



# The Germinator



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## President's Message - February

**Dennis Zap**

How time flies. Pretty soon we will be thinking about gardening again. Many of the catalogs are starting to come in and it will be time to decide on which plants we want to grow this year. For me, I like the cold crops.

For those of you who didn't know, Robert Stas has passed away. He was a huge asset to the club, as he took all of our pictures. He will be greatly missed. Thus, I will be asking for a volunteer who will be willing to be our new photographer. I am not the best with cameras, so I would really appreciate someone stepping up to fill this important position.

Our Winter Seminar is quickly approaching. We will need volunteers to sign up to be table captains for the event. There are sign-up sheets online. The Winter Seminar is February 18, 2017, at 9:00 am.

For those of you who did not attend the January meeting, we are asking our club members to donate a gift of \$10 for the National Convention. It is split between the three clubs. We hope to get enough to give something to everyone who attends. You can bring it to any of the meetings.

I look forward to seeing as many of you as possible at the next meeting!

Thanks,

**Dennis**

## Winter Seminar

### ANNUAL WINTER SEMINAR

**Four Presentations by Three Recognized Horticulture Experts  
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*We need member participation to ensure the event's success.*

*Sign up with Bob McGowan at the membership meeting, or contact him at 330-518-6397, or [rjfmcgowan@aol.com](mailto:rjfmcgowan@aol.com)*

## TGOA/MGCA NATIONAL CONVENTION

**July 19 - 21 (Optional Tours July 22) , Cleveland, OH**

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**15 Horticulture Presentations, Awards & Banquet**

*Join National President John Schinker and other MGCY members who have helped organize 'The Garden Scene in 2017'. Details and registration form at [TGOA-MGCA.org](http://TGOA-MGCA.org). Discounts for early sign-up.*

### Membership Meeting

**7pm, Wednesday, Feb. 1**  
**Fellows Riverside Gardens**  
**Speaker: Rodney Toth**  
**Subject: Tools & Seeds**  
*- Guests Welcome -*

### Board Meeting

**6:s30pm, Wednesday, Feb. 8**  
**Austintown Public Library**  
**South Raccoon Rd.**  
*-All Members Welcome-*

### MetroParks Events

Geology Rocks	4
Super Stroll Sunday	5
Walk-in Orchid Clinic	8
Hunger Moon Eclipse	10
Garden Inspiration Walk	11
Sweetheart Hike	12
Coffee with the Birds	18
Great Gardens Seminar	18
Dance Classes	21,28
Botanical Mornings	24
Creativity Hike	25
1st Spring Wildflower	26

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## Club News

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### Family Man

In the February, 2007, issue of the *Germinator*, we published a short bio of Bill Slabe who passed away last month. It was aptly titled 'Family Man' as his life centered totally around his wife and children. At the time, Bill and his wife, Patricia, had been married fifty-one years. They had three living children with one having passed away at a young age. He was a Korean War era vet and, after working in the steel mills, was employed thirty-three years for Ohio Bell Telephone.



He and Patricia were heavily involved in the Wells Evangelical Lutheran Church in Girard where he did maintenance, and planted and tended the landscaping. They also enjoyed square dancing. Most of all, the family was infected with a wanderlust that took to all corners of the United States. They would hook up their camper and improvise their tours changing course as their mood dictated.

Bill was a dedicated member of the Mens Garden Club serving as our president, 1st and 2nd vice president and Membership Committee Chairman. He was also a longtime member of the Greenhouse and Horticulture Committees. He was awarded the Bronze Medal (now the Bill Carney Memorial Bronze Medal) in 2004.

### Photo Historian

An organization's newsletter should do more than report its activities, give purpose-related advice and occasionally offer a chuckle or two. It should chronicle and save for posterity that entity's ongoing history. Given that standard, *Germinator* photographer Bob Stas who passed away last month, went well above and beyond.

