

# Emerald Necklace Garden Club Newsletter ~ November, 2019



"When the trees their summer splendor  
Change to raiment red and gold,  
When the summer moon turns mellow,  
And the nights are getting cold;  
When the squirrels hide their acorns,  
And the woodchucks disappear;  
Then we know that it is autumn,  
Loveliest season of the year."

- Carol L. Riser, *Autumn*

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## BOARD MEETING:

The next Board Meeting is at **10:00am** on **Monday, November 11<sup>th</sup>** at Christ the Redeemer Lutheran Church, 9201 Brecksville Road, Brecksville.

*If you are unable to attend please call Donna Hessel (440) 526-6295*

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Our next general meeting will be on **Thursday, November 14<sup>th</sup>** at Christ the Redeemer Lutheran Church, 9201 Brecksville Road, Brecksville.

At the November meeting we will be taking reservations for the *Holiday Luncheon*. Most of you signed up at the October meeting but for those who didn't attend that meeting here are the particulars. It will take place at **Carrie Cerino's** on **December 12, 2019** -- arrive at 11:30am. Lunch to start at 12:00pm. The cost is **\$24.00**

Choice of entrée: Chicken Marsala, Boston Scrod, or Eggplant Parmigianino. Lunch includes: Vegetable, Parsley-buttered Redskin Potatoes, rolls and dessert tray. Coffee, hot tea, and milk are included. Iced tea, soda and liquor are not included (separate pay). Potatoes are not included with the eggplant option. If you have special Dietary needs, let us know. Please bring your payment to the November meeting, Cash, or check made out to ENGC.

Thanks, *Carol Rosin, Pauline Dey*  
*1st Vice Presidents*

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Among other exciting programs planned for the remainder of 2019 are:

**NOVEMBER: Holiday make and take**

**DECEMBER: Holiday Luncheon & Installation of 2020 officers.**

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## MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT: Donna Hessel

It has been a beautiful fall and I hope you've appreciated the glorious leaf color that has been so abundant in late October. Hard to believe as I write this that by the time you read it, most of the leaves will have fallen and the tree branches will all be bare!

The second emailing of the 2019 revised bylaws has been circulated. We will be voting on the bylaws at the November meeting. Please be sure to read the revised copy thoroughly and make a note of anything that needs further discussion before the final vote.

ENG C donated a raffle basket for the *Middleburg Heights Women's Club* luncheon on **November 9<sup>th</sup>**. It contained a selection of unusual daffodil bulbs from Jane's collection and also a muscari/narcissis mix of bulbs along with fertilizer, garden gloves, bulb planting trowel, hand soap and a container gardening book that included information on planting bulbs in containers. Thanks to Connie Anselmo and Kathie Brusk for facilitating this project.

We will be circulating the 2019 Yearbook membership directory pages at the November and December meetings. If you have any changes/additions to your information, please be sure to note that so our Yearbook can be as up-to-date as possible when it is published in January. If you would like a new photo, I will have my camera at both meetings.

There are some vacancies to be filled for ENGC committees for 2020. National Garden Clubs encourages *assigning* every member to a committee. It's actually the best way to get to know club members and feel like you "belong" to a club, so if you are interested in participating in any of the committees listed in your Yearbook, please let me

know. Even if a committee already has a chairperson, help is always welcome.

*Donna Hessel*

### GCO FEED OHIO

If you wish to contribute to this program (always voluntary), please bring items that could be used for a holiday meal, such as canned or boxed potatoes, gravies, cranberry sauce, canned veggies, boxed salad mix, appetizer items, dessert mixes, beverages, etc. Maureen Michal has graciously agreed to continue to transfer our donations to the person who delivers them to the food bank – thank you Maureen for taking on this responsibility!

*Donna*

### BOTANICAL GARDEN LIAISON: Jane Petrie

Regarding Glow...

Mark your calendars for Glow set up -- **Monday, November 18th**. Meet at Jane's for carpooling at **9:30am**.

*Affiliate Day Thank you* is at Cleveland Botanical Garden - - **December 2<sup>nd</sup> from 2-8pm**. More details later.

And another thing....

Our Christmas Tree and Tea at Chippewa Place in Brecksville is **Tuesday, December 3<sup>rd</sup>**. Time to come later.

This is our 4<sup>th</sup> year, which has become a much-anticipated tradition. Your help will be needed with delicious cookies, and tea sandwiches.

*Thank you.... Jane Petrie*

### 2019 ENGC HOSTESSES

**November 14:** Mary Drumm, Judy Paffilas,

Pat Cotsman, Lisa Payne

**December 12:** *Holiday Luncheon – NO Hostesses*

### SUNSHINE NEWS ~ Mary Drumm

Lisa badly sprained her ankle but with the help of crutches she's getting around pretty well.

