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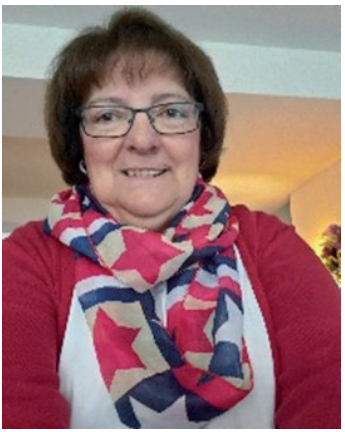
FROM OUR PRESIDENT KATHY WAGNER

"Let's Garden with Ohio Natives"

Dear Garden Club of Ohio Members,



It is an honor to serve as your State President for the next two years. I am so very grateful for this incredible opportunity. I look forward in 2023 to all the great expectations that lie ahead.

Thank you to all the members that have accepted the challenges of your positions on the Garden Club of Ohio Board of Directors. You are committed and experienced individuals that strive to do your best for the organization.

I encourage all our GCO club members to become involved in our state organization, there are so many opportunities, whether you choose to be a committee member, attend our schools, or become an officer -- it is a rewarding experience.

Ohio has had their share of the worst weather this year, I hope everyone is staying safe and has had minimal damage to their properties.

My President's Project is titled **"Let's Garden With Ohio Natives"**. I believe we can work together to restore and improve the health of our ecosystem. Ecosystems are based on native plants. I encourage everyone to garden with Ohio native plants, through our school projects, home gardening and our community programs.

Thank you,

Kathy Wagner

2023 GCO Convention

The 95th Garden Club of Ohio Convention, hosted by the Toledo and Mansfield Districts, was held at the beautiful new Holiday Inn and Suites in Perrysburg, Ohio on April 18-20.

"Catch The Wave" was a resounding success and was attended by gardeners from all across Ohio. There was plenty of action at the vendors' tables and the raffle. There was a wide variety of products and services available.

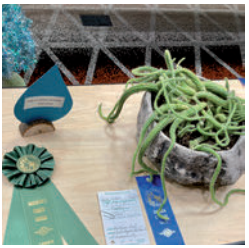
The U. S. Marine Corp, 1st Battalion, 24th Marine Regiment presented the colors and Walter Johnson sang the National Anthem to open the Convention. Our Board dinner was magical thanks to Pattrick Przysiecki. Marlene Bolea entertained at the Scholarship Breakfast with stories and amazing photos of birds and wildlife. At the Banquet, Chris Gajewicz showed us the changes in gardening trends through the generations. We were thoroughly entertained by Ian Lane and his acoustical guitar before the closing Brunch.

Workshops on botanical painting, shell flowers, native plants and Metroparks were enthusiastically attended.

Editor's Note: Convention photos provided by several GCO members attending the convention. Thank you!

The Buckingham Award was presented by Barb Schuh to Marlene Hatton, the outgoing GCO President. Her husband surprised her by attending. Our Citation Award was presented to Sandy Bihn, founder of Lake Erie Waterkeepers.

The Flower Show, *Splish Splash*, featured mermaids, underwater designs, club designs and superb entries.



Our club members have been productive, activeand creative -- and were showcased in the many awards presented by Cleo Lehman and the Awards Committee.

The highly anticipated Garden Club of the Year award was won by the **Alliance Garden Club, Canton District**. All the awards are summarized on Pages 6-17.

New officers were installed by Brenda Moore, National Garden Club President-Elect. Pages 31-34 present the new GCO Board information.

Thank you to all who worked to make the Convention wonderful and to all who came to enjoy it.

Kathy Kovatch, Convention Co-Chair, Mansfield District
Cornelia Wagener, Convention Co-Chair, Toledo District

CONGRATULATIONS 2022 GCO AWARD WINNERS!

The following awards were presented this year. Thank you to all the clubs that submitted entries. Thank you to the Awards Committee for their hard work and many hours they put in to judge all the applications. Club size is defined as follows, unless noted differently for a specific award, and are designated in the following way: A, B, C, D and E:

Extra Small Club—15 Members or less
Small Club—16 to 29 Members
Medium Club—30 to 45 Members
Large Club—46 to 75 Members
Extra Large Club—76 Members or more

CIVIC PROJECTS

101 CIVIC CONSERVATION AWARD: For outstanding work in environmental conservation

101B—Small Club

FIRST: Northview Buckeye Garden Club—Columbus District

101D—Large Club

FIRST: Avon-on-the-Lake Garden Club—Cleveland District

102 CIVIC BEAUTIFICATION AWARD: For best completed civic beautification project

102C—Medium Club

FIRST: Madison Garden Club—Cleveland District

Second: East Liverpool/Calcutta Garden Club—Cleveland District

102D—Large Club

FIRST: Ridgewood Garden Club of Parma—Cleveland District

102E—Extra Large Club

FIRST: Gates Mills Garden Club

103 CIVIC IMPROVEMENT AWARD: For outstanding civic improvement to a community

103A—Extra Small Club

FIRST: East Rochester Garden Club—Canton District

103B—Small Club

FIRST: Shaker Farms Garden Club—Cincinnati District

Second: Highland Heights Garden Club—Cleveland District

103C—Medium Club

FIRST: Berea Garden Club—Cleveland District

Second: The Herb Guild—Cleveland District

103D—Large Club

FIRST: Westerville Garden Club—Columbus District

Second: Avon-on-the-Lake Garden Club—Cleveland District

Third: Ridgewood Garden Club of Parma—Cleveland District

104 CIVIC BEAUTIFICATION MAINTENANCE PROJECT AWARD: For the best effort of a completed civic beautification or improvement project providing continuing maintenance

104A—Extra Small Club

FIRST: Berlin Heights Garden Club—Mansfield District

104B—Small Club

FIRST: Shaker Farms Garden Club—Cincinnati District

104C--Medium Club

FIRST: Madison Garden Club - Cleveland District

Second: The Herb Guild --Cleveland District

104D—Large Club

FIRST: Ridgewood Garden Club of Parma—Cleveland District

105 HORTICULTURE OR ENVIRONMENTAL EDUCATION AWARD: For the best effort for community education using educational projects, informational papers, pamphlets, booklets and/or displays

105A—Extra Small Club

FIRST: Seven Hills Garden Club—Cleveland District

105B—Small Club

FIRST: Shaker Farms Garden Club—Cincinnati District

Second: Corey Woods Garden Club—Toledo District

105C—Medium Club

FIRST: Chippewa Garden Club—Cleveland District

Second: Perennial Gardeners of Chesterland—Cleveland District

Third: Emerald Necklace Garden Club—Cleveland District

HM: The Herb Guild—Cleveland District

105D—Large Club

FIRST: Avon-on-the-Lake Garden Club—Cleveland District

Second: Twinsburg Garden Club—Akron District

Third: Westerville Garden Club—Columbus District

HM Ridgewood Garden Club of Parma—Cleveland District

105E—Extra Large Club

FIRST: Gates Mills Garden Club—Cleveland District

106 BEAUTIFICATION OR IMPROVEMENT OF A PUBLIC BUILDING AWARD

106A—Extra Small Club

FIRST: Seven Hills Garden Club—Cleveland District

106B—Small Club

FIRST: Shaker Farms Garden Club—Cincinnati District

Second: Highland Heights Garden Club—Cleveland District

106C—Medium Club

FIRST: East Liverpool/Calcutta Garden Club—Cleveland District

106D—Large Club

FIRST: Ridgewood Garden Club of Parma—Cleveland District

107 COMMUNITY ENRICHMENT PROJECT OR PROGRAM AWARD: For the best community enrichment project or program that is not eligible for any other GCO award.

