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President's Message- Cheri Kessen



To every member in every club in our great region, I wish a belated but heartfelt Happy New Year.

I sincerely hope that you all received my letter that I sent your way through your club officers right after I took office. It has been a very busy few months but things are happening. Our region was created 70 years ago. Obviously, the world and the people were a bit different than they are today. Time marches on and we either fall behind or move ahead – we don't just stand still. I am trying very hard to research things and make sure we are moving ahead. We have to know our past in order to have a good foundation on which to build our future. At this point, how many of you know very much about the region's past? Several members have stepped forward to assist me in my quest.

One of the most interesting mysteries is the big, regional banner. I have found out quite a bit about it and will reveal my findings at our regional spring meeting, April 27, in Lima, Ohio. You won't want to miss this! The committee is working on looking over the Constitution and Bylaws and the committee sorting our regions more current records is also busy. I have had several conversations with wonderful members involved in other aspects of our region. By working together we can accomplish a great deal. I would like to see and welcome many more of our members to be involved in growing our clubs and

region. The more hands we have on deck, the lighter the load for everyone involved and the more fun we have.

I would personally like to invite everyone to our spring meeting. For many clubs it is closer than it has been in years. If you have never come or haven't come to a regional meeting in a long time, please put it on your calendar for Saturday, April 27. We have a lot of things on our agenda and I feel you would really enjoy both the meeting and mingling with the members. The club doors will open at 10 a.m. There will be light breakfast snacks while people arrive and mingle. The regional meeting will begin promptly at 10:30 a.m. Our luncheon gives us a relaxing break and a time to see old friends and make new ones. The afternoon seminar speaker will be Curtis Young, Van Wert County Extension Agent, speaking to us about Fungi. Directions to the club house where we will be meeting will be on our web site closer to the meeting date. *Continued p. 2*



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Our region captured all the national youth awards for the Giant Sunflower-Big Pumpkin Contest. Hopefully, we will have more participants this year from our area. The contest includes a Container Gardening section as well. Winners were listed in the Jan./Feb. National Newsletter. This year's contest will begin on March 1. The most important thing to remember is to follow the rules. You can acquire your pumpkin and sunflower seeds from the national office and the 2013 rules and forms will be on the website under youth gardening beginning March 1.

We are all looking forward to a wonderful summer conference in Cleveland, Ohio, that Tom Davis is preparing for us. I hope you will all be able to attend.

See you in April. Cheri



President's Thoughts

FOLLOWING THE RULES

According to the CGLG BYLAW VI Section 7 The Secretary of each club shall submit to the Regional President a summary report of the previous year's programs, activities, awards and membership status. The report shall give the names of the officers, regular meeting date, time, place and planned events for the coming year.

Shortly after I took office, I wrote a letter to all of you and sent it to your club President and Secretary. I hope that you all received it through your club. The deadline for this report was Dec. 31, 2012. As of Jan. 15, 2013, I had three clubs' reports. Thank you to the Gardeners of Greater Akron, TGOA Fort Wayne and the most complete and outstanding report sent in from the Gardeners of Greater Cleveland.

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Now, my question is where are the rest of the reports? It's still not too late, get your reports finished and to me before our spring meeting on April 27, so that we will have a good report to give on how our clubs are co-operating. I will be compiling a completed report as soon as I have heard from everyone and then I can share with you some helpful ideas for speakers and projects that might spark some ideas for your club.

When you do a report like this it summarizes things for your club and shows clearly the strengths and weaknesses that clubs might have. Also, by sharing such information, we are helping each other grow in ideas for speakers, projects, etc. Finally, for clubs that are located somewhat close together, it encourages other clubs to join you for special events and interesting speakers. The more we share, the more we grow and we are all for growing – right? Cheri

Ideas for Speakers

Need an idea for a speaker or a special club meeting? Here are a few that clubs have tried successfully.

1. Have a policeman come and discuss safety for your house and yard.
2. The history, harvesting & marketing of coffee.
3. Soarin' Hawks Rescue & Rehabilitation.
4. Organic care of lawns.
5. Pests, diseases & environmental issues affecting plants.

