

MICHIGAN HOSTA HAPPENINGS

Newsletter of the Michigan Hosta Society



Save the Date!

Saturday May 16, 2020

MHS Spring Workday
Hidden Lake Gardens
Tipton, MI



Saturday June 27, 2020

MHS Hosta Show & Sale
Soil & Science Building
Michigan State University
East Lansing, MI



Sunday August 23, 2020

MHS Fall Workday &
Annual Meeting
Hidden Lake Gardens
Tipton, MI

Letter from the President

Dear MHS Members,

I know I say this every year, but it is an unusual winter. I just came inside from rummaging around in my yard because it is 43 degrees outside, and it's the second week in January. I have Hellebores that are breaking dormancy, and Mums that are sending up new foliage. Maybe there is something to this global warming.

The 2020 calendar for the Michigan Hosta Society is taking shape. Our dates at Hidden Lake Gardens are set. Our Spring workday is Saturday, May 16, and the annual meeting and work session is August 23. Come join us for either or both sessions. On the 16th we will work on the Hillside until noon, have lunch, hear a speaker, and hold a bag raffle.

After that the board will hold their spring meeting. On the 23rd we work on the Hillside until noon break for lunch, have our annual meeting, and



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Fun Facts about Hostas

The 1933 Wayside Gardens catalog offered Funkia lancifolia (old name). Three for 75 cents, a dozen for \$2.00, or 100 for \$15.00.



Hostas have been grown in gardens for centuries. Chinese documents mention hostas as early as the Han Dynasty in 206 BC-220 AD. In Japan, hostas are mentioned in scripts preceding the Nara period beginning in 710 AD.



Hosta 'Empress Wu' is the largest hosta currently available. Leaves can measure over 22" long by 15" wide! The name is in recognition of the only female to serve as emperor in the history of China, Wu Zetian (624 to 705 AD).



Courtesy of Don Rawson

end with a plant auction. This is an important year for the MHS as we will be getting the Hillside ready for the American Hosta Society national convention which will be held in Kalamazoo in 2021.

It will be interesting to get back to Hidden Lake Gardens and our nationally recognized Hillside to see how well the new bed with the 100-plus Hosta from the Wade family survived the winter, as well as the plants we moved and new beds we created last August.

On a not so happy note, The Saginaw Valley Hosta Society voted to disband at their November 2019 meeting. They are working their way through the legalities of dissolving an 501C1. It was not a lack of membership, but a lack of members willing to be officers that led to their demise.

Sincerely,
Grey Gitzen
MHS President



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In this issue of Hosta Happenings...

By Michael Greanya

It's winter... well, it is supposed to be winter anyway. Nonetheless, it is still not the time of year when we want to be out working in our gardens, but that doesn't mean we can't be thinking of warmer days ahead. So, for something to get you in the hosta gardening mood, we offer something to stimulate your brain and be fun at the same time.

Think you know all your hostas? Let's see just how many you do know. If we give you clues, maybe you can even guess the names of some hostas you have never even heard of. But, to do all of this, you have to take our "Hosta Mega-Match Challenge" that was created by Don Rawson to see just how good you are. All you have to do is match the clues we have given you with the list of 100 hosta cultivars provided and listed alphabetically. For example, our first clue is:



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"Overweight Feline" _____ The answer is 'Fat Cat' of course. See how easy it is? Now, you take over and see how well you

can do. No peeking at the answers which can be found at the end of this newsletter. Good Luck!

Starting with this issue, we will begin to profile one of our Michigan Hosta Society (MHS)



Photo by Michael Greanya

Board members and in each newsletter to come. Find out who they are, how they got into gardening, who their mentors were, what kind of plants they

like to grow, and maybe some other tidbits we didn't know about them. We will try to feature one Board member, or any MHS member for that matter, in each issue. In this issue, MHS Board President Grey Gitzen is featured. In our next newsletter, we will find out some interesting things about Bob Beraducci and how he has overcome challenges in his yard to successfully grow hostas.

Also, in this issue, Don Rawson finishes up his five-part series on HVX (Virus X). We have looked at what it is, why it is of concern for hosta growers, what we can do about it, and how to prevent the spread including keeping our garden utensils clean. In this final installment, Don will summarize his articles and provide us with references we can use to find out more about this problem affecting hostas.

We hope you enjoy this issue of Hosta Happenings!

