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## GCO Columbus District News

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Dear Garden Club Presidents in the Columbus District,

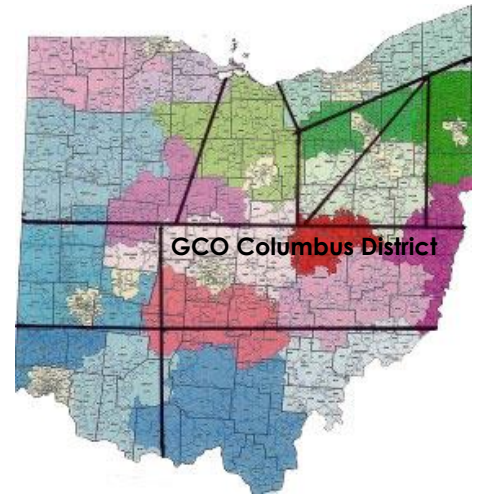
Greetings!

Please submit GCO award briefs. Most are due before November 1. This is a great way for your club to be recognized for the outstanding projects and programs you do. Award information is available on the Garden Club of Ohio, Inc. website.

Our Columbus District will be hosting the GCO Convention in 2022 along with the Jackson District. Consider taking a leadership role in planning and implementing this event, and let me know if you're interested.

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

Warm Regards, Vickie Muse



### Upcoming Events

Contact respective president for more information.

#### October 18-22

CAR-SGC Blooming Zoom Festival

#### November 6

GCO Holiday Show: South –  
**CANCELLED**

#### April 13-15, 2021

GCO Convention hosted by Akron District, Twinsburg, OH

### From Gail Corle Manna, CAR-SGC Director

It is my pleasure to announce and invite you to join a fun-filled event planned for the members of the Central Atlantic Region of State Garden Clubs, Inc.

**Blooming Zoom Festival** is a package of presentations and workshops created to educate and entertain our members without leaving the comfort of their homes.

**Use this link:** <https://www.car-sgc.org/zoomfestival> to find all the information and details.

**Please spread the Word** – Spread the excitement. This event has been established to aid and benefit the Region's Scholarship Fund and educate our membership in the future, especially since our Fall Conference to be held in Delaware has been cancelled.

**Don't be left out** – register now – register early, as there is a max/cut-off for attendance. This is going to be an extraordinary event for our Region.

**Register now & remember:** We are "Seven Together" Planting America.

### GCO Officers 2019-2021

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## 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 deadline for the spring edition of *Garden Greetings* is December 1. Contact Winnie Garabis, [wgarabis@yahoo.com](mailto:wgarabis@yahoo.com).

### CAR-SGC Blooming Zoom Festival

October 18-22, 2020: Encourage all your garden club members to attend this first ever Virtual Fund Raiser for the Central Atlantic Region. (See *attachment*).

### Educational Opportunity

The Byrd Center is collaborating with a number of OSU departments to host outreach events next week. There are programs for people of all ages. The entire schedule can be viewed online at [go.osu.edu/westfest](http://go.osu.edu/westfest).

### Schools

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.

Environmental School, Course 3: **PRESENTED VIA ZOOM**  
November 9-10, 2020  
Pat Rupiper 614-423-8646

Flower Show School, Course 1  
May 11-14, 2021 at Fernald Preserve in Hamilton  
Cindy Kozakewich 304-677-7417

Garden School  
Mary Ann Ferguson 330-630-9625

Landscape School  
Debbie Sickmiller 419-281-4336

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

Tri-Refresher School: **CANCELLED**  
September 18-19, 2020

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, Barb Snyder, Donna Timmons and Debra Turner

## Columbus District Garden Clubs and Presidents

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