



Sprigs N Sprouts

The Gardeners of Lima

March 2018

Lima, Ohio

T.G.O.L. OFFICERS INSTALLED FOR 2018

During the Christmas Banquet on December 12, Bill Lanning, past president of The Gardeners of America / Men's Garden Clubs of America, installed the officers of The Gardeners of Lima for the 2018 term.



Bill Lanning

Officers are: President Steve Maki, 1st Vice President Ray Brown, 2nd Vice President Donna Maki, Secretary Becky Wendroth, Treasurer Rex Maurer, Past Presidents Don Hanley, Dick Hussey and Dave Williams, and At-large Members of the Board Jo Hanley, Rita Hardesty and Frank Cooley.



Pictured L to R: F. Cooley, D. Hussey, R. Maurer, D. Hanley, R. Hardesty, B. Wendroth, J. Hanley, R. Brown, D. Maki, S. Maki

OUT-GOING SECRETARY

Special recognition was given to Ed Morrison, who has served The Gardeners of Lima as secretary for many years.

The club is grateful for the commitment and dedication he has shown to The Gardeners of Lima, as Secretary as well as by his energetic participation in club projects and enthusiastic promotion of the club.



March Meeting

Mary Lou Paisley of Senior Citizen Services will show & tell exercises to prepare for work in your garden. Bring a mat or blanket so you can learn by doing. See you at the Clubhouse, Tues., March 13, at 7.

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President's Annual Report and Message

President Steve Maki presented his report to the Club at the Christmas Banquet on Dec. 12, 2017.

1. Christmas Banquet Committee: Persetta Bowsher, Jo Hanley and Diane Halpern.
2. We welcomed 7 new members
3. Spring Plant Sale was a success - thank you to all who participated and the 2018 Spring Plant Committee:
Ray Brown, Persetta Bowsher, Jo Hanley, Donna Maki and Dave Williams
4. Planting down town planters
5. Planting of the flowers around the clubhouse. Thank you to Ray for planning the layout this year. And for Joe for volunteering to plan next year's planting.
6. Members served as hosts at the flower show during the Allen County Fair. Also a number of our members were very successful with their entries in the fair.
7. Home beautification awards - 1st, 2nd, and 3rd. Next year we are planning on having a 1st for city lots and a 1st for rural homes. Thanks to committee members who joined me: Persetta Bowsher and Joe Brown.
8. Big tomato contest: won by Joe Brown.
9. Another year of get-togethers and learnings:
Getting in the Garden - March
Day Lilies - April
Plant Diseases - May
Invasive Plants & Insects - June
Wine & Dine & Self Defense - July
Frogs & Toads - August
Apollo - September (no show)
Fall Party - October
Soil & our favorite garden tool - November
Christmas Banquet - December
10. Award a \$1,000 scholarship to Michael Buttram
11. New Furnace - the city of Lima, through Teresa Adams, helped with providing us a quote from the comp[any they use (Wellman).
12. Rose dig on Calumet Avenue (thanks to Teresa Adams and Donna).
13. Perennial dig at the Maki's (wine & dine)
14. Perennial dig in Indiana.
15. Plant divide at the Maki's (herbs, glads and wine & dine).



President Steve Maki giving annual Report

16. \$8,000 donation from the Allen Leadership Class of 2012.
17. TGOL donation to the Master Gardeners & the Children's Garden.
18. We welcome our new secretary, Becky, and say thank you to Ed for his years of being our secretary.
19. Poinsettia Fundraiser Thank you to Persetta for organizing the fundraiser. Thank you to all who have sold poinsettias. We have some ideas to increase sales next year (2016 322 plants).
20. Our region (Central Great Lakes) still remains the strongest and most active in the national. Next year's president will be Frank Mitch, 3rd VP will be Mary Ann Ferguson-Rich and John Schinker, as Past President. In addition we have a number of other past presidents.
21. Your president was elected 1st VP of CGLG.
22. Don and Jo Hanley received an appreciation award from the CGLG for 50 years of service.
23. Another wonderful, educational and enjoyable national convention that was held in Cleveland, Ohio this year. Our club received the George Spader award for having the greatest percentage in membership. Next year's convention will be held in Fort Wayne, IN, so I hope many of you will be able to join. Past conventions offered daily options for those that choose not to stay overnight at the convention center/hotel.
24. Hope to see many of you at our March 2018 members meeting. Mary Lou Paisley will instruct us on how to limber up before hitting the garden.

