



# The Spade

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## President's Letter

Dear Members,

Hello! Great news! Since we have not had any physical meetings since March, we are looking at having a virtual meeting (via mobile phone, tablet or computer) in November. Our speaker will be Cynthia Druckenbrod, her online presentation will be "Happy Houseplants". This will be a Zoom meeting and the online meeting information will be sent out to all members. I hope everyone (or as many as possible) will be able to participate in the meeting. The Board will be meeting this month to finalize the details.

It was very sad to hear of the passing of Tom Sheehan, Past President an all-around great guy. The Club is donating \$100 to Gardening from the Heart in his name and will be donating another \$100 to a charity of the family's choice. Also, Dave and Fran Rittenhouse have had a few setbacks and we ask that everyone pray for them.

The Western Reserve Fire Museum asked for help in doing some type of outdoor planters. Our project committee has been in contact with them. The CBG GLOW 2020 is actually going to happen! Please contact Deb Kramarz for information and volunteering in the decorating of the wreath.

We are looking for members to volunteer to help with planning and moving our Club forward with new ideas and projects. We are looking for Board members and a 2nd Vice President. Please contact Dave Dawson.

Continue to Stay safe and healthy

Jonny Prell





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## Member's Garden Photos

Below are a few photos from Tom Davis' garden. Enjoy! For amusement, a friend of Tom's sent him this short article about gardeners with garden related names:

"Today Mr. Weed – whose mother, incidentally, had the maiden name Hedges – becomes the new president of the Royal Horticultural Society.

Founded in 1804, the RHS promotes horticulture through events such as the Chelsea Flower Show and Hampton Court Palace Garden Festival.

He joins a number of other RHS staff with gardening names. In 2018 research showed 12 per cent have names such as Heather, Berry, Gardiner, Marsh, and Shears. They also include Matthew Pottage, Suzanne Moss, head of education, and Gerard Clover, head of plant health."



**Spikenard**



**Cimicifuga flower**



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## How to Find the Right Plants for Your Fall Garden

Transitioning to fall doesn't mean that the garden no longer deserves your attention. Here's how to find the perfect plants for your fall landscape.

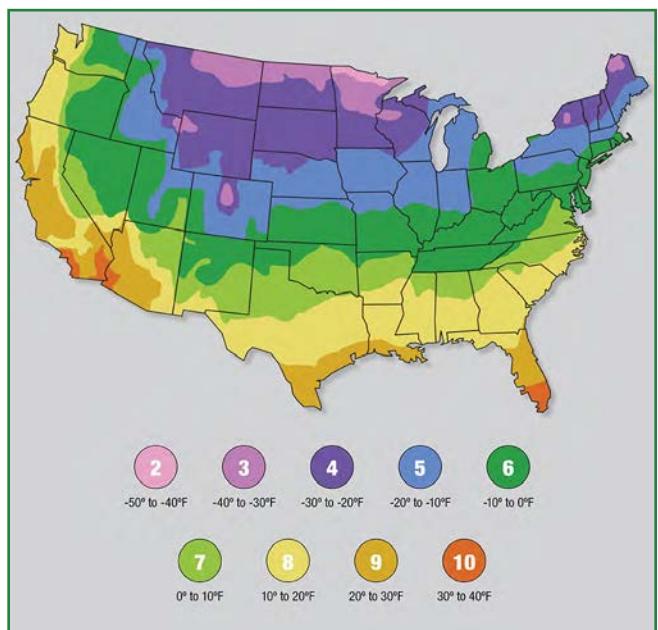
For most people, the coming of crisp weather usually means it's time to wind down outdoor activities and chores. There's no more mowing the lawn, hanging out on the patio, or swimming, and many garden plants are on their last legs. But did you know it's possible to cultivate a beautiful landscape that will take you right through the fall season? We consulted several pros to find out how to plan, plant, and enjoy your autumn garden.

Before you head to a nursery, you need to know your region's first frost date. It's not an exact science. Instead, it's an average estimate of the date when you should expect the first frost. Frost kills various plants and slows down growth considerably for others, so it's important to know.

Staff from family-owned nursery Perfect Plants explain that having a grasp on your area's rainfall information is vital to figuring out whether you need to pick drought-tolerant plants. Most people tend to put away the hoses and stop hand watering when the weather cools, so choosing a plant that won't succumb to drought can be key. Perfect Plants staff suggests the Arbequina olive for hot weather locales with little rain.

You should know your hardiness zone before purchasing plants. Pay attention to labels that let you know if a plant is suitable for growing in your zone. You can find your USDA Hardiness Zone here. Remember that your zone is just a ballpark figure: With a bit of ingenuity (and protection), you can grow almost anything anywhere.

Taken from Bob Villa's website; article by Steph-Coelho  
For the complete article, [click here](#).





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ONE BRATENAHL PLACE

## MEETING INFORMATION:

**WHEN:** 2nd Monday of each month,  
September through June  
**Suspended**

**WHERE:** 1 Bratenahl Place  
Bratenahl, Ohio

**SCHEDULE:** 6PM - Social  
6:40 - Dinner  
7:30 - General Meeting  
8 to 9PM - Program



## OFFICERS:

<b>PRESIDENT:</b>	JONNY PRELL
<b>1ST VICE PRESIDENT:</b>	CHUCK PALSA
<b>2ND VICE PRESIDENT:</b>	OPEN
<b>SECRETARY:</b>	JODITH JANES (TEMP)
<b>TREASURER:</b>	HIEDI WINSTON
<b>ASST TREASURER:</b>	ANDY KOSIOREK

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## STANDING COMMITTEES

- **Awards:** Hank Doll, Chair; Tom Davis
- **Communication:** Jonny Prell, Chair (The Spade Newsletter, Website / Social Media); Phyllis Donnelly-Ingold, (Publicity)
- **Finance:** Chuck Palsa, Chair; Hiedi Winston, Andy Kosiorek
- **Income Projects:** Dave Dawson, Julie Henry (Plant Sale); Pat Boggins (Bulb Sale); Dave Dawson, Julie Henry (Auction / Raffle)
- **Membership:** Lou Pelton, Co-Chair; Dave Rittenhouse, Co-Chair; Larry Kell, Chuck Palsa,
- **Programs:** Kathy Kosiorek, Chair; Robert McMahon  
**Any program suggestions? Contact Kathy!**
- **Scholarship:** Hank Doll, Chair; Deb Kramarz, Dave Dawson
- **Service Projects:** Garrett Ormiston, Chair; Bob Rensel, Steve McIntosh

## SPECIAL COMMITTEES

- Cleveland Botanical Garden/Holden Arboretum: Deb Kramarz
- National & Regional Organizations: Larry Kell, Second Vice President; Tom Davis, National Director;
- Central Great Lakes Gardeners: Larry Kell, President
- Willott Iris Garden: Sandra and Robert Pindell, Ron Hartmiller
- Friends of the Greenhouse: Joyce Nesbit
- 1 Bratenahl Place & Bratenahl Place Bistro: Tom Segelin
- Horticultural Show: Tom Davis, Julie Henry
- Nominating: Dave Dawson, Chair; Deb Kramarz
- Wellness/Memorials: Kathy Kosiorek, Team Captains