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Mission Statement

The Garden Club of Indiana, Inc.
Promotes
Interest and Education
in
Horticulture,
Landscaping,
Floral Design,
and
Environmental Concerns

From our President



THE PRESIDENTIAL GOURD

When Betty Leverett stopped by to hand off 2 plastic tubs of TGCI Presidential Stuff, there was a 3rd item—a long cardboard box. She handed it to me with care and the stern warning, “Take VERY good care of this.” It was almost as if a weight had been lifted from her shoulders. Inside, shrouded in a custom-made felt envelope, surrounded by bubble wrap, was The Presidential Gourd. “What’s the deal with this gourd?” you might ask. I asked the same thing. I found a few answers. As you can see, it’s not particularly beautiful. However, beauty isn’t the issue here; history is.

This is not the first Presidential Gourd. That one was broken by some unnamed person who undoubtedly wishes to be forever anonymous. Rumor has it that the remains of that cucurbit rest with our memorabilia in the Indiana State Library.

This 2.0 version was presented to 1981- 83 State President Gerry St. Peters by Jim Story of Pendleton who felt TGCI needed a replacement gourd. Jim was known for growing all sorts of gourds—some of which he twisted and tied into unique shapes as they developed with the idea of their being used in flower shows as containers or plant material. He would dry the gourds, often coating the inner part of the openings with paraffin making them waterproof. His stained or painted gourds could also be used as dippers, birdhouses, or as our gourd - the maranka gourd - an historical record.

Every retiring TGCI President starting with Gerry St. Peters has signed and dated The Presidential Gourd.

So I have been tasked with the responsibility of protecting a 40-year-old artifact for the next 2 years. I vaguely remember seeing it at a state convention some years ago. My guess is that it hasn’t seen the light of day except for a quick signing since then.

One of my sources suggested that Jim selected the maranka gourd on purpose due to its caveman’s club shape. When and if the need arises, I could wave it in a threatening manner to keep the Board in line. That would require that I travel 4 times a year transporting The Presidential Gourd, tempting fate with its safety.

No way! I’m not going to be the next person who drops the ball/gourd and goes down in garden club infamy.

I did allow The Gourd a brief respite from its dark existence when I carefully carried it outside for the photo shoot. You’ll have to satisfy your curiosity by looking at the picture.

Special thanks to Joyce Bulington, Ruth Moorhead and Gerry St. Peters for their help in writing this article.

Linda



The Presidential Gourd



PRESIDENT'S PROJECT GRANTS:

“PLANT AMERICA IN COLORS OF HOPE FOR CANCER AWARENESS”

Did your garden club plant one or more of its civic gardens or containers to celebrate the President's Project this summer? Do you anticipate a fall planting in the Colors of Hope for Cancer Awareness?

If so, save your receipts and take pictures. With documentation and a completed form, your club can receive a grant up to \$25 to help defray the cost of the flowers and recognize your participation.

The form can be found on the NEW TGCI website by selecting “Projects” under “What We Do,” or you can find it with the other forms under “Member Access.”

Applications can be sent using standard mail or email. They should be sent to Wanda Zahrt, Cancer Awareness Chair. Both her email address and home address are on the form. Email submissions must be in pdf format so that they don't get jumbled in the electronic process.

Thank you for taking part in this project. It's a very personal one for me, and I'm sure many TGCI members as well.



