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2019-2021

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"Plant America with
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2019-2021

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Plant America

Jan 2

Mar 1

May 1

July 1

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Mission Statement

The Garden Club of Indiana, Inc.

Promotes

Interest and Education

in

Horticulture,

Landscaping,

Floral Design,

and

Environmental Concerns



Greetings from the President!

As gardeners, our new year begins in the spring. In March we start to see green, and spring flowers come to life bringing the anticipation of color and hope. Hope has been our encouragement this past year, and hope will continue to move us forward as we begin to enjoy the renewal of life. We can begin to look forward to the months ahead with renewed optimism

Despite the challenging times we have come through, it has also been a time for renewed creative spirits as your clubs persevered keeping your hopes up, your projects going, AND, bringing in new members. Creativity meant thinking outside the box, and you did exactly that which kept us going, and going, and going.

By the time you read this our new website will be up and available for all to read and use. Many have worked on this project making it the success it is and a huge thank you goes to all involved. Please take the time to look at it and encourage your club members to use it as the great tool it is meant to be for members and potential members.

I hope you will join us for our Zoom state convention on April 28. We'll have a short business meeting, installation of new officers by our National President, Mary Warshauer, and then a great speaker, Kirk Brown. It will give you a chance to "see" friends and to feel a part of TGCI again. More information along with the registration form is on the website.

It has been a great honor to have served as your state President the past two years. Your kindness and encouragement have made it a privilege to proudly work alongside you as we traveled through challenging and successful times. I look forward to seeing you down the garden path.

Betty

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Blue Star Memorial



In nine decades the Garden Clubs of Indiana, Inc. have dedicated their talents to recognizing and assisting the United States war efforts from encouraging garden clubs to cooperate with county or city defense organizations, planting Victory Gardens and joining in the Victory Campaign wartime activities, and assisting in landscaping permanent army camps and military areas in the state. Those projects included Stout Field, Fort Benjamin Harrison, Camp Atterbury and providing flowers at the Wabash Street branch of the Indianapolis Servicemen's Center. In 1948 The Garden Club of Indiana, Inc. joined with the National Council project in purchasing "Seeds for Peace" vegetable seeds to be sent to European countries to help alleviate the starvation of people in Western Europe.

During the Post World War II era, thoughts turned to suitable memorials to honor the service men and women. In 1946 at the Annual Meeting of National Council of State Garden Clubs, the Blue Star Memorial Highway was adopted as a national project. The project proposed placing bronze markers bearing a star on the national network of highways. The Blue Star symbolized the star on the service flag, a tribute to those who defended the United States in World War II. In 1951 the memorial was extended to include all men and women who served, were serving or would serve in the Armed Forces of the United States.

the 1949 session of the Indiana Legislature prepared a bill to designate the route in Indiana which would participate in the project of the National Council. Highways U.S. 40, U.S. 31 and U.S. 24 were the first highways designated. Since then I-70, a portion of U.S. 50, I-65 and I-69 have been added.

The first Blue Star Memorial marker was dedicated at Richmond, IN. One in Fort Wayne was dedicate and one in Terre Haute followed by one in Peru, IN. From that commitment which began in 1950, sixty-one Blue Star Memorials have formed a ribbon honoring those who have served, are serving, or will serve in the Armed Forces. Our first Gold Star Memorial has been purchased and is to be dedicated on May 31, 2021, in Wolf Lake Park in Hammond, IN.