These are just a few ideas to get you thinking. Every club is different and your locations are all diverse, however, when you see or hear about a certain topic it might get you thinking about a similar program you could have using the talents of those people and places in your community. Email your ideas to Cheri at ckessen2001@yahoo.com.

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Kathy's Kibitzin'

"In the Spring, I have counted 136 different kinds of weather inside of 24 hours."

- Mark Twain

This quote from MT surely exemplifies climate change and the need for sustainability! The thing is all of this chaos seems to be taking place throughout the year! And perhaps more severely than we're used to.

Think about how difficult it is for the human condition to straddle and survive the many extreme weather conditions we have been subjected to. People and animals can move around to look for more (less) water; more (less) heat; escape from bugs; take shelter, etc. Plants are STUCK! They are where they are. Seems to me this is a good problem for us to think about when we are planning landscaping, vegetable gardens, lawns, trees etc. Thinking isn't enough though. We have to take action!

So! What to do? Plant local! What I mean to say is, plant those species of trees, shrubs, flowers and vegetables that are "adapted" to the locality we live in. Over the years, these plants have developed strategies to help them survive the extremes of the environment.

It could be these plants aren't as floriferous (full of flowers) or as tidy, or as disease resistant, or as pest resistant as you have grown accustomed to seeing in your nursery plants or catalogs. Many plants we find for sale are actually native to other parts of the world. Those plants have adapted to the climatic conditions different from ours.

Sometimes plants from the Midwest have been hybridized to make them more appealing for those reasons I listed earlier. When that happens something from the genetic makeup of the plant has to be sacrificed. The sacrifice that

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makes the plant more floriferous, or disease resistant, etcetera might have cost the plant its ability to tolerate drought, or heavy clay soil, or the chill of late spring frost.

Another problem is, scientist don't know for sure yet if the insects, birds and animals that live in our habitat will be able to use these "modified" plants that have been hybridized for some feature the native or heirloom doesn't have. By "use" I'm talking about finding edibles, or host plants for eating or rearing young. Maybe your plants won't get pollinated because the throat of the flower is too deep or too wide for the insect or bird or whatever that does the pollinating.

Perhaps that pretty thing you brought home and planted has become invasive in this environment because there are no natural controls. An invasive plant crowds out the usual plants that animals, birds, insects feed on and they suffer hunger.

The message here then is plan for the future. What will do well in your garden and also be good for your environmental community of inhabitants? We are all in this together and humans can make the biggest impact for good or not so good.
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So far there hasn't been much two way participation in my project, but I like to think the still waters are running deep and members are soaking up all of this wisdom and insight.

At any rate, I plan to move on individually with the LG. The next one is the Secretary LG which is my very own. I've already discovered several activities to help flesh out my position. When was the last time you reviewed your officers' responsibilities?

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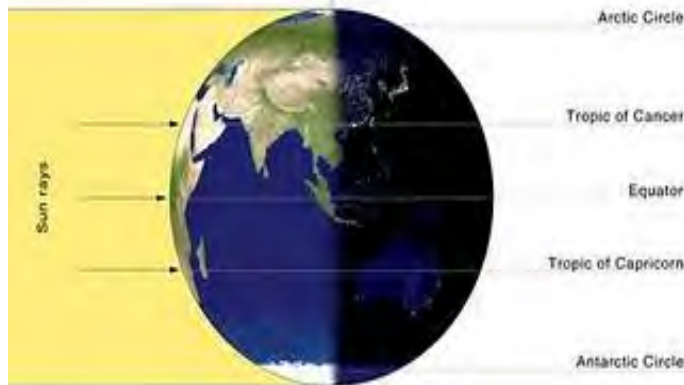
Spring Equinox – The Vernal Equinox

Spring begins with the vernal equinox at 7:02A.M. EDT on March 20, 2013 in the Northern Hemisphere.

Ah, spring? This season brings increasing daylight, warming temperatures, and the rebirth of flora and fauna.

The word equinox is derived from the Latin words meaning “equal night”. Days and nights are approximately equal everywhere and the Sun rises and sets due east and west.

At the equinoxes, the tilt of Earth relative to the Sun is zero, which means the Earth’s axis neither points toward or away from the sun. (However, the tilt of Earth relative to its plane of orbit, called the ecliptic plane, is always about 23.5 degrees.)



