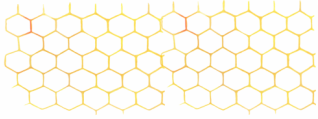


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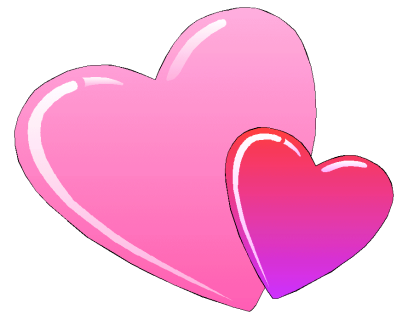
We are looking forward to our first meeting of 2023. Our meeting day has changed. We will now be holding our meetings on **Thursdays**. Our next meeting is scheduled for **Thursday**, February 9th at 6:30pm at the Twinsburg Community Center.

We will not have a speaker or program, but instead will take this opportunity to update you on some exciting activities that we have planned to celebrate the Club's 60th anniversary. We will also have an informal discussion to find out what interests you have so that we can plan programs and activities around these interests.

Looking forward to seeing everyone!

Happy Birthday!!

Rita Gabrovsek - February 8
Denise Herman - February 13
Mary Griffith - February 15

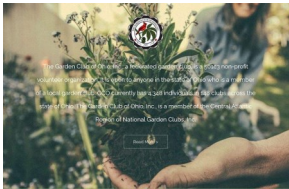


Upcoming Events

2023 GCO Educational Schools

Garden Club of Ohio has three excellent educational schools coming up via Zoom. Each school has four total courses. I have taken all of the Environmental School and Gardening School courses, and plan to take Landscape Design Course I in March. Information about each course is on the GCO website home page — www.gardenclubofohio.org. The topics and instructors are top notch, and you will be amazed at how much you learn. I highly recommend taking advantage of these learning opportunities! Please contact me with any questions.....hope to see you on Zoom!

Virginia Schmidt



Member Photo Directory

Virginia Schmidt has offered to make a photo directory of our members to make it easier for everyone to identify their fellow TGC members. Would you please email or text a photo of yourself (roughly 2X2 or 3X3) to Virginia at virgtod@windstream.net or text 216-310-7413.

ORCHIDS FOREVER CLEVELAND BOTANICAL GARDEN

Saturday, January 28, 2023 - Sunday, March 12, 2023



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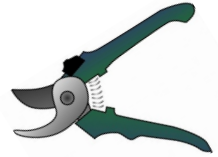
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Twinsburg Garden Club
is to promote interest in all
aspects of gardening and the
environment, and to
encourage activities
that enhance and
enrich our community.

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If you have any news items or
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Winter To - Do List

- **Use wood ash** from your fireplace or wood-burning stove to increase the pH of your garden soil, but don't overdo it — a pH level that's too high prevents the uptake of some plant nutrients. Test the pH of your soil to maintain the correct balance.
- **Inspect garden tools** to ensure they're ready for spring planting. Sharpen hoes and spades with a file. Check pruners and loppers for nicked blades. Remove rust and repaint metal parts. Use a whetstone to sharpen these. Inspect wooden handles for rough spots and splinters. Lightly sand the damaged areas and apply a light coat of linseed oil. Repair cold frames.
- **Use graph paper to redesign garden beds for spring**, taking into account such factors as sun, shade, spacing and locations of vegetables in past years.



- **Order seeds now** while supplies are plentiful. Favor catalog companies that have taken the Safe Seed Pledge not to knowingly buy or sell genetically engineered seeds or plants. (To learn more, visit gene-watch.org).
- **Prepare to start seeds** indoors. Sterilize used containers in a 10% bleach solution to kill the fungi that cause damping off.
- **Sow cold-season crops** such as broccoli, cabbage and cauliflower indoors in February. Move them to a cold frame in March. Be sure to crack it open on warm, sunny days.
- **Start some lettuce** and other leafy greens indoors under lights in February for an early taste of spring. Start leeks and onions indoors, too.
- **Check tender flower bulbs that are in winter storage.** Discard any that show rot or shriveling. Mist any that are drying out. Store in a cool, dark place.
- **Order roses in January** for arrival at planting time.



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