



# The Spade

The Newsletter of the Gardeners of Greater Cleveland



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## JUNE 10TH MEETING:

Buffet Menu:

Country-Fired Chicken  
Mac n Cheese, and  
Broccoli

Vegetarian Menu:

Chef's Choice

Cookies & Coffee served in the  
Penthouse before the meeting.

Please call your Team Captain  
with your Dinner reservation  
by Friday, June 7th. Lou Pelton is  
responsible for giving The Bistro  
at Bratenahl our reservations.

### Team Captains:

Team 1 **Lou Pelton** /  
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Team 5 **Keith Biehl**  
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Team 8 **Cathy Ross**  
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Team 9 **Deb Kramarz**  
[deborahkramarz@aol.com](mailto:deborahkramarz@aol.com)

There will be a Board Meeting  
promptly starting at 5:00 PM in  
the Penthouse.

**PLEASE BE PROMPT.**

### PRESIDENT'S LETTER:

*Congratulations to all who made the 2019 Plant Sale a great success. We came within \$200 of last year's amount. We grossed \$6069 and are able to contribute \$3093 to the Scholarship Fund. We couldn't have had this much success without the efforts of Julie Henry who skillfully ran the show. Thanks go to the members who worked the tables to sell the plants on display. The amount of education provided was simply astounding.*

*Here are some, but not all, of the highlights: Pat Boggins produced a dozen of his signature logs & flowers. Keith Biehl provided a trellis that resembled the steeple on Notre Dame as well as several dozen tomatoes, Chuck Palsa led the way in donated plants with two varieties of Cannas, geraniums and sunflowers and Deah Stark grew dozens of peppers.*

*It's not too early to think about next year. So, if you have any ideas about what we should be doing for 2020, please let me know.*

*Thanks also go out to Hank Doll and MaryAnn Thesing who appeared on New Day Cleveland and Sunny Side Up, respectively, to talk about the work of the club.*

*Please join us at the June meeting to see the rewards of the Plant Sale in action.*

*Dave Dawson*

## September Horticulture Show

*Get ready to participate in our annual horticulture show!*

Mark Occhionero, Julie Henry and Tom Davis will be able to answer any questions you may have before the event.

A special edition of the Spade dedicated to the rules and judging for the Horticulture Show will be coming out shortly This is a great opportunity for members to participate in showing off their favorite plants whether they are flowering or vegetable!



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## JUNE MEETING - SCHOLARSHIP AWARDS

Fred Robinson and Harold Davis will present scholarships to the winners.

At our annual Scholarship Awards meeting this month, we will be awarding \$2,000.00 scholarships to two students:

- **Sean Fitzgerald** who resides in New Franklyn, in southern Summit County. He attends Manchester High School and the Portage Lakes Career Center.
- **Mary Brent** who resides in Madison where she was home-schooled, and attended Auburn Career Center in Concord. She will have completed her first year at OSU/ATI by the end of May.

## May Program Recap

Prof. Laura Deeter from ATI gave very humorous presentation about perennials. She had some great ideas about planting, especially supporting tall plants with stakes, hoops and chicken wire. Did she use the term “girdles”?

**If you have an idea for a program for one of the meetings, please contact Kathy Kosiorek!**

## Members Volunteering in Community Projects (Photos on Page 4 of the Spade)

On May 16th, Bob Rensel and Tom Davis were at the Malachi House garden and found that the foxgloves, bergenia and autumn ferns did not make it thru the winter. They replaced them with plants from their own yards.

Bob & Sandra Pindell, and Ron Hartmiller worked at the VA Spinal Chord Garden in May.

## Special Club Outing: Saturday June 1st, (Rain Date June 8th) Brown's Lake Bog Preserve, Shreve, Ohio

### Depart Cleveland Area 10AM, Return Around 3:30PM

Tour is limited to 15 Adults. Lunch will be at the Pine Tree Barn's Granary Restaurant before the tour. Contact Kathy Kosiorek beginning May 1st if you are interested. Member Robert McMahon will guide members on a hike along the Bog trails. Hiking gear and boots, and insect repellent are recommended.

## CBG Children's Hershey Garden Project

June 8th, 1PM

Installation of the garden planter at the Children's Garden. Please contact Deborah Kramarz at 216.731.6324 or email at [deborahkramarz@aol.com](mailto:deborahkramarz@aol.com).