MONICA KOENIG

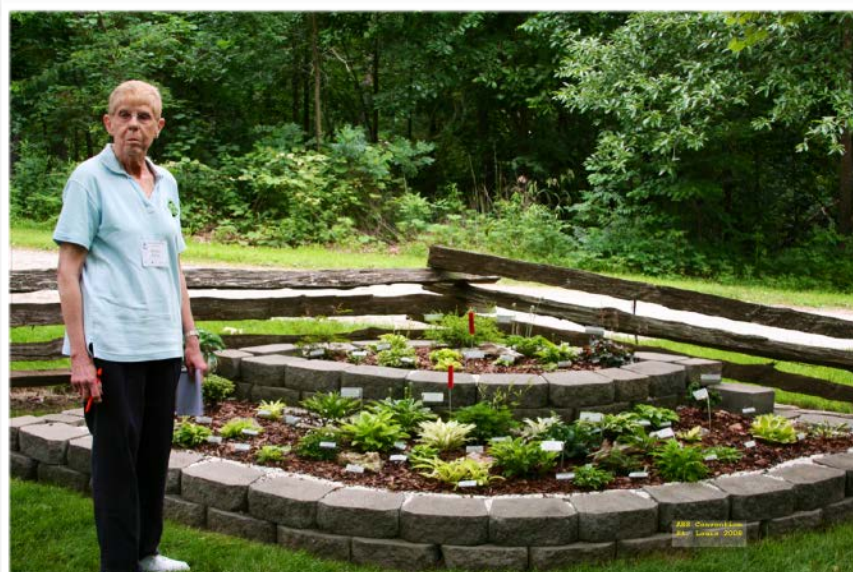
1934-2019

Shortly after we published the last Hosta Happenings Newsletter, we learned of the passing of one of Michigan Hosta Society's long-time members and a friend to all that had the pleasure of knowing her. Monica Koenig passed away on October 18th, 2019. She was 85 and she was married to Bob for 64 years.

Monica was a fixture at most Michigan Hosta Society functions and attended many American Hosta Society conventions with Bob. She was a member of the Metro Detroit Hosta Society for many years and volunteered to help make Hosta College a success as early as 1994, the second year after Hosta College was founded. She was active in the local leaf shows and also leaf shows for Michigan Hosta Society. Monica frequented the hybridizers group and attended Winter Scientific Meetings with Bob regularly. In honor of all the volunteer work she did over the years, Monica was inducted into the American Hosta Society's Wall Of Honor in 2014. We have lost a very dear friend.



Photos by Michael Greanya



Profile of Grey Gitzen, Michigan Hosta Society President

I learned my basic garden skills from a true Master Gardener before I even knew what a master gardener was. She just happened to be my maternal Grandmother and she taught me all this knowledge on a farm on the Garden peninsula in the upper peninsula of Michigan. I'm proud to say I'm a Yooper.

My parents owned and ran what was then called a "Summer Resort". The Fall of 1941 the season ended and they closed up everything as usual, but this end of season we left the U.P., and moved to Lansing. WWII was upon us. From that time until I graduated High school I was able to spend my summers on the family farm in the U.P. I didn't realize it then, but when I look back, I had a marvelous childhood.



Photo by Marla Greanya

After High School, which by then we were living in Saginaw, I went on to the University



of Michigan where I discovered Biology (heavy on the Botany and light on the Zoology). This was enhanced by a Lady Professor aptly named Dr. Clover.

After receiving my undergraduate degree, I married my High School sweet heart who I met in Latin class. I worked in a couple of non-career jobs. I interviewed and was hired by Standard Oil (Indiana) /Amoco, and spent the next 37 years on the corporate treadmill. Along the way raising four children, transferring six times, owning 10 different homes, and getting a Master's Degree. The final transfer with Amoco brought us back to Saginaw where it all began, and I still reside.

As a boy I was active in the Boy scouts, so when my son became a Cub Scout I again, became involved with the BSA. Now that I think about it, involved doesn't quite describe it. Along with my pack and troop positions, I served on District and Regional committees and boards as well as 12 years on the National Cub Scout Committee. I volunteered at several National and World Jamborees and

was awarded The Award of Merit, Silver Beaver, and Silver Antelope for my endeavors.

I got my first Hosta in 1989. It is H. 'Lancifolia,' which I dug it from my Mother-in-Law's back yard. It was large, so I cut it into clumps with a butcher knife and planted it as a border where it is still growing along with about 300 other hosta that I've acquired since.

In 1995 I took the MSUE Master Gardener classes and found a myriad of like souls — many of whom have become dear and close friends. Shortly after I was instructed by one of them that I was joining a new club that was being formed — The Saginaw Valley Hosta Society. Little did I know that this would be my introduction into a whole new world. And as they say, "the rest is history".



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Hosta College

March 20-21, 2020



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Don't forget to sign up (www.ihostohio.org/glhc) and register now for Hosta College which starts this year on March 20-21 in Piqua, Ohio.

