

Marshall Area Garden Club, Inc.

GARDEN CLIPPINGS



MAGCI OFFICERS 2017

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Ann Rhodes

This feels like an odd letter to our membership, because I am composing it in August for our club's September newsletter... Now that would normally be what we would do in August/September - but remember - under our new club organization as a nonprofit corporation - the club started over back in June 2017 - so - September actually brings us (the club) to our second meeting of the year. ☺

CONFUSED...? Don't be. As the new Marshall Area Garden Club, INC., our fiscal year now starts in June, thus making our first meeting of the year in June and our second meeting of the year in Sept.

That means that at our September meeting we will review our proposed 2017-18 budget that your new Board approved at a Board meeting August 16.

CONFUSED YET...? Don't be. As you may remember, we approved a "continuation" budget back in June, rather than rush something through before we had a chance to get used to the new fiscal year. This continuation budget simply allowed us to pay our bills and keep operating until we as a club could review and approve a budget that made sense for our new organization.

As the incoming president for 2017-2019, I would once again like to thank our officers for 2015-2017 for the fine jobs they did for the club.

Congratulations to President **Natalie Rector**; 1st VPs for Program **Janet Schoenmeyer** and **Pam Munsie**; 2nd VP for Membership **Carol McCreary**; Recording Secretary **Shirley Clutter**; Corresponding Secretary **Kathy Fryar**; and Treasurer **Ann Rhodes**. Several of these folks will continue in their roles or other roles, so we appreciate their dedication to the club!

Looking forward to another great year, or actually, our FIRST great year as MAGCI!

President, **Steve Rhodes**

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Home Tour Flower Project September 9 and 10

MAGCI volunteer designers will be providing at least three flower arrangements for the following homes at this year's Historic Marshall Home Tour.

Flower designers are: **Pam Munsie**, **Pam Sigren**, (Coulton home), **Janet Schoenmeyer**, **Shirley Larson**, (Anderson home), **Amy Holzberger**, **Marlene Glotfelty**, (Allen-Hodo home), **Bev Zalewski**, non-member **Carol Paul**, (Lehmann home), **Brenda Ulrey**, **Brenda Marshall**, (Hamilton home), and **Cherie Riser**, **Karla Love**, (Snook home). Many thanks to member and Harvester owner **Amy Frentz**, for ordering and selling the flowers at cost.

Chairperson, **Marlene Glotfelty**



Welcome New Members

Dave and Rosalie Clark	Lynda Kulpa
Claudia Crawford	Laurel Piotrowski
Maline Harrell	Becky Samra
Matt Holzberger	John Tramel

Floral Hall Fair Awards

The following three people received Marshall Area Garden Club Inc. ribbons at the 2017 Calhoun County Fair. Our club also provided \$10 to each entrant.

Debra Fountain, Springfield, MI, for "Down in the Garden" flower arrangement.

Suzette Little, Albion, MI, for an almost perfect Sunflower in the Annuals class.

Sarah Kelly, Marshall MI, for a perfect Gladiola.

Chairperson, **Marlene Glotfelty**

September 19 Meeting

Please join us for the first meeting of the year. Speaker **Sherri Snyder**, co-owner of Gull Lake Landscape Company in Richland, will introduce us to varieties of shrubs and conifers that are new to the market. Fall is the perfect time for planting, so we'll find out which specimens have improved and those that will fit the needs of our differing landscapes. Sherri will factor in site conditions, those shrubs best for focal points, privacy screens or foundation plantings. She'll also remind us of some old favorites that have been around for a long time, but require a second consideration.

Sherri holds a BA in AgriScience from MSU with a minor in Biology, so is capable of answering any "green" questions members might field.

As a side note, Janet and Cherie have tried to provide a variety of programs that all members enjoy and learn something new at the same time. On average, speakers are paid \$50 for their presentations. Please show your support by attending the meetings when you can.

Social Time 6:30pm, Program 7:00pm.
Business Meeting 8:15pm.

