Making Memories at the Gardens

Recently, I attended an Adrian Chamber of Commerce event at which a spokesperson of the Adrian Mall presented an update on the status of the mall development. (Okay, admittedly I was on double duty there – one, representing Hidden Lake Gardens as a local commerce partner, and two, sleuthing for my wife as an interested citizen and local shopper.) During the course of the meeting, I met a young couple that owns a small business in downtown Adrian. Upon discovering my connection with HLG, they exclaimed, “We take our children there every year to get their pictures taken and to enjoy the beautiful scenery.”

That young couple’s statement has been the sentiment of so many people that I have met here in Lenawee County and the Irish Hills region during my first year at HLG – that the Gardens has a strong and positive hold as a memory, a tradition, an activity, or an event for our members, friends, and visitors. In the summer issue of our newsletter, we asked readers to recall and share their memories and traditions involving the Gardens as we continue to commemorate the 70th anniversary of Harry Fee’s gift of HLG to Michigan State University. Several of those recollections can be found starting on page 10. We want to extend the opportunity to publish more memories and photographs in the winter newsletter. Please submit your written memories and photographs to: HLG Newsletter, 6214 W. Monroe Road, Tipton, MI 49287, or e-mail to hlg@msu.edu.

Although it didn’t seem like a typical summer with the mostly cool and rainy weather, there are still plenty of opportunities to come out and enjoy the last days of summer as well as the terrific fall foliage season that awaits us. Our Upcoming Events list starts on page 6, and offers a wide variety of gardening, art, and nature experiences. Of particular note are The Art of Bonsai event on Sunday, September 20, and our Fall Foliage Festival on Saturday, October 3. Both are wonderful and well-attended programs that offer rare glimpses into some very special offerings of Hidden Lake Gardens. We look forward to seeing you at our events this autumn, making more memories with you and your family.

If you attended the 2015 Lenawee County Fair, we hope you visited the Grange Exhibit Building where the Hidden Lake Gardens exhibit was on display. HLG was very fortunate to receive an invitation from Grange Building coordinators Tim and Barbara Johnston offering an opportunity to promote HLG in one of the six Grange Building exhibit booths. With the 70th Anniversary of Harry Fee’s donation of HLG to Michigan State University as the theme, the exhibit provided a brief chronological history of the development and growth of HLG. Accompanying the historical timeline account were archived photographs illustrating earlier themes and events of HLG. And, of course, what would an HLG display be without beautiful plants? More than thirty summer-blooming perennials and shrubs were on display. We appreciate being able to participate in the Fair, and we are already looking forward to doing so again in 2016.
Autumn Highlights

Highlights of a visit to Hidden Lake Gardens in the autumn include the annual Fall Foliage Festival, spectacular fall colors, crisp weather, and The Scarecrows!

Resurrected annually, the scarecrows emerge from their summer slumber to play in the gardens and peek at visitors. The display typically contains about 40 characters representing people and animals, and usually reflects a theme of the summer. This year, there is a rumor that more bugs may be hatching down at the barn.

The scarecrows take about a month to create and install and are on display through the month of October. Staff members and volunteers lovingly paint, stitch, and stuff the characters from supplies collected throughout the year.

While many characters and animals appear only once, some perennial favorites return every year. Visitors should be on the lookout for the bride, the skunk, the giant mosquito, dogs and their human companions, and of course, scarecrows sporting MSU gear.

Above: Carolyn Karras and Deb Williams get the scarecrows ready for installation around the HLG grounds.

Left: Many of the figures from this 2013 photo will return, along with brand-new characters.
FALL FOLIAGE FESTIVAL

OCTOBER 3
11 a.m. to 3 p.m.

Wagon Rides
Food Vendors
Pumpkin Decorating
Crafts
Entertainment
Scarecrow Displays
Artisans

6214 W. MONROE ROAD (M-50)
TIPTON, MI 49287

Bring a picnic lunch or enjoy hotdogs from Dave’s Dogs!