Application is on the next page



PRESIDENT'S PROJECT 2021-23



Plant America in the Colors of Hope for Cancer Awareness Grant Application

Deadline: December 1, 2021

DATE OF APPLICATION _____ CLUB NAME _____
DISTRICT _____

NAME & TITLE OF PERSON SUBMITTING GRANT APPLICATION _____

Email: _____ Telephone: _____

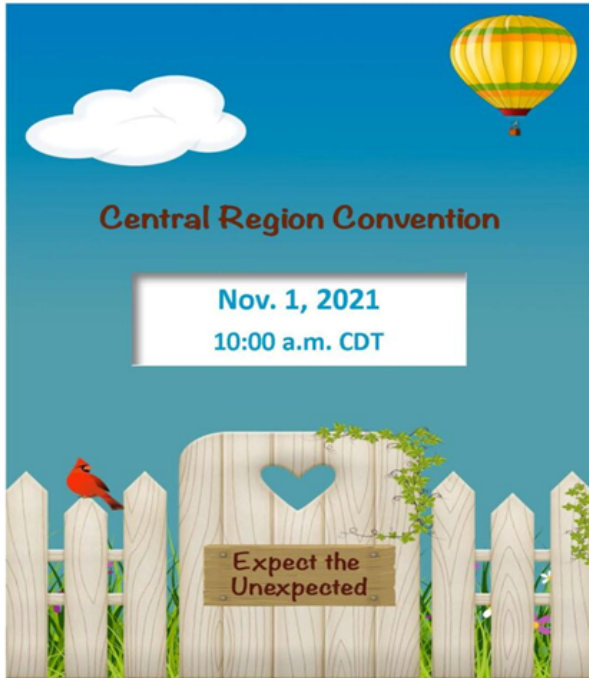
AMOUNT REQUESTED (UP TO \$25)

Provide detailed information about use of funds. (i.e. (Civic project only); Location; Member involvement; Cost of project; Color/Colors and Plants used; In Honor or In Memory; Benefit and visibility in the community. Attach copies of receipts for project cost, photos, any publicity). Email application must be .pdf format and photos must be .jpg format)

Email completed form to:

gardenclub.zahrt@gmail.com

Or mail to: Wanda Zahrt, Colors of Hope Chairman; 1247 N Links Rd, Winamac, IN 46996-8604



Members of Central Region
the **2021 Annual**
Central Region Convention
Update

**The Unexpected that We Expected
has occurred.**

Honoring the CR Executive Board's request, TGCI has changed the convention to a virtual Zoom Meeting. However everything, but the chairmen, is in file 13. CR Director Carol Yee and Alternate Director Laurel DeBoer have been encouraging us to provide fun, education and, of course, time to conduct the business of our region.

We are thrilled to announce that our honored guest will still be:
NGC President Mary Warshauer.

Everyone who has made reservations **must cancel by phone only** at this number.
1-800-455-9471.

- * Almost everything is being started from scratch again.
- * More information will be distributed when available.

Continue to Sow Seeds in your communities whether you are growing gardens, trees or membership. We are looking forward to seeing you in November.

Director Carol Yee
Alternate Director Laurel DeBoer
Chairman Joyce Bulington
Co– Chairmen Sue Fuhrman & Mary Jane Smith
The Garden Club of Indiana



Promoting Club Membership

Jim Pavelka - 2nd Vice-President - Membership Chairman

TGCI, Central Region, NGC awards update for 2021-2023

Now is the perfect time to begin filling out your entries for awards.
You or your club or district worked very hard and deserve to get some recognition.
The new forms for submitting are now on the TGCI website under the following:

TGCI awards application is under "Member Access" and is also under "Forms."

Central Region awards application is on the Central Region forms page and on the Central Region Awards Guidelines page.

NGC award application cover sheet is under TGCI "Forms."

If you want to see all of the possible awards that you, your club, and district could apply for, look up the TGCI Awards Manual, Central Region awards under Central Region website, and NGC website (awards section).

All 3 forms have been emailed to your district director to pass along to the clubs in your district. If you would like me to mail you a hard copy version, please let this chairman know and I will send you one. I am able to answer any questions you have. Please remember the due dates.
Central Region entries are due by September 10, 2021.

GOOD LUCK and let's see Indiana receive many deserved awards.

Jim Pavelka - TGCI Awards Chairman
jamespavelka@comcast.net

How to Promote Membership

If you are interested in having your club information posted in the club locator (FIND A CLUB) on the NGC website, please contact Emily Kiske at National Garden Clubs, Inc. HQ. EHuck@gardenclub.org. She will help you get listed, and that is one way of promoting your club.

James Pavelka - Membership Chairman

Engage Youth Through the NGC Poetry Contest!

