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Greetings Friends,

We all have special thoughts that come to mind when we hear the statement "we know spring is coming when....." Perhaps it's the sight of a robin, or daffodils poking up through the ground, or just the scent of spring in the air. For Friends of Fellows Riverside Gardens, a sure sign of spring is when we begin fine-tuning our plans for upcoming special events, which are highlighted in our Spring Newsletter. Our members' 'Spring Open House at the Shop in the Gardens' is scheduled for April 1. The 2020 Friends Annual Spring Plant Sale (31st Anniversary this year!) will be held on Mother's Day weekend with a special member preview on Thursday, May 7. Sales are open to the public on Friday, May 8 and Saturday, May 9. And, we are also excited to bring back a favorite event, "On the Terrace at 5!", with the first one scheduled for May 20. You will want to be sure to join us for an evening of wine and music on the Cafe Terrace overlooking Lake Glacier.

As you peruse our Spring Newsletter, you will see times and details for these events. Most events are free to members or at a reduced rate. Memberships are available the day of the event, but you can contact the Friends Office in advance to make sure your membership is current or to purchase a new membership prior to an event. Don't forget, members joining at the Sustainer level and above will receive a special bonus at the Spring Plant Sale. And soon we'll be sending all members an invitation to our Annual Meeting, held each spring.

Spring is already in full bloom in the Shop in the Gardens. Stop by for a special Mother's Day gift or just to hit the refresh button for your home decor with fresh and colorful decorations. Members always receive a 10% discount in the Shop and a special 20% discount at the Spring Open House.

In addition, what better time than spring for members of Friends of Fellows Riverside Gardens to take advantage of the R.A.P. (Reciprocal Admissions Program) program, which provides special admission privileges and /or discounts at many different types of gardens. Several of our board members have taken advantage of this program at botanical gardens in Columbus, Chicago, New York City and Denver. Experience the vibrant colors and fresh fragrances of spring in these beautiful gardens. Check the American Horticultural Society website for details.

Friends of Fellows Riverside Gardens invite you to celebrate Spring with us. Soon it will be bird chirping weather, and over 40,000 tulips await you!

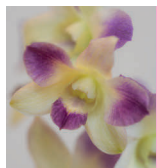
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To become a member of Friends of Fellows Riverside Gardens, pick up a brochure at the Davis Center for details. Or visit www.FriendsOfFellows.org.

FRIENDS OF FELLOWS RIVERSIDE GARDENS

Since 1988, the Friends have been dedicated to the promotion, improvement and preservation of Fellows Riverside Gardens, a free public garden, through advocacy and fundraising. As a non-profit 501(c)3 organization, the Friends are independent of the Gardens and Mill Creek MetroParks, yet work in steady collaboration with them to sponsor events and programs and to fund large-scale garden projects.

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Spring at Fellows Riverside Gardens

On February 2, Punxsutawney Phil did not see his shadow, meaning that Spring will arrive early this year at Fellows Riverside Gardens. Maybe. What we do know for certain is that Spring is right around the corner and that Fellows Riverside Gardens staff has been preparing for it since last fall. Staff and volunteers planted nearly 45,000 tulip bulbs last fall, guaranteeing another spectacular tulip display this year. Rumor has it that pinks, yellows and purples will dominate this year's show.

Daffodils and narcissus will return in mass in the Rhododendron/Woodland Garden. Because of the many varieties of daffodils planted in this area, this daffodil display will begin in March and likely continue until May. Contact the Gardens or go online for dates of the annual daffodil show and daffodil walks. In May, the staff will also be adding 140 new rose bushes to the Formal Rose Garden. The staff also plans new signs for the Dahlia Garden which received new visitor friendly walking surfaces and benches last fall.

As always, spring requires winter clean-up and other annual maintenance, and the staff welcomes volunteers who want to come out and pitch in. Just go online to <https://www.millcreekmetroparks.org/get-involved/volunteer/> to volunteer.