This will be the 27th consecutive year of Hosta College. The reason it has been around a long time is simple, people have a great time there meeting old friends, making new ones, participating in a live auction, attending garden related classes all Saturday and ending with a great banquet and speaker to name a few. You shouldn't miss it. If you're new to Hosta College and wonder what it is and what it is all about the following explanation might help out. Each year during March, the Great Lakes Region (GLR) of the American Hosta Society hosts a garden symposium of approximately 350 enthusiastic gardeners from the Midwest and other parts of the US, Canada, and even Europe. This garden symposium is called Hosta College, and it takes place at Upper Valley Career Center in Piqua, Ohio. For more information please go to the weblink above.

Hosta College begins on Friday night with several different activities from which participants can choose. The vending area offers a large selection of plants (even though it may be snowing outside!), garden accessories, tools, and other garden-related merchandise for shoppers. The Bookstore features gardening books at fantastic discounts and A.M. Leonard gardening tools. The auditorium and other areas provide slide presentations, talks by gardening experts, and opportunities to socialize with new and old friends from Hosta College. An auction of rare and unusual plants will be held on Friday evening. On Saturday, following a brief period for shopping in the Vending or Bookstore, classes begin at 8:40 a.m. Students attend 5 classes they have chosen from a program of over 60 classes taught by a faculty of approximately 50 volunteers. Mid-day each student has lunch from a delicious buffet included in the registration fee. At the end of the day students take a brief break and then return for an optional banquet and talk that concludes the Hosta College experience.

American Hosta Society

June 10-13, 2020

The Minnesota Hosta Society is delighted to be the host for the American Hosta Society 2020 convention. Our membership is excited to have you join us in fellowship and share our passion for gardening with hosta. Our theme, Hosta Vision 2020, reflects not only the year, but also the ever expanding use of hosta in the garden. Hostas continue to be America's number one perennial due to their versatility in the landscape. Plus, they thrive in Minnesota's Zone 4 climate!

As part of this year's convention we have

added a philanthropic element. We request you bring used eyeglasses for donation to Lions Clubs International. For 80 years, Lions clubs have collected old, unwanted eyeglasses for redistribution to the poor in developing countries.

Details on the convention are available on our website www.hostavision2020.org. There is a tentative schedule of events, a link to our convention hotel, an opportunity to register online, and much more. Even if you register now, keep checking back as we add to and refine the website!

Sincerely,
Andy Marlow

Past President, Minnesota Hosta Society
President, American Hosta Society



Hosta Mega-Match Challenge

By Don Rawson

Can you match all 100 hostas with the correct clue?

'A Many-splendored Thing'
'After Midnight'
'Aksarben'
'Alligator Shoes'
'Allan P. McConnell'
'Almost'
'American Eagle'
'Andrew'
'Arctic Blast'
'Atlantis'
'Autumn Frost'
'Big Daddy'
'Bizarre'
'Blackjack'
'Blizzard'
'Blue Angel'
'Blue Jay'
'Blue Moon'
'Bright Lights'
'Bulletproof'
'Cadillac'
'Camelot'
'Candy Dish'
'Cathedral Windows'
'Cerveza'
'Cherish'
'Chopsticks'
'Cold Heart'
'Continental Divide'
'Corkscrew'
'Cross Stitch'
'Curly Fries'
'Cutting Edge'
'Deep Blue Sea'

'Deep Pockets'
'Dewed Steel'
'Dixie Chickadee'
'El Niño'
'Fantasy Island'
'Fat Cat'
'First Frost'
'Formal Attire'
'Galaxy'
'Glory Hallelujah'
'Gold Drop'
'Gold Standard'
'Golden Sculpture'
'Grand Prize'
'Grand Slam'
'Great Expectations'
'Ground Sulfur'
'Guacamole'
'Hacksaw'
'High Society'
'Hoosier Daddy'
'Ice Age Trail'
'Ice Cream'
'Ivory Coast'
'Jade Cascade'
'Joseph'
'June'
'Justice'
'Key West'
'King Tut'
'Komodo Dragon'
'Labyrinth'
'Lemon Lime'
'Little Sunspot'

'Love Pat'
'Midnight Oil'
'Mighty Mouse'
'Mississippi Delta'
'Neat and Tidy'
'Niagara Falls'
'Night before Christmas'
'Northern Lights'
'Paradigm'
'Pilgrim'
'Riptide'
'Skylight'
'Slick Willie'
'Snake Eyes'
'Snow Cap'
'Snowden'
'Spilt Milk'
'Stetson'
'Sugar and Cream'
'Sum It Up'
'Sun Kissed'
'Sun Power'
'Super Bowl'
'T Rex'
'Tattoo'
'Teaspoon'
'Tiny Tears'
'Uncle Albert'
'Victory'
'War Paint'
'Whirlwind'
'World Cup'