By Susan E. Yoder - State Youth Activities Chairman

Many clubs are searching for ways to connect with youth in their communities. Whether offering youth-focused programs or simply inviting kids to attend one of your events, sometimes it's been challenging to find the things that resonate with young people. How about taking a different approach this year? Add the National Garden Club's Youth Poetry Contest to your club's schedule! The theme this year is "**Sing with the Songbirds- Exploring the Glory of Nature.**"

The 2021-2022 contest is open to all K-9th grade students. Research shows a strong connection between writing and interest in nature. So, as schools (and home schools) are preparing to return for fall classes, here's some tips to help you promote the contest:

1. Contact K-9 English teachers in your community. Tell them about the contest, recruit them to build the contest into their plans.
2. Contact youth organizations in your area (Girl Scouts, Boy Scouts, 4-H, FFA, religiously affiliated youth groups) – they are always looking for interesting project for their members!
3. Contact day care centers in your community. Their staff will appreciate having a fun activity to engage kids.
4. Advertise the contest on your social media – Facebook, Instagram and your website!
5. Encourage your club members to get their own grandchildren, children, and all the other youth in their lives to participate.

Club entries must be sent to the State Youth Chairman by December 1st. Then, State Winners must be sent to Regional Chairman by February 1, 2022 and Regional Winners must be sent to National Chairman by March 1. For all the details and guidelines, visit: <https://www.gardenclub.org/poetry-contest>.

NGC AND CENTRAL REGION NEWS

By President Linda Harkleroad

NGC President Mary Warshauer's Project—Plant America: Play Outdoors—has a clever online **Play Outside Workbook** for children, kindergarten through 5th grade. It has pages to color, suggested outdoor activities, and pages to log the dates and the outdoor activities. When completed, they can receive a certificate. For those of you with small children in the family, it's a fun way to encourage playing outdoors. This can be found on the NGC website under Youth Programs—no password needed.

The NGC **Photography** Committee is also sponsoring a series of seminars. Much interest has been shown in taking quality photos of flowers and wildlife. The committee has received funding to sponsor a series of online seminars. Watch your email for information on upcoming ones.

National Garden Club also decided to stop judging **program books** for a national award. The reasoning is that each club's yearbook is personal and fits the needs of the club and should not be held to a single rigid set of standards. They are now even published in a variety of ways: online, home copy machines, professional publishers. It is impossible for NGC to create judging criteria that would fairly reflect the diverse needs of each club. Program books will still be judged and awards given by Central Region and TGCI, however.

Finally on a national level, the **National Gardener** magazine is now published totally online and free to all gardeners—member or non-member. Simply go to the NGC website, search **National Gardener**, scroll down and click on subscribe. You will receive an email confirming your subscription, and when the next issue is published, it will automatically appear in your electronic mailbox.

On a regional level, the project of Central Region Director Carol Yee is Plant America: Sow the Seeds and Keep Growing. This unified project for the 7 states is to recognize individuals, clubs and states that **donate fresh fruits and vegetables to their local food pantries**. There will be awards on both local and state levels. If you are aware of any club that does this, send them to the Central Region website for the information about this worthwhile and unique project. There are monetary awards!

The Good, The Bad, And The Beautiful

The Garden Club of Indiana Wildflower Workshop

September 28, 2021

Fort Harrison State Park Indianapolis, Indiana

9:15am Registration

9:15am Welcome

**10:00am On the Lookout for *BAD* Guys: Invasives
and Their Native Look-a-likes**

presented by Dawn Slack, Director of Stewardship for the
Indianapolis State Chapter of The Nature Conservancy

11:00am Gardening for Wildlife

presented by Amanda Smith, Superintendent of Natural
Resources and Education for the Hamilton County Parks and
Recreation Department

12:00pm Lunch

1:00pm Native Plants for *Good* Insects and Pollinators

presented by Kevin Allison, Soil Health Specialist for Marion
County Soil and Water Conservation District

2:00pm The *Beauty* of Fort Benjamin Wildflowers

presented by Dylan Allison, Interpretive Naturalist at Fort
Harrison State Park

3:00pm Optional Guided Tour of Wildflowers (\$1 per person)