Jayne Kesler
Blue Star Memorial Chairman

Blue Star Memorial



World War II Veterans Honored on Decoration Day 1951



WORLD WAR II VETERANS HONORED BY BLUE STAR MEMORIAL PLAQUE ON DECORATION DAY 1951: In 1945 following World War II the National Council of State Garden Clubs started a program to pay tribute to the United States Armed Forces by marking State Highways as Blue Star Memorial Highways. The single blue star was used on service flags to denote a service member fighting in the war, thus the name Blue Star Highway. The program expanded after 1945 to include memorial markers on highways so designated in nearly all states. In 1951, US Highway 31 from Indianapolis to South Bend was designated as a Blue Star Memorial Highway, with the appropriate brass marker erected at a location one mile north of Peru on Hiner's Hill. Concern among the local National Council of Garden Club members arose when plans were announced for an Indiana State Police subdistrict post to be erected upon the same site then owned by the State of Indiana. The hillside location was chosen for the State Police Post since it provided the correct sea level altitude to assure dependable radio coverage for police operations. The Garden Club members concern was allayed with the announcement that a roadside park would be created surrounding the Blue Sky Memorial Highway marker which was located 1 and one half mile north of Peru. The Indiana State Police assured the local Garden Club members who cared for the area that structures erected would be residence-type buildings, including landscaped grounds, picnic tables, and restroom facilities under shelters for benefit of the motoring public within the roadside park. Those taking part in the unveiling celebration included members of the local National Council of Garden Clubs, the Veterans of Foreign Wars post and Glen Owens Post Number 14 of the American Legion and invited all local veterans and service personnel to attend in uniform. Peru in 1951 had the distinction of being the only city outside of Indianapolis to become the intersection of two Blue Star Memorial Highway routes when U.S. 24 from Fort Wayne to the junction with U.S. 31 in Peru was also designated. This photo, provided by the Miami County Museum Archives, was donated to the Miami County Museum by the Edith Holman Estate.

Jayne Kesler
Blue Star Memorial Chairman

PLANT FOR CANCER AWARENESS

My incoming State President's Project for the next 2 years is to be an expansion of the Plant It Pink program. Instead of highlighting the fight against breast cancer alone, my theme: Plant America in Colors of Hope for Cancer Awareness encompasses the many other forms of this frightening disease.

I encourage clubs to take a look at the many ribbon colors associated with the various types of cancer and plant their parks, civic spaces and homes in memory of the victims of one or several of these types of cancer. Colors chosen can be in honor of a family member, club member or friend. Without question, cancer has touched all of us in one way or another.

Wanda Zahrt is the nominated state chair for this project, and she and her committee will meet to determine incentives and awards for the clubs and individuals participating. The amount available for awards will be determined at the June Board of Directors meeting.

This announcement is being made now in order for clubs to be eligible for awards in 2021. As you plan your individual and civic plantings this spring, consider dedicating one or more of your gardens or containers in honor of someone who faced this heart stopping diagnosis.

Linda Harkleroad
TGCI President Elect





I'm so excited.



All garden club members ***Dance with Nature*** on a regular basis. With that in mind, TGCI is pleased and excited to invite all members and non-members (with you as their sponsor) to our Annual State Convention.

90 years of Dancing with Nature

The Garden Club of Indiana, Inc. is thrilled to bring a super-de-duper guest speaker to educate and entertain you on our dance turf. For a registration fee you can sit in your sweats with a cup of tea, shot of vodka, glass of soda or a tumbler of ice water. Oh, of course you may also have your cup of coffee next to your recliner or by your favorite corner of the couch.

The entire convention will **begin, at 2:30 EDT**, with a warm welcome and a 90 year celebration surprise. The business meeting will be short with 3 or 4 votes, and an introduction to our honored guest, your new National President-elect Mary Warshauer, who will share a couple of words of encouragement followed by a short installation of officers.

Then - Kirk Brown will unveil his views on:

"The Greatest Generation Plants a Garden"

TGCI is pleased to be able to present a top-notch national speaker for a registration fee of \$6.00 per member and \$9.00 for any non-member. We are requiring any guests to have a TGCI member who will vouch for their conduct during our Zoom meeting. A confirmation e-mail along with the Zoom Link will be sent to all registered participants the day prior to our meeting.

Zooming with us. Cynthia Wright is making available to anyone interested in learning or practicing "How to Zoom" on April 13th, 20th, or 22nd, all at 3:30 p.m. See page 3 for registration information on practice Zooming session. E-mail Cynthia with any questions, put "Zoom question" in subject line so it won't go to spam.

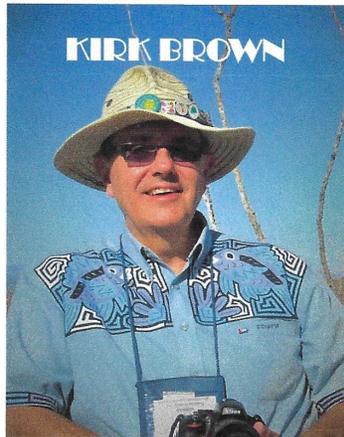
TGCI, as always, is here to assist you and to bring knowledge through a new format that is easy. The price is right, and for non-members this is an opportunity to see who we are, what we do and possibly join your club.