1. Overweight feline _____
2. Elijah's transport to heaven _____
3. High beams _____
4. Football's final playoff _____
5. Roof window _____
6. Hand tool for cutting metal _____
7. Aurora Borealis _____
8. Dark areas on the surface of the sun

9. Cold air from the north _____
10. Resort residence of the writer Ernest Hemingway _____
11. Card game known as 21 _____
12. Ancient pathway made during an extended period of cold _____
13. Descriptive term for an igloo _____
14. Worshipped by the Israelites in Exodus 32

15. U.S. Navy flight squadron _____
16. A precious metal, during a bad day on Wall Street _____
17. Add vowels- Frst Frst _____
18. Rhymes with "stewed eel" _____
19. Used in embroidery, XXXXXXXXXX

20. Nickname for Bill Clinton _____
21. Brother of Apostle Peter _____
22. To love dearly _____
23. Small southern bird _____
24. GM's luxury line _____
25. Solar energy _____
26. Menu item at Dairy Queen _____
27. The lost city _____

28. Hosta name with four sets of double consonants _____
29. The mouth of North America's largest river _____
30. West African country _____
31. Most popular worldwide athletic tournament, exceeding even the Olympics

32. Cowboy hat _____
33. Canadian baseball team _____
34. Large dinosaur _____
35. Not warmhearted _____
36. Winter hat _____
37. Christmas Eve _____
38. Fond fondle _____
39. "Beer", in Spanish _____
40. Large lizard, often weighing 150-200 lbs.

41. What we all scream for _____
42. The aristocracy _____
43. Menu item at Denny's _____
44. "The boy", in Spanish _____
45. An udder mistake _____
46. Opposite of before noon _____
47. Separates the watersheds that drain into the Pacific and Atlantic _____
48. Novel by Dickens _____
49. State of the art _____
50. Container for confectioneries _____
51. Opposite of little mama _____
52. Not quite, but... _____
53. Love is... _____

54. Footwear used in the Everglades _____
55. A tuxedo and evening gown, e.g. _____
56. Set by the Federal Reserve _____
57. On a quarter _____
58. Used to make gun powder and matches _____
59. Strange; odd _____
60. Colorant used by Native Americans during battle _____
61. Rare lunar event _____
62. Parking area for dromedaries _____
63. Eating utensils of East Asia _____
64. Abundant financial resources _____
65. 1970s TV series which featured Tattoo _____
66. The Milky Way, for example _____
67. Big lottery payout _____
68. Fictitious hybrid of 'Hoosier Dome' X 'Big Daddy' _____
69. A maze _____
70. Impenetrable to high velocity projectiles _____
71. Third of a tablespoon _____
72. Mashed avocados _____
73. Two citrus fruits _____
74. Church portholes _____
75. Produced when a baby cries _____
76. Paul McCartney song _____
77. What you are burning when you work late _____
78. A strong rodent _____
79. Lake Erie's spillway _____
80. Two coins which equal 20¢ _____
81. A cross current _____
82. Menu item at Arby's _____
83. Condiments for coffee _____
84. To give the conclusion _____
85. "With liberty and _____ for all"
86. Body marking _____
87. Chorus line of the Battle Hymn _____
88. Freckled _____
89. He was in the pits after his brothers stole his coat _____
90. Waters of the Marianas Trench _____
91. Declared by the winning team _____
92. An America early settler _____
93. Opposite of sloppy _____
94. A green fountain _____
95. "Nebraska" spelled backwards _____
96. When throwing dice, a pair of ones _____
97. Famous Egyptian pharaoh _____
98. Likely to occur during a cold spell after summer _____
99. Tool used before making a toast _____
100. A month with 30 days _____

Answer key at end of newsletter

Ask the Expert!

With Don Rawson

(editor's note)

In our first article about the myths and facts of Hosta Virus X (HVX) in January of 2019, Don Rawson explored why we should all be concerned about Hosta Virus X. In the next newsletter, he discussed some of the symptoms of the virus found in hostas infected and which hostas are most likely to become infected if exposed. Then, in the third of our series, he explained to us how you can test for the virus and what to do if your hosta tests positive. Finally, in our last newsletter he showed us how HVX is spread and how to prevent the spread of it by disinfecting our tools. In this, the final chapter, Don wraps up his discussion on Virus X by summarizing all of his information and providing you with the resources you will need to learn more about it. We thank Don for this series he put together for us and hope you have found it to be educational and helpful. If you would like a combined copy of Don's articles on HVX, please email Don Rawson (donrawson1@gmail.com).