107A—Extra Small Club

FIRST: Alliance Garden Club—Canton District

107B—Small Club

FIRST: Highland Heights Garden Club-Cleveland District

107C—Medium Club

FIRST: Emerald Necklace Garden Club—Cleveland District

Second: Madison Garden Club—Cleveland District

Third: Aquilegia Garden Club—Cleveland District

HM: The Herb Guild—Cleveland District

107D—Large Club

FIRST: Avon-on-the-Lake Garden Club—Cleveland District

Second: Ridgewood Garden Club of Parma—Cleveland District

Third: Twinsburg Garden Club—Akron District

HM: Westerville Garden Club—Columbus District

107E—Extra Large Club

FIRST: Gates Mills Garden Club—Cleveland District

108 TREE AWARD: To the garden club planting or initiating planting of trees

108.1 – Seedlings

108.1B—Small Club

Second: Corey Woods Garden Club—Toledo District

108.1C—Medium Club

FIRST: The Herb Guild—Cleveland District

108.1D—Large Club

FIRST: Westerville Garden Club—Columbus District

108.1E—Extra Large Club

FIRST: Gates Mills Garden Club—Cleveland District

108.2 – Mature Trees

108.2D—Large Club

FIRST: Westerville Garden Club—Columbus District

Second: Avon-on-the-Lake Garden Club—Cleveland District

110 BIRD PROTECTION AWARD

110C—Medium Club

FIRST: Aquilegia Garden Club—Cleveland District

111 NATIONAL GARDEN WEEK AWARD: To the garden club or group of garden clubs for best overall promotion of National Garden Week.

111A—Extra Small Club

FIRST: Alliance Garden Club—Canton District

Second: River Road Garden Club—Toledo District

111B—Small Club

FIRST: Damascus Garden Club—Canton District

Second: Shaker Farms Garden Club—Cincinnati District

111C—Medium Club

FIRST: Chippewa Garden Club—Cleveland District

Second: The Herb Guild—Cleveland District

Third: Perennial Gardeners of Chesterland—Cleveland District

111D—Large Club

FIRST: Westerville Garden Club—Columbus District

111E—Extra Large Club

FIRST: Gates Mills Garden Club—Cleveland District

112 BLUE STAR/GOLD STAR MEMORIAL AWARD: For support of this outstanding program inaugurated in 1944 to honor the men and women who have served our country in the military.

112.1 GOLD STAR MEMORIAL AWARD

112.1A—Extra Small Club

FIRST: Berlin Heights Garden Club—Mansfield District

112.1C—Medium Club

FIRST: Aquilegia Garden Club—Cleveland District

112.1D—Large Club

FIRST: Westerville Garden Club—Columbus District

113 BLUE STAR/GOLD STAR MEMORIAL LANDSCAPING AWARD: for the most outstanding Blue Star/Gold Star Memorial Highway, Byway or Memorial Marker landscaping project.

113A—Extra Small Club

FIRST: Alliance Garden Club—Canton District

113C—Medium Club

FIRST: Emerald Necklace Garden Club—Cleveland District

113D—Large Club

FIRST: Avon-on-the-Lake Garden Club—Cleveland District

113.1 GOLD STAR MEMORIAL LANDSCAPING AWARD

113.1D—Large Club

FIRST: Westerville Garden Club—Columbus District

Second: Ridgewood Garden Club of Parma—Cleveland District

114 HOLIDAY PROJECT AWARD

114 HOLIDAY PROJECT AWARD—TREE

114A—Extra Small Club

FIRST: Cleveland Flower Arrangers Guild

114C—Medium Club

FIRST: Emerald Necklace Garden Club—Cleveland District

114D—Large Club

FIRST: Ridgewood Garden Club of Parma—Cleveland District

114E—Extra Large Club

FIRST: Gates Mills Garden Club—Cleveland District

114.1 HOLIDAY PROJECT AWARD—PROJECT

114.1B—Small Club

FIRST: Lake Shore Garden Club—Cleveland District

114.1C—Medium Club

FIRST: Chippewa Garden Club—Cleveland District

Second: Madison Garden Club—Cleveland District

Third: East Liverpool/Calcutta Garden Club—Cleveland District

HM: Avon-on-the-Lake Garden Club—Cleveland District

115 HISTORIC PRESERVATION AWARD: For the best effort by one member club for a historic preservation project such as the restoration of a park, building, and/or garden of importance to local, state or national heritage.

115A—Extra Small Club

FIRST: East Rochester Garden Club—Canton District

115D—Large Club

FIRST: Westerville Garden Club—Columbus District

Second: Avon-on-the-Lake Garden Club—Cleveland District

116 HISTORIC PROGRAM, TOUR OR TRAIL AWARD

116C—Medium Club

FIRST: Madison Garden Club—Cleveland District

117 DECORATION OF A HISTORIC BUILDING AWARD: For tastefully decorating a historic building/house/mansion. Decorations are not required to be of the period of the building, but should be creative, distinctive, and harmonize with the buildings style.

117C—Medium Club

FIRST: Berea Garden Club—Cleveland District

117D—Large Club

FIRST: Ridgewood Garden Club of Parma—Cleveland District

Second: Westerville Garden Club—Columbus District

117E—Extra Large Club

FIRST: Gates Mills Garden Club—Cleveland District

118 CIVIC PROJECT WITH NATIVE PLANTS AWARD: For the best effort in environmental preservation and enhancement of Ohio roadsides.

118D—Large Club

FIRST: Avon-on-the-Lake Garden Club—Cleveland District

Second: Westerville Garden Club—Columbus District

119 BUTTERFLY AWARD: For the most comprehensive and effective project on butterflies

119A—Extra Small Club

FIRST: Alliance Garden Club—Canton District

119C—Medium Club

FIRST: Westlake Garden Club—Cleveland District

Second: Perennial Gardeners of Chesterland—Cleveland District

119D—Large Club

FIRST: Avon-on-the-Lake Garden Club—Cleveland District
Second: Westerville Garden Club—Columbus District

120 LITTER, RECYCLING, OR RECLAMATION AWARD: For the most outstanding community project on litter prevention, reclamation and/or recycling.