According to folklore, you can stand a raw egg on its end on the equinox. Is this true? One spring, a few minutes before the vernal equinox, several Almanac editors tried this trick. For a full workday, 17 out of 24 eggs stood standing. Three days later, we tried this trick again and found similar results. Perhaps 3 days after the equinox was still too near. Try this yourself and let us know what happens.

Spring Folklore and Verse

“One swallow does not make a spring”.
“Bluebirds are a sign of spring; warm weather and gentle south breezes they bring”.
“In spring, no one thinks of the snow that fell last year”.
“Don’t say that spring has come until you can put your foot on nine daisies”.
“Spring-time sweet!
The whole Earth smiles, thy coming to greet”.



<http://www.almanac.com/content/first-day-spring-vernal-equinox>

Landscaping for Climate Change: Making a difference today for tomorrow

Compact fluorescent light bulbs and hybrid cars have become part of the national conversation on behavior changes that can reduce our reliance on fossil fuels. There is another change that you can make at home to save energy, reduce emissions, air and water pollution, save money and time, and help support our local green economy.

Landscaping to save energy is a solution that will help offset the emissions footprint of our everyday activities. When we can reduce the unintended impacts of our landscaping and gardening practices, we are preserving the vitality of our communities for generations to come.

Conventional landscapes can require energy-intensive, polluting and often expensive maintenance practices that may increase demand for irrigation, fertilizer, pesticides and mowing. Continued p.5

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Climate-friendly landscaping practices reduce the demand for nonrenewable resources and also improve our air and water quality. In many states, approximately 50 percent of the total water use is outside the home in the yard. Consider the following guidelines for climate-friendly landscaping:

1. **Minimize Mowing:** Lawns require carbon- and nitrogen- intensive maintenance. If you must mow, use electric or manual equipment or biodiesel fuel.
2. **Incorporate Native Plants:** Native plants are adapted to local conditions and need less carbon- and nitrogen-intensive maintenance.
3. **Reduce Hardened Surfaces:** Driveways and sidewalks absorb and radiate heat in addition to increasing storm water runoff.
4. **Conserve Energy by Conserving Water:** It takes energy to pump, filter and distribute water, so reduce demand and capture and reuse rainwater with rain barrels, cisterns, rain gardens and green roofs.
5. **Minimize/Eliminate-Fertilizer and Pesticide Use:** Reduce emissions associated with the use of synthetic chemicals in your yard.
6. **Reuse Yard Waste:** Recycle carbon and nitrogen back into your yard and increase soil fertility naturally.
7. **Increase Tree Canopy:** Keep mature trees and plant new trees to decrease your carbon footprint.
8. **Create Biodiversity:** Trees and plants are better carbon sinks than mowed lawns and they increase wildlife benefits.
9. **Naturalize the Shoreline:** Create low-maintenance landscape buffers along all shorelines and use native vegetation.
10. **Engage Your Neighborhood:** One person can make a difference but more people can make an even bigger difference. Be an ambassador for climate friendly landscaping. *Energy*

Upgrade/Pages/STEPS/ For more information see

<http://www.asla.org/climatechange.aspx>.

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News from the Fort for JAB

“Spring is the time of plans and projects.”

— Leo Tolstoy, *Anna Karenina*

So, I began my project before the holidays. Too early for spring cleaning or spring projects you say? Weelll...I’ve never been one for doing things entirely by the book. When I get an urge for a project, I go at it.

After the new officers were selected by the Fort Wayne membership, I decided as secretary, I should provide them with the Leadership Guidelines (LG) that relate to their position. Some of us are returnees, but many of the officers are new.

The very night we had our installation of officer, I distributed to each officer their very own copy of their very own LG. A month or so after that, because of something that was said in our meeting, I thought the membership might like to know what all of us officers were supposed to be doing. I also had been startled when reading the GL for my own position, there are some things I didn’t know I was supposed to be doing. Someone might have been doing them, but I wasn’t.