Seed Starting Project

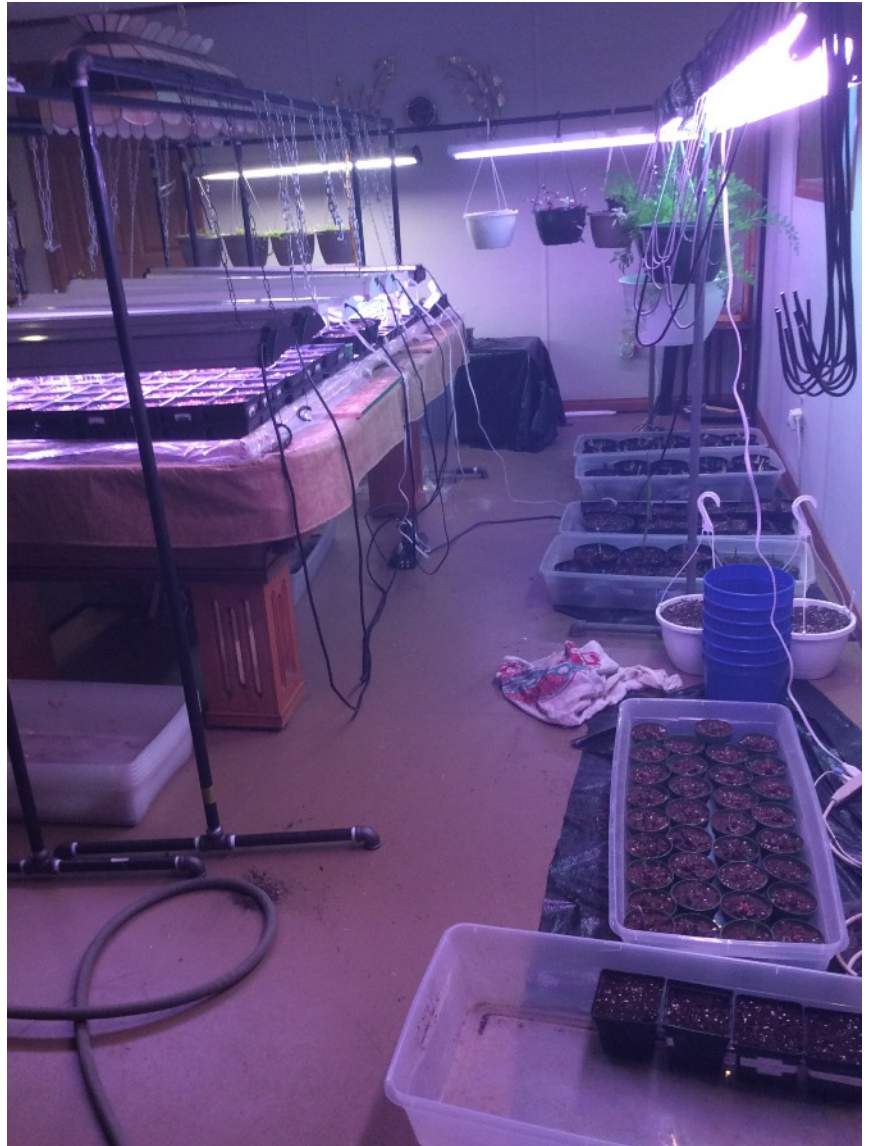


All the pots were washed. The picture above shows just one batch. These pictures supplied by Donna Maki help us understand the scope of the project which has been on-going at the Maki's home.

Pat Bowsher and her sister Sandra, Becky Wendroth, Diane Halpern and Steve Maki have helped Donna in making all this happen.