$5 per person ($20 max per vehicle) / FREE for Friends of HLG

FOR MORE INFORMATION PLEASE VISIT OUR WEBSITE AT
WWW.HIDDENLAKEGARDENS.MSU OR CALL (517) 431-2060.

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Hidden Lake Gardens
Feature Plants for Autumn Planting

Hidden Lake Gardens Feature Plants are selected for success in your garden and offer desirable and unique characteristics such as color, growth habit, and dependability. For sale at the Gift Shop; call ahead for availability as supplies are limited. Selected by Gerry Donaldson.

←  Whitespire Birch (*Betula populifolia* ‘Whitespire’)
This white barked birch makes a bold statement in the landscape. Can be used in full sun to partial shade. A very good plant for use in rain gardens and has good resistance to the borers that can be detrimental to some birches.

Spiralis American Arborvitae (*Thuja occidentalis* ‘Spiralis’)
A North American native, this arborvitae has unique dark green cupped leaves on spiraling twigs. Spiralis grows about 8 inches per year, and will reach about 7 feet tall by 3 to 4 feet wide in ten years. Loved by native birds and animals. Best grown with some deer protection. Tolerant of wet soils in either full sun or partial shade.

←  Goshiki Variegated Zelkova (*Zelkova serrata* ‘Goshiki’)
Zelkovas are a member of the elm family of plants that are resistant to Dutch Elm Disease. Goshiki features variegated foliage and an umbrella shape. Medium to fast growth. Zelkovas can be susceptible to winter twig die back when young, but form a beautiful shade tree for landscape or street use.

Fine Line Buckthorn (*Rhamnus frangula* ‘Ron Williams’)
An attractive columnar garden shrub with finely cut foliage for an overall fine, wispy appearance, very hardy, tough and adaptable; non-invasive as the seeds of this cultivar are not viable. Can be used as a hedge, in a container, or anywhere an exclamation point is desired.

Did you know?

Early fall is a great time to plant trees and shrubs. With the heat of summer over, plant water needs are less and roots make good growth in the still-warm soil. Just be sure to water regularly, and plant early enough that plants get a head start before the ground freezes.
3RD ANNUAL
HIDDEN LAKE GARDENS
THE ART OF BONSAI

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 20, 2015 - TIPTON, MICHIGAN

Bonsai Show and
Art Inspired by Bonsai

ART INSPIRED BY BONSAI: 10 A.M. - 6 P.M.
Upper level of the Visitor Center - Free
A special exhibit organized by the Lenawee Artists Lounge, these pieces represent or have been inspired by bonsai in the Hidden Lake Gardens Bonsai Collection. This art will be on display from September 20 through October 31. An informal Art Reception; 1-3 p.m., will provide an opportunity for guests to meet the artists.

BONSAI SHOW: 11 A.M. - 4 P.M.
Lower level of Visitor Center - $3 admission
Children accompanied by an adult - Free
Open to all bonsai enthusiasts who would like to exhibit and to all visitors who will enjoy seeing an extraordinary display of miniature trees. (To reserve exhibit space, submit form below.)

BONSAI BAZAAR: 11 A.M. - 4 P.M.
Lawn adjacent to main parking lot
A variety of vendors will be present offering bonsai, plants with bonsai potential, pots, tools and related items. (To reserve selling space on the lawn, vendors must register and make a $25 refundable deposit. Call the Gardens to receive vendor registration forms and detailed vending information.)

ASK THE BONSAI ARTISTS: 12:30 - 2 P.M.
Visitor Center Auditorium - Free
Advice and answers to your bonsai questions will be available from a panel of experienced growers.

INTRO TO BONSAI: 2:30 - 3:30 P.M.
Visitor Center Auditorium - Free
Lecture covering basic information on how to get started in growing miniature trees.

HIDDEN LAKE GARDENS' BONSAI DISPLAY COURTYARD 10 A.M. - 6 P.M.
The Bonsai Display Courtyard will be open to the public with access through the Conservatory. See Hidden Lake Gardens permanent collection and meet the bonsai volunteer caretakers.

