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HOLLY PINE LANE

NOV 17 & 18 10 to 8

NOV 19 & 20 10 to 5

Can't believe it's that time again. HOLLY PINE LANE TIME. This will be our 22nd year and getting more popular each year with more guests looking forward to the event. It has the most attendance than any other event at our Garden Center. It is the kick off to the Holiday season. So we have to make it bigger and better each year. We are depending on every club to trim a tree and make a wreath or swag. We also want arrangements. They are not going to be judged so you can really feel free to do your thing!!

If you are ready to throw away single window can-

candles that have the old style oval bottoms, we need them and we need milk caps. If you have any creative unique ideas, please let us know if something crosses your mind.

Holly Pine Lane will start on Thursday, November 17 at 10 am. That evening at 5:30 we will celebrate the season with the Canton Park Dept. There will be a musical program and the wonderful lighting in the Park will be presented. The lighting becomes more popular each year because of all the wonderful displays. Santa Claus and his elves will appear, and there will be cookies and hot chocolate on the patio. So mark your calendar for this fun time. Set up dates are Tuesday and Wednesday, November 15 and 16 from 9 am to 4 pm.

Tell your friends; hand out our passes to all your non Garden Club friends. Remind them we have demonstrations every day and it's FREE. Of course, we will have cookies and punch for our guests. We are asking every Garden Club to provide cookies. Delores Schweitzer (330-499-7530) is accepting your help to be hostesses.



Remember too we will have our Auction Tree. Tell your friends and businesses that they can have a very unique tree to show off in their home or office with our Auction Tree. I visited a home last year
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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Dear Members and Friends,



With fall approaching the Pergola Parties for Kids ended after another successful year. Their success was due to hard work and excellent planning. The Blue Star Memorial

Dedication took place after our June Board Meeting. It was well attended and the ceremony was lovely. Thank you to everyone who helped to make the dedication memorable. A great June bus trip was planned this year. The ladies loved the trip, and when the travelers returned they had many fun filled stories to tell us. The Tour of Gardens was spectacular this year and also extremely successful. The Patron Party was well attended and very enjoyable, and the gardens on the tour were spectacular. The committee planned everything perfectly, and it went off without a hitch. When the flower show was approaching, we held two mini programs in August for the purpose of helping our ladies prepare to enter the show. The mini programs were well attended, and our designers did an outstanding job of teaching skills and mechanics related to design. These mini programs paid off, because we had a terrific flower show in September with beautiful designs and inter-

esting horticulture. "Modern Times: Facebook, Texting & Twitter" was held at Jackson High School which helped to encourage students to enter designs and horticulture. Thank you everyone for supporting all of the CGC events.

The Beautification Awards Program took place after our regular CGC Board Meeting on September 13. After seeing all of the award winners our Tour of Gardens Committee will have a tough job next year deciding who to ask to participate in the 2012 Tour of Gardens. The Beautification Committee and the Beautification Chairpersons put out a great deal of effort which we appreciate. On October 3, our fall fundraiser, "Sentimental Journey", was held at La Pizzeria celebrating Canton Garden Center's 65th Anniversary. I hope you attended, and enjoyed it as much as we enjoyed planning it. On October 28, we will be having our last mini program for the year. It is going to be a workshop where we will learn to design a beautiful Christmas swag with the help of one of our designers. There are two more N'N Workshops this year. These have always been educational and enjoyable. The ladies who take charge of N'N seem to be storehouses of creativity and knowledge. Holly Pine Lane, November 17-20, has been in the planning all year. There will be beautifully decorated trees, the park will be aglow, and Santa will make an appearance. What else does this group of

elves have in store for us this year?

Autumn in Ohio is lovely. The trees light up the streets with wonderful colors, the air seems fresh and you always notice the smell of a fireplace burning. There are myriad activities that take place at this time of year. It is a starting up of things that can make one feel exhausted just thinking about them. We are biological creatures who experience physical reactions to changes in the weather that bring back aches and pains we forgot we had while summer was here. We are trying to beat the bad weather as we get our gardens ready for winter. There are wonderful holidays approaching, and it is always a cozy thought when thinking of going home in the evening. Are you feeling the fall chill in the air? Have you seen squirrels scurrying around getting ready with their stashes of acorns? Are you like me, and are you trying to remember where you put your favorite sweater? Are your thoughts turning to apple picking and making everything apple you can think of before they go bad? There is fresh cider, doughnuts, jack-o-lanterns and that cozy sweater when you find it. Are you already thinking about Thanksgiving dinner and about doing your Christmas shopping? As you breathe in the crisp air remember there is another exciting season around the corner! Enjoy it.

