
May 2024

Silver Lake Garden Club

Dear Garden Club Members and Friends,

Happy Spring! Forget-me-nots, lilacs and azaleas are blooming and everything is green and growing! The wet weather and warmth have brought our gardens and landscapes to life! And it's nice to see our neighbors out walking in our beautiful community again.

There are lots of upcoming events to learn more about, so please read this edition from start to finish! Mark your calendar for our monthly meetings-thanks for an outstanding year of program planning by the Program Committee.

Our annual directory is now available. Pick up your copy at our monthly meetings. If you have not already done so, please renew your \$25 annual membership.

See you soon!

Next General Membership Meeting: May 20

Please join us at Silver Lake Village Hall to learn more about **Growing our Own Vegetables and Cut Flowers**. Our speaker, Summit County Master Gardener Geoff Kennedy, will present new ideas and designs for raised bed gardens and container gardening. Luncheon and social time begins at 12:30 pm, followed by a brief business meeting and our presentation at 1pm. Hope to see you!



Events

June 17 A Beautiful Summer Bouquet

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



July 20

Annual Silver Lake Garden Club Festival

This year's Festival theme is Silver Lake Goes to the Olympics!



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.

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 Pettiti 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 Leaser, 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!

Membership

Just a reminder that annual dues are \$25. Please remit payment and 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 next meeting.

2024 Directories have been printed! 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!

Prior General Membership Meeting April 15



At the April meeting, we learned about the Cuyahoga Valley Art Center (CVAC) located in Cuyahoga Falls from Danielle Dieterich, Director (yes, granddaughter of Barbara Dieterich (for whom the Arbor Day tree was planted this year). Two Silver Lake residents are students at the CVAC and shared their experiences.

Marcia Mandala created a lovely **swan pastel painting which will be raffled for \$10 per ticket**. Proceeds benefit the Silver Lake Shade Tree Commission and the goal of increasing our Silver Lake shade canopy. Tickets will be available at the Village Hall in June and July until the day before Festival. Marcia will also have tickets available at the June meeting of Garden Club.

Denny Stoiber is a member of the Whiskey Painters of America, a group that originated in the Cuyahoga Falls/Akron area in the 1960s and he shared the organization's interesting history. Denny has created a lovely **four-season series of watercolors of the Silver Lake Gazebo**. Signed, numbered and matted prints of each of these **will be sold at the Village Store during Festival and at Garden Club meetings** and the originals will be individually framed and sold as a set at silent auction. The winter season image has also been printed as **holiday greeting cards** and are available for \$25 for a box of 10. These may be purchased at Garden Club meetings and Festival. Proceeds from the purchase of this artwork goes to Silver Lake Garden Club for use in village beautification.

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](#)

May 3

Arbor Day Tree Planting

The annual Park Board Arbor Day Tree Planting took place on Friday, May 3 at 1pm at Silver Lake Elementary School. This year a London plantree was planted in honor of Barbara Dieterich.



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!
- Spring Ephemeral Seed Harvest, Thursday, May 9, 6:30-8:30 pm, Seiberling Nature Realm
- Good Garden Talks; Plant Swap, Thurs., May 16, 6-7pm, Goodyear Heights Park
- 3rd Annual Native Plant Festival, Saturday, May 18, 10am-4pm, Munroe Falls Metro Park/Lake Area. Native plant nurseries will have plants available for purchase, or attend an educational session to learn how to incorporate native plants into your landscaping.
- Gardening as We Age, Wednesday, May 22, 7-8:30pm, Seiberling Nature Realm
- Wetland Wildflowers Walk, Thurs., May 30, 10-11am, Firestone, Tuscarawas Meadows

Garden Club Festival

Save the date for Saturday, July 20, 2024 for the annual 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 matted 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 individually framed and sold as a set at silent auction. The winter season image is also being printed as a set of 10 Christmas cards and will be available for purchase for \$25 at Garden Club meetings and Festival.

Festival Volunteers Needed

It takes over 100 volunteers to make this fun-filled day a success. Please consider signing up to volunteer with your friends and neighbors! Volunteer opportunities include:

- Friday evening 6 pm: Festival setup
- Saturday morning 9 am: Sign posting, games' setup, prize setup, table setup
- Saturday Festival hours 12 noon to 4 pm: Staff game or prize areas, serve food items
- Saturday 4:30 pm: Festival tear down and cleanup

Contact a Festival Committee Member for more information:

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