PLEASE NOTE:
- Picnic areas are available on the grounds. Food vendors will also be present the day of this event.
- Entry fee to Hidden Lake Gardens will be $3 per person on this date. This does not include admission to the Bonsai Show in the Visitor Center.
- Hidden Lake Gardens makes no endorsement or guarantee regarding quality, survivability or usefulness of items offered for sale by vendors.

QUESTIONS: 517-431-2060

EXHIBITOR REGISTRATION

To reserve exhibit space for your bonsai, clip off and return this form with your deposit check* ($10 payable to Hidden Lake Gardens, 6214 W. Monroe (M-50), Tipton, MI 49287) Deadline: Sept. 4, 2015

Name __________________________ Phone number __________________________

Address __________________________

Email Address __________________________ Approx. display width needed (in ft) _______

Approx. number of bonsai for display _______ Note: 3 tree limit per exhibitor (very small bonsai an exception)

* Deposits will be refunded at 4 pm to exhibitors whose bonsai remain on display for the duration of the exhibit, 11 a.m. to 4 p.m.
Upcoming Events
For more info, go to hiddenlakegardens.msu.edu/events
To register, please call the office at 517-431-2060

September 5 – 12:00 p.m. – Nature Art Series – Plein Air Landscape Sketching
Multimedia artist Lorenzo Cristaudo will lead participants in making a quality journal for landscape sketching with graphite and water color markers. We will then go into the field to make sketches that participants may use on their own to paint or draw a finished work later. All materials provided.
Cost: $20 per person / $18 per person for Friends of HLG. Ages 8 and up. Ideal for Adults and all skill levels!
Registration is required. Approximate class length is 2 hrs.

September 12 – Second Saturday Sunrise Series
Start your day off with sunrise and breakfast treats at Hidden Lake Gardens. Share 755 acres with only the woodland creatures for a few hours as the day begins. Bring your running shoes, paints, or supplies for your favorite way to spend the early hours. Arrive fifteen minutes before sunrise. Class will be hosted by HLG staff.
Cost: $10 per person / $8 per person for Friends of HLG
Registration is required. Limited to seven people.

September 17 – 6:30 p.m. – Behind-The-Scenes with Paul – Arboretum
Explore behind the scenes with HLG’s Managing Director, Paul Pfeifer. This is an opportunity to enjoy a behind-the-scenes perspective on different areas of HLG’s collections. Bring your questions and learn a few tips and secrets.
Cost: $5 per person / free for Friends of HLG
Registration is required. Approximate class length is 90 minutes.

September 20 – all day – Art of Bonsai
See page 5 for more information.

September 23 – 6:30 p.m. – Intro to Foraging
An introductory seminar for those just starting out or curious about foraging for food, this presentation is designed to provide an overview of the basic principles of foraging in a 1 hour lecture-style discussion.
Cost: No admission charge.
Registration is requested.

September 26 – 10 a.m. – Adopt-A-Highway
Show your pride for Hidden Lake Gardens by helping us clean up our entryway! Michigan Department of Transportation’s Adopt-A-
Highway program helps care for 6,400 miles of roads and have collected over a million bags of trash. Participants must be over the age of 12.

September 26 – 10:30 a.m. – Seasonal Interest in the Garden
Even after a long dry summer, a well-planned garden can still look attractive and offer many points of interest. Several perennials produce an abundance of flowers at this time of year. Ornamental grasses, evergreens, fruits and berries as well as colorful bark can add interest and structure to the garden. A wide variety of changing foliage colors will also enhance the garden. Horticulturist Ellyn Meyers will show images to inspire you and provide recommendations for specific plants and plant combinations to increase seasonal interest in your garden. We will then go for a walk to see examples of these plantings at Hidden Lake Gardens.
Cost: $20 per person / $18 per person for Friends of HLG
Register for both “Seasonal Interest in the Garden” and “Gardens Gone Wild!” and receive the discounted rate of $35 per person / $30 for Friends of HLG

