

## Greetings:

**Don't forget our potluck this coming Saturday, November 11th in the Conference Center of Toledo Botanical Garden.**

**The doors will be open at 11:30 AM for social time, and we will begin eating at 12 NOON. Please bring a dish to share. Meat, drinks, and table service will be provided. The committee is headed by Dianna and Arnie Vasquez, who are being assisted by Linda and Rich Nagy, Linda Hoffman, Dawn Dennis, Carol Hoobler, and Betty Moore. We will just have lunch and a time to reflect on the past year with your gardening friends! No meeting or program. Hope to see you there!**

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## Drum roll please!

We are proud to announce that our BSHDS website is now online. Check it out! <https://blackswamphostaanddaylilysociety.weebly.com/>

When Eileen Hoffman took on this project, she did it knowing nothing about starting a website. She enjoys poking around on the computer, and knew with help from the Naturalist Camera Club webmaster she could likely get our free site up and running. She has found weebly.com to be very user-friendly. She used a template to begin our page, studied the Naturalists Camera Club site for ideas, gathered information and opinions from BSHDS leaders, and continues to improve the site each day.

Eileen wishes to thank Charlene Patz, Charlie Harper, Joyce Lane, Harold Hoffman, Dianna Vasquez, and Rich Irvin for their help and for providing input. She also wishes to remind you that this is our group's site, not hers. To keep it fresh so that folks will return to it, we need to keep adding new information, photos, website links, etc. Please send any ideas, suggestions, and information to her at [blackswampwebmaster@gmail.com](mailto:blackswampwebmaster@gmail.com)

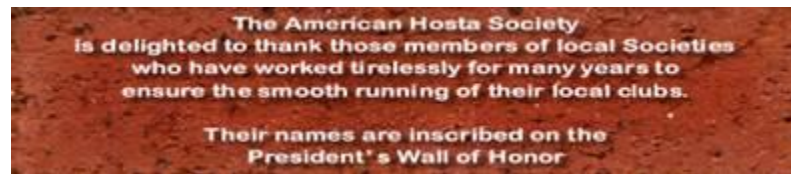
Once you have checked out our site, PLEASE share the link with your friends.

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Kelly Savino of Hands-On Studio at Toledo Botanical Garden has started a website for the resident organizations.

Eileen has posted the link to the site on our FACEBOOK page, i.e. <https://artvillage419.org/>

We are pleased to announce that our second recipient named this year to the American Hosta Society's President's Wall is Vicki Dillon!



Vicki joined BSHDS in 2002, and served as our Vice President in 2004 and 2005. In 2005 she organized a program to create our own Garden Photo Book of members' gardens in honor of our 10<sup>th</sup> anniversary.

The Dillon garden was on our Members' Garden Tour in 2007. She organized our bus trips in 2004, 2005, 2006, 2007 and again in 2015 and 2016, our January dinner meetings at Eddie Lee's, Black Pearl, and Southbriar Main Street-2006-2008, 2012, 2013; and our members' garden tour and lunch in 2010.

Vicki has served on the Plant Sale committee, works the Plant Sale every May, and is responsible for the wonderful signage we have had for past several years directing our buyers to the right spot. You can always count on Vicki to show up to work at the hosta and daylily work days at TBG.

Linda Scheuerman was named as our other 2017 President's Wall recipient at our September meeting.

Past winners of the American Hosta Society's President's Wall whose names now appear on the AHS website:

2012: Jim Baumann and Joyce Lane

2013: Jim Flannery and Charlene Patz

2014: Phil Parsons and Jim Boldt

2015: Harold Hoffman and Frank Patz

2016: Don Bixler and Kevin Kwiatkowski

Linda and Vicki's name will appear on the website after the first of the year.

Officers re-elected for another two-year term at our October meeting are Secretary-Dianna Vasquez; Treasurer-Jim Flannery; Directors: Linda Scheuerman and Betty Moore. Thank you for your continued support to serve our society!!

The Resident Organizations of Toledo Botanical Garden will be continuing the **HERALDING THE HOLIDAYS** event at TBG the first week-end in December.

Friday, Dec. 1st – 5 to 9 pm

Saturday, Dec. 2nd – 10 am to 5 pm

Sunday, Dec. 3rd – Noon to 4 pm

Visit the 11/6/17 NEWS page on our website for additional information.

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Charlie Harper is getting ready to send in our first order for the Black Swamp logo shirts. Charlie has received orders from 9 members thus far. If you need a copy of the order form, you can either download it from the 10/26/17 post on the NEWS page of our website – or give Charlie or us a call (419-874-8964), and we'll email a copy to you.

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We received the following email from Linda and Cliff Smith

From: Linda Baranowski-Smith  
Subject: Underwear under where?

Charlene and Frank,

Remember in the spring when Jack Church mentioned the farm experiment to show biological soil activity with men's briefs?

Cliff and I did it as backyard science. A friend allowed me to post the results on her blog. It was a fun experiment to show our soil is biologically active. This is the link:  
<http://gaias-gift.com/blog/?p=2183>

You'll laugh. You may share the link as you want.

Linda

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Thank yous have been received from the American Hosta Society and the American Hemerocallis Society for our gifts in memory of Chester Boice. We also received a "Thank you" for our donations in Chester's memory from his family, Connie, Cari and Cameron Boice.

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Karen Centers has volunteered to put together a bus trip for us next summer, however she needs suggestions on where you would like to visit. If you have visited a garden that you think your fellow Black Swampers would like to see, give Karen a call at 419-297-4011.

**Have you renewed your membership for 2018?** If not, you can send a check to our treasurer any time:

Jim Flannery, Treasurer  
26009 Willowbend Road  
Perrysburg, OH 43551

Dues remain \$10 per year, and you can pay for more than one year at a time. Please make check payable to "BSHDS".

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If you have any info for the next EFLASH, be sure to send it to us.

**Live life to its fullest!!!!**

**Frank and Charlene**