

Kenmore Garden Club

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 12th "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 10th “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 20th Plant Sale at 9 AM - 5 PM at 939 Delaware Road, Kenmore, NY 14223

May 21st 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 7th “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 12th Garden Tour

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

August 9th Trolley Tour of Forest Lawn Cemetery

1990 Main St, Buffalo, NY 14208

September 13th “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 11th “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 8th “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 13th 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 10th “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 14th “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 14th Awards Luncheon and Year in Review

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

April 11th “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.