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Hosta Virus X Summary and Resources

By Don Rawson



In summary, Hosta Virus X is a serious problem to hosta gardeners. It causes irregular mottling and distortion of the hosta foliage. Moreover, symptoms may take several years to appear once a plant is infected. Meanwhile, a diseased plant can infect others in the garden. In cases where it is not obvious, only careful scientific testing can determine if a hosta is infected with HVX - there is no way for the gardener or nursery owner to tell it.



Photo by Jeff White

No hosta is immune. While HVX does not kill a hosta, infected plants may exhibit poor vigor, besides the mottling, inkbleed and weird distortion of the foliage.

Simply removing an infected leaf or cutting out the portion of the hosta which shows symptoms of Hosta Virus X will not cure the plant. The virus has already spread throughout the plant by the time any symptoms become apparent. There is no cure for plants infected with HVX and it won't eventually go away on its own.

HVX is transmitted through the contact of the sap of an infected plant with a healthy plant, occurring most commonly when cuts are made and the cutting tools (pruners, knife, shovel, etc.) or hands are not disinfected afterward. Dividing a hosta, cutting off the scapes, removing leaves, stepping on it, and even running the lawnmower over a hosta can spread the HVX virus.

A hosta infected with HVX should be carefully removed and discarded. Get rid of it. Carefully dig it up, trying to get as many of the roots as possible. Dispose of it into a trash container – not the compost pile! Don't plant another hosta in the same spot until any remaining roots have died and completely rotted away.

It is prudent to take every precaution to avoid purchasing and planting HVX-infected hostas, to remove any diseased plants as soon as possible, and to take steps to prevent the virus from potentially spreading throughout the landscape.

Gardening tools must be thoroughly cleaned and disinfected, which requires carefully removing all



Photo by Joseph Rand

soil and debris. Tools should be scrubbed with a brush, not simply rinsed off. Chlorine bleach is a good disinfectant, as a 10% solution (one-part bleach to nine-parts water). Carefully clean all shovels, garden forks, pruners, and knives which come into contact with hostas. If possible, allow the

tools to soak in the bleach solution for 30 minutes.

It is important and worthwhile to avoid virus-infected plants and to prevent the spread of HVX throughout your landscape. The goal is to have healthy, vigorous, and virus-free hostas in our gardens which we all can enjoy!

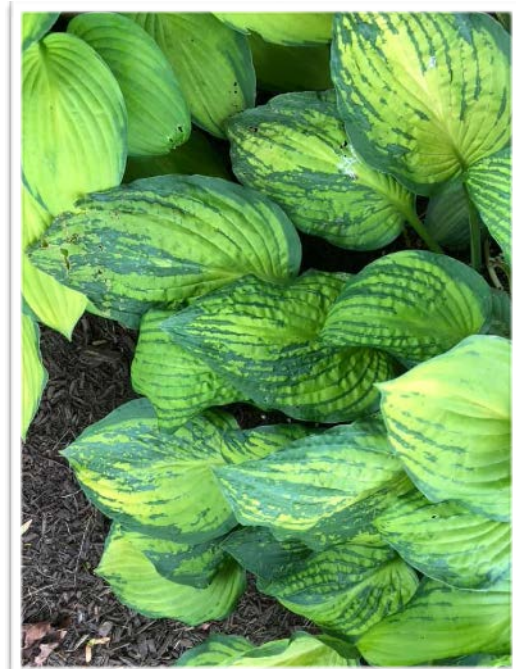


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For Further Study:

Hosta Virus X

- “Common Hosta Problems”, Hosta Adventure: A Grower's Guide, The American Hosta Society, pp. 24-27
- Hosta Diseases and Pests, Sustainable Urban Landscapes booklet published by Iowa State University, NC State University, and the University of Georgia
- “Hosta Virus Myths”, C.H. Falstad, Hosta Library website, <http://www.hostalibrary.org/firstlook/HVXMyths.htm>

