

The Root

October 2013

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A Few Notes from the Chair

From the desk of Kevin Borowiak, Affiliate Council Chair

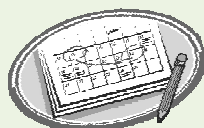
Fall is here with the Holidays just around the corner.... here are a few items for our Affiliates consideration:

- With the holidays upon us, has your club signed up to decorate a tree for GLOW 2013? If not, contact Kevin Borowiak rkborowiak@gmail.com or 216-281-9112 or Jeanette Moore jsavage@cbgarden.org or 216-707-2822 right away. The goal is to have 40 of our 56 Affiliates participating. The list of who we have committed is on page three with GLOW guideline, check to make sure your club is there! Further, Wednesday December 4 will be the Affiliate Night to come and enjoy what we have accomplished, more details later.
- A HUGE thank you to those who participated in 2013 Hershey Children's Garden activities. Clubs planted beautiful container gardens for the summer and others created scarecrows for the Fall. All of them enjoyed by the thousands of children and their families as they visited during the summer and fall months.
- School has been in session but a month and some have already made plans to have a Botanical experience at the Garden. However, not all schools may do this as they do not have the funds for the bus to get to the Garden. Consider supporting the school bus program again. Your club's financial contribution can help a bus full of children come to the Garden for a multisensory and truly educational experience.

Summer Wrap-Up & Fall Kick Off

The 3rd Annual Affiliate Council Green Corps Garden Tour held on Saturday, August 17th was very successful. This year we held a "chalk-talk" to learn more about the details of the program before heading out to three urban farms to explore, taste, and buy.

As we have done in the past, we kicked off fall with our Annual Fall Forum for Affiliates. Those in attendance received an update from Natalie Ronayne, President of the Garden, on the vision for our Vibrant Future. They also enjoyed an opportunity to learn from each other in our second program of the series Garden Clubs: Yesterday, Today and Moving into Tomorrow.



Important 2013 Dates

Affiliate Tree Decorating Tue., November 26th (*shifts*)
Affiliate Night at GLOW Wed., Dec. 4th 6:00-8:00 PM

News and Announcements from Affiliates

Please submit your articles for the November 2013 newsletter to Jeanette Moore by October 20, 2013 at jsavage@cbgarden.org or fax:216.721.1694.

All Hallows' Eve – A Flower Show

The 2013 Chippewa Garden Club's Standard Flower Show will be Saturday, **Oct 5, 1-5pm** and Sunday, **Oct 6 noon-3pm, 2013**, at the Brecksville Community Center, 1 Community Drive, Brecksville. Free to the public. The theme for this special event is *All Hallows' Eve*. Mark your calendar for this delightfully ghoulish show, www.chippewagardenclub.com.

Western Reserve Herb Society - Herb Fair

The Western Reserve Herb Society's 68th Annual Herb Fair will be held on Saturday, **October 12, 2013** at Cleveland Botanical Garden from 10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. Enjoy shopping for herb product in such areas as Bakery, Vinegars, Culinary, Flowers, Plants, Books, Confections, Wreaths, Potpourri and many others. Most of the items are made from the herbs grown in our herb garden at Cleveland Botanical Garden. For more information visit our website westernreserveherbsociety.org.

Presenting *An Arrangement with Alfred*

The Lyndhurst Garden Club will present a floral visit with the works and talent of Alfred Hitchcock Saturday, **October 12, 2013, 1- 4 pm** at the Waterford in Richmond Heights. This standard flower show, entitled *An Arrangement with Alfred*, will feature floral arrangements based on popular Hitchcock films such as *Notorious*, *Suspicion*, *Vertigo* and *Psycho*. Youth exhibits entered by Bethany Covenant Preschool and the Lyndhurst Garden Club Youth Nature Photography group will also be displayed. The Horticulture Division will feature container grown plants, cut specimens, herbs, fruits, vegetables, nuts and ornamental grasses. The show is free and open to the public. The Waterford is located at 261 Richmond Road in Richmond Heights, Ohio.

Chippewa Garden Club's Holiday Show

Thur., **Nov. 7, 2013, at 7pm** Chippewa Garden Club will host its annual Holiday Show. Guest speaker Larry Novak, from Novak's Florist, will provide decorating tips and suggestions on how to make this the most festive season ever. \$10 tickets in advance; \$12 at the door. Chinese Raffle/refreshments. For more information www.chippewagardenclub.com.

Congratulations Westlake Garden Club

Westlake Garden Club celebrated 50 years on September 18, 2013 with their annual *Fête des Fleurs Luncheon*. Their 50th Anniversary was marked with an entertaining program with Plain Dealer Home Editor Julie E. Washington, door prizes, raffle baskets and more. Westlake Garden Club used the proceeds from this luncheon to support their very important community and educational projects.