Linda Lawrence, President

CARROLLTON GARDEN CLUB

The McCook House located in Carrollton, OH is a Civil War Museum owned by the Ohio Historical Society and operated in agreement by the Carroll County Historical Society. During the winter of 2010/2011, the McCook House underwent major renovations and was reopened at a special celebration during the weekend of May 20-22, 2011.

Members of the Carroll-

ton Garden Club provided floral arrangements in each room of the house for the event. Containers and flowers were selected to coordinate with the décor of the rooms. Sonny Swartz and Ann Saltzman chaired the club's participation by working with Shirley Anderson, the curator of the museum.

Submitted by,
Elizabeth Bram

TOUR OF GARDENS

RAFFLE PRIZE WINNERS:

The following people were winners of our raffle:

- #1 Golf Package - 18 holes of Golf with Cart - Mary Lou Wolfe
- #2 Dinner & Symphony Package - Connie Maple Redr
- #3 \$150 Cash - Wanda Davis
- #4 Car Care Package - Barb Shoemaker
- #5 Garden Package - Trici Cecconi
- #6 Sports Throw Package - Carmie DeVito

GIFT DONATIONS TO THE CANTON GARDEN CENTER

The following are gift donations the Canton Garden Center has received since our last publication. (Some of the donors may have donated more than once.) If we have not recognized you, please let the Center know. We appreciate your support for our various activities here at the Garden Center.

GARDEN CLUBS—
North Canton Garden Club

INDIVIDUALS—

Issa Boutros Family
Ardis DeHoff
Doug & Georgann Foltz
Everett & Barbara Jordan
Donald W. Schneider
Jackie Stahl Family
Melinda Stewart
Kathy Yesco

BLUE STAR MEMORIAL MARKER



'A DAY TO REMEMBER'

On June 14, 2011 a "Blue Star Memorial Marker" was placed at Canton Garden Center near the Kennedy Fountain. We had a great number of our Presidents & Guests attending as the dedication was scheduled immediately following our Board of Directors' Meeting.

The history of the "Blue Star

Memorial Marker" began after World War II as a fitting tribute to honor America's service men and women. The Blue Star Memorial Highway was one of the most extensive projects ever undertaken by garden clubs and the first ever attempted on a nationwide scale. It crosses the nation east and west and north and south. Every state is crossed by a least one such highway. The project was named the Blue Star Drive, for the blue star in the service flag. During the war, families would hang an Armed Forces Service Banner in their window for each family member on active duty. The banner, or service flag, featured a blue star on a white background framed in red.

(Personal note: I can remember this as a little girl visiting my grandmother's house as she had five sons, four who served in the different branches of the service, the youngest did not, she proudly hung four service flags in her window for each of her sons that were serving their country all at the same time.)

Garden Clubs from across the nation petitioned their state legislatures to designate a section of highway as a segment of the Blue Star Memorial Highway. Once designated, the garden clubs would then purchase a commemorative marker and begin their planning. The Blue Star Highway Marker was designed by Mrs. Frederick Kellogg, one of the founders and early president of Na-

tional Council in 1947 (the current name is National Garden Clubs, Inc.).

It was a 'Day to Remember' at Canton Garden Center as the dedication began at 11:30 AM with the 'Honor Guard' Presentations of Colors by the American Legion Post 44 followed by the Star Spangled Banner led by Marlene Bolea and the seven gun salute by Post 44; a blessing by Pastor Wendy Bausman, Christ Presbyterian Church, (a former navy woman herself) who also gave the Benediction, then the rising of the flag by Doug Foltz.

A warm welcome to everyone

was given by President Linda Lawrence. We were honored to recognize two of

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TOWN AND COUNTRY GARDEN CLUB OF LOUISVILLE

dedicated a Blue Star Memorial Marker on August 9, 2011, at 6 pm. The marker was installed in Metzger Park in Louisville and given to the citizens of Louisville and Nimishillen Township. The Patriot Guard began the ceremony as they rode their motorcycles into the Park. The Guard is a group of military veterans who attend funerals of military and stand to honor them and stand between their families and any protestors. The Guard stood behind the marker during the entire ceremony. Participating in the ceremony were Eagle Scouts, a boy scout troop, American Legion Honor Guard, the Mayor of Louisville, the President of the Township Trustees, a representative of the Blue Star Mothers, a representative of the Red Cross, wreath designer Shirley Wigginton, a children's choir, GCO President Aggie Goss, Chairman of the Blue Star Project North Susan Jurecki, Canton Dis-

trict Director Celine Hallier, Town and Country Vice President Judy Horn, Reverend Larry Hinkle, City Services Director Jim McBeath and Parks Manager Loran Midkiff. The dedication was attended by approximately 200 people. A garden surrounds the marker and will be maintained by Town and Country. As chairman of the Blue Star Project, Celine's remarks centered around the theme of the freedoms we enjoy every day thanks to the men and women in uniform who protect us and our freedoms. Her concluding statement: "If you enjoy this life, thank a veteran."

