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## Monday, November 16

Make plans to attend each monthly meeting. It's a great opportunity to socialize, enjoy good food, and to learn more about gardening and our environment.

**When:** Monday, November 16, 2015  
5:30 p.m. – Social Hour  
6:30 p.m. – Dinner

**Where:** St George Orthodox Church  
3204 Ridgewood Rd  
Fairlawn, OH 44333

**Program:** Beautification Awards  
GOGA Awards

Board Meeting: Monday, November 23, 2015 at 7:00 p. m.  
Faith Lutheran Church, 2726 West Market Street, Fairlawn, Ohio.  
All members are invited to attend board meetings.

Club web site: <http://gogakron.org>

I am truly thrilled with the fact that we have reached a total of 80 members this year; however we cannot rest on our laurels. If we do not continue to actively recruit new members and make a sincere effort to retain the members that we have; we could again find ourselves in a state of decline. I encourage all of you to make the new members and visitors feel welcome. Invite them to join your table and make them feel like we truly appreciate the fact that they are there. The feeling of fellowship spreads like wildfire when we make the attempt to include everyone.

As I write this letter, we have not yet found a candidate for the position of second vice president for next year. I am very hopeful that we will have a volunteer for this position prior to the business meeting portion of our November meeting. If you are interested, please call me or any one of the officers. We would be happy to explain to you what each office entails. I believe that all of our officer positions are very rewarding. As you go up through the ranks, you will find that you have a great deal of support from the officers, committee chairs and the club in general. Do not pass up this opportunity to do something very worthwhile and that will have a positive impact on your life.

I am extremely excited for our next meeting. Mary Ann does a great job with the processing and the presentation of the awards that our members earned by their service throughout the year. We also have some special awards so this should be a great deal of fun. I am also excited to see what Steve has put together for the Beautification Awards. I know that Cheryl and I had a great deal of fun when we visited the homes of the nominees for this award. Most of you know that we became members through a nomination by Jim Bell for Biggins' Big Dip. I truly hope that we gain some members from this year's award winners.

I made a challenge in the spring as far as the membership of the club is concerned. We started with 63 active members at the beginning of the year. My challenge was to achieve a membership of 80 active members by the end of the year. Most of you know that we reached the goal in October. Cheryl and I are preparing your "surprise" for the December meeting. That should be a lot of fun in addition to the entertainment and the installation of officers at that meeting. We have been honored in the past with Frank Mitch installing our officers. He has been a Director at our national organization for the past several years. Because he and Amy are moving to Oberlin, they may not be able to attend the December meeting. He arranged for John Schinker from Youngstown who is the second vice president of the TGOA/MGCA, our national and parent club to officiate in his stead. I am thrilled to have him join us for this momentous occasion.

I hope everyone is enjoying this wonderful fall weather. With utmost best regards, Clark

## Membership

Grace Cochran and Bob Bell of our membership committee asked that our new members that joined our club over the last two months be listed in the Gabber. I also included a summary of the last four years so that you can see the trends over that time frame. Please see Grace or Bob if you are interested in becoming a mentor for a new member.

### **September**

#### **Sampiero, Arlene "Sam"**

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Club Interests: Horticulture Show, Strawberry Festival

Gardening Interests: Annuals/Perennials, Birds/Butterflies, Conservation/Environment, Herbs, Landscaping/Lawns, Roses, Shrubs/Trees, Fruit/Vegetables, Water Gardening/Fish, Zentangle

Recommended by Jack Cochran

Mentor:

### **October**

#### **12-DeMartini, Lynn '15 (Rick)**

3223 Dowling Drive

Fairlawn, Ohio 44313

313-729-1779

[Rick.demartini@gmail.com](mailto:Rick.demartini@gmail.com)

Mentor:

### **October**

#### **13-DeMartini, Rick '15 (Lynn)**

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Fairlawn, Ohio 44313

313-729-1779

[Rick.demartini@gmail.com](mailto:Rick.demartini@gmail.com)

Mentor:

### **October**

14-Neerman, William '15

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Club Interests: Horticulture Show, Youth Gardening

Garadening Interests: Annuals/Perennials, Herbs, Shrubs/Trees, Fruit/Vegetables, Water Gardening/Fish

Recommended by Les Knight

Mentor:

**October**

**15-D'Arienzo, Amie '15 (David)**

3596 Oak Rd.

Stow, Ohio 44224

330-603-3409

[armbio83@yahoo.com](mailto:armbio83@yahoo.com)

Club Interests: Habitat, Strawberry Festival, Youth Gardening

Gardening Interests: Annuals/Perennials, Birds/Butterflies, Conservation/Environment, Herbs, Landscaping/Lawns, Fruit/Vegetables

Recommended by Chris Goddard

**Mentor:**

**October**

**16- D'Arienzo, David '15 (Amie)**

3596 Oak Rd.

Stow, Ohio 44224

330-328-8934

[david.dariento@gmail.com](mailto:david.dariento@gmail.com)

Club Interests: Habitat, Strawberry Festival, Youth Gardening

Gardening Interests: Birds/Butterflies, Herbs, Landscapes/Lawns, Roses, Gold, Softball, Basketball, Family

Recommended by Chris Goddard

**Mentor:**

Grace Cochran has been kind enough to provide inspirational poems by Bob Van Kirk, a former member of the garden club. This is his poem for November.

### Remember It Is November

When we observe the sky these days,  
It's seldom blue, mostly slate grays;  
When we look at our once-green trees,  
We see raw limbs where once grew leaves;  
When we must go out we ne'er know,  
If we'll be greeted by white snow;  
**Remember It Is November.**  
Fall air has a strong tangy feel,  
That makes life earnest, makes life real;  
Our footsteps quicken as we walk,  
The winds bring us late autumn talk;  
This month's hi lite oft praised in rhyme,  
Is of course -- Thanksgiving time.

Bob Van Kirk

On the following page is our puzzle for this month. Neil Raber was last's month's winner as he had the only entry. I have had some comments that the page that the puzzle occupies would be better served with some pictures about club activities. I believe that both would work. Please let me have your thoughts. The Editor

# GARDENING TOOLS VOCABULARY WORDSEARCH PUZZLE

FIND AND CIRCLE THE WORDS IN THE WORDSEARCH PUZZLE AND NUMBER THE PICTURES



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 Z B X M L M E E T R E R S L T  
 R Z V E O B V H Y T N V A P E  
 A K O W O O A L S H F V O K T  
 P G E S H L K R O U O U I J E  
 E R X S I S M E R G R T E Y K  
 A L F Q K M X N C O K K D Y R  
 N Q D L O U B L D H W E A P P  
 Q W A T E R I N G C A N X F S  
 A F G L K M I W J J Y Q E P A  
 V J H U K C Z K X F J I A L Z  
 P Z I E T O Q J A M H R R A J

- 1) AXE
- 2) GARDEN FORK
- 3) HOE
- 4) HOSE
- 5) LAWN MOWER
- 6) RAKE
- 7) SCYTHE
- 8) SHEARS
- 9) SHOVEL
- 10) TROWEL
- 11) WATERING CAN
- 12) WHEELBARROW