September 26 – 1:00 p.m. – Gardens Gone Wild! Native Perennials for your Garden
Many native perennial plants are well adapted to our Michigan landscapes. They offer attractive flowers throughout the season that enhance our gardens and wild places. Important to our natural ecosystems, bees, butterflies and other insects, birds, and other animals depend upon these plants. Learn about native perennials and how to incorporate them into your landscape – perennial gardens, wild gardens, meadows or prairie plantings. The instructor, Ellyn Meyers, is a horticulturist and landscape designer with a special interest in native plants. After the indoor program, you are encouraged to join us outside to help plant some native perennials at Hidden Lake Gardens.
Cost: $20 per person / $18 per person for Friends of HLG
Register for both “Seasonal Interest in the Garden” and “Gardens Gone Wild!” and receive the discounted rate of $35 per person / $30 for Friends of HLG

October 3 – all day – Fall Foliage Festival
See page 3 for more information.

October 8 – 7:00 p.m. – GreenBridges: Safe Passage for Plants and Pollinators – Co-hosted with Hidden Lake Gardeners
Ponder the possibilities! For a sustainable future study native plants from an herbal perspective. The GreenBridges program helps to create opportunities for the safe passage of plants and pollinators and avoid habitat fragmentation. Each GreenBridges garden is a link in the chain across the nation providing safe movement for the plants and pollinators that help maintain healthy ecosystems. Get involved in creating GreenBridges and you’ll learn the best practices from a network of green bridges gardeners, grow native herbs unique to your own region share the

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information working towards a more sustainable gardening style. Cost: $5 per person payable at the door. Registration is requested.

October 10 – Second Saturday Sunrise Series
Start your day off with sunrise and breakfast treats at Hidden Lake Gardens. Share 755 acres with only the woodland creatures for a few hours as the day begins. Bring your running shoes, paints, or supplies for your favorite way to spend the early hours. Arrive fifteen minutes before sunrise. Class will be hosted by HLG staff. Cost: $10 per person / $8 per person for Friends of HLG. Registration is required. Limited to seven people.

October 10 – 10:30 a.m. – Nature Hike – Families Welcome!
Enjoy a family-friendly hike on Hidden Lake Garden's many rolling and wooded trails. Hikers will experience the natural beauty of different trails by experienced leaders. Hikers should wear hiking shoes and long pants, and be able to walk for 2 hours at an easy pace. Cost: $5 per person / $3 per person for Friends of HLG. Registration is required.

October 15 – 6:30 p.m. – Behind-The-Scenes with Paul – Fall Foliage
Explore behind the scenes with HLG’s Managing Director, Paul Pfeifer. This is an opportunity to enjoy a behind-the-scenes perspective on different areas of HLG’s collections. Bring your questions and learn a few tips and secrets. Cost: $5 per person / free for Friends of HLG. Registration is required. Approximate class length is 90 minutes.

October 17 – 10:30 a.m. – Nature A-Z Preschool – LEAVES
Little ones from ages 3 – 7 are invited to explore the natural world through songs and crafts. Topics will center on items in nature that start with the letter of the month. Adults must attend with children. Dress to be outside for a short time. Class is open to pre-school and home-schooled children aged 3 – 7 yrs old. Cost: $8 per person / $6 per person for Friends of HLG. Registration is required.

October 31 – 10:30 a.m. – Family Class Series – Spooky Nature
Families are invited to join us for a spine-tingling look at the creepy, crawly, really scary things in nature. Plants and animals with spooky survival methods will be explored. A take home craft or project and scary snacks will end the adventure. Come dressed as your favorite bug, if you dare. Cost: $15 per family and one set of project materials / $12 per family for Friends of HLG. Registration is required.

