



Bayard Cutting Arboretum Horticultural Society

"Awareness through Education....."

.....Responsibility through Involvement"

~NOVEMBER 2017 NewsBLAST~

"But the fruit of the spirit is love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness and self-control."

Galatians 5:22-23

A MESSAGE FROM OUR PRESIDENT DOREEN MONTELEONE

This October was one of the warmest on record. I debated for many days to bring in my tropical plants to begin their season overwintering under shop lights in my basement. The plants trickled in a little at a time when we had an occasional cooler day. But, I guess that worked to my advantage. Instead of frantically dragging them in



2017 GENERAL MEETING PROGRAMS

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GENERAL MEETINGS SCHEDULE
(2018 SCHEDULE UPCOMING!!!)

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GENERAL MEETING OCT. 11, 2017

~~~U P C O M I N G~~~

Designs for the Holidays
Wednesday, November 8 -- 6:30 pm
Cornell Master Gardener
Cathy Schneider
has worked in the floral
business for over 25 years.
Designs will be raffled.

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with the threat of frost, I brought them in by myself a little at a time. Every year, as I get older (and plants get bigger), it gets harder to do, but I don't really don't want to give up having these lovelies. I think I need to get my sons and hubby to help more with this task. Maybe bribery with food will work?

It's late October and I am still waiting for the apparel we ordered to come in. As I mentioned last month, the unfortunate printer was hit squarely by Hurricane Harvey. After two weeks, they were back in business. But then FEMA came in, did an inspection and declared the building unsafe! Besides losing inventory, the entire operation had to be moved! I am very familiar with the printing industry as it's been part of my professional life for more than 20 years. Moving a commercial screen printer is not an easy task. The presses are quite large and complex. I am glad we weren't in a rush for this order and keeping my fingers crossed for the November meeting.

I was in Costco the other day and expected to see Christmas decorations. I did. But I didn't expect to hear Christmas music already! It reminded me that we need to move our own holiday planning. Janice Alto is organizing BCAHS' holiday party at the Hidden Oak Café which we hold in lieu of a December meeting. A yummy menu has been selected and we're ready to take registrations. Please sign up at the November meeting if you're planning to attend. There will be entertainment and great conversations! We also have a group volunteer to decorate a room in the Manor House. If you're interested, please sign up at the meeting and consult with Paula Schlicht who is spearheading this initiative. The entire Manor House is decorated for the holidays and you can see it in all its splendor during the holiday tours (another major fundraiser). The evening ones are especially nice!

Thank you once again to everyone to has contributed to an extremely successful year! If you were at the October meeting, we surprised Director Nelson Sterner with a

## **Holiday Party**

**Wednesday, December 13, 6-9 pm**

**HIDDEN OAK CAFE  
TOYS FOR TOTS DONATIONS  
BUFFET DINNER**

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## **NEW MEMBERS**

**Tracy Gherardi  
Janice Nepsee**

**We now have over 200 Members!**



**EXECUTIVE BOARD VACANCIES 2018**

**Recording Secretary**

**We need members to join the  
Executive Board.**

**If you are interested, please email us at**

\$10,000 contribution to the Arboretum. I am sure Nelson will put the money to good use! Let's keep up the good work in supporting Bayard Cutting Arboretum!

Best regards,

*Doreen*

Quote of the Month:

"The earth laughs in flowers."

~~ Ralph Waldo Emerson

### OUR DONATION TO THE **Bayard Cutting Arboretum**



At the October meeting, members of the Bayard Cutting Arboretum Horticultural Society presented Arboretum Director Nelson Sterner with a donation of \$10,000. The society's fundraising activities, including the annual plant sale and Granny's Attic, have been very successful due to the exceptional volunteerism of the members.

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### SECRETS OF THE GARDENS

Now is the time of year there are a lot of cut flowers. There are dahlias, Montauk daisies, mums, etc. Here are solutions to extend vase life of your blooms you can make at home:



- In 1 quart of warm water add: 2 tbls. lemon juice, 1 tbl. sugar, 1/4 tsp. bleach. Use when water has cooled.

OR

- Mix one part of common, room temperature lemon-lime soda with three parts water. (do not use diet). Add 1/4 tsp. bleach per quart.

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- Do not use aspirin or vinegar in vase solutions; they are rarely effective in increasing vase life of flowers.

CLICK [HERE](#) FOR NOVEMBER GARDENING CALENDAR

Bayard Cutting Arboretum Apparel

A NEW FUNDRAISER

~~hats, t-shirts and polo shirts~~

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This is the first time that BCA apparel has been offered. We are going to sell them to the public and BCAHS members will have a member-benefit discount. More info will follow.

**An Autumn Evening at the
Bayard Cutting Manor House
Self-Guided Tour
Friday, November 3, 5-7 pm, \$20
Click [Here](#) for More Information**

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