



June 2023 Newsletter

2022-2023 Executive Board

President: Susan Absher

VP Publicity: Gail Cooper

VP Programs: Nancy Nordin

Treasurer: Cindy Bauman

Secretary: Janet Kinney

Past President: Linda Smith

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June Meeting

When: Thursday June 8, @ 6:30 pm for social 1/2 hour, 7:00 pm meeting

Where: Milford Senior Center
1050 Atlantic, Milford, MI

Speaker: No special speaker

Program: Instillation of officers



President's Report

Susan Absher

The Spring Division Meeting sponsored by the Troy Garden Club and held in Birmingham was enjoyed by our members. The lecture by Kerry Mendez was very informative. We were all taking copious notes, hoping to use the abundance of information she provided to improve our gardens.

Many of us took advantage of the vendors and purchased succulent arrangements, glass garden ornaments and floral scarves, to name a few items available. Linda Smith was the MGC's sole winner of their drawing, a \$50. gift card for the Market North End Restaurant.

There were four very successful digs for our Plant Sale to be held on Saturday, June 3. We are anticipating a very profitable sale. Also, if you are in town and available, please offer to be a host at one of the seven gardens at the upcoming Garden Walk.

The birdhouse project is temporarily on hold. Joe Gawle, the gentleman who offered to recreate the deteriorating birdhouses, suffered a terrible accident in his workshop. The accident was so severe it required reconstructive surgery performed at the University of Michigan Hospital. Kathy Blackburn and I were horrified and saddened to hear of his injuries. We are still in contact with him. Kathy always waits for him to initiate the communication. We will keep you informed as time goes by.

If you are interested in having any clothing embroidered with the new logo, please bring your items to the June Meeting and have your name pinned onto each item where you want the embroidery to be done. Nancy and I will take them to Quick Silver that Friday. You will get the best price if done with other members

Here's to great weather for our Plant Sale and Garden Walk!

Flowers always make people better, happier, and more helpful; they are sunshine, food, and medicine for the soul.

Luther Burbank (1849-1926)

Milford Garden Club Established 1948

A member of the Michigan Division Woman's National Farm and Garden Association

New officers

The Milford Garden Club unanimously elected our 2023-2023 officers at our May general membership meeting.

The officers are:



Susan Absher, President



Gail Cooper, Vice President of Publicity



Nancy Nordine, Vice President of Meetings



Diane DeVincent, Treasurer



Lee Doyle, Secretary

It is exciting to see Diane and Lee serving on the board for the first time, Diane joined our club in July of 2021 and Lee joined this year.

The board will be installed at our June general membership meeting. We will also be thanking our two outgoing board members.



Cindy Bauman who served as Treasurer for four years

And



Janet Kinney who was our club Secretary for two years

Submitted by Linda Smith

Past President



Dates to Remember

2023

June 3, Garden Market 10 am - 12 pm

June 8, 6:30/7:00 pm General Membership Meeting
(see flyer on page 5)

June 11 & 12 Indian Village Home & Garden Tour

June 19, 5 pm Board Meeting

June 21, 5 pm Preview Party for homeowners and garden hosts and hostesses

June 23, 4 pm - 8 pm & 24, 10:00 am - 4:00 pm Garden Walk

June 27, Deadline for July Newsletter

June 29, Tea Time

July 13, 6:30/7:00 pm General Membership Meeting

August 21, 5 pm Board Meeting

September 12, 6:30/7:00 General Membership Meeting

September 18, Board Meeting

October 10, 6:30/7:00 General Membership Meeting

October 16, 5 pm Board Meeting

Greeters

The friendly people greeting us at the June meeting will be Linda Sturgeon and Diane

Pearson. Greeters need to be at the Senior Center at 6:30 to greet members and guests as they arrive.



Garden Maintenance

Arthurs Park Clean up



Great job
Ladies



Tea Time

Karol LaHaie will be hosting Tea Time on June 29 from 12 to 2 pm. Please RSVP to Karol _____



Garden Tips

Gardeners are always looking for new ideas or wanting to know what someone else is doing to make their gardens more interesting with less work.



Since I don't use Round Up or other chemicals, this is how I kill weeds and reclaim garden space.

You will need a 2 gallon pump sprayer

Linda Becker

1 gallon white vinegar

1/2 - 1 Cup salt - stir or shake to dissolve salt

Add 2 or 3 good squirts dish soap

Spray weeds - on sunny days with no rain or sprinklers
Spray again the next day to finish them off. (Poison Ivy needs 4 sprays) Then pull and spray the hole so the weed doesn't return. I have had excellent results for well over 10 years. Remember, if you spray it, it dies! Be careful near plants you want to keep. This method is great to clean a beach, sidewalk, or patio. Good luck getting rid of weeds.