November 7 – 12:00 p.m. – Nature Art Series – Fences, Trellises, Gates and Arbors for Fairy Gardens
Enjoy the inspiration of the Conservatory while working with natural materials. Multimedia artist Lorenzo Cristaudo will lead the group in making accessories for mini gardens using natural materials from HLG. All materials provided, but bring anything else you would like to use, including pruners for cutting twigs and thin wire. A hand out depicting many projects will be provided. Cost: $12 per person / $10 per person for Friends of HLG. Registration is required. Minimum 5 people for class to be held.

November 12 – 7:00 p.m. – Beyond the Bees’ Knees – Co-hosted with Hidden Lake Gardeners
Honeybees are both fascinating and critical to our survival. Beekeeper, author, and national speaker Charlotte Hubbard will share insights and fun facts about this important insect, how we can help save honeybees, a bit of what beekeeping entails, and what led her to beekeeping. Q&A follows. Charlotte is a high energy, humorous speaker, delivering an engaging presentation about what is, to many of us, a scary insect. Registration is requested. No fee.

November 14 – 10:30 a.m. – Nature Hike – Families Welcome!
Enjoy a family-friendly hike on Hidden Lake Garden's many rolling and wooded trails. Hikers will experience the natural beauty of different trails by experienced leaders. Hikers should wear hiking shoes and long pants, and be able to walk for 2 hours at an easy pace. Cost: $5 per person / $3 per person for Friends of HLG. Registration is required.

November 14 – 11:30 a.m. – Extending Your Garden with Native Plants: The Late Show
Fall is often a difficult time in the Midwestern garden – unless you look to native plants. From Asters to Goldenrods, learn how you can extend your gardening season through the judicious selection of Michigan species at their best for the most exciting Late Show of all. Cost: $20 per person / $18 per person for Friends of HLG. Minimum 7 people for class to be held.

Saturdays: EXPLORATION STATION
1 p.m.–3 p.m.
Exploration Station encourages visitors to take a closer look at what the gardens offer. Topics change monthly. Attendance is included in entrance fee; no registration is required. Come explore with us every Saturday from 1 to 3 p.m.!
November 14 – 2:00 p.m – Native Pollinators – The Little Engines That Do
Most us know about honeybees: industrial-strength pollinators of many of our food crops. But did you know that our native pollinators – from bumble bees and beetles to butterflies and wasps – carry just as much weight in the pollination department? Learn about some of our lesser-known pollinators and make a mason bee house to encourage them to help out in your garden.
Cost: $30 per person / $28 per person for Friends of HLG. Minimum 7 people for class to be held.

November 19 – 6:30 p.m. – Behind-The-Scenes with Paul – Arid Dome
Explore behind the scenes with HLG’s Managing Director, Paul Pfeifer. This is an opportunity to enjoy a behind-the-scenes perspective on different areas of HLG’s collections. Bring your questions and learn a few tips and secrets.
Cost: $5 per person / free for Friends of HLG
Registration is required. Approximate class length is 90 minutes.

November 21 – 10:30 a.m. – Nature A-Z Preschool – TURKEYS
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Class is open to pre-school and home-schooled children aged 3 – 7 yrs old.
Cost: $8 per person / $6 per person for Friends of HLG.
Registration is required.

November 21 – 12:00 p.m – Bittersweet Wreath
Bittersweet is an excellent weaving material for making beautiful wreaths. Learn the basic techniques, then create and decorate your own wreath to hang on your door or use as a table centerpiece. All weaving materials and a variety of decorative items will be provided. Children under 10 should work with an adult and do not need to register.
Cost: $30 per person / Friends of HLG discount applied to all registrants.
Registration is required by November 14; register by visiting www.WillForageForFood.com.
Minimum 6 people for class to be held.

November 24 – 6:30 p.m. – Thanksgiving Floral Arrangements
Instructor Pam Meinke will help you design a fresh flower centerpiece in beautiful Fall colors. Additions of glycerined leaves, raffia, and wheat will complete your design that will draw compliments.
Pam Meinke. We will be using a variety of fresh Christmas greens, pine cones, ribbons, and 12” tapers to make a centerpiece that will bring those Christmas scents into your home! Please bring wire cutters and ribbon scissors.
Cost: $20 per family and one set of project materials / $18 per family for Friends of HLG.
Registration is required.

