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# GARDEN SCOOP

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## President's Message

By Marsha McEntee

Greetings Fellow Gardeners.

As the year starts to wind down, I look back and reflect on how much the club members accomplished this past year. However we are not finished yet and still have a program, two Christmas trees to decorate and a Christmas luncheon and installation of officers to complete. This time of year is a reminder of how much we need to finish and store before Winter arrives.

Our theme for the "Glow" Christmas tree is Mother Nature's Winter Wonderland, and we have been busy gathering botanicals from our gardens, on walks around the town and through wooded areas. On Nov 4, 2016, four ladies from our club attended the GCO holiday luncheon and displays. Several of the trees were dressed with very clever ornaments made from nature and fitted in well with our Glow tree theme. I will distribute some photos of the displays at the next General Meeting.

A reminder to all club members that all are welcome to participate in the craft work day this Monday at 10:30 in Westlake Porter library craft room. We will be making various decorations as well as planning the placement on the ten foot tree. Cathy Garlitz who is an interior decorator, will be helping all of us to put it all together. So on the day bring all your supplies, casual work clothes, and a pair of gloves to handle thistles and other "prickly" botanicals. We have the go ahead to spray outside so will be doing that also. Robert Pearl will be the chair for the Porter library Christmas tree and will be holding a social work day at 1:00 pm on Nov.10 at his home in Avon. We are looking for a few members and supporters who are willing to work on the Glow tree decorating day on Tuesday Nov. 22. We are slotted in the 1-4 pm time frame. The decorations, ladders, and workers all need to be transported to the Botanical Gardens. So even if you didn't sign up on the committee we can always use some guys to lend some muscle and pitch in. Hope to see as many of the members attend as possible. I would also like to thank our "newer" members for getting involved in the luncheon and with the Christmas decorations for Glow! Enjoy this beautiful weather, the fantastic Cleveland Indians, and our colorful Fall gardens!



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## November is time to Vote

We will vote on the following slate of officers for 2017 at the November meeting:

President	Regina McCarthy
1 <sup>st</sup> Vice President	Jean Smith
2 <sup>nd</sup> Vice President	Shirley Lutts
Treasurer	Marie McCarthy
Recording Secretary*	Brian Thompson/Sally Knurek/Anne Engel
Corresponding Secretary**	Eileen Cernea/Carolyn Steigman

\*Brian will take minutes at the general meetings and Sally and Anne will share the Board meeting duties.

\*\*Eileen will handle correspondence and Carolyn will handle publicity.

# Time to Renew Membership

By Kathy Bruening

We are looking forward to another great year in 2017 and hope to see you and perhaps some of your friends who might like to join the group.

Annual dues are **\$25** for an individual or **\$35** for a couple.

Please mail to:

Kathy Bruening  
30978 Walden Dr  
Westlake, OH 44145

Or bring a check to the November 16th meeting on *Cuyahoga Valley National Park* at the Porter Library.

**Checks** should be made payable to **Westlake Garden Club**.

**Please note any changes** in your *address, phone number or e-mail* so that they can be included in next year's yearbook which will go to print during our winter break.

Many thanks to all who have already submitted their dues.

## Membership Survey

By Jean Smith

Thank you to everyone who completed the Membership Survey distributed at the October meeting. I have tabulated results but am waiting for a couple more surveys which are being mailed or dropped off at the November meeting for final results. The preliminary results indicate that they will be very helpful to me in planning programs and speakers for 2017. They also show that the overwhelming majority of members want to keep meeting schedules as they have been with a business meeting at 11 a.m., lunch at noon and program at 1 p.m. Several members think our business meetings are too long and at least one suggested we start on time. We ask members to complete surveys occasionally to make sure we are doing what our membership wants and expects. However, we value your opinions and input anytime, so if you have suggestions, or even a complaint, please let a board member know about it. We want your club experience to be educational, enlightening and fun. Thanks again.

## Editor Needed

We are still in need of someone to produce a newsletter for the club. It can be done every other month, every quarter or monthly and can be done as a single sheet back-to-back, or a four-page as this one is. We know that someone in our membership has the ability and the desire to produce a good newsletter. Our members who do not have email look forward to receiving the newsletter as a means of keeping in touch with club events and activities. Please consider helping the club and our membership. You might enjoy it.