***Brought to you by your TGCI President Betty Leverett and the Board of Directors
Joyce Bulington Convention Chairman***

TGCI PRESENTS:

Honored Guest Speaker



“The Greatest Generation Plants a Garden”

90 Years that Transformed Victory Gardens to Covid Gardens

- **Kirk R. Brown a Green Achiever/Celebrity** has won Landscape design awards from:
- Perennial Plant Association
- Association of Professional Landscape Designers
- PA Landscape and Nursery Association.

Kirk:

- Represented Joanne Kostecky Garden Design as a leader in the design/build industry
- Worked as National Outreach Coordinator for America’s Oldest Garden in Charleston SC
- Is a past president of www.GardenComm.com. In the US and Canada
- Has delivered hundreds of key-note addresses, guest lectures, teaching symposiums, and certified instruction over the past quarter century.
- Kirk is also known to interpret historic horticulturists and international dignitaries: John Bartram, Carl Linnaeus, Mark Catesby, Peter Kalm, Benjamin Frankly and Frederick Law Olmsted.
- Still finds time to cultivate his own private display garden.
- Is known socially as GRDNTRAVLR.

Join the dance party
as Kirk unveils his views on **“The Greatest Generation Plants a Garden”**.



“90 years of Dancing with Nature”

2:30 p.m. EDT

April 28, 2021 on your Virtual Screen

“How To”



You can use a desktop, laptop, tablet or phone. To Zoom, you do not need a Zoom Account but it does help with quality if you are using the Zoom app or program. There is a free account. You are not required to have a camera or microphone but if you are on a desktop, you will need speakers. Zoom does have a test link that you can use to check your audio and visual abilities.

<https://zoom.us/test>.

Cynthia Wright, our Zoom Host, is making available to anyone interested in learning or practicing “How to Zoom,” these dates and times: April 13th, 20th, or 22nd, all starting at 3:30 p.m.

- ◆ Start by filling out the Practice Zoom Registration form by clicking here: PRACTICE ZOOM or
- ◆ go to <https://forms.gle/o14NgDBERFfoezeD8>
- ◆ A Zoom link will be sent to you the day before the practice session.
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We can do this! Watch for your e-mail as we show you how to do the “Two Step” one e-mail at a time. As always in all things garden club, we have a team that can and will assist you on this new dance floor. Due to the COVID-19 challenge, this year we are dancing the “Shuffle” and “Twisting” around to go on a new adventure.

Hang in there, we can do this!!!

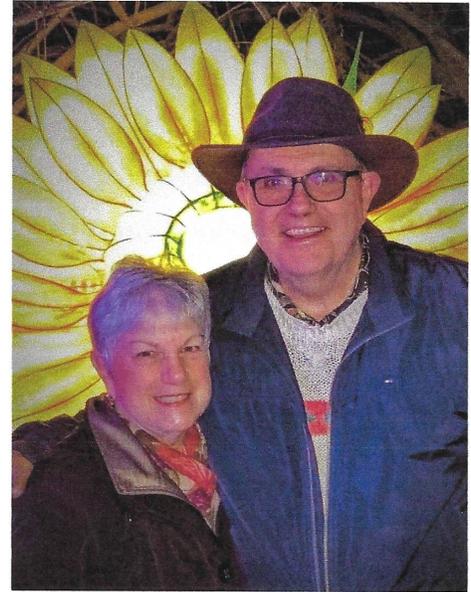




“The Greatest Generation Plants a Garden”

90 Years that Transformed Victory Gardens
to Covid Gardens

Out of the social cauldron of the Dustbowl Depression and FDR’s Works Progress Administration, came a national drive to Go Green. Through WWII and into the construction of Levittowns and Interstate Highways across the nation, America’s family unit was reformed.



Kirk and Sara Brown

- Leisure activities and vacation traveling became the norm.
- New style, or Lifestyle landscapes were created.
- * Into our 2020 lives comes a new demand to re-learn everything our grandparents knew about growing plants:
 - *as a food source
 - *as an escape from the virtual world
 - *for more color in our lives
 - *and as a health-giving natural tonic.