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## MEETING INFORMATION:

- WHEN:** 2nd Monday of each month,  
September through June
- WHERE:** 1 Bratenahl Place  
Bratenahl, Ohio
- SCHEDULE:** 6PM - Social  
6:40 - Dinner  
7:30 - General Meeting  
8 to 9PM - Program



## OFFICERS:

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|----------------------------|---------------|
| <b>PRESIDENT:</b>          | DAVE DAWSON   |
| <b>1ST VICE PRESIDENT:</b> | JONNY PRELL   |
| <b>2ND VICE PRESIDENT:</b> | OPEN          |
| <b>SECRETARY:</b>          | JODITH JANES  |
| <b>TREASURER:</b>          | JOHN BUDNIK   |
| <b>ASST TREASURER:</b>     | ANDY KOSIOREK |

## DIRECTORS:

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|-------------------------|------------------|
| HANK DOLL               | DAVE RITTENHOUSE |
| PAT BOGGINS             | JULIE HENRY      |
| KATHRYN KOSIOREK        | Z. HAROLD DAVIS  |
| PHYLLIS DONNELLY-INGOLD | GARRETT ORMISTON |

## STANDING COMMITTEES

- *Awards:* Bob Pindell, Chair; Hank Doll; Tom Davis
- *Communication:* Jonny Prell, Chair (The Spade Newsletter, Website / Social Media); Phyllis Donnelly-Ingold, (Publicity)
- *Finance:* Jonny Prell (Chair); John Budnik; Andy Kosiorek
- *Income Projects:* Dave Dawson, Julie Henry (Plant Sale); Pat Boggins (Bulb Sale); John Budnik, Ron Hartmiller, Julie Henry (Auction / Raffle)
- *Membership:* Lou Pelton, Co-Chair; Dave Rittenhouse, Co-Chair; Larry Kell, Chuck Palsa, Jonny Prell
- *Programs:* Kathy Kosiorek, Chair; Robert McMahon
- *Scholarship:* Fred Robinson, Co-Chair; Harold Davis, Co-Chair
- *Service Projects:* Garrett Ormiston, Chair; Bob Rensel, Steve McIntosh

## SPECIAL COMMITTEES

- Cleveland Botanical Garden/Holden Arboretum: Deb Kramarz
- National Organization: Tom Davis, Larry Kell  
Central Great Lakes Region: Larry Kell, Past President
- Willott Iris Garden: Sandra and Robert Pindell, Ron Hartmiller
- Friends of the Greenhouse: Joyce Nesbit
- 1 Bratenahl Place & Bratenahl Place Bistro: Tom Segelin
- Horticultural Shows: Mark Occhionero, Julie Henry, Tom Davis
- Nominating: Bob Pindell, Chair; Andy Kosiorek, Dave Dawson
- Wellness/Memorials: Harold Davis, Team Captains  
Members, please remember to notify Harold Davis or your Team Captain with any information you may have regarding wellness of any member or yourself.





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## Who Can I Ask?

The following is a list of members who have volunteered to help all members with questions about plants, trees, garden set-up or any problems that a member may have relating to gardening.

- Keith Biehl: Gardener by profession
- Pat Boggins: Log planters
- John Budnik: Herbs and flowering bulbs
- Diane Circle: Hostas
- Jane Davis: Flower arranging
- Tom Davis: Native plants
- Hank Doll: Dahlia growing
- Phyllis Donnelly-Ingold: Orchids
- Ron Hartmiller: Weeds
- Herb Klein: Unusual plants and perennials
- Deb Kramarz: Tree canopy, pond and garden plants
- Andy Kosiorek: Above-ground sprinkler systems
- Kathy Kosiorek: Veggies and container gardening
- Lou Drasler: Cannas and environmental issues
- Garret Ormiston: Native plants, azaleas and roses
- Chuck Palsa: "knows a little about everything"
- Lou Pelton: Vines and clematis
- Bob Pindell: Iris propagation
- Sandra Pindell: Iris care
- Fred Robinson: Care and knowledge of trees

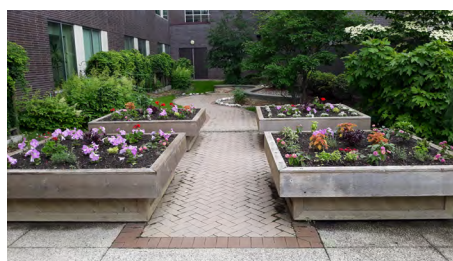
The purpose of the **Gardeners of Greater Cleveland** is to provide members with all types of information related to gardening - whether their own personal gardening or community projects through our monthly meetings, our newsletter **The Spade** and our website.

We promote horticulture in our community by installing and caring for gardens at various community service facilities such as the VA Hospital, Joseph's Home for Disadvantaged Men, and Malachi House among others.

We hold two sales per year at Rockefeller Greenhouse. In May, we have the plant sale. This is a major source of funds for our scholarship program. It is also a great time to meet gardeners, answer questions and recruit new members. In the fall, we also have a bulb sale.

