



Greensburg Garden Center

May/June 2018 Newsletter

"Where Gardeners Grow"

Calendar Corner

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| May 1 | Membership Mtg. 11:00 AM Program—Roses 101 |
| May 4 | May Mart 12:00 PM – 7:00 PM |
| May 5 | May Mart 9:00 AM—1:00 PM |
| May 19 | Hypertufa Workshop—10:30 AM |
| June 1 | Butterfly Garden Opens |
| June 5 | Membership Mtg. 11:00 AM Program—Angie Raitano |
| June 15 | Children's Tea in Butterfly Garden |
| June 20 | Tea in the Garden |
| July 10 | Membership Mtg. in the Garden 6:00 PM |

Membership Meetings....



On May 1, Jane Conklin will present a program on roses. She is a member of the McKeesport Garden Club, Rose Society of Pittsburgh and a Master Consulting Rosarian. Jane will talk about selecting roses according to your time and lifestyle. She will include soil preparation, dead heading, fertilizing, pruning and winterizing. Jane feels you must have knowledge to successfully grow roses. She will come to your rose garden or answer questions by phone or email. Have your questions ready! Judy Geary will also speak on her experiences growing roses.

June 5—Program on floral design for the July Flower Show by Angie Raitano.

July 10—6:00 PM evening meeting in the Butterfly Garden.

August 7 —Program on Succulents by Nancy Neel from "Sunny Sprouts".

September 11—Our program will be a plant auction by members. Please bring plants, produce and seeds to auction at our meeting. Please label all items.

MayMart Plant Sale

Friday, May 4—12:00 Noon to 7:00 PM
Saturday, May 5—9:00 AM to 1:00 PM

Perennials!! Vendors!! Fleatigue!!
Raffle!! Food!!



Wow! What a winter we have had! Everyone's ready for a little sunshine and warm weather! Get you gardening season off to a great start! Browse the large selection of perennials waiting for a permanent home in your garden! Elizabeth Pesci, Horticulture

Chairman, has carefully selected new species as well as perennial favorites! Hundreds of plants to choose from!

We have Allium—Perennial Plant of the Year

Vendors have added fun and variety to our May sale. As we have the past couple of years, we will be set up on the parking lot!! There's never a charge for parking or admission. **(The complete list of vendor's is on page 2).**



Inside you will find.....McKenna Senior's Bake Sale, Greensburg-Hempfield Library Used Book Sale and our Garden Fleatigue!

Always a popular booth, **GREENRIDGE GARDEN CLUB** is selling perennials dug from member's gardens and featuring Rita Yoder's Heirloom tomato plants.

HUNGRY??? Our member, Liz Skinner, will be grilling **hotdogs** at the Caldwell Banker tent. Enjoy with or without sauerkraut. Grab a bag of **potato chips**, too. Jerrod Klosky's **pierogies** are not to be missed! After eating one or two, you will want to take some home! Don't forget to pick up a **cookie** or **brownie** from McKenna Seniors or **nachos** at **EASTWOOD GARDEN CLUB'S** tent. Going for a healthy lifestyle? Katie's Meaningful Meals will offer **salads and such**.



Welcome new members.....Lois Lazarchik, Kathleen Long, Joanne Hall, Sharon Gewecke

MayMart Plant Sale Vendors

- Pat's Cement Leaves and Tropicals
- Westmoreland Cleanways
- The Pickled Chef
- Sylvia Lynch w/Dipping Oils, Etc.
- Helen Keegan-Geroux w/Blushing Gardens & Blessing Bells
- Ruk's Preserves
- Christina's Doterra Oils
- Greenhouse 22
- Caldwell Baker/Liz Skinner
- Thomas Dowling's "Inspired"
- Dot Taylor's Succulents
- DJ's Crystal Garden
- Lois' Handcrafted Items
- Lion's Club Brooms
- Klosky's Peirgoies
- Honey
- Katie's Meaningful Meals
- Eastwood Garden Club
- McKenna Seniors
- Greenridge Garden Club
- Greensburg-Hempfield Library



Spread the word about this year's \$2,000 Scholarship now!



The Greensburg Garden Center is now accepting applications for the Katherine Mabis McKenna Scholarship until May 31st, 2018. This year's award is \$2,000. Applicants must reside in Westmoreland or its bordering counties and have completed at least one year at an accredited college or university before the application deadline. Students pursuing a two or four degree in botany, forestry, landscape architecture, horticulture, or a related field should take this opportunity to apply. Graduate student applications are welcomed.

The application deadline is fast approaching. Don't delay in sharing this announcement with friends and family. Deadline is May 31st, 2018. An application form and additional information is posted on our website greensburggardencenter.net. Contact Deneise Snyder at 724-568-3819 with questions concerning this scholarship.