Kirk shares his many views on gardens he’s loved, plants he’s coveted, gardeners he’s known and life that’s surrounded him.

Be enthusiastic. Be committed, Be passionate! Gardening’s here to stay.





90 Years of Dancing with Nature



The Garden Club of Indiana, Inc.
90th Annual State Convention
April 28, 2021

To be held Virtually by Zoom

Registration Form

(One Form per attendee.)

Name: _____ Phone: _____

E-mail for zoom link to be sent: _____

Club: _____ District: _____

Check all that apply:

Voting positions* State Officer: _____ State Chairman: _____ State Life Member: _____

Scholarship Patron: _____ Club Delegate _____

Non-Voting positions District Officer/Chairman: _____ Club President: _____ Club Officer: _____

Club Member: _____ Gold Star Member: _____ National Life Member: _____

Regional Life Member: _____ National Board Member: _____

Regional Board Member: _____ Honeywell Winner: _____ Flower Show Judge: _____

Consultants: Garden Study: _____ Environmental: _____ Landscape Design: _____

Non-TGCI club member: _____ (must be sponsored by a TGCI member to receive the zoom link)

Sponsoring club member and their club name: _____

Club Presidents: Please make sure to fill out the Memorial Service. Please send the information in with your registration. If you are not sending in a registration, you may e-mail the information to doncyn@hotmail.com.

***Voting Positions:** Each club is entitled to delegate(s) based upon their current paid membership (not including any State Life Members). Club Presidents are not automatically voting delegates and must be marked as delegates if wishing to be their club representative. Do NOT mark delegate if you are already a voting member i.e. State Life Member, Scholarship Patron, State Officer, State Chairman

Clubs with 1-24 members = 1 delegate
Clubs with 50-74 members = 3 delegates

Clubs with 25-49 members = 2 delegates
Clubs with 75 members or more = 4 delegates

Mail Registration Form and Check payable to:

The Garden Club of Indiana, Inc. (Memo – Convention 2021)
c/o TGCI Treasurer
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Indianapolis, IN 46220
doncyn@hotmail.com



Registrations must be received by April 25th.

Each registrant will receive a link to the meeting. **Every attendee must pay registration** even if sharing a zoom link with another member. This is to cover the cost of the speaker only.

Registration (TGCI members) \$6.00 _____

Registration (non-members) \$9.00 _____

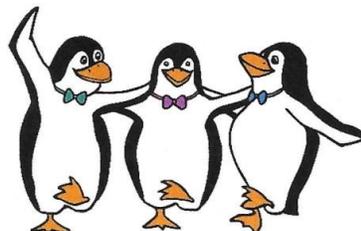
Memorial Service:

Name of Deceased Member: _____

Club: _____ District: _____

Number of years in Garden Club: _____

Special Honors (i.e. Honeywell winner, National, Regional, State and Club positions):



Consultants! It's time to REFRESH for many of you!

It doesn't seem five years have passed since many Schools consultants attended the tri-refresher at McCormick's Creek. This includes the following consultants.

Gardening Study
Carol Branson
Environmental Study
Ellen Elliott
Rosemarie Springer
James Pavelka

Landscape Design
Ellen Elliott
Paulette Balmer
Evelyn Villarin
Ruth Moorhead
James Pavelka

The above consultants are in good standing until December 31, 2021. Last year a 1-year extension was given for consultants with a good standing date of December 31, 2020 due to COVID-19 restrictions. Since the schools available are Zoom courses on the NGC Schools website at this time, an extension to the consultants in good standing to December 31, 2021 probably will not be offered. Therefore, please keep watching on the NGC website for refresher options that works for you.

Please note there will be a change in State Consultants chairwomen starting the new term. I wish great success to them. Thank you for allowing me to be the Consultants state chairman for many years. I will not be a stranger to TGCI, I need to spend time with 5 little granddaughters – 5 years and younger!

Edie Dyer-Wilson
State Environmental Chairwoman
State Gardening Study Chairwoman
State Landscape Design Chairwoman

The Garden Club of Indiana, Inc. 2020 Awards Update

Thank-you to the 38 clubs, 7 districts and 14 individuals that will be receiving awards. A total of 168 awards will be given out. It was a pleasure to see so many clubs with keeping the garden spirit going. The Garden Club of Indiana, Inc. had 28 entries for Central Region and National Garden Club, Inc. awards.