**The Garden Club of Indiana Wildflower Workshop Registration Form
September 28, 2021**

Fort Harrison State Park

at The Garrison Conference Center, 6002 N Post Road, Indianapolis, IN 46240

Registration Deadline September 8, 2021

Registration checks should be made payable to TGCI: \$35 members/\$45 non-members. Mail completed registration form & check to:

The Garden Club of Indiana, Inc.
c/o Cynthia Wright
5868 E 71st St, Suite E #136
Indianapolis, IN 46220

Questions about registration? Email: TGCIstatemeetings@gmail.com

Name: _____

Phone: _____

Address: _____

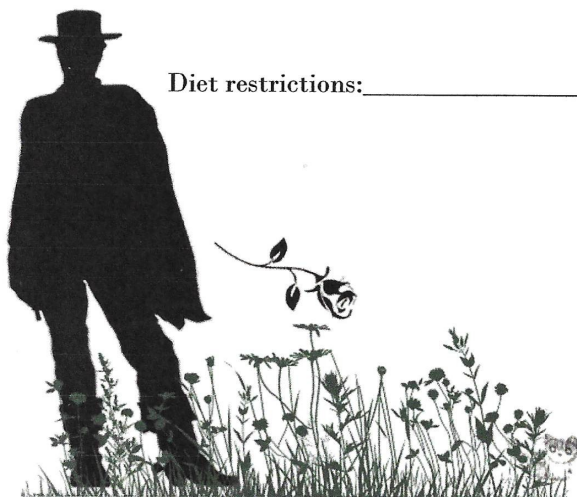
City: _____ Zip: _____

Email: _____

Club Name _____

Club District _____

Diet restrictions: _____



Overnight Accommodations:

There are many hotels in the Castleton Area, or you may wish to stay at the Ft. Harrison Inn or rent out one of the former officer's homes, both located in Ft. Harrison State Park. Information can be found at www.in.gov/dnr/state-parks

North West District

"Walk-About"

The Crown Point Garden Club hosted the "Walk-About" in July and it was so much fun sharing with everyone. The enthusiasm was so evident from everyone who was there. There was so much chatting and exchanging of ideas going on by all. And, the treat of lunch by the District was so enjoyed.

Crown Point club member Tish invited everyone to her house to see her garden as she lives right around the corner. Her garden is quite something, built on an extremely steep hill.

I think we all needed a day to be out and share what we love. Thank you Reggie for suggesting it. Which club will we "Walk-About" next year?



The "Walk-About" is a way of showing the garden club members of this district what each town consists of as far as projects that the clubs are working on or have completed, where gardens are located or maybe where the clubs meet. The group went into the Crown Point Court House and it was so very nice. We were given a history tour of the 2nd and 3rd floors and what rooms were used for ages ago, and what they are used for today. The lovely plantings around the court house were also done by the garden club members.



Boonville Garden Club

In Memory of Ada Luella Hoover, 98, passed away on Friday, July 24, 2020 in Evansville, IN. Ada was an Associate Member of the Boonville Garden Club. She was an excellent gardener, loved to cook, do ceramics, needlework and paint. Ada was survived by her children Michael Hufnagel (Suzanne) of Memphis, TN and Kenneth Hufnagel (Marilyn) of Evansville, IN. She had 5 grandchildren and 7 great-grandchildren.

We have stayed busy with the start of a new year. March brought the same officers back into office since we were unable to meet for most of 2020 due to the pandemic. We welcome Joni McWilliams in her position as Treasurer. We conducted our annual Geranium Sales and surpassed the past 3 years in sales. April meeting hosted Kim from Wild Birds Unlimited who spoke about Bluebirds and their habitat. We built bluebirds boxes and several members have reported they have their first broods!

We were fortunate to visit Hartman Arboretum in Evansville, IN the first week of May to see their many variety of trees already leafed out. The chestnut trees were beautiful! Two guests were invited, and in attendance, with our hope to add to our membership. Lunch was enjoyed outdoors following the tour. June was a discussion of herbs and their many uses in cooking. The ladies displayed a pretty and very tasty dessert table and recipes were exchanged.