120A—Extra Small Club
FIRST: River Road Garden Club—Toledo District

120B—Small Club
FIRST: Lake Shore Garden Club—Cleveland District

120C—Medium Club
FIRST: Chippewa Garden Club—Cleveland District
Second: Emerald Necklace Garden Club—Cleveland District

120D—Large Club
FIRST: Westerville Garden Club—Columbus District

121 ROADSIDE BEAUTIFICATION AWARD

121D—Large Club
FIRST: Westerville Garden Club—Columbus District

GARDEN THERAPY

131 GARDEN THERAPY AWARD: For the best work with the physically or mentally challenged in institutions or private homes.

131A—Extra Small Club
FIRST: Judges Study Class—Cincinnati District

131B—Small Club
FIRST: Shaker Farms Garden Club—Cincinnati District

131C—Medium Club
FIRST: Chippewa Garden Club—Cleveland District

132 GARDEN THERAPY SERVICE AWARD: For service to the elderly in institutions and/or private homes

132B—Small Club
FIRST: Corey Woods Garden Club—Toledo District

132C—Medium Club
FIRST: Aquilegia Garden Club—Cleveland District

132D—Large Club
FIRST: Ridgewood Garden Club of Parma—Cleveland District

132E—Extra Large Club
FIRST: Gates Mills Garden Club—Cleveland District

YOUTH

140 GARDEN CLUB YOUTH AWARD: For the garden club doing the most outstanding work with youth

140B—Small Club
FIRST: Highland Heights Garden Club—Cleveland District

140C—Medium Club
FIRST: Emerald Necklace Garden Club—Cleveland District

140D—Large Club
FIRST: Westerville Garden Club—Columbus District

140E—Extra Large Club
FIRST: Gates Mills Garden Club—Cleveland District

141 GARDEN CLUB YOUTH SERVICE AWARD: For the garden club doing outstanding work in the service area

141B—Small Club
FIRST: Shaker Farms Garden Club—Cincinnati District

141D—Large Club

FIRST: **Westerville Garden Club—Columbus District**
Second: Ridgewood Garden Club—Cleveland District

142 GARDEN CLUB YOUTH LEADER AWARD

142B—Small Club

FIRST: **Highland Heights Garden Club—Cleveland District**

144 YOUTH ESSAY CONTEST AWARD

144D—Large Club

FIRST: **Manpreet Randhawa—Twinsburg Garden Club—Akron District**

144E—Extra Large Club

FIRST: **Geneve Paulyn Turkish—Gates Mills Garden Club—Cleveland District**

YOUTH SCULPTURE AWARD

FIRST: **Roman Maximas Doran Turkish-Gates Mills GC-Cleveland District**

SMOKEY BEAR/WOODSEY OWL POSTER CONTEST AWARD

1ST Place **1st Grade Independence Garden Club—Cleveland District**
1st, 2nd, 3rd **2nd Grade Independence Garden Club—Cleveland District**
1st, 2nd, 3rd & HM **3rd Grade Independence Garden Club—Cleveland District**
1st, 2nd, 3rd & HM **4th Grade Independence Garden Club—Cleveland District**

YOUTH POETRY CONTEST

1st Place 2nd Grade **Highland Heights Garden Club—Cleveland District**
1st Place 3rd Grade **Highland Heights Garden Club—Cleveland District**
1st, 2nd, 3rd & HM **7th GradeHighland Heights Garden Club—Cleveland District**
1st, 2nd, 3rd & HM **8th Grade Highland Heights Garden Club—Cleveland**

LANDSCAPE DESIGN

151 LANDSCAPE DESIGN AWARD: For the individual member of GCO developing the most distinctive home landscape from an original plan

151D—Large Club

Second: Linda Sloan-Ridgewood Garden Club of Parma-Cleveland District

PHOTOGRAPHY

160 MY GARDEN

FIRST: **Susie Szabo-Perennial Gardeners of Chesterland-Cleveland**
Second: Rachel Hrusovsky-Perennial Gardeners of Chesterland-Cleveland
Third: Hope Rogers-Westerville Garden Club-Columbus
HM Jan M. Lowe-River Road Garden Club-Toledo

161 MY CONTAINER GARDEN

FIRST: **Debbie Schuckert-Chippewa Garden Club-Cleveland**
Second: Susie Szabo-Perennial Gardeners of Chesterland-Cleveland
Third: Christine Pappas-Perennial Gardeners of Chesterland-Cleveland
HM Ricki Bunkin-Perennial Gardeners of Chesterland-Cleveland

162 FLORAL CLOSE-UP IN MY GARDEN

FIRST: **Christine Pappas-Perennial Gardeners of Chesterland-Cleveland**
Second: Sue Godley-Perennial Gardeners of Chesterland-Cleveland
Third: Barbara Schuh-Gates Mills Garden Club-Cleveland
HM Kathy Kennedy-Westerville Garden Club-Columbus
HM Hope Rogers-Westerville Garden Club-Columbus
HM Deborah Wyght-Western Hills & Oakley Garden Club -Cincinnati

163 BIRDS IN MY GARDEN

FIRST: Linda Adams-Westerville Garden Club-Columbus
Second: David F. Smith-Westerville Garden Club-Columbus
Third: Deborah Wyght-Western Hills & Oakley GC-Cincinnati
HM Linda Westmeyer-Highland Heights Garden Club-Cleveland

164 INSECT CLOSE-UP IN MY GARDEN WITH FLOWERS

FIRST: Christine Pappas-Perennial Gardeners of Chesterland-Cleveland
Second: Cindy Mulligan-Cleveland Flower Arrangers Guild-Cleveland
Third: Deborah Wyght-Western Hills & Oakley GC-Cincinnati
HM Elaine George-Avon-on-the-Lake Garden Club-Cleveland
HM Linda Westmeyer-Highland Heights Garden Club-Cleveland
HM Jan M. Lowe-River Road Garden Club-Toledo

165 BUTTERFLY IN MY GARDEN WITH FLOWERS

FIRST: Cindy Mulligan-Cleveland Flower Arrangers Guild-Cleveland
Second: Kathy Kennedy-Westerville Garden Club-Columbus
Third: Vicki Muse-Westerville Garden Club-Columbus
HM David F. Smith-Westerville Garden Club-Columbus
HM Jan M. Lowe-River Road Garden Club-Toledo
HM Deborah Wyght-Western Hills & Oakley GC-Cincinnati
HM Anita Morman-Aquilegia Garden Club-Cleveland
HM Rachelle Hrusovsky-Perennial Gardeners of Chesterland-Cleveland
HM Gwenn Zoeller-Perennial Gardeners of Chesterland-Cleveland

166 BEE CLOSE-UP IN MY GARDEN WITH FLOWERS

FIRST: Barbara Schuh-Gates Mills Garden Club-Cleveland
Second: Kathy Kennedy-Westerville Garden Club-Columbus
Third: Steve Herminghausen-Westerville Garden Club-Columbus
HM Gwenn Zoeller-Perennial Gardeners of Chesterland-Cleveland
HM Christine Pappas-Perennial Gardeners of Chesterland-Cleveland
HM Linda Westmeyer-Highland Heights Garden Club-Cleveland

167 MY WATER GARDEN

FIRST: Hope Rogers-Westerville Garden Club-Columbus
Second: Noreen Butano-Chippewa Garden Club-Cleveland
Third: Christine Pappas-Perennial Gardeners of Chesterland-Cleveland
HM Jan M. Lowe-River Road Garden Club-Toledo