All 1st place major state winners that involve cash awards will hopefully be announced during the virtual convention. A complete listing of all awards will be printed in the June issue of Indiana Gardens. Central Region and National Garden Clubs, Inc. awards will be published in June or August depending on the release of winners.

Clubs will have the option of getting their award certificate from their District Director (mailed) and/or have a scanned certificate sent to them by this chairman. The new TGCI, Central Region, and NGC award applications will be posted on the new web site when it becomes available.

There will also be some minor changes to the awards to reflect updates in award categories that clubs might want to enter. The new TGCI awards application is also available for your records now in this newsletter. All 3 applications will be emailed to all club presidents for their records to use also. If you need a copy of all 3 applications, this chairman will mail copies for your files to use. Please try to enter awards next year as your clubs do so much good work and this chairman would be very glad to help you out.

James Pavelka
TGCI Awards Chairman



The GARDEN CLUB OF INDIANA, Inc.

Awards Application 2021-2023

Award Name:

Date:

Name of Applicant:

Club Members:

Name of person submitting award:

Phone:

Email:

James Pavelka, 1034 E 8th St - Hobart, IN - 46342-5220
jamespavelka@comcast.net 219-942-6793 or 219-629-2358

Application limited to three printed pages - front side only. **USE THIS PAGE AS A COVER SHEET ONLY** with no further info. You may then add a total of three additional pages. No report covers, plastic sheets, or binders allowed. Applications will not be returned. (Exceptions: publications (books, CD/DVD)).

Copy entry for your files before submitting. For electronic submission, fill in this form, save it and then attach to an email. Send entries to appropriate state chairman for the award. That chairman will forward winning 1st place entries (scoring over 90 pts.) with exception of flower shows (must score 95) on to the State Awards Chairman. Remember that there can be a 1st place in every club size category. If the award does not match with appropriate chairman, then submit directly to the State Awards Chairman for judging. Only State Awards Chairman may submit the NGC, Inc. application on an applicant's behalf.

DO NOT SUBMIT THIS APPLICATION DIRECTLY TO NATIONAL. YOU HAVE BYPASSED THE STATE PROCESS. SUBMIT INITIALLY TO THE APPROPRIATE STATE CHAIRMAN FOR JUDGING.

Is this a new project? _____ Yes _____ No

Beginning Date _____ Expected Completion _____ or Ongoing

On the next three pages give a summary and objectives, involvement of club members, other organizations, project expenses and means of funding, continuing involvement, follow-up, maintenance. Attach or insert photos, digital photos, publicity, and/or landscape plan (does not need to be professionally drawn).



NOVEMBER

What: Central Region Convention
Where: Essenhous, Middlebury Indiana
When: November 1-2, 2021
Watch this page for updates!

2019-2021 CR Director Judi Meyer
2021-2023 CR Director --elect Carol Yee
Central Region Convention Chairman
Joyce Burlington

November 1-2, 2021

Arbutus Garden Club

The Arbutus President's Luncheon was held on December 8, 2020 at Woodstock Country Club. For most of us it was the first outing with friends in months and was enjoyed by all. Attending were Jamia Jacobsen and guests Marnie Flanary, Margaret and John Herder, Barbara Barnes, Marilyn Goeke, Priscilla Elliot, Marcia Holcomb, Ann Hathaway, Nancy Miller and Jim Fadely.

On behalf of President Nancy Sutton and the Arbutus Board, Vice President Ann Hathaway welcomed everyone. She thanked Jody McFarland for the lovely seasonal gift bags and Margaret Herder for reservation and luncheon arrangements. The lunch was a delicious salad trio with fresh fruit and a festive peppermint sundae for dessert.

Arbutus has been collaborating with the Benjamin Harrison Museum to identify funds to irrigate museum gardens, including the Arbutus garden tended by Mary Ann Lear, Audrey Nelson and Shirley Westerhaus. To that end Arbutus helped connect the family of recently deceased Arbutus donor, Florence Hieronymus, with the Harrison Museum director, Charles Hyde. The resources to irrigate gardens are being secured. These gardens are part of a larger downtown Indianapolis landmarks project, which was the topic of our December luncheon.