Thelma Whoberry Vice-President



Joni McWilliams helping Sue with her build



Judy Heath completing her bird box



Sue Cundiff and Judy Titzer with completed boxes

Crown Point Garden Club

Annual Yard Sale on Saturday, 8/21/21, at Shelter #6 in the Lake Co. Fair Grounds, Crown Point IN from 8:00 - 4:00. Many treasures available such as children's toys, Christmas ornaments and decorations, household items, outdoor items for your deck and patio, pots for outdoor plantings, books, and much more!

Annual MUM Sale on Friday, 9/10/21, at the same location and time. The mums are expected to be bigger and better than ever this year - there will be several that are "bush size" and it only takes one to totally fill a half barrel. Last year was a sell out by early afternoon.

Fall Creek Garden Club



Fall Creek Garden Club members Jane Morin and Linda Foster serve strawberry shortcake.

Members of the Fall Creek Garden Club started the summer “in the dirt” with a presentation by Kevin Allison, Soil Health Specialist, Marion Co. Soil and Water Conservation District at his three plots in the Mayor’s Garden at Eagle Creek. Kevin provided information and tips on improving soil health through conservation practices such as no-till, cover crops, mulching, crop rotation, nutrient management, and native plantings for beneficial insects and pollinators.

After the presentation, we enjoyed strawberry shortcake, the perfect way to start the summer season and celebrate a sunny day, made more beautiful by spending it outside with members of the Fall Creek Garden Club.

Carol Michel
Club President

Plant America in Colors of Hope for Cancer Awareness

 All Cancers Lavender	 Head & Neck Cancer Burgundy/Ivory	 Pancreatic Cancer Purple
 Appendix Cancer Amber	 Kidney Cancer Orange	 Prostate Cancer Light Blue
 Bladder Cancer Marigold/Blue/Purple	 Leiomyosarcoma Purple	 Sarcoma/Bone Cancer Yellow
 Brain Cancer Grey	 Leukemia Orange	 Stomach Cancer Periwinkle
 Breast Cancer Pink	 Liver Cancer Emerald Green	 Testicular Cancer Orchid
 Cervical Cancer Teal/White	 Lung Cancer White	 Thyroid Cancer Teal/Pink/Blue
 Childhood Cancer Gold	 Lymphoma Lime	 Uterine Cancer Peach
 Colon Cancer Dark Blue	 Melanoma Black	 Honors Caregivers Plum
 Esophageal Cancer Periwinkle	 Multiple Myeloma Burgundy	
 Gallbladder/Bile Duct Cancer Kelly Green	 Ovarian Cancer Teal	



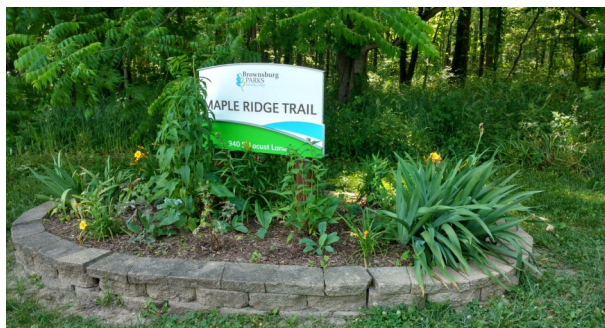
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Friendly Garden Club

The final meeting for fiscal 2020 was held at Christ Lutheran Church in Brownsburg on March 18, 2021. Seventeen members were present. The meeting consisted of a renewal of friends and an update of last year's ongoing projects with the Brownsburg Parks Department and the B & O Trails. The three at Williams Parks were as follows: 1. The Blast off Playground Planter (which we will no longer maintain), 2. The Maple Ridge Trail Head area and 3. The Williams Park Outdoor Learning Center, renamed by Sue Arnold as "The Culinary Beds." At the close of the meeting, Colletta Kosiba's "Great Landscaping Ideas" program gave us ideas, motivation, and a jump start to move into the new year 2021 with gusto.