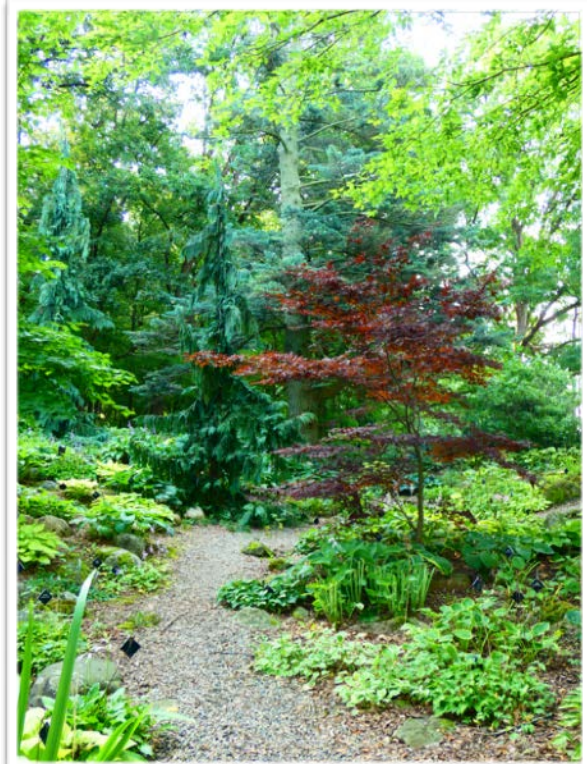
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- “HVX and Other Viruses”, Hosta Library website, <http://www.hostalibrary.org/Disease/PestV.htm>
- “Virus Diseases of Hostas”, The Hosta Helper website, <http://www.plantsgalore.com/care/hostas/Hosta-pests-virus.htm>

HVX Test Strips

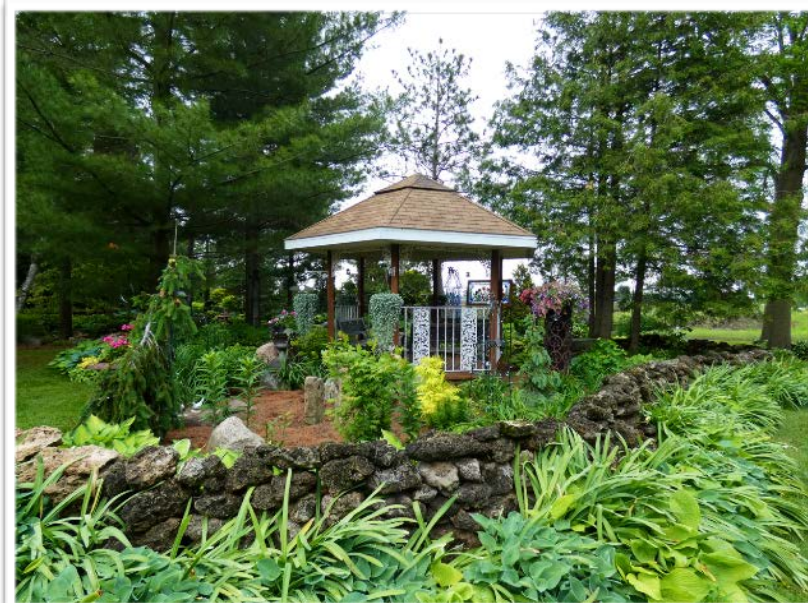
- Agdia ImmunoStrip® for Hosta virus X (HVX), <https://orders.agdia.com/agdia-immunostrip-for-hvx-isk-16600>
- “Using the Hosta virus X ImmunoStrip”, Joshua Spece, The Hosta Journal, 2019, Volume 50, Number 1, pp. 48-49

Cleaning and Disinfecting Garden Tools

- “Disinfecting Your Garden Tools”, Gardening Solutions by the University of Florida, <https://gardeningsolutions.ifas.ufl.edu/care/tools-and-equipment/disinfecting-tools.html>



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Hosta Mega- Match Challenge Answer Key