CHILDREN'S TEA PARTY IN THE BUTTERFLY GARDEN



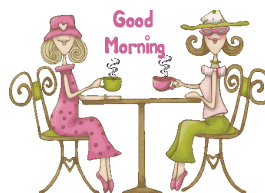
Introduce your favorite young one(s) to the delight of a Tea Party! Dress up and raise your pinky finger! Fancy tea plates and cups with cloth napkins for their lap.

Enjoy butterfly tea sandwiches, assorted fruit bites, cookies and, of course, tea! Each child will be able to pour their very own tea (or juice) from a little person-sized tea pot. Everyone gets a little favor and learns the thrill of being at a "fancy" table!

This is a "small sized" version of the adult teas and is offered at a smaller price since the children must be accompanied by an adult.

Friday, June 15 @ 11:00 AM – Cost is \$13.00 each.

TEA IN THE BUTTERFLY GARDEN



Join us for a lovely, relaxing day in the Lefevre Butterfly Garden with birds singing and butterflies fluttering from flower

to flower. The Garden is alive in the summer months with colorful flowers in a serene setting.

Nibble tasty finger sandwiches, cool fruit, delicious cookies, and a cup of Twinings tea.

We are offering three dates:

Wednesday, June 20, Wednesday, July 18 and Thursday, August 26 at 11:00 AM.

Cost is only \$20.00 and space is limited.

Call Nicky in the office to make your reservation.

HYPERTUFA!!

The Garden Center has been doing hypertufa for years. The general public has been taking notice and cement hypertufa pots in all shape and designs are now featured at the Philadelphia Flower Show.

We are having a workshop on Saturday, May 19 at 10:30 AM. Cost is \$20.00. All materials will be supplied. Be sure to wear old clothes.

You will take home a round planter (approximately 15" – 18") and will have instructions on how to unmold and cure your creation. The hypertufa can be used as a planter or a bird bath – use your imagination!

Space is limited – call Nicky at the office to make your reservation!

SAVE THE DATE!!

MONARCH BUTTERFLY RELEASE
SATURDAY, AUGUST 11
@ WINNIE PALMER NATURE RESERVE

Program by the always-popular Rick "Butterfly Guy" Mikula. More details in the next newsletter.



Reserve your Monarch butterfly early!

Call the office – 724-837-0245

"Gardens are not made by singing "Oh, how beautiful," and sitting in the shade. "

~Rudyard Kipling

2019 CALENDARS



Share the beauty of your garden by submitting photos for the 2019 calendar. Deadline this year is June 30th. This lets us get the calendar printed in time for the fall annual meeting.

If possible try to take shots of multiple plants. While shots of single plants can be almost breathtaking, the object of the calendar is to share photos of our gardens. Always look at what is in the background when you frame your picture. Make sure it is not too busy and doesn't detract from the plants you want to feature.

Mail or take in your 4 x 6 glossies to the office with your name and phone number on the back. Address stickers work well. The photos must be of your own garden taken by you, an amateur photographer. Br. Mark Floreanini, St Vincent Associate Professor of Studio Arts will select the winning photos.

Since some colors don't translate well when scanned we are trying to have available digital copies of photos to submit for printing. Submit 4 x 6 glossy color photos just as you've always done. But this year identify the photos you submit so if one of your photos is chosen we can contact you and ask you to send in the digital copy of the chosen photo. Store your pictures on your phone or computer and name each one. When you print out the glossy write that name on the back of the photo along with your name and phone number using a ballpoint pen. Then it will be easy for the calendar committee to ask for the digital copy of "Calendar Photo#101, Rudbeckias#1, Back Garden#3, etc." (whatever name you have selected). Do not send in any digital copies unless requested. We'll tell you where to send them later. You must still submit 4 x 6 glossies.

Thanks from the Calendar Committee: Agnes, Charlene, Sandy



"TEA-rific Tableau" was another beautiful GGC Spring Tea. "Thank You" to all participants who made it a success. You are a TEA-rific group of people.

Angie Raitano, Chair

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Our Mission Statement

The Greensburg Garden Center is a non-profit educational organization whose goals are to support and educate our members and the community in horticulture, conservation, and related areas and provide an annual scholarship. GGC serves Westmoreland County and surrounding communities.

GREENSBURG GARDEN CENTER 2018 ASSOCIATE MEMBER - NEW MEMBER RENEWAL FORM

Date: _____ Name: _____

Address: _____

Phone: Home _____ Cell _____ Email _____

Type of Membership: New \$15 _____ Renewal \$15 _____ Student \$3 _____

Annual dues run from January 1 to January 1. Please make checks payable to:
Greensburg Garden Center, 951 Old Salem Rd., Greensburg, PA 15601

My interests are: _____ Horticulture/Gardening _____ Floral Design _____ Education _____ Workshops
_____ Committee participation _____ Landscaping _____ Arboretum