Member Spotlight: Jim and Paula McGarry

Friends of Fellows Riverside Gardens wouldn't be able to accomplish as much as it does without just that – FRIENDS!

In each issue of our newsletter, we take a moment to sit down with volunteers and fellow members of the Gardens to learn more about what motivates them to be keepers of our storied gardens. The following is part of a conversation we had with husband and wife members, Jim and Paula McGarry.

Lifelong residents of the Mahoning Valley, Jim and Paula recalled early memories of their youth, spending time exploring and admiring the beauty and refuge Mill Creek Park offered. Paula spoke of school picnics while Jim recollected on times with friends, hiking the dozens of trails and traversing through the wooded landscape.

Years later, Paula read to Jim about a spring plant sale happening at Fellows Riverside Gardens, an annual event that is hosted by the Friends of Fellows organization. The plant sale quickly became an annual tradition for the McGarry family, where Paula began to meet and connect with other members and volunteers. It wasn't until the summer of 2018 that the McGarry's enrolled in the summer garden classes at the Gardens. Much to their surprise, Jim and Paula ran into friends who were also participating in the program.

"We connected with Debbie Metzger early in the class and found out that two other friends, Sandy Treleven and Sally Lepore, were also active members. They graciously guided us to other activities and events that made

us part of the Friends of Fellows Riverside Gardens," said Jim and Paula. Since that class, they were hooked.

The McGarry's involvement as members continues to evolve as they recently took a Friends of Fellows sponsored Garden Tour to the Cincinnati botanical gardens last spring. "We enjoyed it very much and are both looking forward to future tours," the husband and wife said.

When asked what they hope to see for the future of the gardens, the theme of sustainability came to mind. "Both of us, as members of the Friends of Fellowship Riverside Gardens, intend to offer our time and energy to volunteer to maintain the grounds and support events to maintain a vibrant sustainability of the Gardens," Paula added.



The McGarry family joins hundreds of members just like you, whose passion for nature, the Valley and our prized grounds motivates their membership in Friends of Fellows Riverside Gardens. They want to ensure that generations to come can enjoy the beauty of the Gardens. We thank them!

Spring Plant Sale Coming in May

Just as surely as the days lengthen and warm into Springtime blooming, so too does the meticulous preparation for the Friends Spring Plant Sale get underway each March and April.

Volunteers are busy growing a wide array of vegetables from seed in the Gardens' greenhouse, including 19 varieties of tomatoes and new varieties of hot and sweet peppers and varieties of microgreens. Seedlings of not-yet flowering vines are being tended to, eventually to be staked so that their blooms can creep and twine. Several hundred of the Sale's popular sunflowers have been planted from seed, and their pots will line the growing tables with big-headed flower buds.

Carefully tended dahlia tubers are sending up spikes of green.

Dozens of small bare-root succulents from Michigan have been planted, and by early May their lush, substantial plants will be ready for the outdoors of northeastern Ohio and western Pennsylvania.

All other plants sold at the Sale have been ordered from specialty greenhouses and regional growers. This year we are focusing on featuring the newest plants of 2020 for the Sale. Each year, expert volunteers on the Plant Sale Committee seek out a dazzling variety of perennials, annuals and herbs for container gardening and landscapes. Especially beautiful roses and flowering shrubs and trees, berry bushes and small fruit trees, and summer bulbs add to the Sale's bounty.