35. 'Cold Heart'	1. 'Fat Cat'	1. 'Fat Cat'
36. 'Snow Cap'	2. 'Whirlwind'	2. 'Whirlwind'
37. 'Night before Christmas'	3. 'Bright Lights'	3. 'Bright Lights'
	4. 'Super Bowl'	4. 'Super Bowl'
	5. 'Skylight'	5. 'Skylight'
	6. 'Hackshaw'	6. 'Hackshaw'
	7. 'Northern Lights'	7. 'Northern Lights'
	8. 'Little Sunspot'	8. 'Little Sunspot'
	9. 'Arctic Blast'	9. 'Arctic Blast'
	10. 'Key West'	10. 'Key West'
	11. 'Blackjack'	11. 'Blackjack'
	12. 'Ice Age Trail'	12. 'Ice Age Trail'
	13. 'Snowden'	13. 'Snowden'
	14. 'Golden Sculpture'	14. 'Golden Sculpture'
	15. 'Blue Angel'	15. 'Blue Angel'
	16. 'Gold Drop'	16. 'Gold Drop'
	17. 'First Frost'	17. 'First Frost'
	18. 'Dewed Steel'	18. 'Dewed Steel'
	19. 'Cross Stitch'	19. 'Cross Stitch'
	20. 'Slick Willie'	20. 'Slick Willie'
	21. 'Andrew'	21. 'Andrew'
	22. 'Cherish'	22. 'Cherish'
	23. 'Dixie Chickadee'	23. 'Dixie Chickadee'
	24. 'Cadillac'	24. 'Cadillac'
	25. 'Sun Power'	25. 'Sun Power'
	26. 'Blizzard'	26. 'Blizzard'
	27. 'Atlantis'	27. 'Atlantis'
	28. 'Allan P. McConnell'	28. 'Allan P. McConnell'
	29. 'Mississippi Delta'	29. 'Mississippi Delta'
	30. 'Ivory Coast'	30. 'Ivory Coast'
	31. 'World Cup'	31. 'World Cup'
	32. 'Stetson'	32. 'Stetson'
	33. 'Blue Jay'	33. 'Blue Jay'
	34. 'T Rex'	34. 'T Rex'
35. 'Cold Heart'	35. 'Love Pat'	35. 'Love Pat'
36. 'Snow Cap'	36. 'Cerveza'	36. 'Cerveza'
37. 'Night before Christmas'	37. 'Komodo Dragon'	37. 'Komodo Dragon'
	38. 'Ice Cream'	38. 'Ice Cream'
	39. 'High Society'	39. 'High Society'
	40. 'Grand Slam'	40. 'Grand Slam'
	41. 'El Nino'	41. 'El Nino'
	42. 'Spilt Milk'	42. 'Spilt Milk'
	43. 'After Midnight'	43. 'After Midnight'
	44. 'Continental Divide'	44. 'Continental Divide'
	45. 'Great Expectations'	45. 'Great Expectations'
	46. 'Cutting Edge'	46. 'Cutting Edge'
	47. 'Candy Dish'	47. 'Candy Dish'
	48. 'Big Daddy'	48. 'Big Daddy'
	49. 'Almost'	49. 'Almost'
	50. 'A Many-splendored Thing'	50. 'A Many-splendored Thing'
	51. 'Alligator Shoes'	51. 'Alligator Shoes'
	52. 'Formal Attire'	52. 'Formal Attire'
	53. 'Gold Standard'	53. 'Gold Standard'
	54. 'American Eagle'	54. 'American Eagle'
	55. 'Ground Sulfur'	55. 'Ground Sulfur'
	56. 'Bizarre'	56. 'Bizarre'
	57. 'War Paint'	57. 'War Paint'
	58. 'Blue Moon'	58. 'Blue Moon'
	59. 'Camelot'	59. 'Camelot'
	60. 'Chopsticks'	60. 'Chopsticks'
	61. 'Deep Pockets'	61. 'Deep Pockets'
	62. 'Fantasy Island'	62. 'Fantasy Island'
	63. 'Galaxy'	63. 'Galaxy'
	64. 'Grand Prize'	64. 'Grand Prize'
	65. 'Hoosier Daddy'	65. 'Hoosier Daddy'
	66. 'Labyrinth'	66. 'Labyrinth'
	67. 'Bulletproof'	67. 'Bulletproof'
	68. 'Teaspoon'	68. 'Teaspoon'
	69. 'Guacamole'	69. 'Guacamole'
73. 'Lemon Lime'	73. 'Cathedral Windows'	73. 'Cathedral Windows'
74. 'Cathedral Windows'	74. 'Tiny Tears'	74. 'Tiny Tears'
75. 'Tiny Tears'	75. 'Uncle Albert'	75. 'Uncle Albert'
76. 'Uncle Albert'	76. 'Midnight Oil'	76. 'Midnight Oil'
77. 'Midnight Oil'	77. 'Mighty Mouse'	77. 'Mighty Mouse'
78. 'Mighty Mouse'	78. 'Niagara Falls'	78. 'Niagara Falls'
79. 'Niagara Falls'	79. 'Paradigm'	79. 'Paradigm'
80. 'Paradigm'	80. 'Riptide'	80. 'Riptide'
81. 'Riptide'	81. 'Curly Fries'	81. 'Curly Fries'
82. 'Curly Fries'	82. 'Sugar and Cream'	82. 'Sugar and Cream'
83. 'Sugar and Cream'	83. 'Sum It Up'	83. 'Sum It Up'
84. 'Sum It Up'	84. 'Justice'	84. 'Justice'
85. 'Justice'	85. 'Tattoo'	85. 'Tattoo'
86. 'Tattoo'	86. 'Glory Hallelujah'	86. 'Glory Hallelujah'
87. 'Glory Hallelujah'	87. 'Sun Kissed'	87. 'Sun Kissed'
88. 'Sun Kissed'	88. 'Joseph'	88. 'Joseph'
89. 'Joseph'	89. 'Deep Blue Sea'	89. 'Deep Blue Sea'
90. 'Deep Blue Sea'	90. 'Victory'	90. 'Victory'
91. 'Victory'	91. 'Pilgrim'	91. 'Pilgrim'
92. 'Pilgrim'	92. 'Neat and Tidy'	92. 'Neat and Tidy'
93. 'Neat and Tidy'	93. 'Jade Cascade'	93. 'Jade Cascade'
94. 'Jade Cascade'	94. 'Aksarben'	94. 'Aksarben'
95. 'Aksarben'	95. 'Snake Eyes'	95. 'Snake Eyes'
96. 'Snake Eyes'	96. 'King Tut'	96. 'King Tut'
97. 'King Tut'	97. 'Autumn Frost'	97. 'Autumn Frost'
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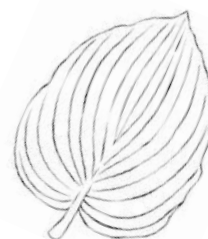
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Events

