

North Central District
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Madam President

The North Central District continues to be busy with educational programs, field trips and as the holiday season approaches Christmas parties.

Four Winds GC- Oct thru December

In October Four Winds presented a program on Hummingbirds by club member, Jan Stutz. November's program was a trip to Varner's Greenhouse in Niles to view their Poinsettia display. On November 7 Four Winds held their annual scholarship auction and grossed nineteen hundred dollars (\$1,900). Job well done!
December will be a Christmas party and dinner that is still in the planning stages.

Garden Club of Michiana-Oct thru December

October finds the Garden Club of Michiana at Howard Park in South Bend. Don Keim presented the fascinating story about ferns.
November -It was Thanksgiving, so no meeting.
December-The club will have their Annual Christmas Luncheon and continue the tradition of donating to Broadway Christian Church items for the needy and the homeless.

Iris Elm Garden Club-Oct -December

In October members met to create pumpkin centerpieces as their annual fund raiser. The pumpkins were offered for sale at Harvest Hoot in Kewanna and grossed \$500.
November's program was by Patchwork Acres Farm. Felicia Nicholson, the owner, gave an overview of goat farming and the development of her varied goat milk products.
December will be a wrap-up and review of the year with lunch at a local restaurant. Members will be donating items for the local food pantry.

Monticello Garden Club-Oct -December

On October 21st Monticello Garden Club dedicated their Blue Star By-Way Marker. Several TGCI BOD members attended, including Jayne Kesler, TGCI President.
November- The club used this time to plan for 2024.
December-as with other clubs, December's program will be a Christmas party at Whyte Horse Winery in Monticello.

Peru Garden Club-Oct -December

October's program was presented by Sleeping Bear Herbs
November was a Harvest Dinner and program by Harold Allison, Journalist, and naturalist.
December will be a Christmas Party at Andrea Thomas' Home and the program will be "Christmas Folklore."

Syracuse-Wawasee Garden Club-Oct -December

October found the club finalizing all things related to hosting the Oct 25th NC District Meeting. The club did a wonderful job, in a great location. The catered lunch was delicious and all who attended enjoyed the hospitality.

November's program was Cooking with Herbs and members were asked to sign up for an herb and prepare a dish using that herb for everyone to sample.

December 5th was their annual Christmas Party Carry-In at the WACF.

Terra Verde Garden Club-Oct -December

October was a visit to Todd's Pumpkin Farm for a tour and then lunch afterwards.

November's meeting was "Winter Floral Design" by member, Sue Cummings. Members brought greenery and other items from their gardens to create individual designs.

December will be a Christmas Party and Social Evening at Cummings' Home. Members will bring an appetizer and gifts suitable for donation to local charities for distribution to families in the community.

Respectfully submitted.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "W. B. Zahrt". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large, looped initial "W".