Thirty-One Years of Plant Sales

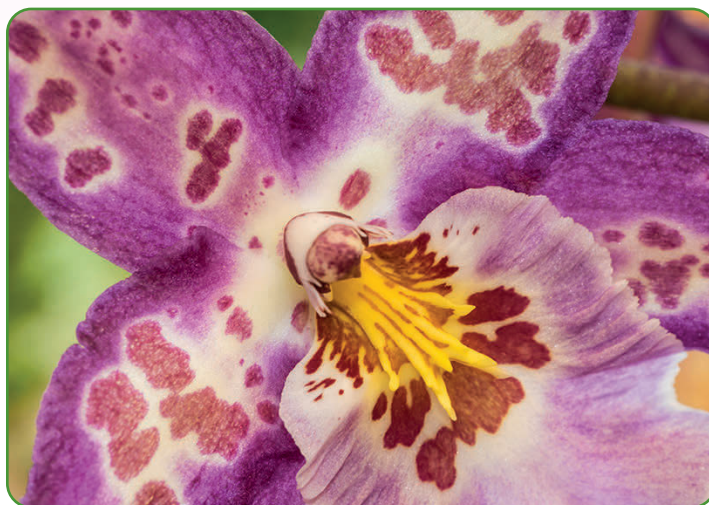
The Friends Spring Plant Sale is known not only for its multitude of plant varieties, but also for the helpful suggestions offered by the friendly, knowledgeable volunteers and Master Gardeners that staff the event. Both longtime and new gardeners savor the bursting-with-spring spirit of the Sale! This is our 31st year, a testament to the dedication of many plant-loving volunteers---and plant-loving supporters! ---over the years.

This year's Sale opens with a members-only preview sale on Thursday, May 7, from 4-7 pm. On that day only, members receive a 15% discount on all plant purchases. (Memberships can be purchased or renewed that evening.) Members receive 10% discounts on all other days of the Sale.

The Sale opens to the public on Friday, May 8 from 10 am to 6 pm, and on Saturday, May 9 from 10 am to 3 pm. Come and see what new features this year's sale has to offer. Plants can also be purchased on Mother's Day at tables outside the Davis Center.

As one of the Friends' major fundraisers, the Spring Plant Sale is a welcome and important part of springtime at Fellows Riverside Gardens. Please stop by to support our efforts, whether for your own garden planting or for a Mother's Day surprise. Our tents will once again be set up at the northern end of the Gardens parking lot.

If you'd like to join in the fun by volunteering, contact Deborah Metzger through the Friends office at 330.740.7116. A detailed schedule of times and tasks needed for the Sale will be available in late March. Danielle Jennings, the Metroparks receptionist at the Gardens, can also help schedule your volunteer time. See you at the Sale!



The exquisite 'Jewels of Winter' orchid display drew hundreds of visitors to the Davis Center throughout February.

Garden Traveling

Once again the Friends are busy planning our popular travel tours. Two day-trips and one weekend/overnight excursion are scheduled for 2020.

Our first day trip, Springtime in the Countryside, is Tuesday, April 28. Join us as we travel to the Amish towns and greenhouses of Holmes County. We've arranged for a "windshield tour" with a local guide, who will take us through the rolling hillsides and farmlands of the Amish countryside. There will be shopping stops as well as a hearty Amish-style lunch.

We've planned greenhouse visits to take in Amish growers' mid-Spring bounty. Should you wish to purchase plants and flowers

ready for May planting, we'll be providing travel-sturdy cases for holding them in the suitcase bays of the bus.

Look for our trip brochure in the mail or at the Visitor Center kiosk, once travel plans are finalized. The registration deadline will be by early April---so be sure to sign up early, as our day trips often fill quickly!

SUMMER TRAVEL

A summertime day trip is planned for Wednesday, July 8. We'll head to central Ohio for a visit to the beautiful Kingwood Center Gardens in Mansfield. We'll also have a private tour of Schnurmeier Gardens in Gambier, where a quarry landscape, waterfalls, and ten small lakes are enhanced by serenity and woodland gardens,

authentic Japanese garden structures, and sculptures.

HARVEST-TIME TOUR

This year's overnight garden travel will be to the Finger Lakes region, from Friday, September 11 through Sunday, September 13. We'll take in the charm of upstate New York's lakes and lakeside towns at harvest time. Cornell Botanic Gardens, a winery stop and numerous lakeside destinations are on our itinerary. More details to come!

Traveling with Friends is an easygoing way to explore gardens and the world of horticulture. Each trip attracts both new travelers and familiar faces. You can expect a friendly camaraderie, good food, and great value for your money. Brochures will be mailed to members for each tour.