168 PUBLIC GARDENS

FIRST: Gwenn Zoeller-Perennial Gardeners of Chesterland-Cleveland D.
Second: Debbie Schuckert-Chippewa Garden Club-Cleveland
Third: Deborah Wyght-Western Hills &Oakley GC-Cincinnati
HM Rachel Hrusovsky-Perennial Gardeners of Chesterland-Cleveland
HM Noreen Butano-Chippewa Garden Club-Cleveland

169 FLORAL CLOSE-UP IN A PUBLIC GARDEN

FIRST: Cindy Mulligan-Cleveland Flower Arrangers Guild-Cleveland
Second: Steve Herminghausen-Westerville Garden Club-Columbus
Third: David F. Smith-Westerville Garden Club-Columbus District
HM Linda Adams-Westerville Garden Club-Columbus
HM Hope Rogers-Westerville Garden Club-Columbus
HM Barbara Schuh-Gates Mills Garden Club-Cleveland
HM Gwenn Zoeller-Perennial Gardeners of Chesterland-Cleveland
HM Christine Pappas-Perennial Gardeners of Chesterland-Cleveland

170 FLORAL DESIGN—FLORAL ARRANGEMENT

FIRST: Barbara Schuh-Gates Mills Garden Club-Cleveland
Second: Cindy Mulligan-Cleveland Flower Arrangers Guild-Cleveland
Third: Christine Pappas-Perennial Gardeners of Chesterland-Cleveland
HM Hope Rogers-Westerville Garden Club-Columbus
HM Vicki Muse-Westerville Garden Club-Columbus

171 FLORAL DESIGN—A TABLE DESIGN

FIRST: Deborah Wyght-Western Hills & Oakley Garden Club-Cincinnati
Second: Cindy Mulligan-Cleveland Flower Arrangers Guild-Cleveland

172 FLORAL DESIGN—SMALL OR MINIATURE DESIGN

FIRST: Deborah Wyght-Western Hills & Oakley Garden Club-Cincinnati
Second: Hope Rogers-Westerville Garden Club-Columbus

PUBLICATIONS

180 PUBLICITY PRESS BOOKS

180B—Small Club

FIRST: Shaker Farms Garden Club—Cincinnati District
Second: Lake Shore Garden Club—Cleveland District

180C—Medium Club

FIRST: Emerald Necklace Garden Club—Cleveland District
Second: Chippewa Garden Club—Cleveland District
Third: Madison Garden Club—Cleveland District

180D—Large Club

FIRST: Avon-on-the-Lake Garden Club—Cleveland District
Second: Westerville Garden Club-Columbus District
Third: The Herb Guild—Cleveland District

181 PUBLICATION AWARD

181A—District or Council Newsletter

FIRST: Columbus District Clubs—Columbus District

181.1B—Card

FIRST: Gates Mills Garden Club—Cleveland District
Second: Avon-on-the-Lake Garden Club—Cleveland District
Third: Westerville Garden Club—Columbus District

181.1C—Cookbook

FIRST: Gates Mills Garden Club—Cleveland District

181.2B—Flyer

FIRST: Twinsburg Garden Club—Akron District
Second: Emerald Necklace Garden Club—Cleveland District
Third: Avon-on-the-Lake Garden Club—Cleveland District
Third: Westerville Garden Club—Columbus District
HM The Herb Guild—Cleveland District

181.3B—Membership Brochure

FIRST: Emerald Necklace Garden Club—Cleveland District
Second: Westerville Garden Club—Columbus District
Third: Avon-on-the-Lake Garden Club—Cleveland District
HM The Herb Guild—Cleveland District

181.4B—Any other Brochure

FIRST: Creative Arrangers Guild of Columbus—Columbus District
Second: Westerville Garden Club—Columbus District

182 CLUB NEWSLETTER

182B—Small Club

FIRST: Lake Shore Garden Club—Cleveland District
Second: Corey Woods Garden Club—Toledo District

182C—Medium Club

FIRST: Chippewa Garden Club—Cleveland District
Second: Emerald Necklace Garden Club—Cleveland District
Third: Perennial Gardeners of Chesterland—Cleveland District
Third: Westlake Garden Club—Cleveland District
HM The Herb Guild—Cleveland District
HM Madison Garden Club—Cleveland District

182D—Large Club

FIRST: Westerville Garden Club—Columbus District
Second: Avon-on-the-Lake Garden Club—Cleveland District
Third: Twinsburg Garden Club—Akron District

182E—Extra Large Club

FIRST: Western Hills Garden Club—Cincinnati District

183 WEBSITE

183-A—Single Member Club

FIRST: Avon-on-the-Lake Garden Club—Cleveland District
Second: Emerald Necklace Garden Club—Cleveland District
Third: Chippewa Garden Club—Cleveland District
HM Westerville Garden Club—Columbus District

184 FACEBOOK PAGE

184—A-B-C---Extra Small, Small and Medium Clubs

FIRST: Chippewa Garden Club—Cleveland District
Second: Perennial Gardeners of Chesterland—Cleveland District
Third: Lake Shore Garden Club—Cleveland District
Third: Emerald Necklace Garden Club—Cleveland District
HM Madison Garden Club—Cleveland District

184—D-E---Large and Extra Large Clubs

FIRST: Westerville Garden Club—Columbus District
Second: Western Hills Garden Club—Cincinnati District
Third: Avon-on-the-Lake Garden Club—Cleveland District

YEARBOOK

200 MOST OUTSTANDING YEARBOOK

200A-Club Membership under 20

FIRST: Alliance Garden Club—Canton District
Second: Milan Garden Club—Mansfield District
Third: Berlin Heights Garden Club—Mansfield District
HM Creative Arrangers Guild—Columbus District
HM Clovernook Garden Club—Cincinnati District

200B-Club Membership 20-29

FIRST: Damascus Garden Club—Canton District
Second: Town & Country Garden Club—Mansfield District
Third: Lake Shore Garden Club—Cleveland District
HM Buckeye Garden Club—Mansfield District

200C-Club Membership 30-44

FIRST: St. Michael Garden Club—Canton District
Second: Madison Garden Club—Cleveland District
Third: Perennial Gardeners of Chesterland—Cleveland District
HM Chippewa Garden Club—Cleveland District
HM Emerald Necklace Garden Club—Cleveland District

200D-Club Membership 45-69

FIRST: Mayfield Village Garden Club—Cleveland District

Second: Avon-on-the-Lake Garden Club—Cleveland District
Third: Westerville Garden Club—Columbus District
HM North Canton Garden Club—Canton District
HM Ridgewood Garden Club of Parma—Cleveland District

200E-Club Membership over 70

FIRST: Western Hills Garden Club—Cincinnati District

FLOWER SHOW AWARDS

300 PETITE STANDARD SHOW

300—Petite Show

FIRST: Avon-on-the-Lake Garden Club—Cleveland District

301 STANDARD FLOWER SHOW

301A—One Member Club

Second: River Road Garden Club—Toledo District

301F—Two or more Member Clubs

FIRST: GCO Clubs of the Federated Garden Clubs of Cincinnati and Vicinity—Cincinnati District