After getting approval from John Kessen the President of our club, and Marggie Faley, the editor of our local newsletter, (she had to make space for it in the newsletter), I began introducing my project (communication, transparency, whatever) through the newsletter.

In December I published “Introducing the TGOA/MGCA statement” found with the LG on the website (in the Redbook, item #5, pg. 22) in our newsletter. I chatted a bit about the concepts in the statement and invited club members to do the same at our next meeting. In January, I did the same thing with the Board of Directors LG. continued p. 3



Opposite, Alternate, or Whorled?

Submitted by Scott Namestnik

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Identifying deciduous trees and shrubs in winter can be a difficult task. After the leaves have fallen, what is left to help you determine what species you are observing?

Believe it or not, there are several parts of the tree or shrub that can be used to help you identify your unknown. The buds, leaf scars, and bark are all useful to get to genus or species, but before you look at these parts, check out the leaf and branch orientation. Leaves and branching can generally be arranged in one of three ways: opposite, alternate, or whorled. I use the word “generally” because occasionally a tree or shrub can have sub-opposite leaves or branching, which means that the leaves or branches are slightly offset from being truly opposite.

When two leaves or branches originate from the same location on the stem, and as a result are located opposite of each other, they are considered *opposite*. If each leaf or branch originates from a point on the stem without another leaf or branch mirroring it, such that the leaves or branches are staggered along the stem, they are said to be *alternate*. If three or more leaves or branches originate from the same location on the stem, they are said to be *whorled*.

If you are looking at an unknown tree or shrub and can determine the arrangement of the leaves or branches, you’ve already narrowed down the possibilities. How is this possible? Just remember “a madcap bucking horse.”

The first rule in botany is that there are exceptions to nearly every rule in botany. That said, applying “a madcap bucking horse” to a leafless tree or shrub should help you identify it. Often, a tree or shrub that has opposite leaves and branches will be one of the following: a plant in

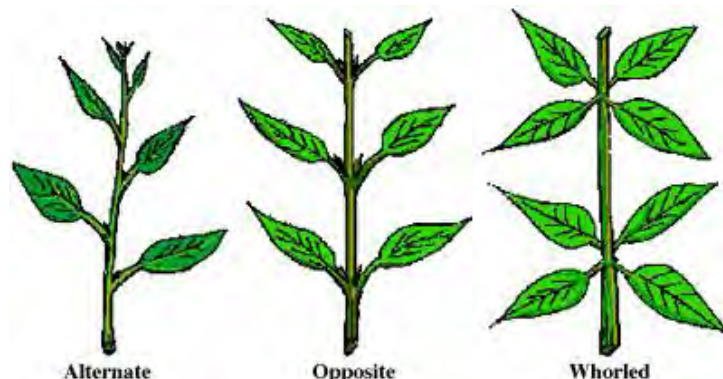
The family Adoxaceae (including elderberry [Sambucus spp.] and viburnum [Viburnum spp.]), maple (Acer spp.), ash (Fraxinus spp.), dogwood (Cornus spp.), a plant in the family Caprifoliaceae (including honeysuckle [Lonicera spp.] and bush honeysuckle [Diervilla spp.]), buckeye (Aesculus spp.), or the non-native horse chestnut (Aesculus hippocastanum).

Trees or shrubs in this geographical area that have whorled leaves will likely be catalpa (Catalpa spp.) if a tree or buttonbush (Cephalanthus occidentalis) if a shrub. If you have alternate leaves or branches, your task is a bit more difficult. Most of our trees and shrubs have alternate leaves and branches, but you can be assured that the tree or shrub is not one of those listed above as having opposite or whorled leaves and branches.

Considering the rough guidelines above may help to narrow down the identity of the unknown tree or shrub, even in winter.

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Image from <http://tinyurl.com/c2tl65o>



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Quotes: "I know nothing more inspiring than that of making discoveries for oneself".

- George Washington Carver

"The need to restore healthy ecosystems is of global importance. Though large-scale prairie and savanna restoration in the agricultural Midwest may no longer be an option, we do have the change to attempt to rebuild ecosystems in places such as restoration areas. These will be proving grounds, blazing the way for future attempts. Perhaps the greatest legacy this generation can leave to future generations will be through the restoration of ecosystems".

