

# Marshall Area Garden Club

## *GARDEN CLIPPINGS*



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## Bless our Volunteers!

Braving the freezing and torrential rains, 6 brave garden club members; **Mike and Karla Love, Steve Rhodes, Richard Williams, Claudia Edwards-Houser and Jamie Evans** cleaned up winter debris at the Fairgrounds on April 14.

A large group helped plant pansies in the downtown urns on April 15: **Natalie Rector, Gail Woods, Shirley Clutter, JoAnn Dickey, Steve and Ann Rhodes, Marianne Slick, Margaret Zorn, Shirley Larson, Marlene Glotfelty, Jamie Evans, Mike and Karla Love, Linda Gillespie, Nancy Isham and Randy Boehmer.**

Carver Park volunteers on May 7 were **Steve and Ann Rhodes, Mike and Karla Love, Jamie Evans, Natalie Rector, Bruce Gillespie, Marty Overhiser, Janet Schoenmeyer, Nancy Isham and Tom Taft.**

Volunteers who repotted the downtown urns and/or planted begonias at the Fountain Circle on May 19 were **Steve and Ann Rhodes, Karla and Mike Love, Natalie Rector, Bruce and Linda Gillespie, Marty Overhiser, Janet Schoenmeyer, Shirley and Russ Clutter, Marlene Glotfelty, Duane Dupee, Gail Woods, Jamie Evans, Diane and Tom Peart, and Margaret Zorn.**

Volunteers who worked on cleaning Fairground beds and planting annuals on May 29 were **Jamie Evans, Linda Gillespie, Mike and Karla Love, Ann and Steve Rhodes, Nancy Isham, and Janet Schoenmeyer.**

A huge bouquet of thanks to **Natalie Rector and Steve and Ann Rhodes**, who watered the newly planted Fountain Circle flowers, when they noticed the city's sprinkler system had not been turned on.

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## June 19, Meeting

Hydrangeas have a reputation as being difficult to grow. Then there is always confusion with if and when to cut the shrubs back. Master Gardener **Linda Whitlock** will explain the six main hydrangeas we grow in our gardens and demystify these favorites for good! We'll learn about the best varieties for our area, colors, hardiness as well as tips of when to prune.

Linda is a Consumer Horticulture Educator with MSU Extension in Kalamazoo County and also Coordinator of the Master Gardener Program in that county. She holds a Master's Degree from U of M.

Social Time 6:30, Program/Speaker 7:00, Business Meeting, 8:15pm.

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## President's Note

As we enter June many of us think about the year winding down for our garden club. After all, we just have our June meeting left followed by our July club picnic. Even so, we still have maintenance work to oversee at West End and Carver Park and of course, our volunteer work for the garden tour - our 28th!

But what about our 29th garden tour in 2019??? **Mike** and **Karla Love** have done a magnificent job leading us through our garden tour for the last two years but they are stepping down after this year's tour. As of writing this note, we have no volunteers to assume their role as co-chairs of the 2019 garden tour. So, as we wrap up another successful year as a club, we need to have a discussion about what we are going to do in order to have a 29th tour....

**Steve Rhodes**

## Welcome to my Garden Tour and Garden Market

### July 14 & 15, 2018

**The Welcome to my Garden volunteer sign-up sheets will be ready at all regular meetings.**

We are looking for a chairperson or co-chairs to lead the 2019 Garden Tour, of which we have most of the gardens committed. Give us a call at 269-781-0009 if you would like to talk about the responsibilities.

Garden Tour Chairmen, **Mike** and **Karla Love**



## July 17 Picnic at 6pm

Please don't miss our end of the year picnic. It takes place July 17, the Tuesday after Garden Tour at 6pm, Wilder Creek Conservation Club. The address: 19833 D Drive South. We do request that you bring a passing dish along with yourself and your significant other. BBQ pork sandwiches, cold drinks and table service will be provided. We plan on eating outside under the pavilion, but there is a clubhouse if rain occurs.

All Garden Tour participants are invited, so this is an opportunity to meet these generous folks and thank them for all their efforts.

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