Jamia Jacobsen introduced our speaker, Dr. Jim Fadely. He is a graduate of Hanover College and M.A. and Ph.D. at Indiana University, Bloomington. Most recently he served as Director of College Counseling at Brebeuf. His background is extensive in many fields. Today Dr. Fadely's topic was "A Bicentennial Tour of Indianapolis: National Historic Landmarks in the City." The talk included early history of the city of Indianapolis and highlights of the 9 National Historic Landmarks in the city.

Nancy Sutton, President Ann Hathaway, Vice President



December luncheon at Woodstock Country Club.



Charlie Hyde, BHGM president spoke to members about Arbutus Garden Club partnership in upgrading garden plots to include irrigation through a Garden Club partnership with Hieronymus gift.

Broad Ripple Garden Club

Broad Ripple Garden Club members held their first Zoom Business Meeting in February. This Zoom meeting finalized our schedule of programs for the upcoming calendar year beginning April 2021-March 2022.

We chose many interesting programs for the upcoming year and we are so excited to be meeting, social distanced and masked, for many of them. Our program in March was via Zoom and our speaker, Lynn O'Shaughnessy, spoke to us about building her Dream Circle Garden. This was an excellent program and our members really enjoyed watching the presentation on how she built this garden, step by step.

In April, we will have our Installation of Officers, which will take place at Crooked Stick Golf Club. President Betty Leverett, of The Garden Club of Indiana, Inc., will conduct the ceremony. We look forward to this occasion.

A few of the programs which we have planned for the coming year are our Annual Plant Sale, Holidays in July event, visiting Matter Park in Marion, Indiana, and a trip to Newfield's garden, to name a few.

We look forward to returning to our normal meetings and activities after the unprecedented year that we have all been through. Soon we will begin planting Spring flowers and mulching our flower bed at our Blue Star Memorial garden, replanting our planter for Spring at the Nora Library and adding fresh mulch and plants to the little flower bed in front of Monon Coffee Company in Broad Ripple.

Happy Spring to everyone!

Phyllis Grzeskowiak
President



Blooming orchids in the home of our club member, Jane Jerman.

Name change coming soon...

The garden club in Monticello has voted to change the name of the club from "Enter the Garden Club" to "Monticello Garden Club." We hope this will help the community to recognize the existence of the club and our accomplishments in the community.

Sue Schlimme
Club President



Crown Point Garden Club

The Crown Point Garden Club is putting 2020 behind us and moving on to a better year with an indoor meeting in April. The committee for our annual Mother's Day Week-End Plant Sale will be giving their report on their visit to the greenhouses to select the plants. There will be a large variety of patio planters, hanging baskets, annuals, herbs, plants from members' gardens, and more.

This will be the first year for the sale to be held at the Lake County Fair Grounds in Crown Point. We are looking forward to being at Shelter #6, to the right as you enter gate #2 on South Court Street (900 block). The sale is Friday and Saturday, May 7th and 8th, 2021.

Hope to see you there!!

Amanda White
Club President

Cultivating Garden Club

The Cultivating Garden Club is hosting their annual plant sale on May 15, 2021. It will be held from 8 a.m. to 1 p.m. The sale will be held at member, Pam Dobbs' yard, at 7125 S. Meridian St, Indianapolis, IN, 46217.

Past sales brought out community neighbors looking for just the right perennial to plant in their yard or garden. Our members will be on site offering gardening tips and advice.

Due to the pandemic, the sale was not held in 2020, but with folks now receiving vaccines, wearing masks, and holding the event outside, we feel this could be another successful sale for our club. We hope to have several in the community stop by and would like to extend an invitation to other Indiana Garden Clubs.

Diana Williams
Club President

Fall Creek Garden Club

Like other clubs, Fall Creek has been meeting on Zoom during these last several months. Zooming has enabled everyone to comfortably gather for presentations even in inclement weather and to clearly see and hear the speaker.

In November, the program given by Bill McKnight was titled, Most Common Gardening Mistakes. Of course, all of us have probably already made many of them, but hearing Bill's advice, perhaps we can avoid some in the future.

Although joining from home, members were able to "travel" to warmer climates at two of our meetings. In December, we enjoyed slides and commentary from member Linda Williams about the gardens of New Zealand. Linda and husband Ron are the owners of Garden Travelers and have toured gardens all over the world.