Fairmount Garden Club – Boxwood Trees

Fairmount Garden Club will be making and selling beautifully and artistically designed boxwood trees this year. Trees will be available after December 17th. They will be 13"-14" tall and will be either slightly decorated or not decorated at all - at your discretion. The cost is just \$25.00 each, which is quite a bargain for such an attractive and long lasting holiday decoration. We have been making these for several years, but decided to reach out and share our talents with others by selling them. Please call Sue Slugg at 440.951.8504 or Mary Ann Winchester at 216.371.0282 for more details.

Introducing: New Director of Memberships

From the desk of Marie Monago, VP of Development



Pictured to the left is Ranelle Huber. Ranelle started at the Garden late August as the Direct of Memberships. She is responsible for acquisition, engagement, and retention of members. She will work collaboratively with Jeanette and other Garden staff to ensure that all members, including Affiliate Members, receive value for their membership.

ATTENTION: Presidents & Representatives

First: Membership renewal information will be mailed in November. Please make sure Jeanette has the correct contact information for your club.

Second: Also in November we will send out the annual survey. We will send an electronic survey to all club presidents/representatives with email addresses, and a paper copy to all others. If you have a preference for an emailed survey or a paper survey via US postal mail, please contact Jeanette at 216.707.2822 or jsavage@cbgarden.org. Your honest assessment and candid responses are truly appreciated.

GLOW 2013 Guidelines & Reminders

Thanks again to the clubs that are able to participate by decorating a tree for GLOW this year. Below are some important dates to remember, some tips, and some reminders. We have also included the list of confirmed participants for this year. If you are still interested in participating, there is still time!! Please contact Kevin Borowiak or Jeanette Moore using the contact information below.

Important Dates & Times:

- *Tuesday, November 26, 2013:* Affiliate Decorating Day
Two shifts (assignments to be listed in next Root)
A) 9AM – 12PM;
B) 12PM – 3PM
- *Friday, November 29 – Sunday, January 5:*
GLOW open to public
- *Wednesday, December 4, 2013:* Affiliate's Night at GLOW 6:00 – 8:00 PM
- *Monday, January 6, 2014:* Breakdown, Affiliate's may remove their decorations any time after 9 AM

The Guidelines:

- Theme for decorating: The Fantastical Garden of Dreams. Contact Kevin Borowiak (216) 281-9112 or rkborowiak@gmail.com or Jeanette Savage (216) 707-2822 or jsavage@cbgarden.org with tree decoration theme. *CREATIVITY*, every club's forte, is the essence of what you do!
- All of the Trees will be Fraser Firs and in a predetermined location. They are 6', 8' & 10' tall; your tree's height is determined by its location and is listed to the right along with the clubs that have signed up so-far.
- You only need decorations; warm white LED lights will be placed on all trees before we decorate
- DO NOT plan OR place any decorations at base of trees as there are plans already to put plant material/blooming plants
- Please bring step ladders and any other items you may need that will assist you in decorating your tree
- We will be validating parking during decorating.

GLOW Tree Participants:

Affiliate's Decorating 10-foot Trees

We ask the following clubs to plan on decorating a ten-foot tree for GLOW this year.

GardenWalk Cleveland	Polar Express
Seven Hills GC	Pocket Full of Posies
Western Reserve Herb Society	Theme TBA
Northern Ohio Perennial Society	Theme TBA

Affiliate's Decorating 8-foot or 6-foot Trees

The following clubs should plan on decorating an eight-foot tree this year with the understanding that you may be asked to decorate a six-foot tree instead. We will contact your club as soon as we know about six-foot trees.

Aquilegia GC	Dreaming of Cleveland Past
Avon-on-the-Lake GC	Theme TBA
Bay Village GC	A Rainbow Garden of Flowers
Cleveland Flower Arrangers Guild	Theme TBA
Fairmount GC	Fantastical Underwater Garden
Forest City GC	Theme TBA
Fork and Hoe GC	Theme TBA
Four Corners GC	Books of Dreams
Gates Mills GC	Theme TBA
Garden Club of Cleveland	Theme TBA
Highland Heights GC	Theme TBA
Hilltop GC	Theme TBA
Ikebana International	Theme TBA
Independence GC	I Heard the Bells
Lake Shore GC	Theme TBA
Lyndhurst Garden GC	Visions of Sugar Plums
Master Gardeners of CCounty	Garden Fairies
North Ridgeville GC	Theme TBA
Ohio City Gardeners	Winter Wonderland
Town&Country GC	Mrs. Claus' North Pole Garden

SAVE the DATE: Affiliate Night at GLOW
What: A celebration of Affiliate contributions to GLOW
Who: Members of affiliated garden clubs
When: Wed., December 4th 6-8 PM