Add This to Your Vacation Plans!

One of the benefits of Friends membership is the access you have to special admission privileges and discounts at more than 330 gardens nationwide. Magnolia Plantation and Gardens in Charleston, South Carolina...Lady Bird Johnson Wildflower Center in Austin...Phoenix's Desert Botanical Garden...Gardens of the American Rose Society in Shreveport, Louisiana---just the names alone can quicken the pulse of any traveler wishing for a few hours of sensory delight and easygoing meandering.

The American Horticultural Society created RAP (the Reciprocal Admissions Program) to encourage easy exploration of America's gardens. Membership in any of the participating gardens opens the door to often free admission and discounted amenities in many others. Just about every populated region of Florida has a RAP-affiliated garden, as do many gardens and conservatories and arboreta across New York and California. Even Hawaii, Alaska and Canada have gardens that offer RAP benefits.

Before you travel, check online for gardens in the cities and states you'll be visiting. Simply go on the American Horticultural Society website (ahsgardening.org) and explore its RAP listing of gardens, by state. Each garden's website is included, for you to read more.

AHS offers this advice for using the RAP benefits:

- * Call the garden you would like to visit ahead of time. Some gardens have exclusions for special events, for visitors who live within 90 miles of the garden, etc. Each garden has its own unique admissions policy, RAP benefits, and hours of operations. Calling ahead ensures that you get the most up to date information.

- *Present your current membership card to receive the RAP benefit(s) for that garden. Each card will only admit the individual(s) whose name is listed on the card.

- * The 90-mile Exclusion policy allows a garden to exclude members of gardens within 90 miles of it from receiving the RAP benefit(s). Please contact the garden you plan to visit to inquire about their enforcement of this policy.

- * Remember that the gardens you visit rely on admissions and donations to maintain their collections and gardens for all to enjoy. Please support them by visiting their gift shops or making a contribution.

The pleasure you experience in a walk through our own Fellows Riverside Gardens can be repeated as you visit relatives, or as you travel this summer. Most public gardens don't offer free admission as our gardens do. (Elizabeth Fellows's will specified that the gardens bearing her family name remain free for all to enjoy.)

Let your Friends membership treat you to an interlude from today's hectic pace. Explore the refreshing beauty of gardens as you travel!

**Be sure to come to the
Spring Open House
at The Shop in the Gardens
on Wednesday, April 1
Members only...Great merchandise,
great discounts!**



SCHEDULE of Classes

View MetroParks classes and activities online at: millcreekmetroparks.org

All classes are held in the D.D. and Velma Davis Education & Visitors Center at Fellows Riverside Gardens. Registration is required 48 hours in advance for all classes (except when noted) by calling Fellows Riverside Gardens at **330.740.7116**. Payment is required for registration. Visa, MasterCard, Discover and checks accepted.

Cancellations made less than 48 hours prior are non-refundable. Cancellations made less than one week prior, but before 48 hour deadline will have a 10% cancellation fee. Cancellations made one week prior will receive a full refund.

FFRG = Friends of Fellows Riverside Gardens member price. R = Mahoning Co. Resident. NR = Non-Resident.

CUISINE

Laid Back Cooking: Asian Appetizers

4/28 | 6:30 - 8:30 pm

Hands-on. Try your hand at the art of Asian cuisine with Jack Kravitz. Go beyond the typical dumplings and rolls with a whole new set of recipes. Register/pay by 4/25, call 330.740.7116. \$24 R; \$26 NR

EXHIBITS

Nature Photography Exhibit

Weller Gallery

Through 4/12 | Tuesday – Sunday, 10 am – 5 pm

The annual Nature Photography Exhibit returns the Weller Gallery. Enjoy the beauty and color of nature - indoors! The skills of amateur photographers are featured in this popular exhibit. View landscapes, wild animals, Mill Creek MetroParks scenes and more through the lens of talented photographers.

