### A Note from our Founder...



"We love perennials because with them we know the joy of witnessing the rebirth of nature year after year.

Perennials are an affirmation of a sane order of the universe.

How comforting to be able to count on something in these volatile times."

Eva Sands





# If you like gardening, we invite you to join...



An affiliate of Cleveland Botanical Garden

NOPS is an organization of avid gardeners committed to learning, sharing, collecting plants, and enjoying gardens.



Membership in the Northern Ohio Perennials Society (NOPS) helps you become a better gardener.

Whether you are a beginning or an experienced gardener, NOPS offers many benefits...

#### Learn, Share, and Have Fun!



Learn from experts how to select and care for plants, use environmentally friendly controls for insects and diseases, design beds, and deal with a variety of other gardening-related issues.

Evening programs are held at the Cleveland Botanical Garden in January, February, March, September, and October.

A congenial social hour with refreshments follows each meeting, giving members the opportunity to share knowledge, experiences,

opportunity to share knowledge, experiences, successes, and failures.

The Perennial News, our exclusive newsletter, is published six times a year with information on programs, activities, garden-related topics, and contributions from members.

## **Acquire New Plants!**



Expand and enrich your plant collection by taking part in NOPS Plant Exchanges held in the Spring. Share plant divisions, volunteer to help, and acquire a variety of well-tended common and unusual perennial divisions from other members' gardens. Those with nothing to share can

purchase plants at a modest cost. For more information, contact our Welcome Chair, Lyzz de Giovanni, at deg1007@yahoo.com or 440-461-4766.

#### Visit Gardens!

Gain inspiration and insight by visiting the gardens of members and others in the community who open their gardens to NOPS during the late spring, summer, and early fall for special viewing. This is another opportunity to learn, share, and develop new friendships.

## For Gardeners, By Gardeners

Our handbook, *Growing Perennials in Northeast Ohio*, was written by NOPS members from their extensive knowledge of gardening. It is full of planting techniques, design, and placement ideas and suggested varieties that work best in our area. It is available to members at a discounted price of \$11.

Botanical drawings in this brochure are from original art by Eleanor Donley for our Handbook.



For more information about the Northern Ohio Perennials Society, please visit our website at:

www.NOPSweb.com,

Or call 216-371-2857 or 216-371-3640

#### NOPS MEMBERSHIP FORM

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