Our January meeting was, like November, more down to earth, as they say. The purpose of getting together was to review and to plan for the upcoming year. We talked about our aspirations and made plans, including making changes in the garden beds we maintain at Holliday Park. In the recent past we added more natives, and they have flourished under sometimes challenging weather conditions, so we decided to add more colorful natives and bulbs for late summer and fall. We also shared our favorite gardening tips and tools.

February was another tour focusing on the horticultural wonders of Costa Rica presented by Mark Zelonis, the former director of horticulture at the Indianapolis Museum of Art.



Ayrlie is the New Zealand garden owned by Bev McConnell

What a welcome respite from cold, wintry days the photos were, stirring hope that we all will soon return to our own garden worlds outdoors.

Everyone is looking forward to March when our upcoming president, Carol Michel, will inject some levity into our lives with her program of Garden Humor. Then with the approach of spring we'll be out of doors at last to stroll the woods and drink in the beauty of spring flowers.

Gayle Sanders Club President



Wilson Botanical Garden in Costa Rica.

Hendricks County Garden Club

The Hendricks County Garden Club has been busy as little bees. Thank you goes to our Zoom Master Susan Yoder with her knowledge in this technology that has kept us together virtually. The club decided to show Sue our appreciation of her dedication and patience with us. We purchased a beautiful pair of earrings with a floral design on them, and presented them to her. Thank You so much Sue.

In January the Hendricks County Garden Club welcomed guest speaker, **Cari Peters Raymond, Ph.D. of the J.R. Peters Fertilizer Company**. Dr. Peters Raymond is a plant nutrition scientist and horticulturist. She is the master-crafter working to bring new fertilizer formulas to the horticulture industry. She'll open your eyes to the wide variety of plant nutrition formulations and which ones are best for your roses, petunias, succulents, tomatoes, beans and more. You'll never simply put a general mixture of 20-20-20 on all your plants again! We had wonderful attendance and we are able to reach out to the public to help educate and bring awareness of our club.

At the February meeting we welcomed Jeff Haverly, Co-Leader of the Heartland chapter of Elders Climate Action, a project of Elders Action Network, is a group of climate activist committed to a non-partisan effort to end the climate crisis and build a just and sustainable future.

We learned about their work and their focus on the preservation of our planet. Mr. Haverly will review the critical factors regarding climate change, discuss the urgency to act, discuss the impact on Indiana, and introduce the administration's climate agenda.

On April 24, 2021, Hendricks County Garden Club will have their annual Plant Sale at the Garden for All Ages at 1900 E. Main Street, Danville, In. 9:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m. There will be many vendor booths to shop at and wonderful plants to purchase. Please come and join us for this day.

Deloris Elza
Club President



25th Annual Garden Walk
Celebrating the 90th Anniversary of the Indianapolis Garden Club

June 2, 2021

INDIANAPOLIS – The Indianapolis Garden Club is excited to celebrate its 90th anniversary along with the 200th Anniversary of the City of Indianapolis, on June 2, 2021 at the 25th Annual Garden Walk.

The event will:

- showcase five of the city’s finest urban and north side gardens
- feature a local fine artist working en plein air in each garden (with the works for sale)
- raise funds for nonprofits that serve conservation, civic improvement and beautification projects in Indianapolis

Tickets may be purchased <http://indianapolisgardenclub.org/garden-walk/>.

25th Annual Garden Walk

Hosted by The Indianapolis Garden Club

Wednesday, June 2, 2021

9 a.m. – 3 p.m.

<http://indianapolisgardenclub.org/garden-walk/>

Event is rain or shine.

Garden addresses and map with ticket purchase.

Artwork available for purchase.

Since 1996, proceeds from the annual Garden Walk have allowed the Indianapolis Garden Club to direct more than half a million dollars back into the city. For more information about the Indianapolis Garden Club, visit indianapolisgardenclub.org. The club is a member of the Garden Club of America.

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Munster Garden Club

Happy 100th Birthday to Munster Garden Club member Jo Ignelzi!!!

Many members showed up to Jo's home with signs and flowers to wish her a happy birthday. Jo was very happy to see fellow members and thanked everyone for coming. She hopes to attend a future meeting when we meet in person again.