## November Program

The November program is "Explore the Cuyahoga Valley National Park" and will be presented by Karen Patterson. Karen is a retired History teacher, former seasonal park ranger, and volunteer for CVNP in several capacities. Approximately 1/3 of her program will be on the National Parks and 2/3 on the Cuyahoga Valley National Park. If you have never visited the national park in our back yard, this is a great opportunity to be introduced to what the park has to offer. Our national park includes hiking and biking trails, the Cuyahoga Valley Scenic Railroad, picnic areas, the Beaver Marsh, abundant wildlife and much more. Please invite a friend to join you at this meeting.

## December Holiday Luncheon and Installation of Officers

On Thursday, December 15, we will celebrate the holidays with a wonderful, festive luncheon and install new officers for 2017. The luncheon will again be held at Westwood Country Club. Please see the flyer on last page of this newsletter for details. Use the reservation form to order your lunch and make check(s) payable to the Westlake Garden Club. Please consider bringing a guest or spouse to this lovely, festive luncheon.

## Lakeview Cemetery

We enjoyed a wonderful program and speaker at the October meeting. Robin Cannon, horticulturist at Lakeview Cemetery, talked about "Cultivating History at Lakeview Cemetery." She told us about the people buried there, the monuments and of course the trees and flowers. She is very passionate about what she does for a job and that is evident in her program. Robin joined us for lunch as we enjoyed chili, salad, cornbread and desserts, thanks to the lunch committee.



Left: Robin Cannon. Above: Lucy Kalbers and Kathy Molner. Below: Lunch committee Judy Hullinger Sally Knurek, Becky Castelli, Kathy Molner, Agnes Tark and Don Bowman.



## 2016 PROGRAMS AND EVENTS

### WGC PROGRAMS

**WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 16, 2016 – GENERAL MEETING  
“EXPLORE CUYAHOGA VALLEY NATIONAL PARK” PRESENTED  
BY KAREN PATTERSON, RETIRED HISTORY TEACHER, FORMER  
SEASONAL PARK RANGER AND VOLUNTEER FOR CVNP IN  
SEVERAL CAPACITIES**

**TIME:** MEETING AT 11 A.M., LUNCH AT NOON, PROGRAM AT 1 P.M.

**PLACE:** WESTLAKE PORTER PUBLIC LIBRARY, 27333 CENTER RIDGE  
ROAD, WESTLAKE

**HOSTESSES:** KEVIN BRANDSTETTER, CAROL LEWELLEN, JEAN SMITH

**THURSDAY, DECEMBER 15, 2016 – HOLIDAY LUNCHEON AND  
INSTALLATION OF OFFICERS FOR 2016**

**TIME:** SOCIAL TIME 11:30 A.M., LUNCH AT NOON AND INSTALLATION OF  
OFFICERS AT 1 P.M.

**PLACE:** WESTWOOD COUNTRY CLUB

SEE FLYER ON LAST PAGE OF NEWSLETTER FOR DETAILS AND  
RESERVATION FORM.

### OTHER EVENTS

**TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 22 – GLOW DECORATING DAY**

**TIME:** 1 P.M.

**PLACE:** CLEVELAND BOTANICAL GARDEN

SEE MARSHA MCENTEE IF INTERESTED IN HELPING

**MONDAY, NOVEMBER 28 – DECORATE TREE AT LIBRARY**

**TIME:** 10 A.M.

**PLACE:** WESTLAKE PORTER PUBLIC LIBRARY

**TUESDAY, DECEMBER 6 – AFFILIATE DAY AT GLOW**

**TIME:** 1-6 P.M.

**PLACE:** CLEVELAND BOTANICAL GARDEN

**COST:** FREE FOR MEMBERS WHO DECORATED A TREE. FOR GUESTS OR  
CLUBS WHO DID NOT DECORATE A TREE, \$8 ADMISSION

REFRESHMENTS AND SEATING WILL BE IN WOODLAND HALL.