For starters, almost every photo appearing in our club's newsletter, *The Germinator*, over the past decade was taken by Bob. For every pic that made it to print, there were three or four that didn't. Bob not only saved most of them but cataloged the members and occasion for future reference.

Despite chronic health problems, he not only did his job at almost every club function and project, but often put the camera down and pitched in. His photo collages



## Helping our Valley to Grow Since 1930

and plant identification game got a lot of attention at every important club event. In addition to other awards over the years, Bob's dedication was recognized with our club's 2016 highly esteemed Heritage Award.

Bob is survived by his wife of fifty-five years, Loretta, a son, a daughter and two grandchildren. He also leaves behind a treasure trove of club history that, perhaps a century from now, an author writing a history of the Youngstown area will include for posterity.

*To Bill and Bob's families we extend our deepest sympathy. They will long be remembered and missed.*

### Hugh Earnhart - Author

Adding to his extraordinary life accomplishments as a Youngstown State University Professor Emeritus, dedicated officer of TGOA/MGCA and our Mens Garden Club, and Abraham Lincoln impersonator (at least the top hat still fits), Hugh has published his children's book, 'A Day in D.C. with the Forest Friends'.

The second in the Forest Friends series which includes 'The Forgotten Pumpkin', the illustrated book takes kids on an educational tour of our national monuments.

*Congratulations!*



### Bob Schulick - New Scholarship Chair

Bob was awarded a Certificate of Appreciation for taking on this important assignment and hopes members will encourage students wishing to pursue horticulture-related studies and careers to apply. Deadline for candidate consideration is March 1st.

### NEW MEMBERS

**Chris Bacha**, 4256 Startz Dr., Youngstown, OH, 44511, 330-518-8151, [chris.r.bacha@gmail.com](mailto:chris.r.bacha@gmail.com). Chris is married (Jennifer) and is Operations Manager with Palmer - Donovan in Masury, OH. His gardening interests include perennials and vegetables, and wishes to expand his knowledge in the horticultural arts. Sponsor: Dennis Zap

**Clark Bordner**, 225 Norton Ave., Barberton, OH, 44203, [cbordner@neo.rr.com](mailto:cbordner@neo.rr.com), 330-388-6382, 330-730-9943. Clark is married (Cheryl) and is an auditor with Bund & Sons, Apple Heating & Cooling, Barberton. His gardening interests include roses, dahlias and other perennials. He signed on with MGCY as an associate member.

Sponsor: John Schinker

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## More Club News

### Poinsettias For MCBDD Clients

Mahoning County Board of Developmental Disabilities Coordinator Paul Iden organized the annual Christmas party of



MASCO Workshop and Leonard Kirtz School clients. For the past several years, we have provided poinsettias for the clients and their families to take home for the holidays. Our club's use of the MASCO and Leonard Kirtz greenhouses has given our members a firsthand appreciation for the special needs of those with developmental disabilities and their family, and the commendable work done by the MCBDD staff.

Our use of the MASCO and Kirtz greenhouses has been a win-win for both the board and our organization. With employee assistance, we rehabilitated the unused and deteriorating Bev Rd. facility, turning it into a productive growing facility. It now produces the tens of thousands of plants for our Spring Plant Sale that fund most of our public service and horticulture activities.

Greenhouse and Plant Sale Chairman John Schinker oversees the distribution of any unsold plants to such worthy recipients as the Akron Children's Hospital Patient Garden, Paul C. Bunn School, Mill Creek MetroParks Veggie Children's Garden, and our decoration of the Youngstown war veterans memorials. We also give plants to and have a pizza party for MASCO clients at the end of the growing season.

