



AB TIMES

**NEWSLETTER OF THE AUXILIARY BOARD
OF STAN HYWET HALL & GARDENS**

JUNE 2020

AB EXECUTIVE BOARD MEETING

MONDAY, June 15, 2020, 9:30 a.m. Carriage House Tent. Executive Board members should bring their own masks to wear, expect to have their temperature taken, and practice 6' social distancing. Please let Elise know if you are unable to attend at 330-808-3050 or prefer inclusion by virtual means.

AB GENERAL MEETING

WEDNESDAY, June 24, 2020 at 9:30 a.m. Carriage House Tent. Please plan to arrive between 9:30 and 10:00. The meeting will begin at 10:00. There will be no refreshments served so bring your own coffee if you want. Our Hospitality Chair, Barb Wulff and her crew will be taking your temperature when you arrive, and 6' social distancing should be maintained at all times. Please wear your own mask and bring a pen/pencil if you want to take notes. There will be no sign-in table; however, we are requiring that you RSVP to Assistant Secretary Jane Delcamp if you intend to attend on the 24th meeting. You may call or text Jane at (330) 571-5873 or email her at jedelcamp@att.net. We can only accommodate 60 so the RSVP will be on a first come, first served basis. Your RSVP to Jane will also ensure we have the required quorum for our election of new officers and serve as the attendance roster for attributing volunteer hours to your attendance.

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

How time flies when you're having fun! It's amazing to think two years as President of the AB Auxiliary Board has already passed.

Looking back, I'm delighted our Executive Board was able to outline a vision during a retreat in 2018 to **increase Awareness, Value, Prestige and Effectiveness** of the AB.

Working together we've:

- **increased awareness** by enhancing the visibility of the AB (more consistent branding of Ohio Mart as being presented by the AB), distributing information about joining the AB at Ohio Mart, and by accepting the Special Recognition Award from the Association of Fundraising

Professionals. The more recent proclamations from the City of Akron, Summit County Executive, and State of Ohio in recognition of having contributed over one million volunteer hours and over \$6 million in revenue to the Estate by our members were amazing tributes! (Additional signage on the Estate to memorialize the historical AB contributions has been pledged.)

- **increased value & effectiveness** by sponsoring and coordinating a volunteer recruitment event in 2019 called *Mingle, Learn, Join*. Not only did the event illuminate other volunteer opportunities to existing volunteers it also brought some fresh faces to the volunteer ranks at the Estate. Our monthly programs have added depth of knowledge to our members in conjunction with the annual Estate themes.
- **increased prestige** by holding our February meeting in the Manor House Music Room and more recently providing AB Members a head start on the bargains at Molly's February Sale. Certainly, the awards and proclamations mentioned above make the AB a standout organization.

I think back on how well the estate transitioned from the leadership of Linda Conrad to Sean Joyce; and I expect the same smooth transition will take place as the ever-capable and well-organized Susie Gaebel-Wallace steps in to lead the AB as President.

I appreciate having your confidence and your support over the last couple years. It is truly my great honor to have had this experience and I genuinely thank you.

Elise Bennett

President

Auxiliary Board

Vice President

We will meet on Wednesday, June 24, 2020 to hear The Year in Review presented by AB Archivist, Dianne Kauffman. Please review the above details regarding how to RSVP for the meeting and for the required Covid-19 masking and social distancing. If you are still in need of a mask, please contact Nancy Daniels in Crafts at: fmdaniels@sbcglobal.net. There will be no refreshments at this meeting due to safety concerns during the pandemic.

The meeting will be busy with the election and installation of new officers, introduction of Provisional Members (no receiving line), and receiving the latest update from Ohio Mart Chairman Darby Ashelman and much more.

A GRADUAL REOPENING PLAN PHASE 1 was released June 4th by Stan Hywet and is attached to this AB Times. Please take a minute to read through it as the safety measures stipulated in the plan will apply to our AB meetings.

In the event a member is not comfortable attending a meeting, they are most welcome to stay home. There is no requirement that you attend meetings. (The meeting attendance requirements set forth in the By-Laws will be relaxed during this Covid-19 period.)

It is our intent to also live stream this meeting and future meeting via our Facebook page. If you have not already liked our Facebook page, please do, and receive our latest news and access to live meetings.

<https://www.facebook.com/Auxiliary-Board-of-Stan-Hywet-Hall-Gardens-355584288504715/>

In closing, I would like to thank Elise Bennett, Millie Telford, and Barb Wulff for their assistance on the Program Committee the past two years. I am incredibly grateful for their support and dedication to the AB and to our membership! Thank You!

Susie Gaebel Wallace, Vice President and Program Committee

Treasurer's Report

	INCOME.	EXPENSES.	BALANCE
BEGINNING BALANCE			\$2,674.50
MARCH.	\$275.00	\$54.75**	\$2,894.75
APRIL.	\$500.00		\$3,394.75

** originally posted \$13.75.

There was an additional Charge added on for postage charge from machine for \$41.00

MEMORIAL FUND BALANCE \$2,533.82

Amy Prather

Corresponding Secretary

Please let me know about any change in address, phone numbers, or email as we are currently revising the handbook. Also let me know if anyone should be receiving a get well, sympathy, thinking of you card, etc.

Mary Kay Danckaert

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Garden

As long as the SHHG Estate is closed, the Garden Committee will begin accepting donations on Mondays only beginning June 1st from 9am to 11am at Ebe House. We are in need of donations of interesting or unusual vases and containers, ribbons, small Christmas trees, wreaths, baskets, tissue paper, bags with handles, and small mini-lights.