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Gardeners of the Bluffton Pandora Area

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What Tool is Your #1:

Our meeting this month is going to be 6:30 p.m. Tuesday November 3, 2015 at the Bluffton Public Library, in the basement meeting room. You can bring a friend if you wish to but we will not be having a speaker specifically for this program and we will also be discussing our December meeting/potluck/bingo night and we will make nominations for election of club officers.

The subject of our program is your favorite non power hand tools and why you like them. Is it spade or a hand trowel? Is it something that was given to you by a friend or a family member? Did you pay a dollar for it at a garage sale or auction or did you get this from a catalogue or garden center? Do you use it what it was made for or are you using it for something totally different? These and other questions are what we want to cover and yes please bring the tool so we can see it.

You can also bring a tool that you don't like and are disappointed in and tell us why. Maybe it works for what it was made for but it gives you problems. It might be too flimsy for the job or it gets dull too quickly. Possibly it causes blisters every time you use it or maybe it is just too big or heavy. We want you to tell us what makes it a failure.

I can give advice on tool maintenance if you have a question about it. Although I am fairly sure that I would be preaching to the choir, but if you have a question I will try to answer it.



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Cold Starting Perennials:

Our last meeting was about cold starting perennials, or as Ann Brickner said the easy way to start plants. I think it was quite informative and all those present would probably agree.

On the mend:

Well after seven weeks in the nursing home Joyce Fuerst is finally home and is happy to be there. She doesn't know if she will be at the meeting but we all hope and pray that she continues to get better.



Dues 2016:

This is to inform you that the dues that we pay to the Gardeners of America, the Central Great lakes region and our local Gardeners of the Bluffton/Pandora Area our do. We need to pay these dues as soon as possible so we can remain in good standing. These dues are for the year 2016 and there is no increase and they are as follows: the national dues are \$15.00 with \$8.00 for an additional family member and \$5.00 for youth memberships; the Central Great Lakes Region is \$1.00 for each member; our local dues are \$5.00 per address. So for those of you who are a single member the total is \$21.00, for those who are two members same address \$30.00 and those who are life members of the national only have to pay \$6.00 for their dues. Please have the dues sent to me at the address on the envelope by November 21 so I can take care of paying them by December.

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