-Pauline Drobney in *Where the Sky Began* by John Madson.

"Though I do not believe that a plant will spring up where no seed has been, I have great faith in a seed. Convince me that you have a seed there and I am prepared to expect wonders."

-Henry David Thoreau

"The prairie sings to me in the forenoon and I know in the night I rest easy in the prairie arms, on the prairie heart".

-Carl Sandburg, *Prairie*

"The rule of no realm is mine, neither Gondor nor any other, great or small. But all worthy things that are in peril as the world now stands, those are my care. And for my part, I shall not wholly fail in my task, though Gondor should perish, if anything that passes through this night can still grow fairer or bear fruit and flower again in days to come. For I too am a steward. Did you not know?"

-Gandalf, in J. R. R. Tolkien's *Lord of the Rings: The Return of the King*



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Central Great Lakes Gardeners News

CAN YOU BELIEVE?

The year is 2008 and the location is Fort Wayne, Indiana. Our event is the 2008 TGOA/MGCA National Convention and the registration fee is \$198. That means it is now five years later. Everybody is talking about how the cost of everything has escalated and there seems to be no end to the cost increases. Do you realize that the 2013 TGOA/MGCA National Convention in Springfield, Illinois has a registration fee of \$195? This means that the registration fee is \$3 less than it was in 2008. How can you beat this deal?

John Kessen President TGOA

The updated 2013 TGOA Library Book List is now on our website in Members Only on the Library Books page. Also there is the short list of new books added for 2013. Shortcut to that page <http://www.tgoa-mgca.org/Members/Luvtodig/LibraryList.htm>

"Breaking News" about the First Ever TGOA/MGCA Post Convention Tour in 2013, is now on our website on the 2013 Convention page. It also contains the special registration form for the tour. This extra event will be limited to the first 25 convention attendees who submit the completed registration form along with their regular convention registration. Here is a short cut to the "Breaking News" and registration form: <http://www.tgoa-mgca.org/pdfs/Conventions/Breaking%20News%202013R3.pdf>

ATTENTION ALL CGLG MEMBERS!!!!

As you get your new calendars and start filling them in ----

Save Saturday, April 27, 2013 for our spring meeting. It will be at the Lima Gardeners club house, 10:00 a.m. doors open. Gather & light refreshments. 10:30 a.m. meeting begins. More details to come at a later date.

Cheri Kessen, Regional President



DO YOU KNOW THE TREASURES?

What treasures we have waiting for you at TGOA/MGCA 2013 Convention in Springfield, IL on June 27-29, 2013!! After our Friday day out, we can sit back and relax after dinner watching Ada Lynn Shrewsbury create floral design masterpieces. Ada Lynn is a nationally accredited master flower show judge and has been judging about 35 years. She has won thousands of ribbons herself. The floral design video that she produced sold internationally. Ada Lynn has taught an eight weeks long class on floral design in many different places but most recently through Lincoln Land Community College. On Saturday morning, fifteen of you will be able, under her help and guidance, to create a beautiful floral piece that you will take home with you. Will you be one of the lucky 15?

Now for a totally different treasure, fifteen of you will be able to create an artistic nature collage on Thursday morning with Shirley Wilson. A retired French teacher of 34 years, Shirley's involvement with the Master Gardener program keeps her learning, designing and crafting. She will take you through a basic process of designing a canvas with a focal herb that you will be proud to display when you take it home with you. To be sure you will be able to participate in one or both of the design experiences you should register soon. The Convention Registration form is available on the TGOA web site at: <http://www.tgoa-mgca.org/Convention2013.htm>

Additional treasures will be the experiences possible on Sunday afternoon in a Post- Convention Tour. A bus will take us to visit several famous Lincoln locations in Springfield, including the Old State Capitol, Lincoln/Herndon law office, the Lincoln Presidential Museum, and the Lincoln Tomb. A special Tour Registration form is available for that, also on the TGOA website at: <http://www.tgoa-mgca.org/Convention2013.htm>

Looking forward to seeing you at the Convention.