B & O Trail Plantings



Maple Ridge Trail planting at Williams Park

At the April meeting it was noted that the Brownsburg Library manager felt that some beautifications were needed on the grounds of the property, namely around the gazebo. Inasmuch as Colletta had researched this sometime ago we took her suggestions, tweaked them and completed 85% of the plantings in May. Also in May our plant auction was held at Sandy Bettner's home with 28 members and seven guests present.

Auctioneers Mary Ahles, Beth Frailey and Debbie Salisbury made it a fun, profitable and wonderful time. It was great to be back to normal once again. We will be traveling to Soules Garden in July and Oliver Winery in August.

Virginia (Ginny) Brauer, President
Sue Arnold/Gail Douglas, Photographers



Williams Park "Culinary Beds"



Beth Frailey, Kathe Rae and Debbie Salisbury looking over items to be sold



Friendly Garden Club



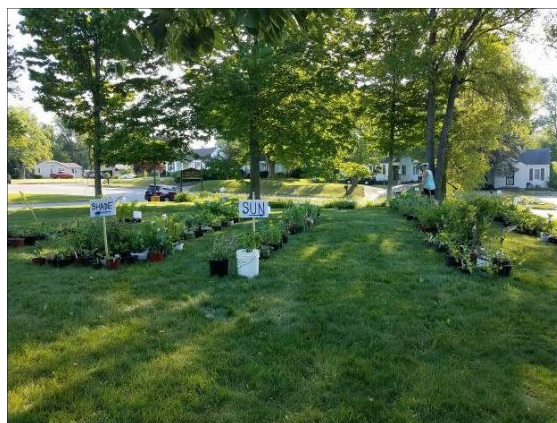
Brownsburg Public Library gazebo



Brownsburg Public Library Planters

Garden Club of Michiana

The Garden Club of Michiana held its annual plant sale on Saturday, June 5, at a local church parking lot in South Bend. It was a huge success. People were lined up 30 minutes ahead of the posted start time of 9:00 a.m. We had advertised on Facebook, among other places, and felt obligated to honor the start time for those who came at the stated start. As it was, we were 80% sold out an hour into the sale! We made almost \$3,000, most of which will be donated to our favorite horticultural charities, including the scholarship fund of the TGCI! Attached are pictures from the sale.



A few of the items for sale



Members of the Garden Club of Michiana helping at the sale



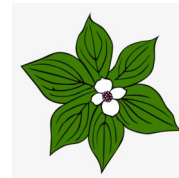
People lined up waiting for the sale to start.

Hendricks Garden



In April, Hendricks County Garden Club members were so happy to once again mingle with the public, and to share our garden-grown plants and garden tips with visitors at our annual plant sale. The sale was a great success and at the same time, we were able to tell those we met there about our club and what club membership means to us.

During our April meeting, member Judy Wessel conducted the workshop “Design Elements Using Silk Flowers.” Judy brought hundreds of silk flowers and gave us helpful instruction as we each created arrangements with them. Later, Judy summarized the workshop with a well-done slide show, illustrated with some of our efforts on that day.



In May, we held a small standard flower show, with the theme “My Indiana Home,” organized and planned by member Barbara Stauch. Edie Dyer-Wilson (of the Sullivan County Garden Club) was our judge that day. We enjoyed her participation at the event, and welcomed the constructive criticism that she offered on our entries.

Deloris Elza
Club President

Hendricks Garden



One of the things that club members enjoy in the spring is the care-taking and refreshing of the plots we maintain at the I-70W (Plainfield) rest stop: the Blue Star Memorial, the Plant It Pink Garden, and the tiny bed at the flagpole there.



Another community contribution, by one of our members (Ann Tussey), is the large urn planting at Danville Public Library memorializing one of the library patrons.



One of the finest gardens in Indiana can be found at Newfields, formally the Indianapolis Museum of Art and its grounds. In June, we had a thoroughly enjoyable day having lunch and conducting our monthly meeting in the cafeteria; then we toured the gardens. What beauty and inspiration can be found on those grounds (great memories and fellowship, too)!

We are looking forward to a wonderful summer and wish the same for all of the member clubs of The Garden Club of Indiana, Inc.