1stVP's of Programs, **Cherie Riser** and **Janet Schoenmeyer**

Refreshment Hosts Needed

We will need MAGCI members to sign up in teams of two to provide snacks ready to go at 6:30 p.m. for the club meetings on the third Tuesday.

Beverages and paper ware are provided by the club. Months needing snacks are October, January, February, March, April, May and June. A signup sheet will be available at the September meeting or call **Karla Love** at 781-0009.

November 21 Meeting

MAGCI members are needed to sign up for the floral design class they want to represent at our November meeting. Four designers are needed for each class. Volunteers will have the added bonus of having a fall centerpiece all ready for the Thanksgiving holiday, two days later. The theme: *"We Gather Together"*

Class1: **"A Little Something for You"**: A petite design 8-12 inches, suitable for a place setting at Thanksgiving dinner.

Class 11: **"Thanksgiving Blessings"**: A horizontal or low profile design suitable for your Thanksgiving table.

Class 111: **"Welcome Home"**: A floor design, a large design for the front porch or entryway to use Thanksgiving to Christmas.

Class 1V: **"It's a Tradition"**: A table for one-showcasing holiday dishes. Design in proportion to one place setting.

Please phone **Marlene Glotfelty**, 781-7897, to volunteer for this fun project.

Michigan Garden Clubs Inc.

District 11B Meeting, Monday, October 11, at Bath, MI. Two engaging speakers, great vendors, and the camaraderie of fellow gardeners will make for a lovely day. Contact **Steve Rhodes**, #274-1771, for additional info.

Environmental Studies School Course 111, October 16 & 17, Holland MI. Contact Chairman **Deannie Piccioto**, 616-283-7744 for registration details.

Landscape Design School Course 111. October 23 & 24, Kalamazoo, MI. Contact **Carol Beckus**, at cbeckus@chartermi.net. for details.



Garden Tour a Success!

During the weekend of July 8 and 9, the Marshall Area Garden Club, Inc. held the 27th annual "Welcome to My Garden Tour" under beautiful, balmy skies. The seven gardens on tour were varied in size and style and uniquely interesting to our guests, many of whom return to tour year after year.

We extend our gratitude to the garden owners: the **Gehrigs, Ishams, Nagers, Nobbs, Purcell, Rhodes, and Slick** for their generous willingness to share their private gardens with us. Thanks to all who were involved: the 80 plus garden volunteers, the hard-working tour committee members, the city police department, the Governor's Mansion volunteers, the Marshall Area Conservation Committee volunteers at Garvin Park, the Garden Market vendors, the businesses who sold tickets for the tour and MEADA marketing.

The proceeds from the tour go towards the plantings around the Fountain Circle, Carver Park, the West End island gardens, youth and education projects, and local environmental concerns.

2017 tour ticket sales were \$7531 and expenses totaled \$2981 equaling a profit of \$4550. Honey Hoe sales at the Market were \$175.00 and the Market overall made a profit of \$273.29.

Thank you MAGC, Inc. for your support in keeping our city beautiful. We look forward to working with you on the 2018 Tour, set for July 14 and 15.

Mike and Karla Love
"Welcome to My Garden" Co-chairs

Marshall Area Garden Club, Inc., Programs and Events, 2017-2018

September 19 - New Varieties of Shrubs and Conifers - Sherri Snyder

October 17 - Michigan in Transition, 1820-1900 - Ellen Hoste

November 21 - (6pm) - Thanksgiving themed floral designs created by MAGCI members and potluck, Chairman, Marlene Glotfelty

(No MAGCI meeting in December)

January 16 - Managing Michigan Aquatic Systems - Brett Riser

February 20 - Marshall Community Gardens - Jonah Curtis

March 20 - Ponds and Water Features - Chris Ostrander

April 17 - Native Plants - Mary Ann Menck

May 15 - Our Vanishing Soil Communities - Mike Klug

June 19 - Happy Hydrangeas - Linda Whitlock

July 14 & 15 - "Welcome to my Garden" Tour and Garden Market

July 17 - (6pm) - Club Picnic at Wilder Creek Conservation Club

Unless noted, all regular meetings begin at 7pm, with social time at 6:30pm.