302 STANDARD FLOWER SHOW IN A PUBLIC BUILDING

302A—One Member Club

FIRST: Chippewa Garden Club—Cleveland District

307 SMALL STANDARD FLOWER SHOW (one member club)

307—Small Standard Show

FIRST: Lake Shore Garden Club—Cleveland District
Second: Leaf and Blossom Garden Club—Akron District

308 BEST SCHEDULE FOR A STANDARD FLOWER SHOW

308A—One Member Club

FIRST: Avon-on-the-Lake Garden Club—Cleveland District
Second: Chippewa Garden Club—Cleveland District
Third: Highland Heights Garden Club—Cleveland District
HM River Road Garden Club—Toledo District

308B—Two or more Member Clubs

FIRST: GCO Clubs of the Federated Garden Clubs of Cincinnati and Vicinity—Cincinnati District

308C—District or Council

FIRST: Ohio Judges Council—Cleveland District

310 BEST SCHEDULE FOR A SMALL STANDARD FLOWER SHOW

310—Small Standard Show

FIRST: Leaf and Blossom Garden Club—Akron District
Second: Lake Shore Garden Club—Cleveland District

311 HORTICULTURE SPECIALTY FLOWER SHOW

311—Horticulture Specialty Show

FIRST: Highland Heights Garden Club—Cleveland District

321 BEST EDUCATIONAL EXHIBIT IN A STANDARD FLOWER SHOW

321A—One Member Club

FIRST: Lake Shore Garden Club—Cleveland District
Second: Chippewa Garden Club—Cleveland District
Third: Ohio Judges Council—Cleveland District
HM Avon-on-the-Lake Garden Club—Cleveland District

321B—Two or more Member Clubs

FIRST: GCO Clubs of the Federated Garden Clubs of Cincinnati and Vicinity—Cincinnati District

335 BEST STANDARD FLOWER SHOW FOR A STATE OR COUNCIL

335—GCO Convention 2022

FIRST: Ohio Judges Council—Cleveland District

TOP GARDEN CLUB AWARDS

400 OUTSTANDING GARDEN CLUB

400A—Extra Small Club

FIRST: Alliance Garden Club—Canton District
Second: Seven Hills Garden Club—Cleveland District
Third: River Road Garden Club—Toledo District
HM: Berlin Heights Garden Club—Mansfield District

400B—Small Club

FIRST: Lake Shore Garden Club—Cleveland District
Second: Shaker Farms Garden Club—Cincinnati District
Third: Highland Heights Garden Club—Cleveland District
HM: Corey Woods Garden Club—Toledo District

400C—Medium Club

FIRST: Chippewa Garden Club—Cleveland District
Second: Emerald Necklace Garden Club—Cleveland District
Third: Madison Garden Club—Cleveland District
HM Perennial Gardeners of Chesterland—Cleveland District

400D—Large Club

FIRST: Westerville Garden Club—Columbus District
Second: Avon-on-the-Lake Garden Club—Cleveland District
Third: Ridgewood Garden Club of Parma—Cleveland District
HM: Twinsburg Garden Club—Akron District

400E—Extra Large Club

FIRST: Gates Mills Garden Club—Cleveland District
Second: Western Hills Garden Club—Cincinnati District

GARDEN CLUB OF THE YEAR

401 GARDEN CLUB OF THE YEAR 2022

ALLIANCE GARDEN CLUB—CANTON DISTRICT

Congratulations to the garden clubs that sent in Award Applications. You ALL have won because you are involved in your community by sharing your love of gardening. On behalf of the Awards Committee, THANK YOU!!!!

Design Spotlight
Floral Design
Margaret DeWolf, Chairman

The Mansfield and Toledo Districts held the GCO 2023 Convention In Perrysburg, Ohio, on April 18-20. The theme for the Convention was ***Catch the Wave***, which was very appropriate as the Convention was held near the shores of Lake Erie. The title of the Flower Show was ***Splish Splash*** -- also very appropriate for the setting.

The convention flower show schedule listed the following entry:

> Design Division II, Section C, Class 9 "Waterspouts", a Tubular Design.
> A Creative Design incorporating Pool Noodles and dried plant materials. Staging panel required.

A Tubular Design is a Creative Design having dominant cylindrical forms throughout, composed of any material. It doesn't matter if the tubular construction is a single large tube or multiple smaller tubes. Plant material and other optional components complete the design.

The design I entered is shown below....and it won a top award!

The plant material used in the design included:

--Dried orange Protea, *Protea compacta*

--Various shades of green and light rose Sun Palms, *Ravenala adans*

--Yellow bamboo strip, Bambusoideae

In the design an orange swim noodle was placed on the black sculpture first and the yellow bamboo strip was placed next to circle through the design uniting the circular movement and complementing the yellow staging panel. The sun palms in various colors were components that added additional color and completed the design.

GCO Scholarship Fund Donations
Shirley Basista, Scholarship Contributions

This will be my last *Garden Greetings* report for the GCO Scholarship Fund. It has been a pleasure to serve since 2016. The new person in charge is Cornelia Wagener, so send all contributions to her. Her contact information is on Page 34.

Since the December 1, 2022, report there have been eight clubs who have contributed to the General Fund for a total of $1,650. Along with the Memorials and Honoraria of $135 we had a grand total of $1,785. Thank you to all who have donated -- we appreciate your support.

Your contributions continue to be welcomed and appreciated. Always remember we are a .....

TEAM --Together Everyone Achieves More

GENERAL SCHOLARSHIP FUND:

Canton District
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Cincinnati District
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Columbus District
Westerville GC **

Cleveland District
Emerald Necklace*****
Gates Mills GC******

Mansfield District
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Visit A Library!!
Horticulture Book Reviews
Helen Vladic, Chairman

Here are some horticultural reading recommendations for our members:

"Plant Parenting" by Leslie F. Halecek. "Everything a plant parent needs to take their plant collection---and plant knowledge---to the next level". The book is full of foolproof tips for dividing plants, saving and sowing seeds, plus much more. The book is illustrated with color photographs.

"The Herb Bible" by Stefan Buczacki is just that, an herb reference with advice on how to grow and use herbs for culinary and ornamental purposes. Another photo-illustrated book.

"Grow in the Dark" by Lisa Eldred Steinkopf – How to Chose and Care for Low-Light Houseplants. This book is a guide with a list of 50 low-light plants that will grow and thrive in dimly-lit homes and apartments. It includes how to troubleshoot for pests and disease and which ones are safe around pets.

The title of this book, **"The Sounds of a Wild Snail Eating" by Elizabeth Tova Bailey**, was given to me by a member of my club. I haven't looked for it yet, but was told it is very good.