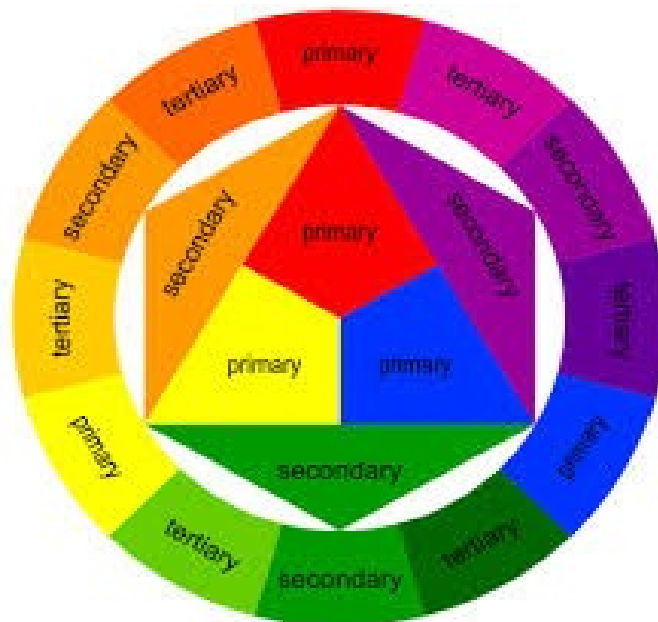
## Art In The Garden

It isn't often that one of our members gives a presentation at our monthly membership meetings, and we were happy that Joe Fagnano volunteered. He is a biology major at YSU, our club's recording secretary, Spark Plug Award winner as an outstanding new member, and a past club scholarship recipient.

Joe began with a quote from poet, novelist and conservationist Sir Walter Scott; "Nothing is more the child of art than a garden", and "As a gardener you are an artist, and all that is nature your medium". He then

began an impressive slide show detailing the use of plants, and man-made structures and objects in making a garden space beautiful and inviting. While shape, texture and size must also be considered when choosing and mixing plants and complimentary objects, we will limit our report to the blending of color.

One of the most helpful tools in planning a flower bed is the 'color wheel'. With the exception of white which is the absence of color, and black which is the absence of the light with which we see color, all colors



are the result of mixing the primary colors of red, yellow and blue. Secondary colors are the mixing of two primary colors in equal proportion. The exception is brown which is the blending of all three. Tertiary colors are the mixing of primary colors in unequal proportion. Mixing in white produces a 'tint', while adding black produces 'tone'.

'Complimentary' colors are those on opposite sides of the wheel; red and green, orange and blue, etc. 'Analogous' colors are those next to one another like orange and red, blue and purple. Combining plants with complimentary colors has a stimulating effect while combining analogous colored plants creates a soothing effect. Also producing a calming effect is combining 'cool' colors such as blue, green, purple and white. The 'warm' colors red, orange and yellow excite the senses.

In addition to height and size, location in the garden is also important. Cool colors and soft textures produce an impression of distance, while warm colors and bold textures appear closer. If neighboring plants violate these rules of color, mixing in neutral shades like white pulls them together. Bloom time is also important. If one variety is just opening up when those next to it are in decline, the effect is lost.

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## PRESIDENT'S RECEPTION DINNER

For one evening each holiday season, our club sets aside its public service activities for some well deserved self indulgence. The Reception Dinner, also known as the Annual Christmas Party, is our organization's way of thanking members and honoring the most deserving for their dedication.



Prior to a delicious dinner hosted by A La Cart Catering of Canfield, Rodney Toth gave the invocation that included the humorous *A Gardener's Thanksgiving* by Rev. Max Coats, and led us in a prayer of grace.

National President John Schinker thanked the membership for their contributions. He urged members to attend July's National Convention in Cleveland and help make it a success.

He also recognized guests who have made major contributions to our club: Larry Duck, past director of the Mahoning County Board of Developmental Disabilities who was instrumental in our club's use of its greenhouse; Chuck and Jen Lehotsky of Chuck's Greenhouse who help us reduce greenhouse expenses, and supplying the poinsettias given to both MCBDD client families and those presented to the lady guests; and Joann Carney, widow of Bill Carney, one of our all-time iconic members.



