



June 2019

THE WICK

Annual Picnic

It's often claimed that life is no picnic – but on June 17th – it will be! International Picnic Day happens to be the following day so our gathering is just in time!

The first usage of the word is traced to the 1692 edition of Tony Willis', *Origines de la Langue Française*, which mentions pique-nique as being of recent origin; it marks the first appearance of the word in print. The term was used to describe a group of people dining in a restaurant who brought their own wine and these days retains the connotation of a meal to which everyone contributed something.

The club picnic will be at the home of Vicki Ferguson ([2853 Circlewood Lane, Centerville, OH 45458](http://2853circlewoodlane.com) [Click link for directions](#)).

Maggie Garcia has created a Carry-In Sign-up again using a link to the SignUpGenious website found in the email of this newsletter. Contact Maggie (937-694-4761) directly if you need to RSVP in ways other than the website. As of June 15, only 11 have confirmed. The following items have been signed up for:

Club: purchasing fried chicken

Vicki Ferguson: Ice, plates/cups/napkins/table service

Trish Smith: Scalloped Corn

Carolyn Richardson: Cole Slaw

Al & Karen Cenci: Relish Tray

Maggie Garcia: Cake

Jill Henry: 3 2-liter bottles soda

Please sign up ASAP so that an accurate headcount can be made to order the chicken.



UPCOMING EVENTS

June 17, 2019

Club Picnic; 6 pm, home of Vicki Ferguson (2853 Circlewood Lane, Centerville, OH 45458)

July 3-6, 2019

Gesneriad Society Convention
Hilton Cincinnati
Netherland Plaza Hotel

July 15, 2019

6 pm

Program planning for next year's meetings; pizza.



2020 AVSA Convention

Little Rock, Arkansas

May 24-31, 2020

(Meetings are usually held at 7 pm the 3rd Monday of the month at the Springboro Municipal Building, 320 W. Central Ave. Springboro, OH 45066 unless otherwise noted.)

From the President Pro-Tem's Keyboard

What a crazy summer we've had with all this rain! Thankfully, we can still enjoy our African Violets inside and stay dry. Speaking of Violets it's hard to believe that it's only 13-14 weeks until the Ohio State African Violet Society's Annual Convention, Show and Sale in Mansfield. Talk to your plants and tell them to get ready!

Next month we will be having our planning meeting to line up our programs for the year. Let's do lots of "hands on" to work on our plants. Hope to see you all at our picnic Monday!

– Al Cenci



Dear club members,

I wanted to let you and the group know what is going on with me. Several weeks ago I had a MRI that showed I had several spots of active cancer cells in the liver. Last Friday I had another Y 90 Radiation treatment which has left me feeling quite ill so I will not be able to come to the picnic. Besides that on Memorial Day my husband was feeling unstable so he held onto me. His legs gave out and he took me down with him. My foot hit the compost bin and my ankle broke. I have a heavy boot on but cannot put any weight on it. My daughter is taking care of me. Roy did not get hurt when he fell. I hope in another month that I will be back to normal. – Jan Schroeder

Another of our club members, our dear Pat Hancock, fell on her return trip from the African Violet National Convention in Houston. She has torn the rotator cuff in her left shoulder and currently undergoing Physical Therapy.



**Welcome to our new
club members:
Karen Bocko, Kathy
Nguyen and Brian
Pence!**

AVSDayton Meeting Minutes

May 22, 2019 Meeting

The meeting was called to order by Al Cenci, acting President at 7:10 pm. Guests Karen Bocko, Kathy Nguyen and Brian Pence were welcomed. All three joined the club!

Secretary's Report:

April minutes were approved as published in May issue of *The Wick*.

Spring Show Report:

169 Entries		
17 Exhibits		
15 Designs		
1 Special Exhibit		
\$2028.77 Paid to growers of sales		
plants		
\$859.31 Expenses		

Club officer nominations were discussed. Nominations are: Al Cenci, president; Vicki Ferguson, Vice President; Carolyn Richardson, secretary and Lynnette Schluter, treasurer.

The June 17th meeting is the annual picnic. It is at Vicki Ferguson's home at 6 pm.

Al asked if we would be interested in purchasing club shirts. Jo Cornett, Al and Karen Cenci will investigate.

Pat Hancock brought to our attention that the Columbus African Violet Club is celebrating 70 years of existence. We will send a card to them.

Also, Pat brought up the need to reach out to the Amish communities in our state for the September State Convention. Meeting adjourned at 9:10 pm.

Carolyn Richardson, Secretary

Club Sales List

(Note: these affordable prices are just one of the perks for being a dues-paying club member. Some supplies will be on hand at every meeting except perlite and charcoal. Linda Lloyd is storing the potting mix and perlite. If you have special needs/quantities for those, contact Linda at leelloyd@woh.rr.com Thanks!)

Plastic Pots	2.5" and 3" pots	\$.15/each
	4" pots	\$.20/each
	5" pots	\$.25/each
	5" pan pots (white)	\$.30/each
	5" pan pots (green)	\$.45/each
Potting Mix	gallon bag	\$4.00
	(\$6/bag to the public)	
Perlite (chunky)	gallon bag	\$3.00
Charcoal	12 cups	\$2.50
Optimara Fertilizer	(14-12-14) 8 oz.	\$4.00
Marathon	1 cup	\$5.00
Sticky Traps	pkg of 6	\$5.50
Perma-Nest Plant Tray	(22"x11"x2")	\$8.00
Egg Crate	(for wicking in the trays)	\$3.00
Felt	(for wicking in the trays)	\$1.00
Hemostat		\$1.00
Water Bottle		\$5.50
Leaf Support Rings	Small (6" fits 3" pot)	\$.50
	Medium (9" fits 4" pot)	\$.75
	Large (12" fits 5-6" pot)	\$1.00



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Please note: Heidi Dillenbeck had taken over John Cook's (Cape Cod Violetry) inventory and now offers hard-to-find growing supplies. The Enchanted Gardens Catalog was attached to the February newsletter email.

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