

CONVENTION 2008 MINI-SCHEDULE PIECES OF OHIO

Monday, July 7

- 8:30 am – 5:00 pm Registration
 8:30 am – 1:00 pm Artistic and Horticulture Flower Show entries, Regional Educational exhibits, Regional Design Study exhibits
 8:30 am - 12:00 pm Junior Contest entries
 10:00 am – 5:00 pm Sales Rooms Open
Clinics – 1:15 pm to 2:00 pm, running at the same time and repeated again 2:15 pm to 3:00 pm
Secrets of Great Hydrangeas by Cleve White
Heritage Flowers and Vegetables by Susan Pearson
Shaker Herbs by Jackie Gilbert-Livingston
Clinics – 3:15 pm to 4:00 pm
Exploring the Internet by Webmaster Jan Harmon
Compost Capers by First VP Vicki Ferguson
 6:00 pm – Banquet
 7:00 pm (approx.) – Recognize Past Presidents; Honor Judges, Gladys Thomas Judge of The Year Award; Life Patrons and Life Members; Convention Flower Show Awards; Artistic Awards, Horticulture Awards, and Junior Flower Show Awards, Daisy Sticksel Conservation Award.
 8:30 pm – **Pieces of Ohio** by Myrna Cordray
 10:00 pm to 11:00 pm Sales Areas and Flower Shows open, Party

Tuesday, July 8

- 8:00 am – 12:00 pm Registration, Sales Area open, Flower Shows open
 9:00 am - 10:00 am Clinic: Fun with Abstraction by Juanita Wilkins
 10:15 am - 11:15 am Clinic: Wonders of the Shawnee National Forest by Jenny Richards
 12:00 pm - Lunch
 1:00 pm - Business Meeting and Awards: Program and Therapy, Publicity, Flower Show, Media; Mohican School In The Out-of-Doors Report
 2:30 pm - **Ohio Farms and Foods-From Garden Gate to Dinner Plate** by Marilou Suszko; program followed by book signing
 3:30 pm - 5:00pm Contest Books on display, Flower Shows and Sales Areas open
 5:30 pm – Officers' Reception
 6:00 pm - Banquet
 7:15 pm - Awards: Convention Sweepstakes, Faye Collins Designer of the Year Award, Service Award, Citation, Master Gardener Award
 8:30 pm - **Celtic Heritage** by Dr. Gary and Cheryl Anderson
 9:30 pm to 11:00 pm Sales Areas and Flower Show open, Party

Wednesday, July 9

- 7:00 am - Board Breakfast
 8:00 am - 11:30 am Registration
 8:30 am - 11:30 am Sales Area and Flower Show open
 9:00 am - Regional Directors pick up contest books
 9:30 am - Business Meeting: Junior Convention Awards, Membership Award, Regional Contest Awards
 Victor H. Ries Outstanding Garden Club Nature and Beautification Award
 Report from 2007 Regional Beautification winner and drawing for new Regional winners
 10:30 am - Check out of rooms
 12:00 pm - Lunch
 1:00 pm - Introduction of OAGC Scholarship winners
 Wahkeena report
 Announcement of Election Results
 Installation of new officers
 2:00 pm - **Continual Color Without Continual Hassle** by Dr. Laura Deeter
 Invitation to Convention 2009
 Adjournment
 3:30 pm - Dismantle flower shows and displays

EXHIBITORS' AND JUDGES' SCHOOL

It is time to plan for Exhibitors' and Judges' School #4. The school will be September 22 and 23, 2008, at the Crowne Plaza Columbus North Hotel. **The deadline for registering is August 31, 2008.** A registration form can be found on page 15 of this *Garden Path*.

Remember there is a **late fee if you register after August 31, 2008.** After the 31st the hotel will charge regular room rates and not our OAGC rates. So meet the deadline! **There will be no refunds after the 31st deadline.**

The OAGC Executive Board has approved a price increase for Exhibitors' and Judges' Schools. **Starting with School # 4 the price for each day will be \$40.00.** The price increase was necessary due to the increase cost of meals and a room user fee.

This school will feature **Period Designs** by Gary Anderson, **Dahlias** by Della Lyons, **Plant Identification** by Charlene Margetiak, **Winter and Holiday Designs** by Mary Lee Minor, **Gourds** by Brenda Grant, **Chrysanthemums** by Dottie Bates, and **Grooming of Cultivars** by Susy Spence.

E and J school is an excellent place to purchase containers, plants, note cards, treasured wood, dried plant material, and many other design and horticulture materials. There will be many vendors at this school, some new while others are returning favorites.

As in the past three schools, we will use one large room and will seat everyone at tables for the classes using the same tables for lunch. This provides attendees with a better view of the instructors and their materials. Only student judges and instructors will have assigned seats. Everyone else has their choice of tables and seatmats.

Plan now to attend E and J School #4 to learn new artistic designs and the latest in horticulture.

Jo Ann Graham

Exhibitors' and Judges' School Chair

WAHKEENA CHALLENGE

A very generous donor has offered to contribute \$1000 to the OAGC Foundation for the pressing needs at Wahkeena Nature Preserve with the stipulation that OAGC clubs and/or members match or exceed this \$1000 amount by July 1, 2008.

This caring person who wishes to stay anonymous is a long-time and dedicated member of The Ohio Association of Garden Clubs who recognizes the need for support and has issued this challenge to the OAGC membership.

Who is up for the challenge? Donations may be sent to Foundation Treasurer Vicki Ferguson, address found on page 2.