Elaine fell and fractured both of her wrists and injured her shoulder. She is at Brentwood for rehab.

If you are aware of any sunshine news, please contact our **Corresponding Secretary, Mary Drumm,**

[Keemm@roadrunner.com](mailto:Keemm@roadrunner.com)].

### YEAR BOOK CHANGES:

If you have any changes, the following members need to know ASAP: *Denise Bowler, Donna Hessel, Kathie Brusk.*

<b>November Birthdays</b>	
<b>Dassie Matsuoka</b>	<b>Nov 03</b>
<b>Marlyn Cerino</b>	<b>Nov 04</b>
<b>Elaine Geringer</b>	<b>Nov 05</b>
<b>Cheryl Spieth</b>	<b>Nov 26</b>
<b>Dottie McDowell</b>	<b>Nov 30</b>



### Save the Dates:

**November 1 (Friday) 9:30 AM (Doors Open) ~ GCO Holiday Program – North at St. Michael's Woodside Event Center**

**November 1 (Friday) ~ GCO Awards Briefs Deadline**

**November 3 (Sunday) ~ DAYLIGHT SAVINGS TIME ENDS**

**November 5 (Tuesday) ~ ELECTION DAY**

**November 9 (Saturday) ~ Middleburg Hts. Women's Club Luncheon – Carrie Cerino's**

**November 11 (Monday, 10:00 AM) ~ ENGC Board Meeting – Christ the Redeemer Lutheran Church**

**November 13 (Wednesday, 6:30PM) ~ Chippewa Garden Club Holiday Program; Brecksville Community Center; \$10 at door**

**November 14 (Thursday, 9:15 AM) ~ ENGC Meeting**

**November 18 (Monday, 9:00 AM) ~ GLOW Tree Decorating**

**November 28 (Thursday) ~ Thanksgiving – Count Your Blessings**

**December 2 (Monday, 2-8PM) ~ GLOW Tree "Thank You" for Affiliates (tentative – details to come)**

**December 3 (Tuesday) ~ Chippewa Place Tea & Tree Decorating**

**December 9 – (Monday), 10:00 AM) ~ ENGC Board Meeting**

**December 12 (Thursday, 11:30 AM ~ ENGC Holiday Luncheon; Carrie Cerino's**

**January 6, 2020 (Monday, 9:00 AM) ~ GLOW Tree Take-Down**

**February 23, 2020 (Sunday, 1:30-4:00 PM) ~ "Waking Up the Garden" at Brecksville Library – ENGC Education Program**

## Gardening To Do List: October in the Garden

<https://www.thespruce.com/gardening-to-do-list-in-november-1402179>

On a more positive side, winter is a great time to evaluate your [garden layout](#). You can clearly see the architecture or bones of your garden. If the view of your garden is less than inspiring or non-existent in winter, you should make some notes to add more definition in terms of things like structures, evergreens, or other architectural elements.

**Take a look at what you could be doing in your November garden and try to schedule a little time outdoors before the holidays claim you.**

November gardening chores really highlight the differences in regional gardens. For many, there is no [November](#) garden to speak of. Others can't wait for the cool days and slower pace of [fall vegetable gardening](#). But even if your garden is already covered in snow, there are still garden tasks calling: last-minute bulbs to plant, leaves that should not go to waste, roses that need some TLC and, unfortunately, insect pests are much hardier than their tiny size would suggest. You will still want to be on the alert for signs of trouble, inside and out.

### General November Garden Care

- Rake leaves and make [leaf mold](#) or compost.
- [Clean](#), sharpen, and oil garden tools.
- Finish [winterizing your water garden](#).
- Start [forcing bulbs](#) like [paperwhites](#), [hyacinth](#), and [amaryllis](#) for the holidays.
- Add [organic matter](#) to beds.
- Cover [compost](#) so that rain doesn't flood and leach the nutrients.
- Keep [weeding](#). It's easier to see the weeds once the garden plants die back. Now is a great time to get rid of some perennial weeds that stay green all year.
- Keep watering, until the ground freezes. Pay particular attention to anything you planted late in the season.

## Caring for Indoor Plants in Winter

- Check that indoor plants are receiving [enough water, humidity and air circulation](#).
- Keep an eye out for pests like [spider mites](#) and [scale](#), and take care of them before they become a problem.
- Although many indoor plants [go dormant](#) in winter, watch for signs that they are not getting enough light (yellowing leaves, straggly stems...) and move your plants to a brighter spot, if necessary.
- Keep watering, until the ground freezes. Pay particular attention to anything you planted late in the season.

Please email articles to [ccschuh@gmail.com](mailto:ccschuh@gmail.com).

**Gardening tips, websites to browse, and recipes are always welcome.**