

# ***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 44 years.
- **Gateway Garden:** Members plan and plant the Gateway Garden at Englewood and Kenmore Avenues. Pine swags and wreaths are added at holiday time.



Adopt a Box

## ***Other Activities***

**Annual Plant Sale:** Annuals, perennials, herbs, vegetables and hanging baskets are available to the public the 3rd weekend in May; see our ad in the Figure 8 or call Linda (716) 873-5447.

**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 2022***

### **April 12<sup>th</sup> "What's New Pussycat?"**

Accredited NGC flower show judge, Kathy Massing will discuss and demonstrate the creation of a new creative design with a focus on intermediate arrangements.

## **May 10<sup>th</sup> “Fun with Herbs”**

Member Joan Heath is a researcher at heart and will share her knowledge by telling us what an herb is and how to grow them in our gardens or on our kitchen windowsills. She will prepare herb butters using basil, thyme, rosemary and marjoram, so we can discover the differences in their taste. Joan will also share some anecdotes about herbs.

**May 20<sup>th</sup> Plant Sale** at 9 AM - 5 PM at 939 Delaware Road, Kenmore, NY 14223

**May 21<sup>st</sup> Plant Sale** at 9 AM - 2 PM at 939 Delaware Road, Kenmore, NY 14223

Sale of Plants & Garden Related Items, 939 Delaware Road, Kenmore, NY

## **June 7<sup>th</sup> “Strut Your Stuff”, a 20’s & 30’s Tea Party**

Members are encouraged to dress in period costumes and bring a teacup, saucer and luncheon plate. We plan to have a speaker on the history of that period of time, especially of our town

## **July 12<sup>th</sup> Garden Tour**

Still in the planning stages members will tour either a club members gardens or those of another garden club.

## **August 9<sup>th</sup> Trolley Tour of Forest Lawn Cemetery**

1990 Main St, Buffalo, NY 14208

## **September 13<sup>th</sup> “Theodore Roosevelt and the Environment”**

River of Doubt: Theodore Roosevelt’s Darkest Journey speaker: Robert Poczik



In 1914, Theodore Roosevelt, haunted by political defeat, embarked with his son and several naturalist friends on an ill-fated expedition on a rapids-choked river in a remote, unexplored area deep in the Amazon rainforest. Along the way, Roosevelt and his men faced an unbelievable series of hardships, bringing Roosevelt to the brink of suicide. This is a spellbinding, heart-pounding story you will not want to miss. Photographs taken during the expedition will be shown as slides.

## **October 11<sup>th</sup> “It’s the Talk of Our Town”**

Joe Emminger, Town of Tonawanda Supervisor

Mr. Emminger will bring us up to date on town affairs, enlighten us on what is happening behind the scenes in our town, what things are planned and what has been accomplished.



Table Artistry winning design by the late Grace Lucas

## **November 8<sup>th</sup> “Transitional Holiday Designs”**

Theresa Marone is the sole proprietor of Floral Accents Flower Shop in North Tonawanda where she creates amazing arrangements. She will demonstrate how to make arrangements which can transition from Thanksgiving to Christmas. These designs will be raffled at the end of her presentation.

## **December 13<sup>th</sup> Christmas Luncheon at Classic V Banquet Center**

Optional donation to James V. Ryan Paramedic Foundation and/or Ken-Ton Meals on Wheels

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## **January 10<sup>th</sup> “Beyond Impatiens – Made for the Shade”**

Peggy Koppman is a Master Gardener, a docent at the Buffalo Botanical Gardens and a retired principal from Grand Island Schools. She will give a PowerPoint presentation on the many plants that can be grown in our shady gardens.

## **February 14<sup>th</sup> “Garden Pests...the Good, the Bad & the Ugly”**

Carol Ann Harlos, Master Gardener, speaker

“Bugs” (AKA insects) can be beneficial or destructive, but they can also be annoying to us gardeners. Carol Ann will educate us on their differences, how they affect our lives and how to deal with them. She will also give us some information on IPM (integrated pest management.)

## **March 14<sup>th</sup> Awards Luncheon and Year in Review**

Buffalo Launch Club, 503 E River Rd, Grand Island, NY 14072

## April 11<sup>th</sup> “Protect, Restore, Connect, Inspire”



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

Lex MacCubin, Buffalo Niagara Waterkeepers

We will gain insight into the work of this organization which works to clean up and protect our waterways. They strive to **PROTECT** the water, **RESTORE** both the waterways and the surrounding ecosystems, **CONNECT** people to their waterways, and **INSPIRE** both economic activity along the waterways and community engagement.