Daffodil Show

4/17 | 3 - 5 pm and 4/18 | 10 am - 5 pm

Discover the delights of daffodils during Daffodil Weekend. Enter your perfect bloom in the daffodil show at the Davis Center, Friday 4/17 and Saturday 4/18, that highlights the diversity and beauty of daffodils. Call Fellows Riverside Gardens, 330.740.7116, for details.

Daffodil Show Details: Friday, 4/17, entries accepted: 3 – 5 pm; Saturday, 4/18, entries accepted: 8 – 10 am, judging: 10:30 am – 12:30 pm, and show: 1 – 5 pm; and Sunday, 4/19 show: 10am – 5 pm.

Mill Creek MetroParks History

Ongoing | Tuesday – Sunday, 10 am – 5 pm

The Melnick Museum offers the visitor a peek into the unique history of Mill Creek MetroParks. Look back and discover how Volney Rogers garnered property and how that land has grown into Mill Creek MetroParks. Learn about the generosity of Elizabeth Fellows that was the beginning of Fellows Riverside Gardens. And take time to learn about the early days of McGuffey and

his boyhood homestead located in Coitsville and now known as the McGuffey Wildlife Preserve.

Outdoor Gallery

Ongoing | Sunrise to Sunset

Experience another level of Fellows Riverside Gardens in the Outdoor Gallery. View original works from local artists whose displays range from steel to wood to topiary. Enjoy the art experience in nature through all the seasons.

EXPRESS YOURSELF

Whimsical Fairy Garden House

3/10 | 6 - 8:30 pm

Adults & ages 14+ with paid adult. Do you have fairies in your garden? Lynn Cardwell will teach students how to construct a stoneware clay fairy house for their garden. The work will be glazed, fired and ready to pick up in approximately four weeks. Register/pay by 3/8, call 330.740.7116. \$28 R; \$30 NR

Spring Wreath

3/24 | 6 - 7:30 pm

Celebrate the change of seasons with a cheery and bright wreath for your home. Using silk spring flowers, Judy Stanislaw will guide you in the artistry of crafting a wreath. Register/pay by 3/22, call 330.740.7116. \$24R; \$26 NR,

Spring Silk Wall Hanging

4/4 | 10 am – 12 pm

Welcome Spring! Create a colorful silk wall hanging to celebrate the changing of seasons with Judy Stanislaw. Register/pay by 4/2. \$26R; \$28 NR

Toad House

4/21 | 6:30 - 8:30 pm

Adults & ages 14+ with paid adult. Learn how to construct a stoneware clay toad house for your garden with Lynn Cardwell. Projects will be glazed, fired and ready to take home approximately 4 weeks after the class. Register/pay by 4/19, call 330.740.7116. \$28 R; \$30 NR

The Art of Topiary Lecture Series

5/5 (B), 5/12 (I), 5/19 (M) | 5:30 pm – 7 pm;
5/9 (B), 5/16 (I) | 12:30 pm – 2 pm
B = Beginner, I = Intermediate, M = Master

Topiary artist Mike Gibson will teach you the history of topiary, famous artists in the world and show you how to create your own topiaries. There will be a Beginner, Intermediate and Master class offered. There will be a live demonstration showing how to create living topiary.

Register/pay by calling 330.740.7116. \$65.00 per class, \$60.00 per class if you register By April 29, 2020.

Spring Leaf Bowl

5/12 | 6 - 8:30 pm

Adults & ages 14+ with paid adult. Lynn Cardwell will teach students to construct a clay bowl embossed with leaf patterns. The work will be glazed in spring colors, fired, and ready to take home approximately four weeks after the class. Register/pay by 5/10, call 330.740.7116. \$28 R; \$30 NR,