LIFE MEMBERSHIP PERMANENT FUND FOR SCHOLARSHIPS
Jane Bodner, Life Membership

Welcome to our newest life members:

Linda Seitz- River Road Garden Club
Kay Yavorsky- River Road Garden Club
Pat Miller- Twinsburg Garden Club
Kathy Dickinson- Greenview Garden Club
Jan Lowe- River Road Garden Club
Karen Maxa- Seven Hills Garden Club
Kathy Kovatch-Down to Earth Garden Club
Cynthia Heselen-Worthington Hills Garden Club
Trisha Koelish- River Road Garden Club
Cheryl Doria- Afternoon Garden Club
Cheryl Brickman- Lake Shore Garden Club
Bev DeMarinis- Mohawk Garden Club
Margaret Bertin- Seven Hills Garden Club
Judith Morley-Avon on the Lake Garden Club

Remember that membership fees and donations go into the Permanent Fund for Scholarships. The principal is never touched, only the interest is used for scholarships. Please consider honoring a fellow club member through the Life Membership Scholarship Program. You can recognize an individual for service to your club, make a memorial donation, or as an individual become a life member. As the fund grows, so does the amount of the scholarship. It is truly the gift that keeps on giving.

GCO Scholarship Winners for 2023-2024

Aggie Goss
Scholarship Chairman

The scholarship winners for the 2023-2024 academic school year are Lauren Mellott, Leah Kloboves, Sonia Ramirez and Cara Robinson. A total of fifty thousand dollars was awarded to these four outstanding students. They are grateful for our investment in their education. Thank you to the GCO clubs and members for their generous contributions.

Lauren Mellott ($15,000) is a junior attending The Ohio State University. She has a GPA of 4.0 with a major in Agriscience and a minor in Agribusiness and Production Agriculture. She is intelligent, hardworking and serious about making a positive impact on her chosen field.
She states, "I would like to dedicate my life to educating about and advocating for the agriculture and horticulture industry".

Leah Kloboves ($15,000) is also studying at The Ohio State University. She is pursuing two degrees: Natural Resource Management with a Wildlife Specialization and Strategic Communication. She will graduate in May 2024 with two bachelor's degrees and plans to pursue a master's degree in Conservation Biology or Media and the Environment, which would allow her to combine her two degrees.

Sonia Ramirez ($12,000) is a sophomore studying at Colorado State University. She is enrolled in the Department of Horticulture and Landscape Architecture. Last summer she worked as an Americorps member, working to conserve surrounding ecosystems. She worked in the Medicine Bow, Arapahoe and White River National Forests and enjoyed learning about sustainability, ecology and the innerworkings of the forest service.

Cara Robinson ($8,000) is a junior at the University of Cincinnati with a major in horticulture. She has also worked in the retail industry at a greenhouse and garden center, as well at working at the Cincinnati Zoo. Cara works extremely hard and plans to obtain a master's degree in Plant Taxonomy and Biodiversity. She plans to eventually teach horticulture to share her love and knowledge.

Dorothy Kountz Grant Awards
Deanna Stearns, Chairman

Congratulations to our new President, Kathy Wagner. Under her leadership the Dorothy Kountz Grant will be available. As many of you already know, the following garden clubs have received up to $500 for a community project.

East Liverpool Garden Club used funds to add a natural stone staircase in their local park. They added soil, mulch and grass. Trees and flowering bushes were planted. Also, a plaque was added honoring Dorothy Kountz, benefactress of the Garden Club of Ohio, Inc. The grant money was much appreciated.

Berlin Heights Garden Club beautified the entrance and exit of the Peak Cemetery. Trees and several plants were included. This club partnered with the local American Legion to have an ongoing project at seven cemeteries.

Madison Garden Club has planted and maintained twelve-foot flower boxes at the Madison Village historic gazebo. The grant funds were used to build new flower boxes and to purchase plants, soil and fertilizer.

Funds were used by Lake Shore Garden Club toward renovating the Euclid, Ohio City Hall lobby water feature. The area is outside the City Council Chambers and the Mayor's office. This was a large project with a final cost of $6,700. The money was earned through fund-raisers, earning and donations.

Shaker Farms Garden Club worked with the City of Harrison to refurbish a large garden at the Harrison Community Center. The club members planted a native pollinator garden along with perennial herbs. Trees were pruned and many plants transplanted and divided. A blue bird box was added along with a mason beehouse and butterfly house. A group of seniors often helps with maintenance. The City of Harrison's maintenance crew also helps by doing the watering during times of drought. Total cost of this project was $1,032.

Our clubs have taken on large and small projects and made each community more beautiful.

The grant is still available. The rules and application are on the GCO website. The only change is to send your request to me at deannastearns482@gmail.com.

I am so proud of the accomplishments of each club and encourage you to take on a project as well.

"MUCH IS ACCOMPLISHED THROUGH THESE PARTNERSHIPS"

Garden Club of Ohio, Inc.
Mission Statement

Garden Club of Ohio, Inc. supports endeavors in every aspect of gardening through educational programs, horticulture and floriculture. We will show by means of example a responsible stewardship of our land.

Featured Projects: #1--The Sawmill Wetlands

Worthington Hills Garden Club

Carolyn Turner

This issue's first featured project is a David and Goliath story, a story of how private citizens went up against a powerful developer and saved a 17-acre piece of old growth forest and vernal pool wetlands.

Historically, Sawmill was a part of a much larger wetland that had been, over the years, sold and developed. Sadly, less than 10% of our wetlands still survive in Ohio, but they continue to be destroyed. In the mid-1990s this small piece of wetlands was thought to be saved and preserved in perpetuity in a deal reached with the Ohio EPA and the developers of the nearby commercial area. It was placed under the jurisdiction of the Ohio Department of Natural Resources (ODNR), Division of Wildlife. The preservation of the wetlands was to compensate for other wetlands destroyed in the development process. A member of our Worthington Hills Garden Club (WHGC) was at the time part of the Far Northwest Coalition that helped draw up the plan to keep the wetland undeveloped.

For some years, the wetland was used for wildlife education by area schools and birders. At some point the entire area was fenced, the gate locked and it sat--a green spot surrounded by a concrete jungle.

In December of 2012, my husband and I attended a packed, standing-room-only, public meeting after reading that Sawmill had been traded to a developer for a larger piece of property far from our neighborhood! The information was taken to our next WHGC board meeting and the decision was immediately made to join the fight to stop this swap from happening.

For the next 5 years, WHGC joined with conservation oganizations and local citizens - all wanting to stop the swap. Our club had a talented member who created petitions as well as a salamander mascot for the petitions. She distributed the petitions far and wide. The Garden Club of Ohio endorsed the petitions and later, so did the National Garden Club. We joined the organization "Friends of the Sawmill Wetlands", which had been formed by two people who lived in a nearby neighborhood.

WHGC was part of "Sawmill Saturdays" the first Saturday of each month. These events were created to draw people into the wetland and to enlarge the membership. Our members wrote letters to the editor in our local Columbus Dispatch newspaper, which provided a lot of coverage, thus keeping the issue alive. Meanwhile, Sawmill Saturday events continued and drew larger and larger numbers of adults and children - up to 200 at the end. Our club helped the children with craft projects, picked up trash, pulled garlic mustard, cut honeysuckle and created a Monarch Waystation.

