



**Newsletter of  
the North Coast  
Hosta Society  
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## 2019 CALENDAR

<b>October 26</b> <i>Saturday</i> <i>11:00 am</i>	<b>Hosta Halloween Party</b> <i>Club to provide meat &amp; Beverage</i> <i>Potluck A-L Side Dish ; M-L Dessert</i> <i>Come in Costume</i>
<b>November</b>	<b>No Meeting</b>
<b>December</b>	<b>No Meeting</b>

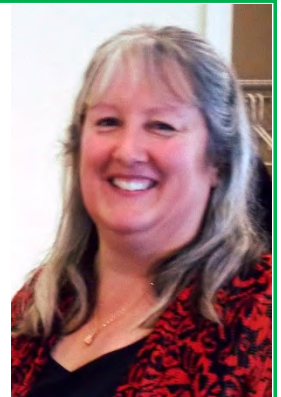


Our next meeting will have a Halloween theme, so get into the spirit and wear your spookiest or funniest costumes. The meeting will take place at the **Pine Lakes Clubhouse on Saturday, October 26<sup>th</sup> at 11:00 am.** Hope to see you all there.

**RSVP TO JOYCE SPUHLER BY OCTOBER 23**  
**jlsjjs@att.net 440-846-2634**

## President's letter

Barb Rauckhorst,  
President NCHS



Happy fall everyone,

Mother Nature owed us this extended summer, in my opinion! I feel that, as a club, we took full advantage of this spring and summer, even though it took a while to get going! I'm glad so very many of you participated in all of our fun activities.

We will soon have a board meeting to go over the past year and think of more ways to give our members activities to enjoy. E-mail me at [rocks-dog4@yahoo.com](mailto:rocks-dog4@yahoo.com) with any suggestions of things for the club to do together, field trips, fundraisers, picnic ideas, etc. The more input we have from members, the more we can offer.

The auction was a great success. Thank you to all the members who donated plants, cooked or baked, helped out and to all the bidders who went home with a lot of nice plants. Special thanks to Jim Spuhler and Mike Kovach for organizing this auction. It seems everyone enjoyed themselves.

We need someone to take over the task of getting liquid refreshments to each meeting. Chuck and Bonnie Erickson and Ken and Marcia Muster have been doing this for our group for many years and we appreciate this very much. If you come to many of our meetings/activities and would be willing to do this for the club, please contact Bonnie. You don't have to do this alone, the Erickson's and the Muster's have been taking turns and it seems to work out well. Thank you in advance for helping.



All in all, the summer was fun. The tailgate was the crowning achievement and then we had fun at the annual Yankee Swap....



Mary Bibby uncovers a bright package for her pick; Christine Pappas scores a pretty hanging basket; Barb Rauckhoarst checks to see what this pretty is and Joyce Spuhler admires her choice.



NOTE: Part of our host and hostess's lovely yard in the background. Thanks Becky and Steve Salamon for having us.



## End of Season Plant Sale, Saturday, September 7, 2019

I want to take this opportunity to THANK all those members who took time out of their busy week end schedules to come and purchase some quality plants at our year end sale. We have eliminated all but a few plants from our inventory.

In addition, I want to especially take this opportunity to thank Tom Rabung of Emerald Forest Nursery for allowing our group to store all of our plants for the last two plus years at his location. For any of your future purchases of Hosta be sure and see Tom first as he always has a great selection of first quality plants to choose from.

To all my Hosta Helpers, Thank You for your help with this sale.

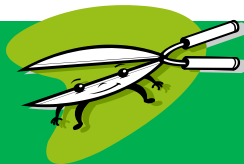
Jim Spuhler, Treasurer,  
North Coast Hosta Society of Ohio



*More pictures on the website.*



We had a really great selection  
of really nice plants and a won-  
derful group of eager bidders.



## GARDEN GOSSIP:

BY CINDY HUGHES

We welcome all of the new members who joined this year. Happy to have more hostaholics on board. Some of you are realizing that collecting hostas is an addiction. You see one in a garden, in a catalog or on Facebook and you "have to have it!" There is no such thing as too many and you proceed to find ways to make room for "just one more." New member, Lori Roach, calls it H.A.S, (Hosta Acquisition Syndrome).

For the "newbies" and a refresher for us all, I have attached a great article by Bob Solberg which outlines the very basics on hostas.

Be sure note our co-op supplies and if you need any, please contact Carl before the meetings.

Also, see the information regarding the American Hosta Society Convention for 2020.

### Club Co-Op Supplies

As in previous years, we are again offering our members Co-Op items. We have the following items available:

**Liquid Fence**

**Plant Markers**

**Garden Gloves in small, medium, large and XL**  
**Handbook on Troughs**

Please call Carl Schmid at 330-264-8815 to pre-order these items to be brought to the next meeting. No individual deliveries.

### Membership in NCHS gives the following benefits:

- \* Members Only prices on Club "special purchase hosta"
- \* Great prices on our "Hoop House" plants.
- \* Member prices on slug bait, fertilizer, deer repellant, etc.
- \* Preferential registration and reduced registration fee for Hosta College
- \* The club provides meat and beverages at all of our "Potluck" picnics and meetings.
- \* The opportunity to learn and share information about hosta culture.
- \* Developing friendships with other people who love hostas .

**You can renew your membership for 2020 at the Annual Meeting.**

**See Jim Spuhler.**

## 2019 North Coast Hosta Society Membership

Family Membership \$10.00 for one year - Calendar year Jan 1 - Dec 31

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AMOUNT ENCLOSED \_\_\_\_\_ ( )Renewal ( )New ( )1 year ( )2 year

Please list names as you wish on your card: \_\_\_\_\_

Please send your check made payable to: NORTH COAST HOSTA SOCIETY

Attn: Jim Spuhler

13586 Bridgecreek Circle

Strongsville, OH 44136

*NOTE: this form is also available on our website*

## A Garden OF HOSTA RECIPES



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