HEALTHY LIVING

Yoga Basics Courses

3/15 - 5/10 | Sundays, 9 - 10 am or
3/17 - 5/12 | Tuesdays, 6 - 7 pm

5/17 – 7/12 | Sundays, 9 - 10 am or
5/19 - 7/14 | Tuesdays, 6 - 7 pm

Learn the basics of Yoga in a safe way with Karres Cvetkovich. Benefit from an experienced teacher and a welcoming environment. Focus on the fundamentals: ease of movement, being more limber, standing strong on your own two feet, and breathing well for positivity and alertness. Bring a mat and blanket, pillow if desired. Choose either Sunday mornings or Tuesday evenings for this nine-week course. Participants need to pre-register; no drop-ins. \$90; 10% discount (\$81) if registered by 3/8 for Spring course and by 5/10 for Summer course. Call 330.740.7116 for more details or to register.

Yoga in the Gardens

3/3, 3/5, 3/10, 3/12, 3/17, 3/19, 3/24, 3/26, 3/31 | 9:30 – 11 am
4/2, 4/7, 4/9, 4/14, 4/16, 4/21, 4/23, 4/28, 4/30 | 9:30 – 11 am
5/5, 5/7, 5/12, 5/14, 5/19, 5/21, 5/26, 5/28 | 9:30 – 11 am

Join Marina Perdos for a blend of energizing yoga styles that will help you keep a healthy outlook. All levels are welcome. Bring a mat and small blanket. Call Fellows Riverside Gardens at 330.740.7116 for details. Drop-in. \$12/class

T'ai Chi Step One in the Gardens

3/4, 3/11, 3/18, 3/25 | Noon – 1 pm
4/1, 4/8, 4/15, 4/22, 4/29 | Noon – 1 pm
5/6, 5/13, 5/20, 5/27 | Noon – 1 pm

Ease stress, improve health, and increase vitality. Join Marie Lew in warm-ups, breathing exercises and selected movements from a classic Chen T'ai Chi form. Call Fellows Riverside Gardens at 330.740.7116 for details. Drop-in. \$10/class

T'ai Chi Basics for Beginners Course

3/12 - 5/14 | Thursdays, Noon – 1 pm or

Learn this classic art of energy balancing while developing coordination, flexibility and leg strength with Marie Lew during this ten-week course. Designed for beginners, this course includes warm-ups, breathing exercises and the first steps of a classic T'ai Chi form. Learn to flow through your day feeling centered and attuned! Participants need to pre-register; no drop-ins. \$100; 10% discount (\$90) if registered/paid at Fellows Riverside Gardens, 330.740.7116, by 3/5.

Meditational Movement Course

4/1 – 5/6 | Wednesdays, 10 – 11 am

Join Kelly Leone in this unique six-week course using simple techniques to assist you in learning how to relax and maintain a balanced sense of peace and calm. The classes are designed to integrate your breath and gentle movement using a chair for assistance and balance (if needed). As you relax the mental/emotional body and invigorate the physical body you will enjoy feeling a true sense of balance with ease and flow! You will be relaxed and refreshed. Bring a yoga mat and small blanket. \$65. \$60 if registered early by 3/25. Call 330.740.7116 for more details or to register by 3/29

HORTICULTURE

Men's Garden Club of Youngstown Talk

3/4, 4/1, 5/16, 6/3 | 7 – 8 pm

The Men's Garden Club of Youngstown invites you to attend their general meeting (first Weds of each month) which includes topics by local and regional speakers on horticulture and nature. Drop-in. Free.

Spring Clinic & Trade Show

3/11 | 8 am – 4 pm

The Mahoning Valley Landscape & Nursery Association, Mill Creek MetroParks, and OSU Extension – Mahoning County will sponsor this spring horticulture clinic at Fellows Riverside Gardens. Topics will focus on innovative ideas for the green industry. Vendors will display current service products. Call 330.398.7710 for details or visit www.mvlna.org for more information.

Botanical Mornings

3/20, 4/17, 5/15 | 9 – 10 am

Discover the progress of seasons here at Fellows Riverside Gardens with Educator Lynn Zocolo. Then, enjoy a complimentary cup of coffee or tea in Kravitz's Garden Café. Register/pay by calling 330.740.7116 on or before 3/18, 4/15, 5/13. \$5.