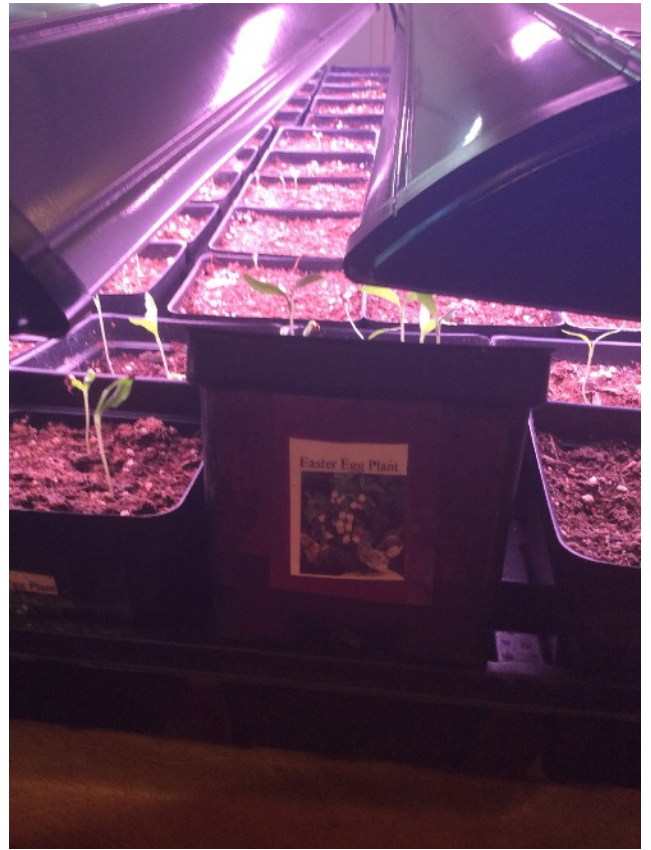
The totes on the floor in the basement are mostly assorted perennials. The big 14" hanging pots are sprouting mound petunias. Smaller hanging pots have the ice plant and wandering Jew.

You can see more pictures of the new seedlings on the next page.





Cilantro



Easter Egg Plant



Calendula



Parsley

Note the grow lamps.



In-coming Secretary Becky Wendroth introduces her husband Dr. Scott Wendroth and their son Henry to Rex Maurer and Donna Maki.

CHRISTMAS PARTY AT OLD BARN OUT BACK

The Christmas Banquet for 2017 was held in one of the banquet rooms at Lima's Old Barn Out Back Restaurant. Thanks to Persetta Bowsher, Jo Hanley and Diane Halpern for planning the event.

. President Steve Maki led a game of Christmas trivia.

Our 2018 slate of officers was installed by Bill Lanning of Findlay. Bill is a past president of The Gardeners of America / Men's Garden Clubs of America. He and his wife Anita were our guests.



Gathering for dinner are Steve Drotar, Dick and Janet Hussey and Joe Brown.

Looking Ahead

- March 13 Members Meeting at Clubhouse 7 pm
- April 10 Members Meeting
- April 21 CGLG Spring Meeting
Kingswood, Mansfield, OH
- April 21 Perennial Dig at the Maki's
- May 2 Petunia Potting at the Maki's
- May 8 Members Meeting
- May 10 Spring Plant Sale Truck Unloading 10 am
- May 11 & 12 Spring Plant Sale
- May 19 Downtown Planters Flower Planting 9 am
- May 26 Flower Plant & Clean-up at Clubhouse 9 am
- June 12 Members Meeting at Hermon Woodlands Park
- June 26 - 29 National Convention, Ft. Wayne, IN
- June 29 - 30 CGLG Summer Conference, Ft. Wayne, IN
- October 27 CGLG Fall Meeting, Kingswood, Mansfield

NATIONAL CONVENTION

The 2018 National Convention of Garden Clubs of America will be at Ft. Wayne. Since it will be so close, our Lima club should have a good representation. The dates are June 27-29. You may attend by the day if you prefer to be home at night. Mark your calendar



Dave Edwards, Alice Cooley and Betty Edwards have a little visit.



Awards A-plenty !

Donna Maki – Spade Award, Trowel Award and 3rd place Big Tomato; Chuck & Persetta Bowsher – Most Poinsettia Orders; Rita Stephens – Appreciation for Countless Hours of Watering & Weeding; Ed Morrison –Trowel Award; Darlene Brown – Spade Award; Ray Brown – Spade Award and 1st place Big Tomato; Steve Maki –Spade Award; Joe Brown – 2nd place Big Tomato



Bill Lanning presenting Spade Awards

Mark Your New 2018 Calendar

As you leaf through your new 2018 calendar, don't forget to enter "T.G.O.L." on every 2nd Tuesday beginning with Tuesday, March 13. The usual time is 7:00 pm.

WEB-SITE UPDATE

Check out the new look of our Web-site

thegardenersoflima.com

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