



Sprigs N Sprouts

The Gardeners of Lima

April 2018

Lima, Ohio

Fungi to be Featured

Dr. Curtis Young will present a program on Fungi in our area at the April meeting of The Gardeners of Lima.

Dr. Young, who is with Ohio State University Extension in Van Wert, is well known to members of our club. He spoke to us last year on Plant Diseases and the previous year on the effects of a mild winter on gardening.

We look forward to a most interesting presentation.

The meeting will be at the Farout Park Clubhouse on Tuesday, April 10 at 7:00 p.m.



Scholarship Committee

David and Sheila Rowe have agreed to head up the Scholarship Committee for The Gardeners of Lima.

The club grants a \$1,000 scholarship each year to a student in the general area of horticulture. The committee contacts area high schools and provides application forms. Then the committee reviews the entries and chooses a winner.

The Gardeners of Lima thank Dave Williams, who has so ably headed the scholarship program for a number of years.

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Looking Ahead

- April 10 Members Meeting at Clubhouse 7 pm
- April 21 CGLG Spring Meeting
Kingswood, Mansfield, OH
- April 21 Perennial Dig at the Maki's
- April 26 Board Meeting at Clubhouse 7 pm
- May 2 Petunia Potting at the Maki's
- May 8 Members Meeting at Clubhouse 7 pm
- May 10 Spring Plant Sale Truck Unload 10 am
- May 11 & 12 Spring Plant Sale
- May 19 Downtown Planters Flower Planting 9 am
- May 26 Flower Plant & Clean-up at Clubhouse 9 am
- June 26 - 29 National Convention, Ft. Wayne, IN
- June 29 - 30 CGLG Summer Conference, Ft. Wayne, IN
- October 27 CGLG Fall Meeting, Kingswood, Mansfield

NATIONAL CONVENTION

The 2018 National Convention of Garden Clubs of America will be at Ft. Wayne. Since it will be so close, our Lima club should have a good representation. The dates are June 27-29. You may attend by the day if you prefer to be home at night. Mark your calendar

History of The Gardeners of Lima

Organized in 1947 as Lima Men's Garden Club, meetings were first held in the agriculture agent's room at the Lima Post Office. The club tottered, then finally gave up, but later re-organized.

Above was in the 1977-1981 minutes book. Meetings were in members' homes, at Memorial Hall, at the Elks (lodge), churches, and etc. until the 1983 club president, Clyde Stemen, led getting and rehabbing the stone building built by the WPA during the depression and located in Lima's Faurot Park. It had been a haunted house fundraiser, but—most interesting—the zoo animals (including bears and alligators) that lived in Faurot Park between about 1920—1954 wintered in the two-story stone building.

The City of Lima offered the club free rent, if they could renovate it to be habitable. The building was in very bad shape. But, after many hours of volunteered labor and professional services, the building was first used in November 1985. A large memorial stone is at the clubhouse dedicated to Clyde Stemen. Many others contributed skill, money, and labor as it is still in use today. Other area garden clubs use the building for free, but The Gardeners of Lima maintain the building.

Jean Engstrom was the first woman member in 2000. Jean and her husband Hugh donated start-up funds for scholarships awarded yearly. Lima Men's Garden Club became The Gardeners of Lima in 2003 to more accurately reflect the entire membership.

Many others have been excellent leaders and worked hard to make a proud history for The Gardeners of Lima.

We have been here at Faurot Park for 31 years and don't plan on leaving any time soon.



The historic stone building that is The Gardeners of Lima clubhouse, requires on-going maintenance inside and attention of outside landscaping. Donations to help preserve this historical building can be sent to treasurer Rex Maurer.

The future of The Gardeners of Lima is to encourage gardening and community beautification and to encourage new members to join in our efforts.

We are all learning together and nobody knows everything so please feel free to join us. If you have a pot with dirt you can grow almost anything. If you have a yard you are already a gardener. Parents are encouraged to bring their children. This can widen our programming to teach young people where their food really comes from.

New renovations are complete! New members are needed to help us grow. Let's get Down (on our knees) and Dirty (planting in the soil) together.

Getting Your Body Ready for Spring Garden Work



Mary Lou Paisley
Senior Citizen Services

The Gardeners of Lima opened the 2018 year with a program featuring Mary Lou Paisley and her recommendations for exercises to help get in shape for Spring garden work.

Not only did she demonstrate these activities, but she also led the group in trying them out, as you can see by these pictures.

Emphasis was put on the proper method of standing up and also of lifting.



WEB-SITE UPDATE

Check out the new look of our Web-site
thegardenersoflima.com

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