The club is planning an outdoor gathering in April to catch up with each other and to plan for our annual plant sale on May 21st and our popular Garden Walk scheduled for June 25th and 26th.



Sages Garden Club

Sages Garden Club members enjoyed tours of various locations during the summer. November, we were back indoors for a Zoom program on making greeting cards using ferns as the stencils.

To prepare for the program, packets containing card stock, paints and brushes were assembled and dropped off at participants' homes. Members picked ferns and leaves from their gardens for the meeting and followed the directions of member Ka Freeman to make beautiful print cards.

Afterwards, we voted for our favorite designs. Member Cindy Martin's winning design will be used for the cover of Sages Garden Club's 2021-22 yearbook. That went so well, that we plan to do a door-drop of materials for our upcoming Zoom program on indoor seed starting.

Rita Hummel
Club President



Sages Zoom meeting with smiling faces.

Spring Green Garden Club

SPRING GREEN GARDEN CLUB'S QUICK START ZOOM GUIDE



AUDIO VIDEO

- 1) Turn on **AUDIO** and **VIDEO** when you enter the meeting.
- 2) When you are not speaking, please **MUTE** your microphone to minimize background noises.

CHAT

- 3) Use **CHAT** to send messages directly to another participant or to the group at-large.
- 4) Use **CHAT** to make a motion, second a motion, and vote on issues during the business meeting.

REACTIONS

- 5) Use the **RAISE HAND** button to indicate you wish to be acknowledged. Wait for the meeting chair to recognize you by name before unmuting and speaking.

MUTE = 

VIDEO OFF = 

Syracuse - Wawasee Garden Club

Chautauqua-Wawasee has invited John Edgerton to return for a free workshop focused on “Gardening in the Face of a Changing Climate.”

The workshop will be held at the Syracuse Community Center in Syracuse Indiana, April 24th, from 1:00 pm – 4:00 pm. The event is open to the public and free to attend. The first hour consists of a presentation followed by a time for deeper discussion and questions.

John Edgerton of Shelbyville, Michigan returns to Syracuse for a second workshop to explore holistic, resilient, sustainable techniques for gardening and small farming. He will share his experience and practical knowledge on the importance of healthy soil, healthy plants and helpful insect habitats.

Other topics will include variety selection and ways to account for climate-related imbalances of diseases and insects. He will share what others in the bioregion are doing to address these issues. The Wawasee Area Conservancy Foundation and the Syracuse-Wawasee Garden Club are jointly sponsoring this program with Chautauqua-Wawasee.

What: One hour presentation, followed by deeper discussion.

When: April 24, 2021 from 1:00 pm – 4:00 pm.

Where: Syracuse Community Center, 1013 N. Long Dr, Syracuse, Indiana

Cost: Free to the Public. Please register at www.chqw.org or facebook.com/ChautauquaWawasee



Brick herb markers
Source: Simple Details

Syracuse - Wawasee Garden Club Winter 2021 By Joyce Arleen Corson



Creating the agenda for the year and planning our programs held here January 7, 2021. On our personal front this year, edging into 2021, was saying goodbye to two members due to illness and welcoming two new members and trying to hold together our club to the agenda we promised at all cost.

We cancelled two meetings. The outdoor activities went well. The Zoom meetings were a learning experience and here we are again around our harvest table that was meant for social distancing. Zoom meetings filled the places where we couldn't stand not seeing each other for at least a brief moment.

Our club emblem in stitches. Hoping to apply it to some special locations.



In memory of Linda's mother we enjoyed the everlasting beauty of flowers. Florist Cineraria, Tut-san plant, St. John's Wort, White Cedar incense, Peruvian Lily, Daisy or Feverfew garden, Snapdragon Antirrhinum and Gazania Daisy. Seeing flowers in all their glory was very calming.



Our executive board of Syracuse-Wawasee Garden Club from left, Kathy Tittle, Vice President, Pam Schumm, Book Chairman, Martha Stoelting, Co-President, Elaine Bokhart, Treasurer, Linda Harkleroad, Secretary, and Arleen Corson, Co-President.

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- to serve your community by planning and implementing beautification projects
- to develop a deeper sense of pride in the resources of our land and its preservation
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- to receive our state publication, *Indiana Gardens*
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