

Marshall Area Garden Club

GARDEN CLIPPINGS



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President's Message

Thanks to all the wheels on the bus that keep our Garden Club going in the right direction. Welcome our new Membership Chair, **Carol McCreary** as she greets you each month and keeps track of name tags. Thanks, **Lucy Overhiser**, for keeping that going last year. **Karla Love** offered to be Refreshment Chairperson for the coming season to keep the goodies flowing with help from those who sign up to bring treats. Thanks to **Jamie Evans** who held it together last year.

Janet Schoenmeyer and **Pam Munsie** have great programs lined up for future monthly meetings. **Shirley Clutter** is representing MAGC at the District IIB fall meeting in Howell on October 13. And **Ann Rhodes** is successfully guiding us through the paper trail to become incorporated and tax exempt. Everyone contributes to the club's success, even by showing up to meetings, so hope to see you at the next one.

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Thanks to **Steve Rhodes** for all his time and effort he put toward creating a great 2016-2017 MAGC Directory. He even stuck in some humor, by placing the roster of past MAGC presidents, under a picture of Mount Rushmore!

Please pick up your personal MAGC Directory at the October meeting or ask a member to pick it up for you, if you can't attend.

Happy Fall!
Natalie



October 18 Meeting

October's meeting features speaker **Robin Hamilton**, who will give us an update on all the new daylily varieties, including basic information for the daylily novice.

Robin caught the bug of gardening from her grandfather, "Nubby", her father who was an active member of the Thumb Rose Society, and her sister, **Pam Sigren**, who is a MAGC member. Fifteen years ago she narrowed it down to growing mostly daylilies. Today, she is a member of the National Hemerocallis Society and is active in both the Kalamazoo and grand valley Daylily Societies.

Robin will share the knowledge she's acquired through the years. She also generously donated daylily plants that were used as door prizes at our September meeting.

1st VP's of Programs, **Pam Munsie** and **Janet Schoenmeyer**

MAGC Member Updates

Wishes for a speedy recovery were sent last month to members **Gail Woods** who underwent knee replacement surgery and **Lois Zuehlke** who had out-patient surgery.

Corresponding Secretary, **Kathy Fryar**

Member **Reba Lark's** new email address: Rlark53@aol.com

November 15 Meeting

For the fourteenth year, MAGC members will provide the entertainment for the November program. Members began signing up for the different categories at the September meeting, but open slots still remain. The theme: "Music of the Season." Please phone **Marlene Glotfelty** at 781-7897 to volunteer for this fun project. So far, the following members have signed up in these classes:

Class I: "**Over The River.....for this is Thanksgiving Day...**" 6' buffet table for six people, with a cornucopia used as design element. **Cherie Riser** and **Pam Sigren**

Class II: "**We Three Kings.....**" A creative design using groupings of plant material placed in a parallel manner. **Janet Schoenmeyer** and **Marlene Glotfelty**

Class III: "**Here comes Santa Claus..... Down ... Santa Claus Lane.....**" A floral design featuring a Santa, reindeer, toy or sleigh. **Shirley Clutter**, **Sandy Purcell**, and **Gale Woods**

Class IV: "**An Old Christmas Card.....**" A floral design interpreting the design on a Christmas card. **Brenda Ulrey**, **Alice Schneider**, and **Karla Love**



Please bring a dish to pass for the November 15 meeting. We will provide table service. Dinner will begin at 6pm, with a "show and tell" of the MAGC members' design creations immediately following.

Garden Tour Updates

The Garden Tour committee held an organizational meeting on Wednesday, Sept 28. Discussion took place on raising ticket prices, but opted to hold pricing at \$10 and \$12 for 2017; so the group will revisit pricing for the 2018 Tour.

A garden stipend was discussed as a rental fee for insurance purposes and a vote was taken and passed.

Presentations were made by the Garden Market and Refreshment Chairs. Tie-ins with the tour may include the Gavin Park storm water retention basin on Union Street and a Jackson, MI Day Trippers bus visit. Suggestions were made for publicity, social media, music in the gardens, photo opportunities and a credit card application for honey hoe sales.

Thanks to everyone (especially **Ann** and **Steve Rhodes**) for developing relationships to secure the gardens.

Thank you to **Claudia Edwards-Houser** for creating the delightful bookmark in time for Home Tour distribution.

Thanks also to **Marty Overhiser** for coordinating sidewalk repair with the city and for all his great advice and sharing with our garden owners.

The Tour Committee is looking for an energetic soul to Chair the Host and Ticker Taker sign up process and we are also looking for an apprentice to work with **Marty Overhiser** on the formal publicity with the opportunity to take over for the 2018 Garden Tour.

"Welcome to my Garden" Tour and Garden Market will be held July 8 & 9, 2017. Please be thoughtful how you can support this "major club fundraiser" and know that "your work will make a difference." Call or email Karla and Mike to discuss these positions at [269-781-0009](tel:269-781-0009) or 0499klove@gmail.com.

Karla and Mike Love, Garden Tour Chairs



Brooks Nature Area Updates

Eight MAGC members, **Marti and Lucy Overhiser**, **Ann and Steve Rhodes**, **Marlene Glotfelty**, **Amy Holzberger**, **Karla Love** and **Shirley Lawson**, joined **Janet Schoenmeyer** on October 4th to walk the Brooks Nature Area trails and learn a little bit about the special wonders of a Michigan prairie.

Brooks Nature Area's Open House is Saturday, October 15, 1-4 pm.

Tricks and Trails is Saturday, October 29, 4-6pm. School kids and their chaperones are invited for Trick or Treating, crafts and free refreshments.

The park will be closed from November 15th - 30th, due to deer fire arms season.

Marshall Area Garden Club Programs and Events, 2016-2017

October 18 - Daylilies - Robin Hamilton

November 15, 6:00pm - Holiday themed floral designs created by MAGC members and potluck - Chairman, Marlene Glotfelty

No MAGC meeting in December

January 17 - Native plants - Barb Rafail

February 21 - The Magic of Plant Hormones - Leah Knapp

March 21 - Why Pollinators are Essential - Linda Whitlock

April 18 - Using the Elements of Art in your Garden - Sandy Wilkins

May 16 - Great Flower Combinations for Containers - Carol DeVries

June 20 - Tips for taking Great Photos in your Garden - Josh Haas

July 8 & 9 - "Welcome to my Garden" Tour and Garden Market

July 11, 6:00pm - Club Picnic at Wilder Creek Conservation Club

