



Sprigs N Sprouts

The Gardeners of Lima

December 2017

Lima, Ohio

CHRISTMAS PARTY AT OLD BARN OUT BACK

What could be more appropriate than gardeners having a party in the barn? This year's Christmas Banquet will be at Lima's Old Barn Out Back Restaurant (3175 W. Elm St., Lima). Thanks to Pete Williams of the Old Barn Out Back for the use of a banquet room at no cost to the club. Thanks, too, to Persetta Bowsher, Jo Hanley and Diane Halpern for planning the event.

Total cost for the meal, including non-alcoholic beverage, tax and gratuity is \$18.00 per person. A cash bar will be available for adult beverages.

There will be no gift exchange this year. President Steve Maki says "Get your Christmas trivia ready."

Our 2018 slate of officers will be 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 will be our guests this year.

Social time begins at 5:30 pm with dinner starting at 6:00. Remember the date: Tuesday, December 12. Please use the banquet room door, which is at the back of the building.



Becky Wendroth has been elected as Secretary of The Gardeners of Lima

Poinsettia Sale

Poinsettia plants were distributed to buyers Fri., Dec. 1. Persetta Bowsher, who coordinated the sale, reports that 173 plants were delivered and that the work was all done by noon. The weather was beautiful for the event. Everyone was pleased with the quality of the plants. Customers remarked that they were gorgeous.

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. Mark your calendar!

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RIGHT KIND OF SOIL

Making sure your soil is right was the theme of Mark Chambers presentation at the November meeting of The Gardeners of Lima. He explained the different types of soil and proper ways of testing the soil and how to take soil samples.

Mark is from Layman's Feed & Lawn on Elida Rd. He told of customers who wanted to be able to fix a lawn by adding fertilizer without knowing what chemicals the lawn needed.

He provided charts listing plants that need soil with higher acid and other plants requiring less.



Mark Chambers, November Speaker



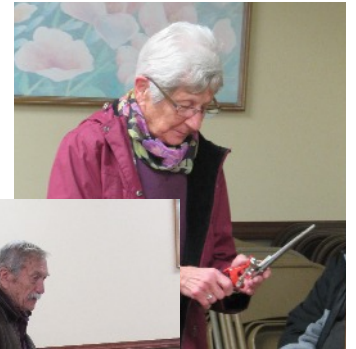
Sheila Rowe provided refreshments for the November meeting.

FAVORITE GARDEN TOOL

SHOW AND TELL



REX



ALICE



MEL



RAY



STEVE

Mel Kaehler's antique multi-purpose tool was the most unusual item at the Nov. Meeting's Favorite Tool session.

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