Throughout the event, attendees were serenaded with the beautiful vocals of Ms. Robin Roseberry - what a great name for garden club entertainment. Mixing iconic ballads and modern hits with Christmas songs, Robin's singing made a wonderful evening even more grand.

One of the main attractions of the dinner is the recognition of those members who have contributed so much to our organization successfully accomplishing the goals and services for which it was originally formed. Our club's most important recognition is the Bill Carney



Memorial Bronze Award, this year duly presented to Bruce Brungard.

Bruce has been one of our most active members for several years not the least of which in serving as our Second Vice President. His service as our Publicity Committee Chairman, with our activities regularly noted in the media, is probably most responsible for our increase in membership. Information booths at the Canfield Fair and Home & Garden Shows are largely a result of his efforts. He also tends to the cold weather growing of early Plant Sale annuals at the Leonard Kirtz School greenhouse.



The Heritage Award went to Bob Stas, best known as our *Germinator* photographer. Bob's photo collage of club activities and his horticulture identification game have long been fixtures at MGCY information booths. He has also been active in many other club projects.

Terry Voland earned the Horticulture Award by actively participating in the Elm Tree Restoration, Youth Gardening, and Horticulture Show committees.

Dennis Zap was awarded a Certificate of Honor for beginning his third year as MGCY president, and his participation in the Horticulture, Greenhouse, Civic and Refreshment committees.

Outgoing President Dave Causer received his President's Pin recognizing his outstanding service and leadership over the past two years.

Joe Fagnano received the Outstanding New Member Award for his service as our Recording Secretary, and other contributions including organizing the decorating of our Christmas tree at Fellows Riverside Gardens.

TGOA/MGCA President John Schinker swore in the men who will serve as our leaders in 2017.



From left: Recording Secretary Joe Fagnano, 2nd VP Bruce Brungard, 1st VP Paul Shanabarger, President Dennis Zap, Past President Dave Causer and Treasurer Bob McGowan



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## Try New Plant Varieties This Year

**Tom Liggett**

It seems if you order a few packets of seeds, you get catalogues from several seed companies - I guess they 'share' your name with each other. I have started my plants from seed for many years. It allows me to grow varieties that are not available in big box stores or garden centers. I have found this very useful especially for flowers as the stores sell only what is popular while ignoring many old fashioned or heirloom plants.

From past orders I can look back to see which varieties did well and which disappointed. Last year was unusually hot and dry so I don't hold it against plant varieties that did not flourish. Every year has its adversities and we, as gardeners, have to adapt to changing conditions

So, order some new and interesting seeds this year or try some new plants from the garden centers. Who knows, a new plant might turn out to be a resident of your garden every year.

### When To Sow Seeds from Feb. 2016 Germinator

When to sow depends upon the plant and its relationship to the 'last frost date' (LFD). Due to a changing climate, some internet sites have our area in Zone 5 while others have us in Zone 6 (Burpee). For the sake of argument, we'll use the Burpee LFD of April 15. The below chart.date spread allows for flexible planting.

In the chart, **SS** indicates **starting seed indoors** and **DS** means **directly sowing in the garden**. (\*) refers to a second crop. Except for cool weather crops like lettuce and snow peas, generally sow and transplant when soil temps reach 65-70 degrees.

Plant	Sow	Transplant
Beans	DS mid-May & *mid-July	
Beets	DS Apr - mid-June *Aug - mid-Sept	
Broccoli	SS mid-Feb - mid-Mar *SS mid-June - mid-Aug DS Apr & *Aug-mid Sept	mid-Apr - May *Aug - mid Sept
Brussels Sprouts	DS Apr	
Cabbage	SS Mar & *July	Apr-mid May *Aug -mid Sept
	DS mid Mar - mid Apr *DS Aug - mid Sept	
Carrots	DS late-Mar - June	
Cauliflower	same as Broccoli	
Corn	DS May - mid June	
Cucumbers	DS Mar - mid-July	
Eggplant	SS Mar-Apr	mid-late June
Gourds	DS mid-late May	
Kale	DS mid-Mar - mid-Apr	
Salad Greens	DS Apr & *Aug - mid-Sept	

