



June 2024

The Germinator



PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Greetings Gardeners,

Congratulations to all for another successful Spring Plant Sale! To John Schinker and Bruce Brungard for procuring beautiful plants and making sure the plants got off to a healthy start... and to every volunteer who helped plant, water, trim, monitor and help at the sale. Your efforts resulted in our ability to offer scholarships to very deserving students and, hopefully, encourage future horticulturists. Bravo to each of you.

June is our annual plant auction and I'd like to remind our members that we are a non-profit organization and this auction helps us provide our gardening expertise for community projects. So bring your favorite plants, labeled as best you can and bid generously!

Give Pat Murphy a text or call - 330.635.8180 - letting her know if you're attending and if you're bringing a dish to share... we want to be sure we don't run out of food!

There won't be a meeting in July, I know we will all be busy with Holiday outings. The August meeting will get us prepared for the Horticulture Show at the end of the month. Our Hort Committee can use your help in planning, setting up and running the show. Please get in touch with the co-chairs Lisa Nicklash & Birt Underwood if you can help.

See you June 4th!

Clare

GOGY Annual Plant Auction

6pm, Tuesday June 4th

Stacy Pavilion, Austintown Township Park

Please bring a covered dish and/or dessert, and

Plants! Plants! Plants!

Chicken and drinks will be provided. Also BYOB

**Guests not only welcome,
but encouraged.**

Members and guests look forward to this signature club event every year. You won't find

nicer plants anywhere at you-can't-believe low prices.



Meeting Schedule

Annual Plant Auction

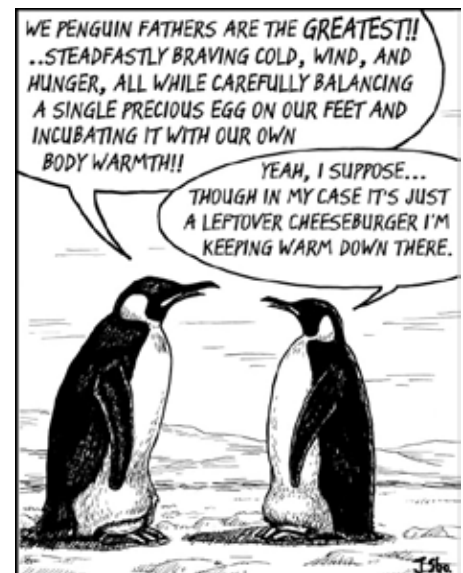
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Stacy Pavilion, Austintown
Township Park
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TGOA National Convention

The Gardeners of America will be holding its convention on September 12 thru 14th at the Ohio State Univ. campus in Wooster. Included are 8 speaking sessions, tours, a plant show and a banquet. Go to: gardenersofamerica.club.





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Club News

New Members

Joan Morris is a Registered Nurse and lives in New Castle with husband Chuck. Her gardening enjoys bird watching and feeding, and reading.

Patty Sons and her husband, Carl, divide their time between Cortland and Haynes City, Fla. She is retired. Her gardening interests include landscaping, perennials and flowers.

Welcome Aboard



Each month the *Germinator* publishes the names of and general information about new members. It recently occurred to us that a photo of those people would be helpful in getting them known to the membership so that they can better participate in club activities.

We would like to publish photographs of all members who signed on since 2023, and ask those people approach Dave Campana at the meetings to get this done. We also believe that prospective new members be present when the Board of Gardeners votes on accepting them into our organization. This is a procedure that was required in the past but we've seemed to have gotten away from it in recent years.

Annual Scrapers Outing

Our Mahoning Valley Scrapers will be hosting will begin 5:30pm, game starts at 7pm. \$24 per person.



Email Rodney Toth rkdahlias@aol.com with name and number of guests. Guests Welcome

Butterflies Are Free...

on Saturday, July 20th, when Lois Martin-Uscianowski and friends host their annual Butterfly Festival at the corner of Willianson Ave. and Erie St. on Youngstown's Southside. The party runs from 1pm to 4pm, and features a band (Jericho Project), food, face painting, balloons, a Youngstown Fire Dept. truck, a library van vendors and more. Ohio Edison will have native spice

and button bushes and the hosts will be selling butterfly attracting plants.

