



## Garden Club of Ohio, Inc. Columbus District Spring Meeting

Thursday, May 18, 2023



Fairfield Inn & Suites  
9000 Worthington Rd., Westerville, OH 43082

### Agenda:

- 9-10:00 Registration  
9:30 Meeting for Club Presidents  
10:00 Business Meeting  
10:30 Program by Ron Wilson *"In the Garden with Ron Wilson"*  
Noon Lunch  
1:00 Designs by Kathie Houchens, Floral Designer *"The Way of the Flower: Ikebana as a Spiritual Path"*  
1:45 Announcements  
2:00 Raffle Drawing

### Cost: \$25

Italian Buffet Luncheon Catered by Carrabba's Italian Grill: pastas with meat options, salads, vegetables and dessert

*We are asking that each club, and/or individuals, bring an item for the Raffle Table.  
Tickets will be 6 for \$5.*

Club members, please give your reservation and payment to your club by May 1.

Each club will then turn in the total number of reservations and check to "GCO Columbus District" to Vickie Muse, GCO Columbus District Co-Director, 1158 Hoover Lake Ct., Westerville, OH 43081 by May 8. Questions: 614-560-4596

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### Club Member Registration Form

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Guest(s) \_\_\_\_\_

Amount (\$25 each) TOTAL \_\_\_\_\_

## Fairfield by Marriott Columbus-Polaris

9000 Worthington Road

Columbus, Ohio 43082

P. 614-568-0770

### Directions

I-71 to exit 121

Head East on Polaris Parkway

South on Orion Pl

Continue South on round-about.

Hotel will be on the right.

\*\*If using GPS, please use WESTERVILLE as the city.

## About Our Presenters



Our morning speaker will be Ron Wilson. Ron is a gardening radio host on iHeart Radio, who can answer all your gardening questions. Join 'yardening expert Ron Wilson for an open formatted session talking about new and favorite plants for 2023, what's hot, timely tips, 'yardening points to ponder, and who knows what else! Bring your 'yardening questions! You won't want to miss this great "hands on" opportunity – "In the Garden with Ron Wilson.



Showing us "The Way of The Flower: Ikebana as a Spiritual Path," Kathie Houchens will design for the spring 2023 District Meeting. Kathie is an artist with cut flowers and with those growing in her gardens. Currently, most of her flower design work is done with the Ikebana, O'Hara and Sogetsu schools at the Franklin Park Conservatory in Columbus. She says, "Ikebana is seen as more than just decorative, it is a spiritual process that helps one develop a closeness with nature and merge the indoors and outdoors." She also designs for the Columbus Museum of Art's annual Art in Bloom Show. She creates on canvas and with fabric, music and languages. A member of Serendipity Garden Club, she is a former member of Creative Arrangers Guild. Kathie is a retired Ohio State University Instructor of Spanish. Her Master's Degree is in French from the University of Maryland. She is a professional organist of religious music. She lives in Granville.