In a gut-wrenching move, in November of 2017, the wetland was closed, and the gates locked due to a breach of contract litigation filed by the developer. We were not allowed back inside to tend our gardens or monitor our bird boxes.

The case slowly wound through the courts. In July of 2018, the Ohio Supreme Court refused to hear the developer's appeal of the 10th District Court of Appeals' ruling to return the wetland to the State of Ohio. The Sawmill Wetland was saved!

From 2018 onward, the Sawmill Wetlands has been lovingly tended. It has lost many large ash trees to the invasive emerald ash borer, but hundreds of trees have been and continue to be planted to replace them.

Three of the members of WHGC have voluntarily taken on the tasks of daily site management. Our relationship with the Division of Wildlife of ODNR has been one of mutual support. In 2019 the organization Friends of the Lower Olentangy Watershed (FLOW), invited Friends of the Sawmill Wetlands to come under their very large umbrella. They have obtained grants to purchase educational signage and a kiosk. They have funded the planting of hundreds of trees and provided volunteers to plant them. They brought a team of Americorps volunteers in to help us seed large pollinator gardens and to remove the majority of the fencing around the perimeter.

Sawmill has become a true educational area, with students from the Ohio State University using it for their Capstone projects, which have included studies and identification of the bats and mammals there. We have groups ranging from pre-school to high school for educational tours. Birders have identified 122 species of birds who call Sawmill their permanent home or pass through on their spring and fall migrations.

Petra Schmalbrock is on the left;

Toni Weiss on the right.

Last year the husband of a long time and now deceased member of the WHGCW made a generous donation for the purchase of 18 large trees, a bench and a monument to be installed at Sawmill in honor of his wife.

As the years have passed, some of the early supporters in the fight to save and care for Sawmill are gone, but new folks have always appeared and taken an active role in caring for this much loved place.

Featured Projects: #2-- The Rain Gardens Worthington Hills Garden Club

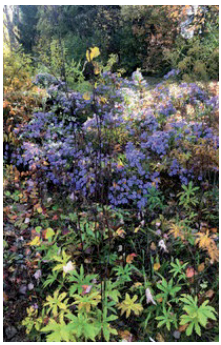
Anne Woods

Several years ago Worthington Hills Garden Club (WHGC) was alerted to a problem with harmful stormwater runoff finding its way into the Olentangy River, a state designated scenic river. The river is subjected to runoff of heavy metals, lawn fertilizers, chemical pesticides, dog waste, winter de-icing agents, leaky cars and litter. A lot of run off was literally happening in our own backyard, on the property where we have had our club meetings since our inception more than 50 years ago. The before photo shows the land after a spring rain looking like a river. Our club learned that installing a rain garden could increase water absorption by 30% thereby reducing the harmful runoff.

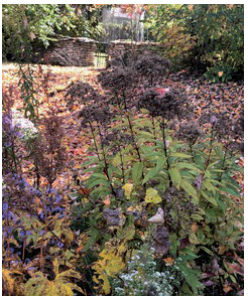
WHGC applied for and was awarded a $1500 grant from Franklin County Soil and Water Conservation District (FSWCD) to design and install two rain gardens and procure plants that would naturally filter storm runoff while promoting pollinator and wildlife habitat. The grant money was great seed money to push us forward. We had one member who is a member of FLOW (Friends of the Olentangy Watershed), one member with knowledge of rain gardens and a member with knowledge of native plants. With this core group we decided that planting a rain garden would help the river and also be a vehicle to educate club members and the public about using rain gardens as an ecologically sound alternative to turf grass.

In the end, the project was a collaborative effort with four organizations who provided engineering design, site excavation, rain garden design, planting and educational signage for two rain gardens. The overall effort had in-kind donations of $18,000.

Native plants were selected for the rain garden because of their deep roots and ability to survive both drought and flood conditions. And we had both at the site. Many of the plants survived the initial planting, and the FSWCD graciously replaced a number of plants that did not. Over the years WHGC has added additional plants as needed.



Our rain garden team even learned what plants survive well living in a lake, namely button bush and blue flag iris! In the early photos the rain garden plants look like twigs in a large gravel space. The fall 2023 close up photos taken by club member Larry Turner shows how the plants have grown and their beauty. We learned a lot and are certain the Olentangy River appreciates our efforts too!



GCO CLUB NEWS

Town and Country Gardeners of Alliance Mark Club's 70th Anniversary

From the Alliance Review

The Town & Country Gardeners of Alliance celebrated the club's 70th anniversary July 21, 2022. Festivities, including lunch, took place at the Spread Eagle Tavern & Inn in Hanoverton.

President Ann Haidet and Corresponding Secretary Barbara Shoemaker welcomed the group. Tables were set with miniature vases of garden flowers that later were given as prizes. Turquoise and pink favors of mini teapots filled with teabags and truffles were at each place setting.

During the meeting, life membership awards from the Garden Club of Ohio were presented to Judy Michaud and Eloise Bradford.

Lois Myers and Jo Peterson started the club in January 1951. A proclamation presented to the club from Alliance Mayor Alan Andreani was read by club President Ann Haidet. In the proclamation, Andreani announced July 21 was officially "The Town & Country Gardeners Day."

The 23 members of the Club meet once a month at various venues for programs on gardening and other special topics. Once a year in May a fundraiser is held to help with projects to Keep Alliance Beautiful.

The group came together for the photo below to mark the occasion.

GCO CLUB NEWS

Town and Country Garden Club, Norwalk

Martha Shample

The Town and Country Garden Club, Norwalk had a busy winter! At our November meeting we made cloth Christmas Trees, plaster medallions and other natural decorations to put on the Christmas Tree and mantels at the Norwalk Public Library. In December we spent our meeting decorating the tree and mantels at the Library.

In February we installed our officers for 2023: President, Annette Stroud – Vice President, Donna Pittenger – Secretary, Laurie Moyer – Treasurer, Sharlene White – Librarian, Nicole Skinn. We had a catered dinner to celebrate the occasion.

In March we had a speaker from the Ohio State University Extension, Tom deHaas, Agriculture & Natural Resources Director. We learned about the spotted lanternfly that is spreading into Ohio. We learned to recognize their nests and how to destroy them.

East Rochester Home and Garden Club

Susan Smith

In December 2022, members of East Rochester Home and Garden Club designed the decorations for the annual community Christmas Tree in solidarity with the gardeners of the Florida coastline. The tree is always located in the East Rochester Post Office during the holidays. This Christmas project has been chaired by Peggy Blevins and Carol Lippincott for many years.

Hurricane Ian devastated a part of the coast that many in our club have enjoyed during vacations. Ornaments were created using seashells that members collected during trips to the beach. Our club continues to send good wishes to all the gardeners recovering from this disaster.

GCO CLUB NEWS

Corey Woods Garden Club Celebrates 60 Years

Kitsie Valiton

Last December, the Corey Woods Garden Club (CWGC) celetrated its 60th anniversary with a luncheon at the historic and charming Toledo Club. The tables were adorned with many beautiful red and white poinsettis.