But the stars of the show are a wide variety of native butterflies under netted tents where children of all ages can interact with them. With any luck, visitors will be able to witness new adults emerging from their chrysalis which is quite likely as there will be so many in various stages of life. At the end of the day, these beautiful pollinators will be set FREE.



Lois will be hosting tours for Purple Cat and OSU Master Gardeners a few days later. GOGY members should try to attend this free event not only to support a fellow member, but to learn from the extensive array of educational props. And it is a great chance to give children a very enjoyable outing.

OSU Extension Events

Master Gardener Open House – Tuesday, June 4th, 3pm to 5pm. Office: 490 S. Broad St., Canfield, OH 44406.

Morning with the Master – How to tend to your herb garden. Thursday, June 20th, 10am. Office.

Naturalist Series: What You Didn't Learn From Watching Batman Movies – 6:30pm, Wednesday, June 26th. Office.





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Gardeners Of Greater Youngstown's Annual Plant Sale

Before discussing this year's sale, a bit of club history may be in order. Years ago, we grew sale plants at a greenhouse the property owner wasn't using. When that facility was no longer available, John Schinker and other members persuaded the Mahoning County Board of Developmental Disabilities to allow use of its greenhouse attached to the board's occupational school on Bev Rd. After the school closed and remained vacant, the county moved in its GreenTeam recycling efforts. FlyingHigh Rehabilitation was granted use of the greenhouse two years ago and, given our relationship with them, we were able to use it again.

Over the years, our Plant Sale endeavors have endured



periods when no greenhouse was available or shuffling between inadequate facilities. Then there was the Covid shutdown. We had built up significant savings for club

activities including scholarships during the Bev Rd. years due to John's Plant Sale Committee leadership.



Bruce Brungard has ably taken charge of that committee with John's assistance. The number of hours each has dedicated to the sale's success, including tending to plants in their homes during winter, runs well into the hundreds.

Bruce and John want to thank members who transplanted, watered and worked during sale days. We'll continue to need this effort going forward because past stumbling blocks may again arise complicating future sales.



To get an idea of how popular our sale continues to be, be at the greenhouse the first day where crowded aisles and a backed up checkout line is the rule. Clare Neff introduced credit card payment last year and that has increased the amounts customers spent. To expedite the checkout procedure, Barb Arquilla tabulated the amount each customer had on their cart while they waited in the checkout line.

Members who were not assisting customers shop or helping them load their vehicles continually scanned the tables for pots that needed watering or improved inventory presentation. Winners of the beautiful planters were Carol Roby and Holly Coleman. Many thanks



to them and all our loyal customers who we're sure will be back next year.



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Advice from gardeningknowhow.com

9 Annual Flowers That Bloom All Summer

Our friend Dr. Laura Deeter loves annuals because they allow gardeners to change their landscapes every year. Most are container friendly with long lasting blooms, and enhance landscapes between various, shorter perennial bloom periods.

Nasturiums – Bright orange, yellow and red-tinged blooms atop green-to-variegated foliage. They also repel pests.

Snapdragons – Distinctive snarling dragon blooms in combinations of red, yellow, white and pink that readily self-seed and return next year.

Zinnias – Blooms spring thru fall and are very draught tolerant.

Petunias – Modern times have produced hybrids with bigger blooms, stripes and color combinations. Deadheading no longer required. Pollinator friendly.

Begonias – While shade loving, they do require some dappled light. Tubers can be dug up in fall and reinstalled in spring.

Calibrachoa – Also called ‘million bells’, they do well in hanging baskets. Varieties come in a multitude of colors and are hummingbird magnets.

Lantana – Blooms of pink, orange, white, yellow and combinations thereof. Full sun and fast growing.

Marigolds – Orange, yellow and red blooms that repel pests. Deer resistant, heat tolerant and readily self-seed.

Impatiens – Shade loving plants with scalloped foliage with purple, pink, white, orange and even variegated blooms.