Thursday, February 20 (6-8pm)

WMHS Meeting at Frederik Meijer Gardens

1000 E Beltline Ave NE, Grand Rapids, MI 49525

Saturday, May 9

WMHS Workday at local gardens

Wednesday, May 20

WMHS Potluck & Plant Auction

Potluck at 6pm; auction 7-9pm

Allendale Township Hall, 6678 Lake Michigan Dr, Allendale, MI 49401.

Saturday & Sunday, July 18, 19

Hosta Show at Frederik Meijer Gardens

Thursday, August 20

WMHS Meeting (Details TBD)

Friday, October (Date TBD) (6pm)

Fall Harvest Potluck

Forest Hills Aquatic Center, 660 Forest Hill Ave SE, Grand Rapids, MI 49546

Eastern Michigan Hosta Society

January: No meeting

Thursday, February 13: Mark Hanner, Succulents
Mayfield Township Hall, Lapeer, MI

Friday & Saturday, March 20 & 21: Hosta College
Piqua, OH

April: Aaron Strouse, Unique Michigan
Mayfield Township Hall, Lapeer, MI

May 14: Field trip to Melvyn Corner's Nursery (date may change)

June 11: Member garden tour, need a volunteer

July 9: Member garden tour, need volunteer

August 13: Member garden tour, need volunteer

September 10: Plant Exchange
Suncrest of Lapeer

October 8: C&C Green, Lily Bulbs
Mayfield Township Hall, Lapeer, MI

November 12: EMHS Board Meeting
Whitey's in Davison, MI

December 10: Christmas Party
Mayfield Township Hall, Lapeer, MI



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Membership in the Michigan Hosta Society

If you wish to find out more about Hosta, please consider joining the Michigan Hosta Society. We welcome new members and friends who share our interest in hosta and their many uses in the landscape. The society maintains a large hosta display at Hidden Lake Gardens near Tipton, where many varieties of hosta can be seen. "The Benedict Hosta Hillside" is one of only two nationally designated Hosta display gardens.

Activities of MHS include:

- ▶ A summer tour of gardens that feature Hosta
- ▶ An auction/sale of hostas contributed by members
- ▶ Speakers and educational programs
- ▶ Local chapter meetings
- ▶ A workday and information sharing at Hidden Lake Gardens in Tipton where the Society has a demonstration garden
- ▶ A listing of MHS members who retail Hosta
- ▶ A yearly membership directory

Members receive the Michigan Society Newsletter "Hosta Happenings," as well as the newsletter of the Great Lakes Regional Hosta Society. If you are interested in joining please complete the attached application form.

You may also want to join The American Hosta Society. They have two colorful journals each year, and an annual national convention featuring a Hosta Show, garden tours, scientific programs and a plant auction.

Contact: www.americanhostasociety.org

MHS Membership Application

Last name: _____

First name: _____

Last name of 2nd member: _____

First name of 2nd member: _____

Street Address:

City: _____ State: _____

Zip: _____ Phone: _____ - _____ - _____

E-mail:

Choice of **either** black and white newsletter via First Class US Mail or full color newsletter via e-mail. All the pictures are in color and there are often bonus pictures not included in the mailed version. Please check one: Mail ☐ E-mail ☐

Check if you wish to receive an updated membership directory when published: ☐

New Member: _____ Renewal: _____

Dues are \$15 per household for up to two people, good for 2 years.

Total remitted: _____

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