December 1 – 6:30 p.m. – Holiday Williamsburg Wreath Arrangement
Start the Christmas decorating! Create a beautiful Williamsburg wreath with us. Instructor Pam Meinke will be bringing pre-made fresh wreaths that we will decorate with velvet ribbon, magnolia leaves, and dried materials in the traditional Colonial style. Please bring wire cutters and ribbon scissors.
Cost: $50 per person / $45 per person for Friends of HLG.
Registration is required.

December 4 – 6 – all day – Holiday Fest
Details coming soon!

December 5 – 12:00 p.m. – Nature Art Class – Seasonal Wreaths and Table Decorations
late fall is the perfect time to gather natural materials for making many colorful seasonal decorations. Participants with multimedia artist Lorenzo Cristaudo will hike HLG grounds for 30 minutes gathering leaves, bark, twigs, berries and other natural materials, and then build various projects. All materials provided, but bring anything else you would like to use, including pruners for cutting twigs and thin wire. A hand out depicting many projects will be provided.
Cost: $12 per person / $10 per person for Friends of HLG.
Registration is required. Minimum 5 people for class to be held.

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Cost: $5 per person / $3 per person for Friends of HLG.
Registration is required.

December 12 – 10:30 a.m. – Holiday Candle Arrangements
Create a beautiful Christmas candle centerpiece with instructor Pam Meinke. We will be using a variety of fresh Christmas greens, pine cones, ribbons, and 12” tapers to make a centerpiece that will bring those Christmas scents into your home! Please bring sharp knife, pruners, and ribbon scissors.
Cost: $38 per person / $34 per person for Friends of HLG.
Registration is required.
Tecumseh District Library Night at Hidden Lake Gardens

As part of the ongoing commemoration of our 70th Anniversary, Hidden Lake Gardens collaborated with the Tecumseh District Library and hosted an after-hours event on Tuesday, July 28, from 7:00 p.m. until 9:00 p.m. All patrons and library card holders of Tecumseh District Library were invited to tour HLG after hours with staff. After a short introduction and a brief history of HLG, attendees received staff-guided tours of the Bonsai Collection, the Demonstration Garden, the Harper Collection of Dwarf and Rare Conifers, Hosta Hillside, and the Tropical Dome, Arid Dome, and Temperate House of the Conservatory. TDL cardholders were also treated to the HLG members discount in the Visitors Center gift shop as well as homemade cookies and pastries provided by HLG volunteers. The warm weather and beautiful sunset provided a perfect evening to enjoy the gardens and grounds at a time when HLG is typically closed to the public. Thank you to all of the Tecumseh Library patrons that attended the event, and special appreciation to Chuck Harpst, TDL Historian and Reference Librarian, for working closely with HLG staff to make Tecumseh Library Night a success.
Memories of Hidden Lake Gardens

In honor of our 70th anniversary, we invited members to share their favorite remembrances of HLG.

If you'd like to share yours, submit written memories and printed photos to:
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Jacqueline Cunningham

Can you imagine how thrilled I was to find my mother’s iris in bloom at Hidden Lake Gardens?

About two years ago, I donated well over 200 iris bulbs to the gardens, and yes – I recognized these along with many others! I was downsizing my beds at home but it was painful to part with each and every bulb! They came from my mother’s flower beds and most had been blooming over 40 years, living through being transplanted two or three times when she moved, and then when I moved. As an eager little girl, watching her carefully tend every plant, she taught me how to plant and grow. She favored spring bulbs and her heirloom bearded iris were the centerpiece of my flower beds for many years. Now my flower beds are gone and I come to Hidden Lake Gardens many times every year to relish in the beauty I find – it’s different every time!