Why and How to Deadhead Spent Blooms

Deadheading refers to removing flowers that have started to age or are no longer attractive. The process usually produces new blooms instead of seeds thus extending the blooming season. It can not only improve the plant’s appearance but contribute to its health and vitality by preventing disease. A short time in the garden each day makes it easier. Waiting too long can make the task overwhelming.

Pinching is the method for plants with thin stems and soft blooms. Pinch off below the flower and just above the first set of full, healthy leaves. Sharp pruners are used on plants with larger flowers like woody perennials and shrubs. Cut back to the nearest set of healthy leaves. Flowers with tall stems can be removed individually while those growing in bunches may require shearing the plant. Up to one-third can be removed without harming the plant.

Happy Father's Day

A father prays for strength to protect his family, wisdom to guide them, and humility to learn as he goes.

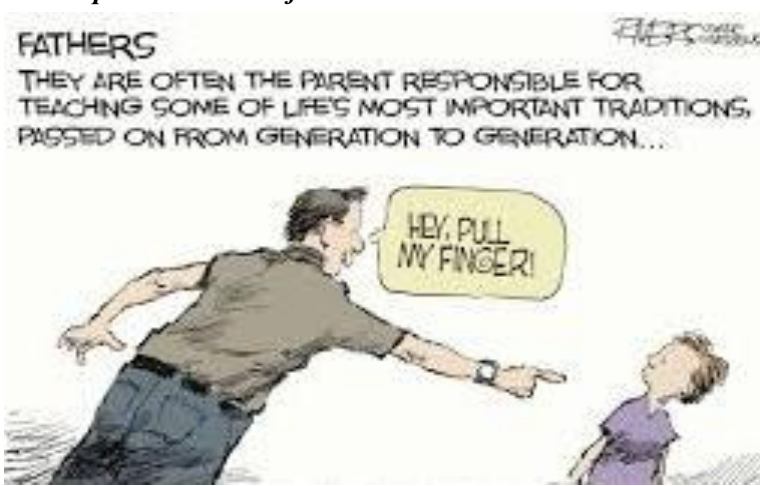
Megan Haave

A dad has arms to lift high, a heart to love, shoulders to support, a smile to reassure, a hand of blessing to send you out into the world, and a warm embrace to welcome you back home.

Keely Chace

A father grows dreams, each one a seed planted deep in the hearts of his children.

Mercedes Lucero



Fatherhood is full of challenges, but eventually they move out.

Dan Taylor

A man's real wealth is in his children ... for they have spent all the other kind.

Melvina Young

Never Forget



Those who have long enjoyed such privileges as we enjoy forget in time that men have died to win them.

Franklin D. Roosevelt

The legacy of heroes is the memory of a great name and the inheritance of a great example.

Benjamin Disraeli

Who kept the faith and fought the fight; The glory theirs, the duty ours.

Wallace Bruce



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Members are urged to give them a visit.**

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Calendar of Events



- June 4 2024 Board Meeting 5:30PM Stacey Pavilion, Austintown Park
- June 4 2024 Plant Auction/Dinner 6:00PM Stacey Pavilion, Austintown Park
- August 6 2024 Board Meeting 5:30PM Stacey Pavilion, Austintown Park
- August 6 2024 Membership Mtg .. 7:00PM Stacey Pavilion, Austintown Park
- Aug. 24 & 25 2024 Horticulture Show ...Davis Center....Fellows Riverside Gardens
- Sept. 3 2024 Board Meeting 5:30PM Stacey Pavilion, Austintown Park
- Sept. 3 2024 Membership Mtg .. 7:00PM Stacey Pavilion, Austintown Park

Please Join Us!

The purpose of the Gardeners of Greater Youngstown is to create a better understanding of gardening and to encourage and promote the beautification of our community. In order to meet this endeavor, several civic projects are completed each year.

Members receive a monthly newsletter, "The Germinator," which has timely gardening hints, club news and other local and regional horticultural events. Members also become members of The Gardeners of America.

Membership is open to residents of the Mahoning Valley and surrounding communities with an interest in gardening.

To join, contact us at: Gardeners of Greater Youngstown
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