Club News

- The Milford Garden Club deadline for dues payment is May 31. Please Submit your dues before May 31 if you have not done so Previously. The Dues are \$30. for individuals and \$40. for couples. Checks should be made payable to Milford Garden Club and you can send checks to: _____

- I still need at least 4 hosts/hostesses for the Garden Walk on Saturday June 24 from 1-4pm. Please let me know ASAP if you are willing to volunteer.

Thank you, Nancy Kay,

- Needed: All members who are able please be at the Milford Methodist Church on Atlantic at 8 am on June 3, to help with the plant sale.

- If you have garden related items that you no longer need/want please contact _____ Or have your item at the Milford Methodist Church on Atlantic at 8 am on June 3

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2022 - 2023 Committees

Community Outreach: Sue Grifor

Devine Raffle: Sheila Myers

Email Distribution: Lisa Willard

Facebook: Lisa Willard

Field Trip Coordinator: Lisa Hill

Garden Walk: Linda Becker

Barbara Amey

Garden Maintenance: Kathy Blackburn

Greeter: Barb Brennan

Historian: Anna VanHyfte

Holiday Party: Janet Kinney

Bonnie Lynch

Hospitality Coordinator: Pat Coopersmith

Membership: Terri Hardick

Mentoring: Diane Pearson

Name Tags: Marion & Dale Benedict

Newsletter: Jackie Swenson

Plant Sale: Lisa Hill

Scholarship: Linda Sturgeon

Sunshine: Kathy Barker

Tea Time Group: Mary McFarland

Website: Sue Tompkins

Yearbook: Brook Qualman

WNF&GA (National): www.wnfga.org

WF&GA (Michigan Division): www.michdivwhfga.org

From the Editor

Thank you everyone who contributed articles for this newsletter. I welcome any contributions.

The deadline for the July newsletter is June 27.



Jackie Swenson

In The Garden



Karol LaHaie
with her Glass
Art Tree



Nancy Nordin With
her Glass Art Tree

If you have seen anything in your gardens or when wandering that you think would delight other gardeners please send a picture and description to me at:
jacqulyn.swenson@gmail.com

Do You Know?

This Months Question is: How many times do you need to spray Linda Becker's recipe to get rid of Poison Ivy? If you know the answer email it to: _____

The winner of the May drawing is Pat Coppersmith. All correct answers will be entered in a drawing. The winning name drawn will receive 3 tickets for the next DeVine Raffle.

GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING

Thursday, June 8



We will tour two members' gardens,
followed by the
general membership
meeting and potluck
at Don Caley & Carol Hilf's home

Meet at Milford Senior Center
Car Pool from Parking Lot

Arrive: 4:50 pm

Depart: 5:00 pm

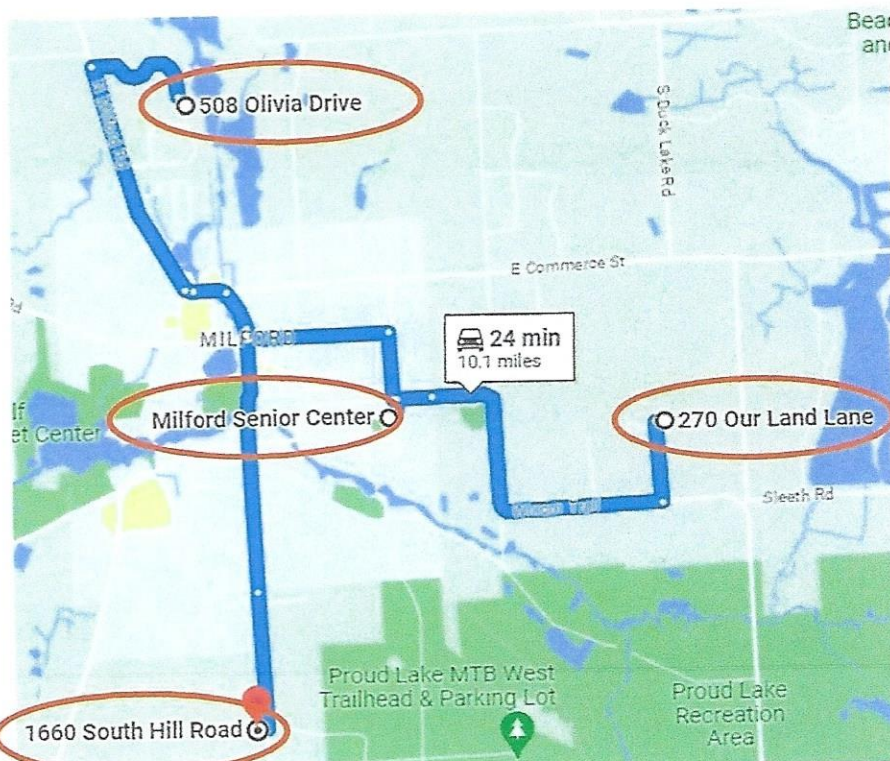
Please bring a finger food appetizer or dessert
Beverages will be provided

Garden Tour Order:

1. _____

2. _____

3. Meeting at

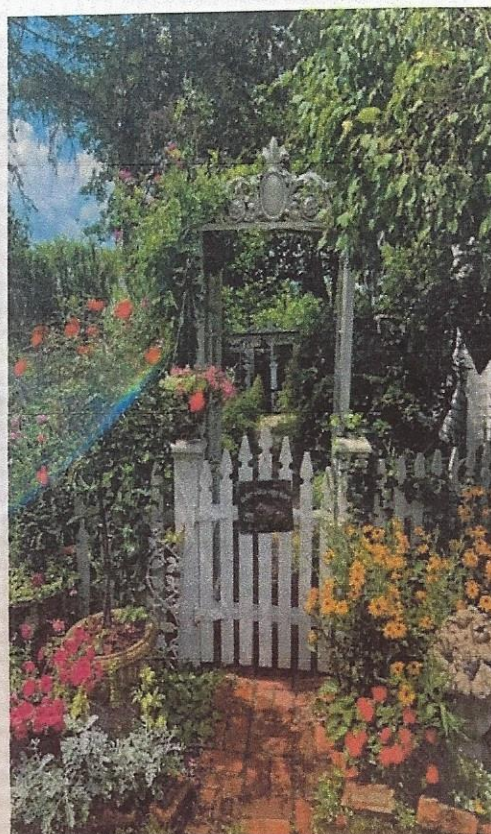


Milford Garden Club Garden Walk & Market Place

(Market Place at Milford Methodist Church
1200 Atlantic - Saturday only)

Fri. June 23 4:00 pm - 8:00 pm

Sat. June 24 10:00 am - 4:00 pm



Advance Reservations: \$15.00 Day of the Walk: \$20.00

For more information click on Events at our website: www.TheMilfordGardenClub.org

Member Spotlight



Ron & Rebecca Wilson

We are Ron and Rebecca Wilson and we are very delighted to be members of the Milford Garden Club. We moved to the Milford community seven years ago and have enjoyed being involved in the community and making new friends. I have been employed with the Livonia Public Schools as a High School Engineering and Architecture Design teacher at the Livonia Career Center for 27 years. We have two adult children and a ten month old grandson. I am currently serving as President of the Milford Historical Society and have been involved with the Historical Society for three years. My wife Rebecca is currently involved with judging for the "Eyes On Design" event at the Ford House to raise support for the Henry Ford Health Detroit Institute of Ophthalmology. We love gardening, cooking, traveling, reading and spending time on Torch Lake in the summer and Mackinaw Island in October. We look forward to meeting as many garden club members as we can and being part of your garden club and activities this summer.

Milford Garden Club
General Membership Meeting Minutes
May 11, 2023

Call to Order: 7:02 pm

Approval of Agenda - approved

New Member and Guest Introduction - Lynn de Carli

Thank you to Greeters - Judy Vincent, Cindy Bauman and Tina Schave

General Membership Meeting Minutes from April 13, 2023 - Approved

President's Report : Susan Absher

- ⇒ Please notify Susan 2 days prior to a meeting to be included on the agenda.
- ⇒ The Division Meeting was held 5/11. It was sponsored by the Troy Garden Club this time. Awards were made to honor some of our members accomplishments. These included: Martha Klemmer for writing the Newsletter, Diane Pearson for developing the Welcome Packet, and Sue Tompkins for her work on the Garden Club Website and the pictorial directory.
- ⇒ The Michigan Gardener Magazine will now be published only in the Spring.
- ⇒ Will possibly indication Master and Advanced Master Gardener on our nametags.

Officers Report

- **VP of Programs Report: Nancy Nordin:** Informed the members of the options for logo possibilities
- **Treasurer' Report: Cindy Bauman:** Current balance \$11,376.15. Payments for both general and liability insurance were made.
- **Nominating Committee - Linda Smith, Committee Member,** New officers -
 - Diane DeVincent - Treasurer
 - Lee Doyle - Secretary
 - New officer slate ws approved.

Committees:

- **2023 Plant Sale** - Lisa Hill: Need more donations of plants and diggers to help with plants for Plant Sale. Current schedule for a dig is Monday May 3rd.
- **2023 Garden Walk: Barbara Amey and Linda Becker** - Need more volunteers
- **Tea Time: Mary McFarland** - May 25th Tea Time is at Denise Tylers. Please RSVP
- **Garden Maintenance: Kathy Blackburn** - Planting scheduled for May 23rd with a rain date of May 24. Delores Donnelson had donated \$350 in her will for the repair of the Bird Houses. In addition Iverson's Lumber has donated the wood.

Unfinished Business: We need more baskets for the raffle at the Garden Walk.

New Business: Membership dues need to be in by May 31st

The next meeting will now be at Carol Hilf and Don Caley's home. Please bring finger food for the potluck. Member Gardens to tour are Kathy Barker's Brooke Qualman's and possibly Mary McFarlands

Adjourned: 7:25 pm

Submitted by Janet Kinney, Secretary