Twenty-seven members attended, including a three-generation trio of garden clubbers captured in the photo to the right: Kathryn Young, her grandmother Jane Revenaugh and her mother Julia Young.

And of course the requisite dignitaries were there, as shown in this photo: Susan Duckworth, President of the Garden Club Forum of the Toledo District and CWCG member, Pam Parker, CWGC President and Lucy Jane Webster, CWGC Historian and editor.

Summertime....

Emerald Necklace Garden Club
and
West Shore Arrangers
present

Jazz It Up

An NGC Standard Flower Show

Free and Open to the Public

Saturday, July 29, 2023 - 12:30 PM - 4:00 PM

Sunday, July 30, 2023 - 12:00 PM - 3:00 PM

Brecksville Community Center
1 Community Drive, Brecksville 44141

The Herb Guild Garden Club
37th Annual Scholarship Luncheon

An Essence of Ginger

Wednesday August 2nd, 2023

Emerald Event Center
33040 Just Imagine Drive
Avon, Ohio 44011
(North of I-90, Nagel Road Exit, Next to Cleveland Clinic)

Individual Tickets $45 (Tables of 10)

Boutique, Culinary, Side Boards, Cash Bar starts at 10:30
ANNUAL BASKET RAFFLE; SPECIALTY BASKETS
Credit Cards Accepted at the Event

Menu
Caesar Salad & Bread Stick
Chicken Parmesan with Pasta Marinara
Green Beans
Tiramisu

Vegetarian Option
Pasta Primavera with Seasonal Vegetables
(Lunch Served at Noon)

Tickets may be purchased after May 22nd through an Herb Guild Member or by contacting
Kathie Conrad (215) 872-9725
Mail: 461 Waterbury Circle, Berea, Ohio 44017
Make checks payable to The Herb Guild Garden Club

Westerville Garden Club's

WESTERFLORA
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32nd Annual *Free* Garden Tour
The Spirit of WesterFlora
Westerville, OH

Rain or Shine

Sunday, June 25, 2023
12-6 p.m.
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For information and tour maps go to **www.westerflora.net**

The Gates Mills Garden Club
Presents
Jewels from the Garden
An NGC Standard Flower Show
Featuring
Sparkle!
An Expanded Youth Division

Friday, September 15, 2023, 1:00 pm - 5:00 pm
Saturday, September 16, 2023, 10:00 am - 5:00 pm

Esquire's Cottage
1280 Chagrin River Road
Gates Mills, Ohio 44040

Free and open to the public.
Visit www.thegatesmillsgardenclub.com
for more information

Garden Club of Ohio, Inc. & Ohio Judges Council

55th SYMPOSIUM
October 3-4, 2023

Kingwood Gardens
Mansfield, OH

Instructors: Darlene Newell, Horticulture. Cucurbita (squashes & gourds) & Succulents,
Virtual Allied Topic, "Vertical Gardening"
Julia Clevett, Design, "Is it This or That – Traditional, Creative, or Abstract?"
Allied Topic, "How Judges Evaluate a Flower Show"

Open to All:
Please join us at beautiful Kingwood Gardens!

Symposium lectures are a continuing education process for judges but also an in-depth educational experience for all garden club members and other interested parties.

For more information:
Download the Symposium brochure on www.gardenclubofohio.org or
contact Jo'C Walker, Symposium Registrar at jocwalker20@gmail.com

33rd Lebanon Garden Tour & Scavenger Hunt
June 24 and 25, 2023
11a.m. to 5 p.m. (rain or shine!)

Come and enjoy the most unique gardens of historic Lebanon, Ohio. Castle turrets surrounded by luscious hosta at one garden. Walk the "private park" with a life-size chess game, pond and Hobbit dwelling. Check out the treehouse with a stained-glass window in a sumptuous woodland garden. Five private gardens and several public gardens including a pet cemetery, a flower farm, that will be having a Lavender Fest, and an ecological park are featured.

The scavenger hunt includes eight stops on the tour and a chance to win a prize. The gardeners will be on hand to answer questions and share gardening tips. Come and be inspired to beautify your own outdoor living spaces.

The tour is 11 am to 5 pm each day and begins at the:

Lebanon Train Station
198 Broadway St.
Lebanon OH 45036
Rain or Shine!

Wear your walking shoes for our spacious country and city gardens nestled among the hills and valleys of Lebanon! All proceeds go to the maintenance and beautification of the Train Station and grounds. Plan to spend the day, or a few hours, but save some time to eat at one of our local eateries and shop our quaint downtown shops.

Advance Tickets: $15.00
Purchase at:
The Village Parlor Restaurant & Ice Cream
The Brickhouse on Broadway – Personalized Gifts

Advance Sales: ONLINE TICKETS, $15.00 at www.wchsmuseum.org/gardentour

Tickets on tour days: $20.00.
Children 12 & under Free!

Sponsored by the Lebanon Council of Garden Clubs, Inc.

Email: LebanonGardenTour@gmail.com
Facebook: www.facebook.com/LebanonGardenTour2023
Website: www.ohioslargestplayground.com
Instagram: https://www.instagram.com/lebanoncouncil/

GARDEN CLUB OF OHIO CALENDAR

Dates to Remember for 2023

July 1.....*Garden Greetings* Deadline for Fall (September) Issue
August 9-10 .....GCO Board Meeting, Presidential Banquet Center, Kettering
September 20-22.....NGC Board Meeting, St. Louis, MO
September 5-13.....Fall District Meetings

Toledo	..... September 5
Cleveland	..... September 7
Canton	..... September 8
Mansfield	..... September 11
Columbus	..... September 12
Cincinnati	..... September 13

September 20-22 .....NGC Board Meeting
October 3-4.....OJC Symposium
October 11-12..... GCO Board Meeting, Presidential Banquet Center, Kettering
October 23-26 CAR Conference, Corning NY
November 3..... OJC Meeting
November 8-9..... GCO Holiday Shows:
South, Columbus, November 8
North, Cleveland, November 9
December 1 .....*Garden Greetings* Deadline for Spring (February) Issue

Dates to Remember for 2024

March 20-21…….. GCO Board Meeting, Presidential Banquet Center, Kettering
April 1…… *Garden Greetings* Deadline for Summer (June) Issue
April 16-18…… Annual GCO Convention, Cleveland
April 26……..OJC Meeting
May 6-15……Spring District Meetings

May 6……Toledo	May 13……Mansfield
May 7……Cleveland	May 14…… . Columbus
May 8……Canton	May 15…… Cincinnati

June 2-5…… …… …NGC Convention- The Westin Winchester, Denver, Colorado
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September 10… Cleveland	September 17……Columbus
September 11….Canton	September 18……Cincinnati

September……..NGC Fall Board Meeting
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November 7-8……Holiday Program
November 7 Columbus November 8 Cleveland
November 11……OJC Meeting:
December 1…… *Garden Greetings* Deadline for Spring (February) Issue

All dates are subject to change.
Please consult the GCO Website for the latest updates.

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