

# ***Kenmore Garden Club***

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## ***Mission***

The club's mission is to stimulate an appreciation of gardening and flower arranging among amateurs and to promote civic beautification and conservation.

## ***We Meet***

at

Kenmore United Methodist Church  
32 Landers Rd. at Delaware Rd, Kenmore, NY  
10:00 a.m.

**Our meetings open to the public, no admission**  
September through November  
January, February and April through June

*Members Only for December Holiday Luncheon, March Installation Luncheon*

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## ***Our Civic Involvement***

- **Arbor Day Planting:** The Town highway department and garden club plant a tree to celebrate Arbor Day and help designate the Town as a "Tree City USA."
- **Adopt-a-Box:** Members have groomed and watered planter boxes placed throughout the town for 41 years.
- **Gateway Garden:** Members plan and plant the Gateway Garden at Englewood and Kenmore Avenues.



Adopt a Box

- **Ken-ton Historical Building:** Kenmore Garden Club members plan, plant, and maintain the planters and gardens created around the site with an emphasis on plants from the turn of the 20<sup>th</sup> Century. Pine swags and wreaths are added at holiday time.

- **Library Windows** are decorated for National Garden Week and Christmas.



Club display in library window.

## ***Other Activities***

**Theodore Roosevelt Inaugural Site:** Members combine forces to decorate an area of this historic mansion for the annual Victorian Christmas.

**Members' Garden Tour:** Several members open their gardens for viewing during the month of July.

**Educational Workshops:** Four workshops are planned each year to encourage our creative talents.

**Garden Therapy:** Residents of area nursing homes are led in flower arranging and/or a theme related craft project bi-monthly.

**Perennial Plant Exchange:** Members divide and share perennials from their gardens in May.

**Summer Bus Trip:** Field trips usually include garden tours and shopping.

**Youth Gardening:** Programs are developed for children to foster their interest in horticulture and conservation. Children from the Belmont YMCA are engaged in planting seeds and related garden activities.

**Blue Star Marker Garden:** The Kenmore Garden Club purchased a Blue Star Memorial Marker and attended the dedication ceremony at Kenney Field located at Brighton Road and Colvin Boulevard in 2016. A garden is being established around the base of the marker. Last fall daffodil and red tulip bulbs were planted; red geraniums and euphorbia 'Glitz' will be planted this year. Members will plant, mulch, groom and water this garden throughout the summer season. We are honored to plant and maintain this tribute to our American servicemen and women.

# ***Programs for 2019 - 2020***

## **2019**

**May 14<sup>th</sup> “Down on the Farm”** Erin Carmina, Development Director for the Massachusetts Avenue Project: Mission, New Farmhouse & Community Food Training Center. Erin will enlighten us on the progress, plans, hopes & dreams of the Massachusetts Avenue Project.

**May 24<sup>th</sup> Plant Sale** at 9 AM - 7 PM 939 Delaware Road, Kenmore, NY

**May 25<sup>th</sup> Yard & Plant Sale** at 9 AM - 2 PM Sale of Plants & Garden Related Items 939 Delaware Road, Kenmore, NY



**June 11<sup>th</sup> Victorian Tea at the Asa Ransom**

**House.** We will carpool to the Asa Ransom House, 10529 Main St., Clarence, NY for a regular garden club meeting at 11:00 a.m. Afternoon tea will be served at 12:30 p.m. It will include tea, an assortment of finger sandwiches, fruit scones with Devonshire cream/butter/jam and a dessert sampler.

**July 9<sup>th</sup> Garden Tour** Enjoy four outstanding local gardens culminating with lunch in the garden at the home of Linda Blyth

**August 13<sup>th</sup> Road Trip to Ancestral Acres,** a Mecca for dried flowers. Tour the gardens, visit the drying barn, and practice floral photography skills. Owner Martha Johnson is eager and most willing to share a brief history of her farm and answer any questions. Reasonably priced dried flower material is available for purchase.

Lunch at Gordie Harper’s Bazaar



“Legends” Flower Show Chairmen Linda Blyth (l) and Jolaine Houghton (r)

**September 10<sup>th</sup>** **“Our Friend, the Sunflower”** Joan Heath, KGC member and lover of sunflowers. My good friend the sunflower: elates me, feeds me, soothes me, calms me! What more can a friend do? Hear all about it!

**October 8<sup>th</sup>** **“Our Town”** Joe Emminger, Town of Tonawanda Supervisor. Mr. Emminger will enlighten us on what is happening behind the scenes in our town, what things are planned and what has been accomplished.

**Nov. 12<sup>th</sup>** **“Floral Designs for the Holidays”** Theresa Morone of New Holiday Design Ideas. Theresa is the sole proprietor of Floral Accents Flower Shop located at 877 Payne Avenue in North Tonawanda, creates amazing arrangements and teaches floral design in the Horticulture Dept. at NCCC. She will inspire us with her holiday floral designs; four designs will be raffled at the end of her presentation.

**December 10<sup>th</sup>** **Christmas Luncheon “Merry and Bright”** will take place at Events at the Wurlitzer, 908 Niagara Falls Blvd., North Tonawanda

## 2020

**Jan. 14<sup>th</sup>** **“Unusual Annuals to Add Variety to Your Garden”** Peggy Koppman. Peggy is a Master Gardener, a docent at the Buffalo Botanical Gardens, a member of Cinderella Isle Garden Club and a retired Principal in the Grand Island School system. She has an excellent horticultural and artistic background and will share some very practical suggestions.

**Feb. 11<sup>th</sup>** **“Do Flowers Smile?”** Darleen Stry. Member of Southtowns Camera Club and Photoshop & Digital Photography instructor, Darleen will educate us on techniques to use in photographing flowers.

**Mar. 10<sup>th</sup>** **Installation Luncheon 10:30 AM**  
The Year in Review by Historian, Lily Zendano  
**AWARDS PRESENTATION**  
**Hideaway Grille, 399 Division St.**  
North Tonawanda, NY



Table Artistry winning design by Grace Lucas

**April 14<sup>th</sup>** **“Extend Your Growing Year”** Mark Yadon of Mischler’s Florist. Mark will present information on raised beds, container growing and frost tolerant annuals which will allow us to have a lovely garden from April through November.