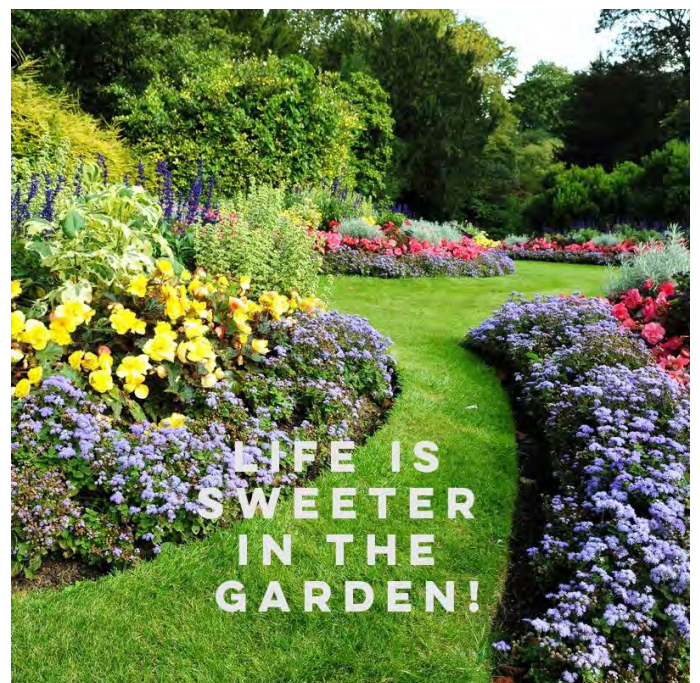
Membership is open to residents of the Greater Cleveland Area including Cuyahoga, Geauga, Lake and Lorain counties.

To join, please contact **Lou Pelton**, our Membership Co-Chairman at [loupelton305@gmail.com](mailto:loupelton305@gmail.com).



VA Spinal Chord Garden / May

Malachi House Front Garden / May





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*What I enjoy is not the fruits alone, but I also enjoy the soil itself, it is nature and its power  
...Cicero*

## **Master Gardener Volunteers of Lake County Meet Us in the Peace Garden**

Monthly Gardening Programs: March thru November, 2019.

## **Bouquets Wine Tasting @Holden Arboretum**

Saturday, June 1st, 5 - 7:30PM

This is an annual event that features more than 50 international and domestic wines paired with bites by area restaurants. There is limited seating this year. Visit Holden Arboretum website for more information.

## **Pollinator Week - June 17 - June 23**

- Give a presentation about honey bees at the Library
- Plant seeds for pollinators at the community garden
- Host an education table at your local park

## **Cleveland Rose Society Show**

Cleveland Botanical Gardens

Saturday, June 15th and Sunday, June 16th

Noon to 5PM

Enjoy the beautiful and colorful assortment of rose varieties on display for this sanctioned judged show.

## **GardenWalk Cleveland 2019**

Sunday, July 14th: Little Italy,

Joyce Nesbit's Garden (our member) will be part of the tour!

## **Northeast Ohio Daylily Society Show**

Cleveland Botanical Gardens

Saturday, July 20th, Noon to 5PM

Enjoy the 2019 Daylily Show with hundred of daylily varieties on display. This is an official American Hemerocallis Society sanctioned show held by the Northeast Ohio Daylily Society at the Botanical Gardens.

## **Volunteer Member Projects:**

Any member interested in volunteering to work on one of our projects (iris garden, VA project, etc), please contact Bob Pindell, or contact Garret Ormiston on other upcoming projects.

## **2019 NATIONAL CONVENTION**



TGOA/MGCA in 2019

## **We Dig It!**

July 15-16-17

The Gardeners of America/Men's Garden Clubs of America celebrates 87 years as a national organization and the headquarters celebrates its Golden Anniversary, and 50 years at 5560 Merle Hay Road in Johnston, Iowa. It is also Johnston's 50th Anniversary of Incorporation.

The Holiday Inn Hotel and Suites, 4800 Merle Hay Road, Des Moines is ready with renovated rooms and refreshed spaces. The confirmed room rate is \$99/night and is available for three (3) days before and after the convention. The hotel is less than one mile from National's headquarters.

National's headquarters will be used for several of the convention's events.

- **July 15:** Registration, Meetings, Workshops and Seminars
- **July 16:** Tours
- **July 17:** Business Meetings, Workshops and Seminars

This is a special time for the Club as our own Larry Kell is an officer in the National Organization as a Vice President.

Additional information and registration forms can be found on our website Gardeners of Greater Cleveland, and on the National's website **Gardeners of America.**





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The **2019 Plant Sale** a great success! We couldn't have had this much success without the efforts of Julie Henry who practically ran the show, created the displays and priced the plants. Credit also goes to so many of our members who worked the tables and helped with explanations and garden advice. The amount of education provided was simply astounding.



## Italian Cultural Gardens

They are looking for volunteers to help to plant petunias and spread mulch. The date is **Sunday, June 9th at 9:30AM.**

If anyone is interested, please contact Joyce Mariani at [joycemariani3@aol.com](mailto:joycemariani3@aol.com). It is important to let her know ahead of time if anyone is interested in helping!

**Remember - Volunteers are always welcomed at the Wilot Iris Garden!**