Indoor Gardening

3/7, 3/28, 5/2 & 5/9 | Saturdays, 9 am – Noon

Successful indoor gardening requires knowledge of both plan material and growing techniques. Learn how to select the right plants for your indoor space. Over four sessions the course will cover houseplant basics including light levels and temperatures plus unique specimens such as orchids, succulents and more. Deadline is 2/22. Fee: \$45R; 55NR, \$40 FFRG
3/7 – Houseplant Care
3/28 – Bromeliads / Terrariums: Gardens Under Glass
5/2 – Succulents
5/9 – Cultivating Orchids

Find out more on the John and Doris Andrews Horticulture Certificate Program webpage: <https://www.millcreekmetroparks.org/the-john-and-doris-andrews-horticulture-certificate-program/>

Daffodil Walk

4/18 | 2 – 3 pm

Delight in the beauty, diversity, and fragrance of daffodils on this guided walk with Gordon Vujevic, daffodil expert. Discover over 200 different species and cultivars that are a part of the Fellows Riverside Gardens Narcissus

collection. Meet in the Davis Center Lobby. Drop-in.

Garden Design for the Home Landscape Course

6/9, 6/23, 7/21 & 9/15 | Tuesdays, 5:30 pm – 8:30 pm

Design is a process that uses science and art to solve problems and create places of beauty and use. During this course, learn simple steps to design a garden space that is ideal for your needs and for your landscape. Explore ways to incorporate color, hardscapes, sculpture and art of all kinds to enhance and beautify your garden. Register/pay on or before Tuesday 5/26 by calling 330.740.7116
\$45 R; \$55 NR; \$40 FFRG

Find out more on the John and Doris Andrews Horticulture Certificate Program webpage: <https://www.millcreekmetroparks.org/the-john-and-doris-andrews-horticulture-certificate-program/>

KIDS & FAMILIES

Tales for Tots: My Five Senses

3/13 | 10 – 11 am

Ages 2-3, plus adult. I can see! I can hear! I can smell! I can touch! Each day brings new sights and sounds, new things to smell and taste and touch. Join us as we discover our five senses and what they reveal about the world around us. Register/pay at Fellows Riverside Gardens 330.740.7116 by 3/11. \$4

Sprout Club

3/19, 4/16, 5/21 | 1 – 2 pm

Ages 3-5, plus adult. Join the Sprout Club this Spring for learning and fun with fossils, dandelions and take a hike. Deadline for series is 3/17. \$15/series; \$7/class. Call 330.740.7116 to register/pay.

LECTURES

3/31 | 6:30pm – 8:00pm

Ever wondered how trees handle their enemies? And if they talk to each other? If you've ever asked yourself these questions, or even if they are completely new to you, join us as Dr Enrico Bonello tells us about these fascinating aspects of the natural world. Enrico is a chemical ecologist who studies interactions among tress, fungal pathogens, and insect pests at Ohio State University. Free, however registration is requested. To register for lecture's stop by Fellows Riverside Gardens or call 330.740.7116

SCHEDULE of classes

View MetroParks classes and activities online at: millcreekmetroparks.org

SPECIAL EVENTS

Lunch with the Leprechaun

3/14 | 11 am – 1:30 pm

Enjoy a traditional Irish buffet, Live Irish Music by County Mayo, Irish inspired activity/craft, have your photo taken with our Leprechaun and Burke Irish Dancers. Space is limited. Register/pay by calling 330.779.8201 by 3/6. \$19.95 adults, \$10.95 kids 4-12, under 4 free with adult.

Buffet Includes:

Corned beef and cabbage, vegetarian cabbage-potato-carrots, Ruebens, chicken fingers, coleslaw, tater tots, scrambled eggs, fruit salad, Irish Brownies and Irish Cream cheese cake.