John Kessen 2013 TGOA Convention Chair and Host
Spring 2012

Driving Directions and a surprise: Lincoln Stories are now on the 2013 National Convention page. Here is a short cut to the Lincoln Stories page:

<http://www.tgoa-mgca.org/pdfs/Conventions/LincolnStories.pdf>

It contains amazing information.

You are Invited!!!

“Land of Lincoln”

In Springfield, Illinois, June 27-29, 2013

TGOA/MGCA National Convention

Sponsored by a special convention committee:

Chair: John Kessen, Vice Chair: Cheri Kessen

Committee members; members from various clubs including Akron, Youngstown, Fort Wayne, Overland Park, Rockford, Stone Mountain and Spartanburg

2013 Convention will be Outstanding! - Be sure to register early!

Were you aware that one of our very prominent members is a college professor and historian specializing in Abraham Lincoln history? He will be contributing some of his knowledge to parts of this convention. We may hear “Four score and seven years ago” and much more. We will be visiting some Lincoln sites and more of them are there for your spare time or after the convention.

One day will be devoted to a bus tour to the Washington Park Botanical Garden, Lincoln’s Home (National Historic Site), various gardens, and much more,

A wide variety of gardening related seminars will be for your selection and enjoyment. A total of 14 seminars on Thursday and Saturday.

Local Gardener experts. We already have 6 tremendous presenters in separate seminars.

Topic areas include body smart gardening, children and gardening, gourds, herbs, birds and flower arrangement. These presenters are very enthusiastic and will be super interesting and educational.

Special topics by our member experts:

- William Lanning, Findlay: Gladiolus from planting to harvest
- Karen Clark, Overland Park: Transitioning officers in your club
- Billy Clark, Arlington, TX: Square Foot Gardening
- Frank Mitch, Akron: Beekeeping myths and current problems.

And of course the usual Board of Directors meeting, Members Meeting, Memorial Service, and Committee meetings are planned.

The Convention will be at the Northfield Inn and Suites, **room cost will be \$85 per night.** Springfield is served by the Abraham Lincoln Capital Airport.



TGOA / MGCA NATIONAL CONVENTION
JUNE 27 – 29, 2013



CONVENTION REGISTRATION FORM – PLEASE USE SEPARATE FORM FOR EACH PERSON

CURRENT NATIONAL / REGIONAL / CLUB TITLE(S)

- | | |
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| <input type="checkbox"/> National President | <input type="checkbox"/> Club Treasurer |
| <input type="checkbox"/> National Vice President | <input type="checkbox"/> Club Secretary |
| <input type="checkbox"/> National Past President | <input type="checkbox"/> Club Member |
| <input type="checkbox"/> National Treasurer | <input type="checkbox"/> Club Editor |
| <input type="checkbox"/> National Secretary | <input type="checkbox"/> Club Liaison |
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| <input type="checkbox"/> National Committee Chair | <input type="checkbox"/> Host |
| <input type="checkbox"/> National Committee Member | <input type="checkbox"/> Judge |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Regional President | <input type="checkbox"/> Life Member |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Regional Director | <input type="checkbox"/> Member At Large |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Regional Officer | <input type="checkbox"/> Spouse |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Club President | <input type="checkbox"/> Family Member/Guest |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Club Vice President | Member Since: _____? |

CONVENTION ADULT FEE: \$195.00*
After Deadline: May 1, 2013: \$245.00*
 * Add \$20.00 for each make & take seminar.
YOUTH FEE: age 3 - 10: \$140 After May 1: \$190
age 11 - 16: \$165 After May 1: \$215
Cancellation Fee after May 26th - \$50.00

Name (Please Print): _____
 Address: _____
 City: _____ State _____ Zip _____
 Phone: () _____
 E-Mail: _____
 Name on Badge: _____
 TGOA/MGCA Club: _____
 Handicap or other Special Needs: _____

MEALS

- Vegetarian Meals if preferred.
 Medically Required Diet: _____

MAKE CHECKS PAYABLE TO: TGOA/MGCA Convention
MAIL REGISTRATION AND CHECK TO:

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TOTAL AMOUNT ENCLOSED:
ADULT FEE by May 1: \$195 After May 1: \$245
FEE + 1 make & take seminar: \$215 + 1 seminar: \$265
FEE + 2 make & take seminars: \$235 + 2 seminars: \$285

