
April 2024

Silver Lake Garden Club

Dear Garden Club Members and Friends,

Happy Spring! We've been enjoying the spring blooms of crocus, forsythia and daffodils and now see lilacs budding and tulips pushing up through the ground!

We trust you are preparing to view the once-in-a-lifetime total solar eclipse on Monday, April 8th. The Village of Silver Lake has offered residents use of the Fauser Arboretum from 1-4pm to picnic and view with your neighbors.

The Program Committee has put together another wonderful lineup of interesting programs for us again this year! A complete listing is provided in this newsletter. Please print a copy for your reference mark your calendars for 2024 events!

If you have not already done so, please ensure you have renewed your \$25 annual membership via completion of the form at the April meeting or included in your newsletter email.

Next General Membership Meeting: April 15

Please join us at Silver Lake Village Hall to learn more about the **Cuyahoga Valley Art Center** in Cuyahoga Falls which is dedicated to the promotion of visual art education, exhibition and community engagement. Our speaker, Danielle Dieterich, will share information about this wonderful community resource. Dessert and social time begins at 12:30 pm, followed by a brief business meeting and then the speaker at 1pm.

FYI, Silver Lake Residents Marcia Mandala and Dennis Stoiber each had a work displayed in the March Figurative Exhibit at CVAC. Congratulations!



Upcoming Events

May 20

Growing our Own Vegetables and Cut Flowers

Summit County Master Gardener Geoff Kennedy shares ideas about raised bed gardens and container gardening.



June 17

A Beautiful Summer Bouquet

Akron Garden Club member Marguerite Tremelin shares her knowledge of creating lovely arrangements with fresh summer flowers.



2024 Silver Lake Garden Club Meeting Programs

All meetings are held at Silver Lake Village Hall. Social time at 12:30 pm. Speaker at 1:00 pm.

3/18/24 The Buzz on Bees

Luncheon provided.

Kodie King of Backyard Farms will share information about bees—how these pollinators impact us and how we impact them. Backyard Farms is an urban farm in Akron whose goal is to raise fresh, locally harvested farm products. A door prize will be given to one lucky attendee!

4/15/24 Come Meet Your Art Neighbor

Dessert provided.

The Cuyahoga Valley Art Center in Cuyahoga Falls is dedicated to the promotion of visual art education, exhibition and community engagement. They offer classes for many types of art and artists of all experience levels. Our presenter, Danielle Dieterich, will share information about all this wonderful community resource offers.

5/20/24 Growing our Own Vegetables and Cut Flowers

Luncheon provided.

Master Gardener Geoff Kennedy will share with us new ideas and designs for raised bed gardens and container gardening—just what we need in shady Silver Lake!

6/17/24 A Beautiful Summer Bouquet

Dessert provided.

A member of the Akron Garden Club will share her experience and knowledge of creating lovely arrangements with fresh summer flowers. Come meet Marguerite Tremelin.

7/20/24 Annual Silver Lake Garden Club Festival at Silver Lake Park

No meeting is held in August.

9/16/24 The History of Seiberling Nature Realm

Luncheon provided.

Learn about this jewel of the Summit Metro Parks (SMP) right in our Akron backyard. Megan Shaeffer of SMP will share the history of this park and facility that offers classes, educational programs and beautiful hiking trails. Learn more about the 2024 Annual Fall Hiking Spree and plan a hike with a friend!

10/21/24 Let's Get Ready for Spring

Dessert provided.

This is the perfect time for planting spring bulbs and flowering shrubs for a beautiful arrival of spring at your home. We'll learn more from Noelle Akin of Petitti Garden Centers. She will bring plants to share as door prizes and allow time for Q&A, so bring questions!

11/18/24 A Charcuterie Experience

Dessert provided.

Learn to create stunning and delicious charcuterie boards like a pro! Kim Leeser, owner/operator of the new Stow business, Graze Craze, will share tips on pairing cheeses, meats, fruits and more, just in time for hosting holiday parties.