Plant the Seed to Read Book Festival: Reading is Magical

4/4 | 10 am – 3 pm

"Reading is Magical" is the theme for the 14th annual book festival. Altrusa Club of Youngstown, Friends of Fellows Riverside Gardens, Mill Creek Metroparks, Western Reserve Public Media and the Public Library of Youngstown & Mahoning County present an event that brings authors, illustrators, book characters, storytellers, and hands-on activities for children. Come out to meet Daniel Tiger from the PBS show Daniel Tiger's Neighborhood! Join the fun to promote literacy in the Mahoning Valley. Free

Easter Brunch

4/12 | Noon to 3pm

Fellows Riverside Gardens will be hosting an Easter Brunch by Inspired Catering. Reservations are required. Contact Kravitz's

Garden Café at 330.779.8201 for more information.

Daffodil Weekend

4/18 & 4/19 | 10 am - 5 pm

Discover the delights of daffodils during Daffodil Weekend! Enter your perfect bloom in the daffodil show at the Davis Center, Friday 4/17 and Saturday 4/18, that highlights the diversity and beauty of daffodils. Take the trolley 4/18 from the Gardens down to Lake Newport to explore Daffodil Meadow. You can also hike to Daffodil Meadow, and stroll through the Garden's Narcissus collection.

Daffodil Show Details: Friday, 4/17, entries accepted: 3 – 5 pm; Saturday, 4/18, entries accepted: 8 – 10 am, judging: 10:30 am – 12:30 pm, and show: 1 – 5 pm; and Sunday, 4/19, show: 10 am – 5 pm.

Spring Plant Sale

5/08 | 10 am - 6 pm

5/09 | 10 am - 3 pm

Unique, high quality plants for the home garden will be available at the 31st Annual Friends of Fellows Riverside Gardens Plant Sale, along with expert advice and gardening tips from master gardeners. Peruse a wide selection of perennials, annuals, herbs, non-gmo vegetables, hanging baskets, succulents and more to add to your garden.

National Public Gardens Week

5/08 – 5/17 | 10 am - 5 pm

National Public Gardens Day is an annual celebration of the nation's public gardens to raise awareness of the important role botanical gardens and arboreta play in promoting environmental stewardship, plant

and water conservation, green spaces, and plant education in communities nationwide. In the Mahoning Valley, this celebration takes place locally at Fellows Riverside Gardens. Enjoy opportunities throughout the day that include: the spring plant sale on 5/9 and 5/9.

Mother's Day Brunch

5/10 | 11 am to 2 pm

Fellows Riverside Gardens will be hosting a Mother's Day Brunch by Inspired Catering. Reservations are required. Contact Kravitz's Garden Cafe at 330.779.8201 for more information.

On the Terrace at 5!

5/20 | 5 pm to 7:30pm

Come and enjoy wine, music and food on the beautiful terrace of the Garden Café. "Stan Miller Jazz" will entertain us. A special menu will be available for purchase by Kravitz Garden Café.

Admission will include two glasses of wine. Cost is \$10 per person for FFRG members and \$15 per person for nonmembers. Pay at the door.

TROLLEY TOURS

Daffodil Trolley

4/18 | 10:30am & 12:00 pm

Be part of Fellow's Riverside Gardens' Daffodil Weekend and take the Trolley to Daffodil Meadow as we celebrate Spring and all things Daffodil. Trolley boards at the Gardens. Register/pay at FRG by 4/16. Adults: \$7 R, \$10 NR ; Seniors/Youth: \$5 R, \$8, NR



Mike Barney's photo of a hummingbird in flight won Best in Show at Mill Creek MetroParks' Nature Photo Show, on display through April 12 in the Weller Gallery at the Gardens' Davis Center.

Save the Dates On the Terrace at 5

May 20 and June 17
and other select
Wednesdays through the summer

*Enjoy wine and music!
The Garden Cafe will offer a special menu.*

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Thursday May 7, 2020 (4:00 pm - 7:00 pm)

**Members only preview sale*

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