Submitted by, Celine Hallier

Our club also held a special 9-11 tree dedication ceremony in honor of the victims and heroes that were lost on that tragic day. A red crimson maple along with a tree marker was planted in Constitution Park in their memory.

Submitted by, Annemarie Miller

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Carroll Rippel and
Nancy Quinn-Simon, Chairmen

BLUE STAR (continued from second page) our 'Honor Flight Veterans' - Don Stearns and Audrea Wynn. Canton Park System Director Doug Perry accepted our 'Blue Star Memorial Marker'. Laying of the Wreath to honor this marker was placed by Gloria Atwell.

CHILDREN'S GARDEN

Our children loved every Pergola Parties for Kids program provided for them this summer. We have been so fortunate to have such outstanding, talented volunteers to lead and to assist with the programs. We are blessed and so grateful.

Our children were not daunted by the raindrops and marched out with their umbrellas and boots to plant their shoes in the old shoe garden. They became great future scientists when they used the magnifying glasses to explore the garden. They loved making music with

HOLLY PINE LANE

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that had one of our Auction trees, and it was still as beautiful as ever. We are expecting you, our members, to get out the word.

This year our "backroom" will feature angels.

Our president, Linda Lawrence attended a workshop recently and enjoyed herself. We have a couple new members too,

Others taking part in this service were Celine Hallier, Bonnie Popa, Shirley Rembert, Deanna Stearns, and GCO Blue Star Memorial (North) Chairman Susan Jurecki. After the dedication, a great lunch was served for all who attended.

It was a wonderful and fitting day to those veterans who have served and continue to serve in our Armed Forces. If you have not had the opportunity to visit this memorial, please do.

Carmie DeVito, Chairman

sticks, grasses and gourds. They were proud of their little pots of sunflower seeds and bird feeders. They loved helping the garden faeries care for our gardens. The patriotic program was enjoyed by all and the happy harvest program is always such a fun program.

We continue to thank each member garden club and individual who has provided for this special program that serves the little gardeners in our community.

For our Children,
Faye Heston, Chairman

Janet Mossbarger and Nancy Quinn-Simon. Welcome and Thank you to our faithful committee — Marcella Anstadt, Gloria Atwell, Bonnie Brown, Ellie Kern, Jane Long, Annemarie Miller, Nancy Mohler, Delores Schweitzer, Phyllis Slusser, and my co-chairman, Jackie Stahl, who comes up with unique ideas and keeps us on the ball.

If you have any questions, please call—
Marie Fecske 330-492-7559 or
Jackie Stahl 330-477-3676

SCHNEIDER FOUNTAIN AND GARDEN

When at the Canton Garden Center if you look south of the Canton Garden Center building and to the west of the parking lot, you will notice a new addition on the grounds. It is the beautiful Italian fountain donated to the Canton Park Department by Don and Marilyn Schneider. This generous donation is sincerely appreciated. The fountain has a perfect setting between two "Crimson King" Norway maple trees. The base holding the fountain and the sidewalk leading to the fountain have been laid. The remaining layers of the fountain will soon be placed. Grass has been planted, and rocks have been arranged as part of the landscaping. Next, benches will be placed where visitors will be able to sit and enjoy the fountain. The last phase of this project is the landscaping. It will be done by Kridler Gardens, and it will compliment our Teardrop Garden, which was redesigned in 2009. We are hoping to have the landscaping completed this fall.

A committee led by Doug Foltz with members Marilyn Schneider, Barrie Kridler, Issa Boutros, Carmie DeVito, Barbara Jordan, and Linda Lawrence have been working together since February in hopes of having the fountain and garden completed in 2011. A Schneider Fountain and Garden Fund has been created at the Canton Garden Center which is accepting any donations you wish to make toward the landscaping and maintenance of this area. We have already received donations in honor of birthdays and other life events. Please take time to stop by the Canton Garden Center and watch the progress as the finishing touches are put on the Schneider Fountain and Garden.

Linda Lawrence, Committee Member

TOUR OF GARDENS

'WORTHY OF A VISIT'

Canton Garden Center's "Tour of Gardens" was truly worthy of a visit! Our tour visitors could expand their horizons. The gardens on our "Tour" were superbly crafted with artful skill. It was definitely a tribute to all of our homeowners to present such beauty for each of us to enjoy.

