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A Message from Our President Nancy Quinn Simon



Dear Members and Gardening Friends,

Our club year began on a positive note and we are anticipating a very productive year filled with wonderful activities and programs for all ages.

The annual Ice Pansy Sale was successful due to the leadership and diligence of Chairman Celine Hallier and our faithful pansy shoppers. More successes followed with our first three Mini Programs. All three were both enjoyable, as well as educational. Our Ikebana class taught by Meiko Fujimoto, our Needle Felting workshop and the French Cartonnage program were well attended and well received. By publication time, our fourth Mini Program presented by Studio Arts and Glass will have taken place.

In June, another season of Children's Garden programming will begin. Check our website for all five program topics, dates, times and registration information.

In an ongoing effort to familiarize the public with our many gardens, three family friendly evening programs will be presented this summer. In June, bird expert, Marlene Bolea, will help families identify the sight and sounds of Ohio birds in the Children's Garden. In July, families will have an opportunity to experience the fresh herbs growing in our Herbal Wall Garden. Plant identification will be guided by trained herbal enthusiasts. In August, docents will guide families through the extensive Garden of the Five Senses for a delightful, "sense"ual plant program. Check our website for dates and times for all three family friendly evening programs.

Thanks to members of the Heritage Herb Society, our popular herb program, Thymely Topics will return on the last Wednesday in June and August from 6 – 7 pm. Guests only need to bring a lawn chair for a fun herbal experience. No reservations are required.

We have attempted to fill our summer months with free, fun filled activities for children and adults. We have offered plenty of opportunities for both day and evening participation. So let's encourage our friends, neighbors, relatives, etc. to take advantage of our summer programming. And let's lead by example.

Best wishes for an enjoyable, educational summer experience.

Nancy Quinn Simon

Canton Garden Center's Bus Trip to Columbus

***Franklin Park Conservatory and
Botanical Garden***



Topiary Park

Monday, July 22, 2019

**Bus departs from CGC at 8:00 am
\$60 includes transportation, snacks,
admissions, box lunch, surprises!**

**Send your check
payable to Canton Garden Center to:**

**Linda Heinzer
4930 Dunkeith Woods Dr. NW
Canton, OH 44708**

**Indicate your lunch choice:
Chicken Salad on Croissant or
Ham & Havarti on Rye or Chicken Cobb Salad**

Details....Call Linda at 330.477.3410

**Mark your Calendar
for Canton Garden Center's
Fall Fundraiser**

Find Your

PURSE-onality

**Saturday, October 26, 2019
Noon**

**LaPizzaria,
Fresco Room**

\$35



Rachel Carson, a Name to Know by Horticulture Chair, Julie Edwards

Rachel Carson has been my hero for as long as I can remember, and I have always assumed that her name was known to most educated and/or curious people. Well, one knows what happens when one assumes! In the last six months, I have been conducting an informal poll of friends and acquaintances (and an unfortunate couple sitting by me at Bonefish Grill) as to whether they have heard the name Rachel Carson, and, if so, in what context. I am troubled enough by the results to write this article.

Rachel Carson was a gifted writer - accessible, poetic, precise and a dogged researcher. She was also a scientist and ecologist with a Masters degree in zoology, and the Editor-in-Chief of all publications for the U.S. Fish and Wildlife service, quite a feat for a woman in 1949. She had written three books about the sea, including *The Sea Around Us*, which won a National Book Award, prior to writing the book that changed the course of history, *Silent Spring*, published in 1962. U.S. Supreme Court Justice William O. Douglas called it the most revolutionary book since *Uncle Tom's Cabin*.

Silent Spring, inter alia, took on the chemical industry and its aggressive marketing and manufacturing of the pesticide DDT. After World War II, DDT was in extremely widespread usage. There had been mounting research indicating its damaging effects. It poisoned insects, fish, birds and other animals directly. It accumulated in the fatty tissues of animals, including humans, who were exposed but did not die and/or who consumed other animals who had been poisoned. This exposure could cause cancer or genetic defects. The eggshells of such birds as ospreys and falcons were made too fragile to protect developing life.