Melons	DS mid-May - mid-June
Onions	DS mid-Mar - mid-Apr
Peas	DS Apr & *Aug - mid-Sept
Peppers	SS Mar - late Apr mid-June
Pumpkins	DS mid-May - mid-June
Spinach	DS mid-Mar - mid-May *Aug - Sept
Squash	DS May - mid-June
Tomato	SS Mar - mid-Apr mid-late June

### 2017 Green Thumb Award Winner TGCA/MGCA

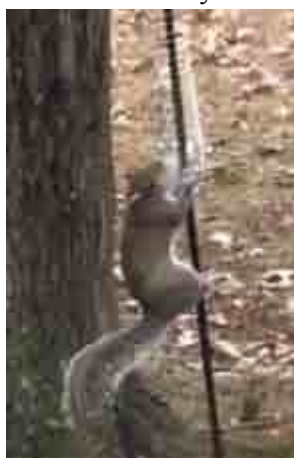
The Direct Gardening Assn. has named the *Magic Molly Seed Potato* from Irish Eyes Garden Seeds as its edible plant of the year. This Alaskan bred variety produces large fingerling tubers. It is late setting, long storing, maintains its color when boiled, and has anti-inflammatory, anti-viral and anti-cancer benefits. Go to [www.irisheyesgardenseeds.com](http://www.irisheyesgardenseeds.com) or call 509-933-7150.



### Squirrel-Proofing Bird Feeders

Anyone who enjoys feeding our feathered friends with a pole-mounted feeder knows that squirrels soon learn how to take advantage of an easy food source. Several methods seem to work on most fluffy-tailed varmints with some more effective than others.

We recently saw a *YouTube* video of a 'slinky'



mounted to the top of the pole. The squirrel climbs up far enough to grab the bottom of the toy, then falls off when the slinky drops down under its weight. The weight of the squirrel species and the height of the pole will determine how much slinky should be deployed so some experimentation may be required. Fox squirrels are the largest topping out at about 2 lb.; gray (black) squirrels can

weigh a little more than a pound; and red squirrels can grow to a little more than a half pound.

One of our members applies axle grease to the pole and says the squirrels soon give up trying to climb it. He also hangs seed and suet feeders from a 20 ft. high tree limb using thin, durable nylon cord. Although there is evidence that some squirrels learn to climb down the cord, his resident fox squirrels have yet to do so. Perhaps smaller, lighter species could be more acrobatic but foxy keeps them away.

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## CGL Awards Nominations

We are all looking forward to the TGCA/MGCA National Conference, July 21-22, in Cleveland. In addition to the national awards, our Central Great Lakes Region will be honoring its outstanding members. Please consider and nominate deserving MGCY members for these recognitions:

The following are once in a lifetime awards: The William Moorehouse Award (replaces the Master Gardener Award - previous recipients are not eligible); the Green Bronze Medal; and the Delbert R. Dunbar Award.

In addition, we call your attention to the following: Horticulture Achievement, Horticulture Journalism, Certificate of Honor, Environmental Conservation Achievement and the Spark Plug awards.

The criteria for these recognitions is on the regional website, [www.cglr.org](http://www.cglr.org). Click on 'submission details and instructions'. Those previously nominated for one time honors but not chosen are eligible. Include detailed reasons why the person is worthy of the award.

Deadline is April 22, the same date as the CGLR spring meeting at Kingwood Gardens in Mansfield. Email or mail nominations to Rodney Toth at [rkdahlias@aol.com](mailto:rkdahlias@aol.com), or 5637 W. Liberty Rd., Hubbard, OH, 44425.