The weather held out with our guardian angels watching over us. We feel fortunate to have such great weather every year even though it was very hot!

Our 'Kick Off' Party was a huge success at the lovely home of Tim Ryan & Jane Smyth. They could not have been more gracious to us. We had over 75 guests attending this lovely

event.

None of this could have happened without the support of our garden clubs, donors, sponsors, hostesses and committee chairmen. It is a team effort, a lot of detail, but such a successful venture as we raised approximately \$9,800.

I especially want to thank my committee: Gloria Atwell, Elise Dougan, Jeanne Freitag, Marie Fromholtz, Barbara Jordan, our President Linda Lawrence, Lynda Parker, Sharon VanVoorhis, Audrea Wynn, Carole Zernechel and our Garden Center Secretary Barb Codispoti.

I am very grateful for the opportunity to work with these wonderful women and with all of you as well. Thank you for your loyal support.

Carmie DeVito, Chairman

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**CANTON GARDEN CLUB
 CELEBRATES 80TH ANNIVERSARY**

Mrs. W. R. Timken invited a group of women from a garden club in Cleveland and several Canton friends who were interested in gardening and flower arranging to a luncheon at her home in January, 1931. The purpose of the luncheon was to enlist help from the Cleveland women to help form The Canton Garden Club. The group discussed goals for the club and requirements for membership. Twenty three founding members developed the Code of Regulations for the Club. The first meeting was held on February 6, 1931.

The Canton Garden Club, Town Garden Club, Canton Sorosis Garden Club, and the YMCA Evening Garden Club founded the Canton Garden Center in 1946. The Stark County garden clubs moved to the Stadium Park location in 1956.

Early projects of the Canton Garden Club included donat-

ing gardening books to the Canton Public Library, and they held their first flower show in 1935.

The club did plantings of shrubs and bushes at McKinley National Monument, the Case Mansion, Aultman Hospital, and at several inner city schools — this project inspired families in those neighborhoods to re-landscape their yards.

During World War II members taught children in the Canton City Schools about Victory Gardens and every child received seeds to begin a garden at home.

The 80th Anniversary of the Canton Garden Club will be commemorated at the December 2011 meeting. Current members are submitting pictures from their gardens to a planning committee and this milestone will be celebrated with a power point presentation, "A Virtual Tour of Members Gardens".

Judy Russell, President

LEFT TO RIGHT—

Judy Russell, President
 Linda Clancy, First Vice-
 President
 Peggy Howley, Program



2011/2012 — CGC CALENDAR OF EVENTS

OCT 3	Fall Program— Sentimental Journey at La Pizzeria	11:00 AM
OCT 6	Natures' Naturals (N'N) Workshop	9:30 AM
OCT 11	Executive Committee Meeting	9:00 AM
OCT 11	Board of Directors Meeting	10:30 AM
OCT 19	Meals on Wheels—Admin. Center	9:30 AM
OCT 28	"Christmas Beauty" Mini-Workshop Christmas swag, RSVP, Cost \$20	9:30 AM
NOV 3	Natures' Naturals (N'N) Workshop	9:30 AM
NOV 8	Executive Committee Meeting	9:00 AM
NOV 8	Board of Directors Meeting	10:30 AM
NOV 15	Holly Pine Lane Set-Up	9—4
NOV 16	Holly Pine Lane Set-Up	9—4
NOV 17	Holly Pine Lane	10—8
NOV 18	Holly Pine Lane	10—8
NOV 19	Holly Pine Lane	10—5
NOV 20	Holly Pine Lane	10—5
NOV 21	Holly Pine Lane Dismantled	9—12
DEC 5	'A Holiday Party'	6:00 PM
DEC 7	Heartland Behavioral Healthcare	9:00 AM
DEC 16	Arrangers' Cupboard closes at 4 PM	
JAN 10	Executive Committee Meeting	9:00 AM
JAN 10	Board of Directors Meeting	10:30 AM
FEB 1	Arrangers' Cupboard Re-Opens	
FEB 14	Executive Committee Meeting	9:00 AM
FEB 14	Board of Directors Meeting	10:30 AM

**Visit our Arrangers' Cupboard
 for Great Holiday Shopping**

It's never too early to think about your holiday shopping. You will definitely want to check out our new Christmas items. We have plenty from which to choose. Stop in to see our great variety of snowmen, ornaments, gingerbread items, and much more!!!

We will be open during the hours of Holly Pine Lane.

SHOP! SHOP! SHOP!