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## GCO Columbus District News

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Dear Garden Club Presidents in the Columbus District,

Greeting!

Attached is a document that gives a summary of all 17 clubs in our Columbus District. Please review it, and send me any additional information or corrections.

Also, attached is information and an application form for the CAR Perennial Bloom Award. Cleo Lehman, GCO Awards Chairperson, indicated that this is a wonderful award that celebrates the very active older members of our organization. Consider nominating a member from your club.

NGC Awards for Ohio will be sent to Mary Lou Smith in the next couple of weeks. If your club receives a check, please cash ASAP. Certificates will be given out at our Columbus District Fall Meeting.

Save three copies of your club's 2020 yearbooks to bring to our Fall District Meeting in September.

Continue to check the GCO, CAR and NGC Websites regularly.

Warm Regards,  
Vickie Muse

### Ohio Heritage Garden at the Governor's Residence

The materials and supplies the GCO, so generously have supplied, have arrived and are being put to good use. Volunteer Governor's Gardeners can return to work in the garden with a few modifications. Volunteers are now welcomed from Monday through Thursday from 9-1 with a limitation of a total of ten working at one time. We will wear masks and gloves and practice social distancing. Contact Donna Timmons for more information: 614-529-8244 or [dtimmons@wowway.com](mailto:dtimmons@wowway.com)



### Upcoming Events

Contact respective president for more information.

#### June 17-18 (PENDING)

GCO Board Meetings  
Worthington Hills Country Club

#### September 3

Columbus District Fall Meeting

### GCO Officers 2019-2021

President  
Mary Lou Smith

1<sup>st</sup> Vice President  
Marlene Hatton

2<sup>nd</sup> Vice President  
Kathy Wagner

Recording Secretary  
Virginia Schmidt

Treasurer  
Pat Kuczak

Past President  
Deanna Stearns

## More Important News

### GCO Website

Send articles to be posted on the website to Janet Hannaway, [janethannaway3@yahoo.com](mailto:janethannaway3@yahoo.com).

### Garden Greetings

The Summer Issue of *Garden Greetings* will publish all the GCO award winners for 2019. Watch for your copy in June! The deadline for the Fall Issue, which goes out in September, is July [wgarabis@yahoo.com](mailto:wgarabis@yahoo.com).

### NGC

NGC Headquarters in St. Louis, Missouri are closed until further notice.

**GCO Past President**, Deanna Stearns, lost her husband Don, on May 15. Please send sympathy cards to: 6820 Mapleridge Circle NW, Canton, OH 44718.

### Schools ALL SCHOOLS ARE CANCELLED UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE

Below are the four schools hosted by the GCO, which are developed by the NGC. Courses may be taken in any order, except for Flower Show School, which you have to begin with Course 1. All garden club members may attend! In addition to the names and phone numbers listed by the schools below, you can contact Pat Rupiper 614-423-8646.

Flower Show School, Course 1 **CANCELLED**  
May 20-22, Fernald Nature Preserve, Hamilton, Oh  
*Cindy Kozakewich 304-677-7417*

Gardening School, Course 3 **CANCELLED**  
June 1-2, 2020, Wooster, Oh  
*Mary Ann Ferguson 330-630-9625*

Landscape School Course 1 **CANCELLED**  
May 6-7, Horace R. Collins Research Laboratory, Delaware, Oh  
*Debbie Sickmiller 419-281-4336*

The school listed below is open to all, but provides accreditation for existing judges.

Tri-Refresher School  
Sept. 18-19, 2020, Mansfield, Oh *Debbie Sickmiller 419-281-4336*

Ohio Judges Symposium  
Offered in 2021. *Betty Cookendorfer 513-367-9379*

**GCO Columbus District Board Members:** Carol Bowling, Pam Ellinger, Antonio Garabis, Winnie Garabis, Nancy Heber, Karen Hovey, Cindy Kozakewich, Pat Rupiper, Barb Shepard, Debbie Sickmiller, Barb Snyder, Donna Timmons and Debra Turner

### Columbus District Garden Clubs and Presidents

- Annehurst Garden Friends  
Leisa Tremper, 614-579-9025
- Creative Arrangers Guild  
Karen Hovey, 614-882-9955
- Dublin Garden Club  
Caroline Middleton 614-284-8814
- Eastmoor South Garden Club  
Mary Ann Rees, 614-557-2959
- Four Seasons Garden Club  
Bunny Bogen, 614-832-0667
- Franklin Garden Club  
Crystal Salt 614-946-5157
- Hilliard Area Garden Club  
Belynda Smiley 614-921-8390
- Knolls Garden Club,  
Stephany Spencer 614-207-4599  
Tressa Rudik, 614-262-1994
- Mary Ritter Garden Club  
Carolyn Slack, 614-579-0555
- Muirfield Garden Club  
Gina Fathman, 614-798-0031
- Northview Buckeye Garden Club  
Jane Huber, 614-578-0047
- Oakhaven Garden Club  
Sharon Klamfoth, 614-428-9749
- Pickaway County Garden Club  
Sue Twining, 740-497-1643
- Serendipity Garden Club  
Antonio Garabis, 614-486-1324
- Shawnee Arrangers  
Dotty Haney, 740-474-4812
- Westerville Garden Club  
Kathy Curtis, 614-216-1699
- Worthington Hills Garden Club  
Cynthia Heselden, 440-552-6170