YOUTH FEE
 Children age 3 - 10 by May 1: \$140 After May 1: \$190
 Children age 11 - 16 by May 1: \$165 After May 1: \$215

SEMINARS

Please select from the following:

THURSDAY, JUNE 27

- THURSDAY MORNING SEMINARS: 9:45 – 10:45**
 A. Bodysmart Gardening – Jennifer Fishburn
 B. Native Plants – Vern LaGesse
 C. Make & Take Herb Activity – Shirley Wilson
 (limit 15, \$20 fee) Time: 9:45 – 12:00

Thursday Morning Seminars: 11:00 – 12:00

- A. Gourds – Liz Drake
 B. Birding – Vern Kleen

Saturday, June 29

- Saturday Morning Seminars: 11:00 – 12:00**
 A. Make & Take Floral Activity – Ada Lyn Shrewsbury
 (limit 15, \$20 fee)
 B. Square Foot Gardening – Billy Clark
 C. Pruning Trees, Shrubs & Vines – Larry Miller

Saturday Afternoon Seminars: 1:15 – 2:15

- A. Butterflies & Moths – Susan Hargrove
 B. Transitioning Club Officers – Karen Clark
 C. Wildflowers – Bob Naugle

Saturday Afternoon Seminars: 2:30 – 3:30

- A. Kids and Nature – Betsy Irwin
 B. Honey Bees – Frank Mitch
 C. Gladiolas – Bill Lanning

Please Note: All seminars are subject to change and are limited in capacity. They will be filled on a "First Come, First Served" basis. Thank you.

Please let us know your travel information:

Arriving Airline: _____
 Date: _____ Time: _____ Flight No: _____

Departing Airline: _____
 Date: _____ Time: _____ Flight No: _____

Driving

FOR TGOA/MGCA Convention USE ONLY

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Date Received _____

Date Processed _____

CENTRAL GREAT LAKES GARDENERS

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To: ALL CENTRAL GREAT LAKES GARDENERS TGOA/MGCA CLUBS
FROM: THE C.G.L.GARDENERS AWARDS COMMITTEE
RE: YEAR 2013 C.G.L.GARDENERS 64th ANNUAL CONFERENCE AND AWARDS

Dear Club President and Awards Chairperson,

The Awards Committee would like to have all C.G.L.GARDENERS Clubs participate in the awards program. Please review the enclosed material with your members as soon as possible and refer this material to your President, Awards Chairman and Newsletter Editor. Also, please save this material for future reference.

The following are once in a lifetime awards: THE WILLIAM MOOREHOUSE AWARD (Replaces THE MASTER GARDENER AWARD. Previous recipients are not eligible for this award.), THE GREEN BRONZE MEDAL and THE DELBERT R. DUNBAR AWARD.

In addition to the awards above we call your attention to the following: HORTICULTURE ACHIEVEMENT, HORTICULTURE JOURNALISM, CERTIFICATE OF HONOR, ENVIRONMENTAL CONSERVATION ACHIEVEMENT and the SPARK PLUG (please note Spark Plug criteria updates on the CGLG website) awards. There are many people deserving of these awards. Please help us honor them by nominating them for an award.

Awards will be presented at the C.G.L.GARDENERS 64th ANNUAL CONFERENCE which will be hosted by The Gardeners of Greater Cleveland July 19-20, 2013 in Cleveland, OH The conference is open to all C.G.L.GARDENERS Club members. Please encourage your members to attend!!! For more info contact Tom Davis tsd123@roadrunner.com .

The deadline for submitting nominations is May 1, 2013. You may re-nominate a person if they were previously nominated but did not receive the award. Please e-mail or mail nominations and supporting data to all the committee members listed below or bring nominations and data to the C.G.L. GARDENERS Spring Meeting at the Lima Gardeners Clubhouse in Lima , OH on April 27, 2013. NOTE! Criteria and a list of past recipients of these awards can be located on the CGL GARDENERS website (<http://www.cglr.org>) under REGION AWARDS – Submission Details & Instructions.

Respectfully submitted by your C.G.L.GARDENERS Awards Committee,

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