designate April as Ohio Native Plant Month. The work encourages plant nurseries to make natives more easily available to consumers. Open the latest Garden Greetings to pages 20 and 21 to review the best tree selections for wildlife, the 10 most unwanted trees and some wonderful native plant resources.

Terrariums

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Oklahoma State University excerpt

Submitted by *Jennifer Fenderbosch*

Do you remember the terrariums of the 1970s? They were often glass or plastic spheres, orbs, or giant brandy snifters, sometimes complete with macramé hangers!

The precursor to the terrarium was developed years ago (c. 1829) when Dr. Nathaniel B. Ward, an English physician with a passion for botany and entomology, discovered he could germinate spores of a desirable fern within a closed glass jar. He designed what is known as the Wardian case, a glass-topped box, resembling a miniature greenhouse, which was used to transport plants collected in distant countries back to the British Isles. Within the glass enclosure he could grow plants in conditions almost like those of their natural environment and protect them from the coal smoke-polluted air of London.

A terrarium, a garden in an enclosed glass or plastic container, is a delightful way to grow a collection of small plants. Under controlled conditions, a terrarium can also be used to help start new plants from seeds and cuttings.

Read more <https://extension.okstate.edu/fact-sheets/terrariums.html>

About Lorain County Extension

Submitted by *Nadge Herceg*

Welcome to Lorain County Extension!

OSU Extension, Lorain County a part of the Western Reserve Extension Education and Research Area. On this website, we will link you to news and information targeted at enhancing the life of residents in our community!

About OSU Extension <https://lorain.osu.edu/about>

Since 1914, Extension has been helping all Ohioans build better lives, better businesses and better communities.

Ohio State University Extension brings the knowledge of the university directly to you. We fulfill the land-grant mission of The Ohio State University by interpreting knowledge and research developed by Extension and other faculty and staff at the Ohio Agricultural Research and Development Center, Ohio State main campus, and other land-grant universities – so Ohioans can use the scientifically-based information to better their lives, businesses and communities.

The Extension system is the world's largest non-formal educational system. Extension programs address the needs of the local community while also addressing state, national, and global issues. Our practical educational programs combine the needs of local citizens and communities with new research and technical information.

No matter which county you visit, you can find people who are helped by the four major OSU Extension program areas: family and consumer sciences, 4-H youth development, community development, and agriculture and natural resources. These program areas – and many other special topics – are continuously evaluated and updated to meet the changing needs and issues facing each community. Extension provides practical advice, sensible solutions, and realistic down-to-earth answers for ALL Ohioans.

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Our vision: OSU Extension is a dynamic educational entity that partners with individuals, families, communities, business and industry, and organizations to strengthen the lives of Ohioans.