April 2023

Silver Lake Garden Club

Dear Garden Club Members.

Spring has arrived! Daffodils and forsythia are blooming, trees are budding and the grass is greening up- in fact some lawns have already been mowed! It's time to be working in our gardens. Please join us for fun, friendship and great information at the April meeting.

April 17, 2023 Meeting

One of the Garden Club's favorite speakers, Master Gardener Lee Paulson, returns with another informative gardening program--this time regarding dahlias. We may have some donated dahlia tubers for members to plant in their gardens.

A gardening exchange will also be held to share any perennials or herbs you are dividing this spring and any garden tools or decorative items you'd like to give away. Please bring items with you to the meeting. You may wish to label the plants you bring with the plant name, sun/shade, color of bloom, etc. We look forward to seeing you!

Earth Day is April 22



Take a walk, plant something and enjoy our beautiful planet!

The Summit Metro Parks has a number of events happening that may interest you.

https://www.summitmetroparks.org/



Upcoming Programs

Meetings are held at Silver Lake Village Hall. Social time @12:30pm. Speaker @ 1pm.

April 17 Let's Plant Dahlias

Presentation by Master Gardener Lee Paulson

Gardening exchange for Perennial Plants and Garden tools/décor.

May 15 Wild Back Yards

Rob Curtis from the Summit Metro Parks will share ways we can each help encourage the environment around us to thrive. This educational program is both for beginner and experienced gardeners.

June 19 Gardening with Herbs

Noelle Akin from Petitti's Garden Center returns with suggestions for gardening with herbs. Specimen plants will be provided as door prizes!

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Prior General Membership Meeting March 20, 2023

Attendees thoroughly enjoyed the tasty and informative presentation by John Cermak of Sugarbush Creek Farm. John presented "The Making of Maple Syrup" describing the history of maple syrup making and the modern methods used today. He gave us a taste of his farm's warm maple syrup and maple products were available for purchase. A



bottle of delicious syrup was given as a door prize to one lucky attendee!

John expressed appreciation for our hospitality and asked to share this information:

- Sugarbush Creek Farm will be at the maple festival in Chardon under the big top April 27-30; look for the family wearing all red/black buffalo plaid!
- We have official farm tours with a wagon ride and 30-45 min guided tour every year the first and second weekend in March put it on your calendar!
- If folks are interested in us giving talks to other groups or setting up group tours please point them to our contact form on the website or this email address (<u>info@sugarbushcreekfarm.com</u>)
- If anyone wishes to visit our shop in person please give a call at 440-636-5371 to make sure someone will be here. We also ship across the USA via our website
- If anyone has a granddaughter interested in an eligible young maple syrup farmer point them my way;)

Regards from John Cermak

\$\$\$\$ 2023 Dues \$\$\$\$

Please bring your check for 2023 Annual Dues of \$20 to the April 17th meeting, or mail/drop off at Village Hall along with a completed copy of the membership & dues form at the end of the newsletter.

Even if you are unable to participate regularly in garden club meetings, your dues payment funds efforts such as the Christmas Tree Lighting, and many village beautification activities!



Gardening Tips:

Check out the calendar of this month's gardening tasks for our region from The Old Farmers 2022
Almanac <u>Gardening Tips</u>
by Month | The Old
Farmer's Almanac

Did you know that transplanting should be done in months that have an "R"? So April (not May, June, July or August) is the time to share plants with friends and neighbors!

Village Website Resources-FYI

Village Information:

<u>Welcome to the Village of Silver Lake! - The Village of Silver Lake</u>

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Summit County Metro Parks Programs

Summit Metro Parks offer a multitude of programs around the county on topics related to the interaction and interdependency of plants, animals, insects and humans in our environment. Visit their website for a complete listing. A sample listing is below. https://www.summitmetroparks.org/

- 4/15 Geology of the Gorge 1.8 mile Hike 12-1:30 pm, Goodyear Heights, Akron
- 4/15 Wildflower 1 mile Hike 12-1:30 pm Seiberling Nature Realm, Akron
- 4/16 Wetland Walk 12:30-2 pm, Goodyear Heights Pioneer entrance, Akron
- 4/16 Composting 101 2-3:30 pm, Liberty Park, Twinsburg
- 4/17-4/30 Self-Guided Wildflower Walk, Liberty Park, Twinsburg
- 4/22 Earth Day Wildflower Hike 1-3pm, Liberty Park, Twinsburg
- 4/22 Earth Day Bird Walk 8:30-10:30 am, Deep Lock Quarry, Akron
- 4/23 Early Spring Migrant Bird Walk 9-11 am, Valley View Park, Akron
- 4/26 Master Gardener lecture on Native Plants, Seiberling Nature Realm, Akron
- 5/4 Healthy Garden Soil and Compost Talk 6-7:30, Summit Lake Nature Center, Akron

Open Volunteer Position for 2023

A volunteer is needed to plan and oversee the annual Christmas Tree Lighting in December.

Please contact President Carol Steiner at 330-815-2475 for more information.

Save the date for Silver Lake Festival: July 15, 2023

This year's theme is:

Silver Lake Celebrates the Red, White and Blue!

Garden Club Facebook

Did you know Silver Lake Garden Club has a Facebook Page?

Special thanks to Courtney Zimmerman, administrator.

All 2023 program dates and topics are posted.



Welcome to New Members! Janice Wellborn Joan Jackson Katie Hasson Marcia Lowery Larissa Burlingame Kendall Hudson Kirklyn Kuzdrail SILVER LAKE GARDEN CLUB MEMBERSHIP & DUES FORM The purpose of this club is to encourage home and community gardening, to cultivate the spirit of gardening, and to stimulate interest in the preservation, conservation and beautification of the Village of Silver Lake. Please support the club with your dues. Annual Silver Lake Garden Club dues are \$20 per person Name_ Address Email____Phone____ Make checks payable to: Silver Lake Garden Club and send to Silver Lake Garden Club, c/o Village Hall, 2961 Kent Road, Silver Lake Village, Ohio 44224 Membership Type: ____Renewing Membership _____New Membership I am interested in helping with: ____Annual Festival (July) ____Tree Lighting (December) ____Garden Club Committees/Board ____Call me as needed ___ I am a Master Gardener Volunteer

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