REGISTER ON LINE AT: [WWW.CBGARDEN.ORG/ABOUT/AFFILIATED-GARDEN-CLUBS/GLOW-AFFILIATE-NIGHT-REGISTRATION.ASPX](http://WWW.CBGARDEN.ORG/ABOUT/AFFILIATED-GARDEN-CLUBS/GLOW-AFFILIATE-NIGHT-REGISTRATION.ASPX)

DEADLINE FOR RESERVATIONS IS WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 30.

**WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 7 AND THURSDAY, DECEMBER 8 –  
BAY VILLAGE GARDEN CLUB, GREENING OF BAY**

**PLACE:** BAY UNITED METHODIST CHURCH ON LAKE ROAD

FOR MORE INFORMATION GO TO [WWW.BAYVILLAGEGARDENCLUB.COM](http://WWW.BAYVILLAGEGARDENCLUB.COM)

## Here is What's Happening in the Neighborhood

**Saturday, November 12 – Basket of Treasurers 27<sup>th</sup>  
Annual Craft Show.** Westlake High School, Hilliard Blvd.,  
9:30-3:30, Admission \$3.

**Dean's Greenhouse Stone Soup Saturday –** November  
12, 11 a.m. – 2 p.m. Enjoy a bowl of soup and a walk  
through the display gardens.

### **Gale's Garden Center**

Sunday, November 13 – Alyssa's Cupcakes, 11 a.m. until  
gone

Tuesday, November 22 – Ladies Night Out with shopping  
and music. \$5 admission benefits APL, 5-9 p.m.

Friday, November 25 – Greyhound Rescue 10 a.m.-1 p.m.

Saturday, November 26, Cleveland APL, 12-3 p.m.

Saturday and Sunday, November 26 and 27 – Harpist  
Debbie Beck, 12-3 p.m.

Sunday, November 27 – Golden Retriever Rescue, 12-3 p.m.

### **City Music**

Sunday, December 11, 4 p.m. at Lakewood Congregational  
Church, 1375 West Clifton, Lakewood, Strauss program.  
Free will offering.

### **Holiday Lunch at Westlake Community Center**

Wednesday, December 14, doors open at 11:30 a.m., lunch  
at noon. Cost \$28 payable by December 7. Entertainment  
by Red Light Roxy at 1 p.m.

### **Burning River Brass Holiday Concerts**

Sunday, December 18, 7 p.m. and Monday, December 19, 7  
p.m. at Pilgrim Church in Tremont, 2592 West 14<sup>th</sup> Street.  
Free will offering.



A beautiful view of the river and fall foliage observed on a hike in the Rocky River Reservation of the Cleveland Metroparks. The new steps to Fort Hill, behind the Nature Center, are now open. The view from the top is spectacular. There are several very manageable hiking trails at the Nature Center. Most are 1 mile to 1 ½ miles long and have some great scenery.

# The Westlake Garden Club

Cordially invites you and your guest to our

## Annual Christmas Luncheon / Officer Installation

Thursday December 15th

Westwood Country Club  
22625 Detroit Road  
Rocky River, Ohio 44116

Social Hour 11:30 AM (cash bar) Luncheon 12:00 PM

Please use the west door for valet service - same as the fundraiser

Luncheon - \$18 for members, \$20 for non-members

Cost includes gratuity and valet service

Please select your entree(s):

1. Lemon Garlic Chicken and Pasta – Sautéed scaloppini simmered in white wine butter, paired with Linguini Olio
2. The Ludwig Bistro Plate – Grilled mélange of vegetables and rotisserie chicken, selection of dressing
3. Caesar Salad with Grilled Salmon
4. Soup and Sandwich – Roast Beef and Swiss Cheese Sandwich with cup of Tomato Basil Soup

Dessert – Apple Walnut Cake with Vanilla Ice Cream and Caramel Sauce

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Reservations must be received by December 7<sup>th</sup>

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Please make your check payable to Westlake Garden Club and mail along with your entree selections to: Jean Smith, 700 Brick Mill Run, #209, Westlake, OH 44145

Member Name \_\_\_\_\_ Telephone No. \_\_\_\_\_

Guest Name \_\_\_\_\_

Number of reservations \_\_\_\_\_ Check amount \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Menu selection(s): \_\_\_\_\_ Special diet request: Vegetarian \_\_\_\_\_ Gluten Free \_\_\_\_\_