I can’t find words to express my gratitude. My mother lives on at Hidden Lake Gardens with the bloom of each of the iris she so carefully tended, now being shared with so many. I can’t think of anything that would make her (or me) happier!

Trish Kucharski

As an MSU alum, I’ve known about Hidden Lake Gardens since long before we moved to Lenawee County (and it was one of the reasons we chose this location). We’re fortunate to be members and visit often, which means literally hundreds of pictures over the years and so many beautiful memories.

One of my favorite things about HLG is its family (including dogs) friendliness. We’ve spent many hours walking our shelties along the trails, having picnics, and sitting at Evergreen Hill, marveling at how many shades of green we could count and watching the seasons change. Every season is incredible there.

This picture was taken about 18 years ago of our son, Ethan, with our shelties, Chamonix and Jaspaar, atop Evergreen Hill.

Now, so many years later, there is a new sheltie, Wilhelmina, who also loves HLG and the gatekeepers who always have a treat for her. And Ethan is bringing a new generation to the Gardens when he visits us: our granddaughter, Lucy.

Happy anniversary, Hidden Lake Gardens – one of the most beautiful places on our planet.

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The Hidden Lake Gardener Association will replace the Master Gardeners of Lenawee Association

Present and past Master Gardeners, and those interested in all types of gardening, are welcome. The new Hidden Lake Gardeners will continue to be organized under the Lenawee County Cooperative Extension Department and meet at the Hidden Lake Gardens. They will continue to have monthly educational and social meetings covering varied topics pertaining to current subjects. The gardeners will continue their work in learning, teaching, developing and working in horticultural areas of Hidden Lake Gardens and the community.

Upcoming ways to get involved:

- **September 20** – Bus trip to Meijer Gardens in Grand Rapids for the Herb & Gourd Fest and the Chrysanthemum Show. Contact Judy Stetten 517-260-6468 or lstetten75@gmail.com for details.

- **October 8** at 7 p.m. – “GreenBridges: Safe Passage for Plants and Pollinators” at Hidden Lake Gardens

- **November 12** at 7 p.m. – “Beyond the Bees’ Knees: Bee-keeping with Charlotte Hubbard” at Hidden Lake Gardens

The Hidden Lake Gardener Association meets on the second Thursday of every month at Hidden Lake Gardens at 7:00 p.m. (the bus trip substitutes for the meeting in September). We look forward to welcoming you!

Jan Fox

I have been coming to Hidden Lake Gardens all my life: my parents brought me here, I brought my daughter here, and so it continues. I have always loved the peace and serenity of the Gardens and have enjoyed photographing it in all seasons. It’s a very special place to me.

New Members
Linda Baker
Kristin Brighton
Taylor and Barb Brooks
Susan Byers
Jerry and Gina Carpenter
John and Maria Disser
David and Faye Douthat
Bonnie Duke
Charles and Connie Ford
William and Mary Franz
Francis Gibbs
Mark and Shirley Greene
Philip and Linda Kittredge
Bob and Sue Kroman
Brenda Lawson
Brian Mamayek
Johnathon and Crystal Moore
Lori Morell
Craig and Britt Paxton
Al Phillip
Eric and Stephanie Powell
Elaine Rysztak
Dennis and Delores Simpson
Melissa Sissen
Janis Spiegel
Jim and Elizabeth Switzer
Dale and Marcia Tanner
Rosemary Tappan