## President's Day 2017...OMG!



*Being president is like being a jackass in a hailstorm. There is nothing to do but stand there and take it.*

Lyndon B. Johnson

*My esteem in this country has gone up substantially. It is very nice now when people wave at me, they use all their fingers.*

Jimmy Carter

*Blessed are the young, for they will inherit the national debt.*

Herbert Hoover

*My choice early in life was either to be a piano player in a brothel or become a politician. And to tell the truth, there's hardly any difference.*

Harry Truman

## Be Mine, Valentine

*What a lover's heart knows  
let no man's brain dispute.*

Aberjhani

*This fire that we call  
loving is too strong for human  
minds, but just right for human  
souls.*

Aberjhani

*Love: A wildly misunderstood although highly  
desirable malfunction of the heart which weakens the  
brain, causes eyes to sparkle, cheeks to glow, blood  
pressure to rise and lips to pucker.*

Anonymous

*Love is a game that two can play and both win.*

Eva Gabor

*Love is a smoke with the fume of sighs.*

William Shakespeare

*Love cures people - both the ones that give it and the  
ones that receive it.*

Dr. Karl Menninger

*Love is an exploding cigar we willingly smoke.*

Lynda Barry

*Love is an irresistible desire to be desired.*

Robert Frost

*Love is being stupid together.*

Paul Valery

*Love is composed of a single soul inhabiting two  
bodies.*

Aristotle



## The Glory Of Gardening

*The glory of gardening: hands in the dirt, head in  
the sun, heart with nature. To nurture a garden is to feed  
not just the body, but the soul.*

Alfred Austin

*The love of gardening is a seed once sown that never  
dies.*

Gertrude Jekyll

*Remember that children, marriages and flower  
gardens reflect the care they get.*

H. Jackson Brown, Jr.

*God Almighty first planted a garden. And, indeed, it  
is the purest of human pleasures.*

Francis Bacon

*Everything that slows us down and forces patience,  
everything that sets us back into the slow circles of  
nature, is a help. Gardening is an instrument of grace.*

Mary Sarton

*My garden is my most beautiful masterpiece.*

Claude Monet

*Gardening simply does not allow one to be mentally  
old, because too many hopes and dreams are yet to be  
realized.*

Allen Armitage

*There is no gardening without humility. Nature is  
constantly sending even its oldest scholars to the bottom  
of the class for some egregious error.*

Alfred Austin

*With the new year, I wish you all peas on earth,  
good dill toward man.*

Herb Tarragon



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Thank you to the MGCY Friends for their Civic Fund donations.  
Members are urged to give them a visit.

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## calendar of events



February 1.....	General Meeting .....	FRG.....	7:00 pm
February 8.....	Board Meeting.....	Austintown Library .....	6:30 pm
February 18 .....	Winter Seminar.....	FRG.....	9:00 am
March 1 .....	General Meeting .....	FRG.....	7:00 pm
March 8.....	Board Meeting.....	Austintown Public Library .....	6:30 pm
March 18.....	Spring Breakfast.....	FRG.....	9:00 am
April 5 .....	General Meeting .....	FRG.....	7:00 pm
TBA .....	Home and Garden Show.....	Canfield Fair Grounds.....	10 am - 5 pm
TBA .....	CGLRG Meeting.....	Kingwood Gardens, Mansfield, OH.....	10 am
April 12 .....	Board Meeting.....	Austintown Public Library .....	6:30 pm
May 3.....	General Meeting .....	FRG.....	7:00 pm
May 10.....	Board Meeting.....	Austintown Public Library .....	6:30 pm
June 7.....	General Meeting Plant Auct..	Casserole or Pot Luck Dinner Bdmn Pk.....	6/7 pm
June 14 .....	Board Meeting.....	Austintown Public Library .....	6:30 pm

## THE MGCY 2017 OFFICERS

**PRESIDENT**

Dennis Zap

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