Iris-Elm Garden Club

The Iris-Elm Garden Club announced the completion of the Blue Star Memorial Byway Marker, a 6-year project which focused on developing the area surrounding the Freight Depot at 200 East Main Street in Winamac.

The Iris-Elm Garden Club wished to honor past, present, and future service members through this project. The Blue Star Memorial Program's origins began in 1944 when the New Jersey Garden Club planted 8,000 dogwood trees along a highway as a living memorial to veterans of WWII. In 1945, the National Garden Club adapted the idea and established the Blue Star Program, which placed Blue Star Memorial plaques on highways and by-ways across America to honor service members.

The Iris-Elm Garden Club project was made possible by a 2021 grant from the National Garden Clubs (NGC) through their Plant America Community Project Grant. In partnership with the Winamac Town Parks' long range plans, the Iris-Elm Garden Club completed the project in three phases. Phase I was completed on August 14, 2016, with the installation of the Blue Star Memorial By-Way Marker at the Freight Depot, with plans to expand the development of the area. Continued care and maintenance of the area remains ongoing. The Second Phase was the expansion of the brick apron near the marker and additional landscaping in the form of a pollinator garden. This made it more inviting to enjoy the caboose and the Freight Depot, as well as providing a bee and butterfly friendly garden. The Third, and largest phase, was completed this month with the planting of 12 dogwood trees. This spectacular landscaping is in keeping with the 1944 origins of the program and serves as a living memorial to our service men and women. The Winamac Pathway Park is now even more inviting to bees and butterflies, and our community at large.

This third phase was the biggest and most difficult to complete. The members of the Iris-Elm Garden Club are deeply grateful for the work and support of Boy Scout Troop #229 and area businesses and our community. Our thanks for the financial support from the Club of Indiana, Inc., and the grant from Grant. This 6-year project was a true

North Central District of The Garden the Plant America Community Project community effort!



David Zahrt
Wanda Zahrt

Munster Garden Club

The Munster Garden Club members are enjoying being able to meet in person again and have activities continue once more. Meetings are now held in person at a member's spacious garage until the library meeting rooms reopen.

At our last meeting, Bob Kress from Lakeshore Bee Keepers Association educated us about bees and their habits and the marked changes in populations over the years. In May, we held our annual plant sale which was very successful. Being able to work together again was wonderful.

In late June, our annual popular garden walk returned after being canceled in 2020. This year's walk included 8 beautiful gardens who wowed those that attended. Even the torrential rains and tornado warnings that weekend didn't keep people away. The club provided funds for several projects in the community this Spring.

Members Liz Starewicz and Patty Nourie recently planted native plants in two empty raised planters outside the Munster Public Library. Our club recently donated funds to Humane Indiana for a specialized incubator they have been needing, and additional donations were given to a Girl Scout working on her Gold Award for her to build raised beds outside Hammond Elementary for a gardening program for students.

Our next project will involve enhancing the entrance to White Oak Park with plantings. In July, members will take a field trip to a daylily farm in Valparaiso. We are also working on increasing membership and have welcomed four new members over the last two months.

Mariellen Smith Club President



Helga Meyer, Diane Shaw, Jayne Glass, Mariellen Smith



Liz Starewicz and Patty Nourie recently planted native plants in two empty raised planters outside.

Petal and Stem Garden Club

Annual Plant Sale success with raising money and sharing knowledge of plants



Cindy Haworth and Ginger Martin price plants for plant sale.

Spring came alive and so did the members of Petal and Stem. Our first meeting of the year, because of COVID, was our annual plant workshop where we prepared for our plant sale. We met at Ruth Bane's home to divide and pot the extra plants from our gardens. We also purchased annuals from the Amish auction and a local greenhouse that sells to us at a discount. Members also potted plants at home and brought them to the plant sale. There was a good variety and the few left over plants were

donated to the museum for their beds.

The plant sale was held on the grounds of the Wayne County Historical Museum. It was not only a chance to make money for our club but to also share our knowledge of plants with those purchasing them. Besides plants, our boutique was open offering fun garden-related items for people to purchase. This year the sale was only one day, and we followed all the COVID restrictions.