12/16/24 Holly & Ivy High Tea

Luncheon provided.

Back again by popular demand, the Cuyahoga Falls High School Choir will entertain us with beautiful Christmas music as we gather to celebrate the spirit of the season at our Annual Holly & Ivy High Tea!

Thank you to Mary Johnson, Program Chair, and section representatives Whitney Bowers, Carol Steiner and Bev Wytiaz for developing this wonderful lineup of programming!

Prior General Membership Meeting March 18



Kodie King of Backyard Farms is passionate about bees! She strives to inform and educate about the many facets of these amazing pollinators. She advocates for municipal legislation to enable home-based bee farming to thrive. A healthy bee population plays a significant role in a large portion of the foods we eat.

Garden Club Festival

Save the date for Saturday, July 20, for the Silver Lake Garden Club Festival, a tradition since 1935. This is a fun-filled community event with great food, games, prizes and entertainment.

New this year at the Village Store will be original watercolor prints of the Garden Club Gazebo by our very own Village artist Denny Stoiber. Denny is an accomplished watercolorist and a member of the Whiskey Painters of America. He has created 4 beautiful gazebo scenes -- one for each season. Each fine art print is 5" x 7" and will be signed and numbered by Denny, so quantities will be limited. The original 8" x 10" prints will be framed as a set and sold at silent auction. The winter season image is also being printed as a set of Christmas cards and will be available for purchase.

Arbor Day Festivities

Join us at the annual Arbor Day celebration on May 3rd at 1pm. A program at the elementary school will kick off the event (bring your photo ID for school entry), followed by the planting of a London planetree on school property near Bellaire Road. This year's tree is planted in honor of Barbara Dieterich, a long term SL resident and member of garden club. Fingers crossed for a nice weather day!

Gardening Tips:

Check out the calendar of this month's gardening tasks for our region from The Old Farmers 2022 Almanac [Gardening Tips by Month | The Old Farmer's Almanac](#)

Village Website Resources-FYI

Village Information: [Welcome to the Village of Silver Lake! - The Village of Silver Lake](#)

Prior Issues of Silver Lake Garden Club Newsletter: [Garden Club - The Village of Silver Lake](#)

SLV Spring leaf and limb pick-up will continue through Sunday, April 28th. Everything placed at the curb through the last day will be picked up.

Earth Day is April 22



Summit Metro Parks

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 <https://www.summitmetroparks.org/> .

- The Annual Spree for All spring hiking spree runs May 1 – June 30. Sign up starting May 1st and enjoy some great family outdoor exercise and fun!
- See the website for programs in the couple days prior to the Eclipse to prepare.
- Nature Collage- make a beautiful, nature-inspired collage using recycled paper at Seiberling Nature Realm on Thursday, April 11 from 10am-12pm.
- Woodcock Walk on Thursday, April 11 from 7:30-9pm at Tallmadge Meadows Park; A short walk in hopes of experiencing the dance and sounds of the male woodcock.
- Wildflower Hike, Seiberling Nature Realm, Saturday April 13 12-1:30pm, naturalist led hike
- Nature Drawing for Adults, Seiberling Nature Realm, Wednesday, April 17 10am-12pm.
- Earth Day Wildflower Walk, Liberty Park, Twinsburg, Sunday, April 21, 10:30 am-12pm.
- Meet Me in The Garden; the influence of Nature on our Well-Being, Seiberling Nature Realm Wednesday, April 24 7-8pm

Membership

If you have not already done so, please remit \$25 payment for your 2024 dues. We also ask that you complete the membership form, even if you are a returning member, to ensure your contact information is accurate. The form is attached; you may print and complete to return at the April meeting.

Welcome to New Members!

- Susan Calvo
- Lisa Gray
- Sean Housley
- Beverly LeBlanc
- Cindy Pollard
- Cindy Staycheff
- David Sweitzer

New Directories will be printed soon. Please be sure to attend our meetings to pick up your free copy with all the latest member contact information, our officers listing and program schedule!