Rachel Carson gathered the research, organized and communicated it to the public in an understandable way. For speaking truth to power, she was accused of being a communist who wanted to see American agriculture fail and questioned as to why she, as an unmarried woman, would care about genetics.

We are living in an era of synthetic pesticides, herbicides, fungicides and fertilizers. It is important that we continue to question the pros and cons of each of these. In so doing, we honor the person who shined a giant spotlight on the issue: Rachel Carson.

Afternoon Garden Club
is proud to announce its
Gold Star Marker Dedication
on **September 17**
at **Canton Garden Center**
More details later!



A Message about Canton Garden Center's Flower Show

Dear Friends of Canton Garden Center,

We have had a busy summer with the Convention here in Canton, etc.. etc.. Summer appeared all at once and it looks like it will match up to spring with everything growing rapidly. It is exciting to see all the new growth that is shooting up every day.

I am looking forward to Fall as we will be having a Flower Show, "**FALL INTO THE HOLIDAYS.**" at Canton Garden Center on October 12 and 13 (Saturday and Sunday) from 10:00 am to 4:00 pm. Set up will begin right after the Oct. 8 Board Meeting.

If anyone is willing to help and would like to work on the Flower Show, please contact me. It is a great learning experience.

I am hoping to have the schedule approved by the end of July. For those of you who love to decorate for Halloween, Thanksgiving, Christmas and New Year's, this will be your chance to enter our flower show.

Don't forget to put it on your calendar now and think about what holiday you would like to do!



Thanks so much!
Carmie DeVito
Flower Show Chairman

Children's Garden News

**Spread the news about the exciting programming
in the Children's Garden during the Summer!**

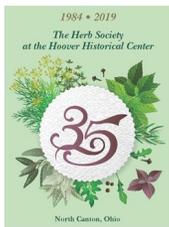
The hour long programs are held on Wednesday mornings beginning at 10 am and are geared toward pre-school and primary age children 3-8 years old. Through the use of books, music and hands-on activities, children will learn about plants, insects and soil in the garden.

Programs for 2019 are:

June 12 "One, Two, Plant in a Shoe"
June 26 "Plants Measure Up"
July 10 "Micro Munchies"
July 24 "Forever Green"
August 7 "Critters Around Us"



Online registration at the CGC website



The Herb Society at the Hoover Historical Center Marks 35th Anniversary

The Herb Society was organized in 1984 to tend the gardens at the Hoover Historical Center. Members now maintain the 12 award-winning gardens that complement the Hoover home-stead in the backyard of the Hoover Historical Center and continue to share knowledge of herbs and gardening and an enthusiasm to learn.

Members invite anyone interested in gardening to join them as an "Herbie Adventurer." The adventure begins in March with monthly meetings through November. Programs at each meeting emphasize a facet of garden education.

A traditional event that began at the Center in 2001 continues on Tuesday, August 6 and 13 when **Tales in Thyme Outdoor Storytelling** will be held at 10 am each day. Presented on the patio next to Hoover Hall in Hoover Park, interactive stories are presented by veteran storytellers. Light refreshments will be served after the 30-minute program. No admission is charged. Children must be accompanied by an adult. Event will be held inside the Hall if weather does not cooperate.

In celebration of their 35^h Anniversary, the Society is hosting free garden tours at the Center on Saturday, July 20 from 1 - 4 pm.

The Society's 35th Anniversary Jubilee Tea and Unique Boutique will be held at the North Canton Civic Center on Tuesday, Sept. 17th.

For more information, phone the Center at 330.490.7435

Lake Cable Garden Club's Tour of Gardens

"Float Boats and Flowers"

**Saturday, July 20, 2019
1:00 pm**

Rain date: Friday, July 26 at 2:00 pm

\$30 per person (limited to 60)

Lake Cable Garden Club is hosting a tour of four waterfront gardens in Lake Cable. Three of the gardens are privately owned and the fourth is the pollinator garden. You will be transported to each garden via pontoon boat.