Jason Cornell
Carla Cousineau
Cady and Susan Craig
Mildred Crane
John and Julie Crispin
Gregory and Diane Crosley
Jean Cundiff
Richard Curtiss
Bill and Jennifer Dahn
Greta Kehrl
William DeMots
James and Ellen Jones Doyle
Loreen Dwyer
Linda Easley
Mark and Jo Edwards
Rusty and Sarah Eubanks
Bill and Jody Faust
Patty Ferdubinski
John and Mary Ferguson
Nancy Flint
James and Jennifer Forgacs
Michael and Elizabeth Fraker
Margaret Gross
Jeff and Amy Grupp
Jared and Beth Haines
Rod and Ronda Harper
Tabitha Harvey
Bart and Kate Hayes
Julie Hewlett
Richard and Mary Jo Hoffman
Patricia Hoover
Scott and Nancy Howard
Fr. James Hug
Teresa Husted
James and Carol Hutchinson
Jeffrey and Jordan Jacobs
Shirley Johnston
Tim and Julie Karl
Kathleen Keeney
John and Pamela Kirk
Terry and Yvonne Kosciak
Mark and Casey Kochen
Hollie Kolcz
James Kozak
Barry and Peggy Kubitz
Chris and Latisse Kudner
Charlene Linderman
Kalian Liston
Bruce and Jami Lowstuter
Donald and Mary Anne Massey
Tom and Christine McNaughton
Barbara Mallory-Keeney
Jim and Mary Martin
Carey and Joyce Mask

Donald and Martha Mewhort
Don and Martie Moline
Alison Montgomery
Leah Montgomery
Kathy Morin
Martha Mott-Gale
Diane Newell
Paula Osburn
Paul and Sarah Ose
Greg and Christine Park
Jeremy and Kelly Pettit
Scott Pickle
Mike and Jane Randolph
Mike and Candy Ratz
Joe and Leesa Rine
Michael Root
Spencer Ruffner
Alan and Tracey Schafer
Casey and Rebekah Schiller
Lawrence and Christine Sharley
Robert and Hollie Shaw
David and Carolyn Siler
David and Linda Simpson
Ed Skinner
Steve and Lisa Smolinski
Mary Sue Snyder
Len and Carrie Snyr
Richard Socha
Nancy Spink
Carol Stahler
Jim and Nancy Stainsby
Richard and Kirsten Siver
Barb Stoozs
Wayne and Barb Strayer
Pam Taylor
Stephen Tenniswood
Tim and Cathy Teufel
Keith and Rebekah Thornsberry
Joe Turk
John Turner
Jerry and Susan VanHoutan
Walter and Stacie Vogel
Kim Wallich
Jeff and Danielle Ward
Dawn and Joy Warren
Andrea West
Wesley and Elaine Willis
Thomas and Kathy Wilson
Walter and Lynn Wilson
Fred and Loraine Witt
Scott and Dolly Wright
Roy and Marianne Wyborowski

Renewing Members
Connie Aichele
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Our members keep the Gardens flourishing! When you become a “Friend” of Hidden Lake Gardens, you support the financing of new displays and plant collections, the renovation of existing ones, and the labeling of the specimens. Your support also helps us to educate visitors of all ages and maintain our facilities.

Enjoy the many benefits of membership:
• Free Admission
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6214 Monroe Road (M-50)
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Hidden Lake Gardens is located in southeastern Michigan, near Tipton. It is approximately eight miles west of Tecumseh on M-50.

Hidden Lake Gardens is a 755-acre botanical garden and arboretum owned by Michigan State University. Tucked away in the Irish Hills region of southeastern Michigan, it’s a scenic and serene destination for family outings, picnics, trailwalking, bicycling, sightseeing, and more.

The Gardens’ picturesque landscapes beckon nature lovers, photographers, and gardeners of all ages. Its six miles of paved one-way roadways and more than ten miles of marked hiking trails provide access to woodland areas, meadows, and glacial kettleholes.

Notable collections include the renowned Justin C. (Chub) Harper Dwarf and Rare Conifer Collection with more than 500 specimens, the Ralph H. (Herb) and Dorothy Benedict Hosta Hillside, and the Elsie MacCready Memorial Bonsai Collection.

The Gardens offers guided tours, classes, and special events, including our ever-popular plant sale that takes place each year on the second weekend in May.

While you’re in the area, discover more of Lenawee County and the Irish Hills. Visit historic Tecumseh, Brooklyn, and Adrian for food, shopping, art, antiques, and fun.

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