There were enough members working the sale that some could do gardening work around the museum. It is amazing how there are always weeds to pull!



Pat Murphy discusses plants with a customer.



Pat Murphy, Suzi Poe and Cindy Haworth work on gardens around the museum.

Members help bring beauty to the Rose Garden



Janice Hirschfeld, Pat Jarvis and Pat Murphy pull weeds in the Petal and Stem rose bed. Ann Herrman takes mulch to the rose bed.

The fertilizer was a different kind this year so a new process was used that took more time. Several of our members not only work in the Petal and Stem bed but also have their own beds they maintain.

All the work has paid off because the Rose Garden has never looked better. People come from all over to see the 1700+ roses of all varieties and colors. Our July meeting we will have a speaker talk to us about the roses and the history of the garden.



One of our civic projects includes working in the Richmond Rose Garden. Petal and Stem has its own rather large rose-bed and is responsible for weeding and dead-heading. This year the Rose Garden Board added new things to do by amending the soil. In the spring all the dirt was turned over in the bed, compost was added and then worked into the soil. After that was completed mulch was added and the first application of fertilizer. The



Jean Campbell not only works in the Petal and Stem bed but also has her own bed she maintains.



Invasive plants topic for meeting

At the June meeting, Richard Smith talked to the club about invasive plants. Pat Jarvis introduced him and the meeting was held at Hayes Arboretum in the newly remodeled annex.



The committee of Barb Shirden, Suzi Poe and Cindy Haworth served refreshments

**Ann Herrman
Club President**

Spring Green Garden Club

Spring Green Garden Club held a Teacup Garden Workshop via Zoom on Thursday, June 24th with 7 participants. The workshop was led by Cathy Reed Weber who provided instruction in preparing both live and faux succulents, repurposing containers, and adding whimsical elements for interest.

Workshop kits were delivered the day before the workshop and included all the materials needed. Participants selected their own containers for the project. Some of the repurposed containers used include a broken Polish bread bowl, a teacup gifted by a beloved family member, and matching camping mugs belonging to a newly-wed couple. The resulting arrangements can be displayed indoors, tucked into a bookshelf corner or in a quiet corner to delight the viewer with an unexpected bit of whimsy to brighten their day.



Cathy Weber
Yearbook Chairman

Syracuse - Wawasee Garden Club

By Joyce Arleen



Pavilion Center Extraordinaire WACF

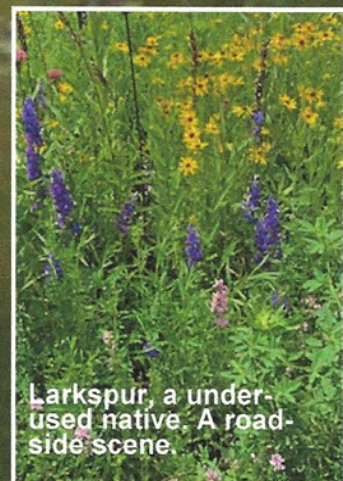
**Meet, Greet, Sit, Eat, Chat,
Appreciate!
Into the Summer Touring
the Nature Trail**



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ing butterfly milkweed can
be a challenge. I upcup
my seedlings for anyone
interested.



Larkspur, a under-
used native. A road-
side scene.

Syracuse-Wawasee Garden Club gains membership from Town and Country in North Central Indiana. Our Kosciusko County has over 100 lakes to enjoy. Many of our flower designs are near water or have a lake name.

Vale of Paradise Garden Club

Vale of Paradise Garden Club members started this spring with a program about “Spring Bird Migration,” given by Char Ferguson, a retired DNR naturalist. It was interesting and informative.

On Memorial Day we placed a wreath at our Blue Star Memorial. In June we had a box lunch outdoors and also an auction among ourselves to raise money for the TGCI scholarship fund.

Summer is just beginning with more activities and garden projects to come.

Linda Dingee Club President



Our Blue Star Memorial



Auction Items



We made a 5 second video at the request of the NGC saying the name of our city and state and playing outdoors in our native garden with props (in the rain).



Naturalist Char Ferguson

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