Embarkation & disembarkation will be at the picnic pavilion.

Wine & Cheese will conclude your perfect day on the lake.

To buy a ticket, call:
Nancy Miller 330.499.1208 or Julie Edwards 330.705.6768

North Canton Garden Club

The North Canton Garden Club and the City of North Canton often collaborate on city beautification projects. Included are planting, mulching and maintaining the Price Park flower beds, donating Christmas decorations and, as one of the newer projects, planting large flower pots to be placed in the City Square and in front of City Hall.

This Spring volunteers from the garden club purchased and planted annual flowers in 7 large pots owned by the city. They will be put in place by Memorial Day. The garden club members will trim and deadhead, while the city will keep the pots watered. Look for them as you drive down Cleveland Avenue all summer! The club looks forward to being involved in more projects with North Canton City! It is an honor to work together to help beautify and unite our community.



Not Pictured: Kathy Russo

Pictured:

Front, left to right:

Dolores Schweitzer

Sue Hicks

Marilyn Doll

Back, left to right:

Alice Stephens

Elise Dougan

Nan Davis

Carol Richard

Alliance Garden Club

Cheri Myers, Club President, shared the picture below of club members at the Arthur Herrick Conservatory at KSU in April. Melissa Davis, Conservatory Director, gave a guided tour. Each greenhouse has a different regulated climate. There is a tropical room, a cactus and succulents room, and ferns and humidity loving plants area. The greenhouse recently underwent renovations plus a 1,500 sq. ft. addition. All new automated environmental controls were installed to control heating, cooling, humidity, carbon dioxide and oxygen levels. Some of the research rooms are closed to the public but Melissa showed them a room where research is being done on the effect of invasive grass-like plants on the growth of trees.

After the tour the club went downtown Kent to enjoy lunch at the Bricco.

Sounds like a great day, both educational and fun!



For tour info, contact mdavis7@kent.edu or call 330.672.2469



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2019 CGC Calendar of Events

June 1 - 8	National Garden Week	
June 11	Executive Committee Meeting	9:00 am
June 11	Board of Directors' Social	10:00 am
June 11	Board of Directors' Meeting	10:30 am
June 12	Children's Garden Program	10:00 am
June 17-21	Beautification Judging Week	
June 19	Ohio Tweets — Family Bird Program	6:00 pm
June 26	Children's Garden Program	10:00 am
July 9	Executive Committee Meeting	9:00 am
July 9	Board of Directors' Social	10:00 am
July 9	Board of Directors' Meeting	10.30 am
July 10	Children's Garden Program	10:00 am
July 17	Herbal Wall Garden — Family Event	6:00 pm
July 22	Bus Trip - Franklin Park Conservatory - Columbus	
July 24	Children's Garden Program	10:00 am
Aug 7	Children's Garden Program	10:00 am
Aug 13	Executive Committee Meeting	9:00 am
Aug 13	Board of Directors' Social	10:00 am
Aug 13	Board of Directors' Meeting	10:30 am
Aug 14	Guided Tour of Garden of 5 Senses	6:00 pm

Canton Garden Center's Summer Evening Programs

This summer the Garden Center is offering evening programs for the community!

Programs designed for the entire family!

FREE AND OPEN TO THE PUBLIC
PROGRAMS BEGIN AT 6:00 PM

Ohio Tweets

Wednesday, June 19

Join bird expert, Marlene Bolea, for a fun, interactive class about birds throughout Ohio

Herbal Wall Garden **Wednesday, July 17**

Learn, smell, touch, and taste fresh herbs

Guided Tour: Garden of 5 Senses **Wednesday, August 14**

This garden uses all the senses to experience the beauty of gardening

Heritage Herb Society presents

"THYMELY TOPICS"



**Wednesday, June 26 &
Wednesday, August 28**

6:00 - 7:00 pm

at the Canton Garden Center

These sessions will feature creative uses for herbs - culinary, medicinal, and decorative.

More details, contact Linda Heinzer at 330.477.3410



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