

## FACT SHEET

### Troy Garden Club's 43rd Annual Garden Walk – July 12, 2017

**GARDEN WALK SPONSOR:** The Troy Garden Club, a 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization, was founded in 1971, and celebrated its 45-year anniversary in 2016.

**WHAT & WHERE:** Troy Garden Club's 43rd annual garden walk: six private gardens in six venues - four in Troy and two nearby.

**WHEN:** Wednesday, July 12; gardens open 9:30 AM – 3:00 PM and 5:00 PM – 8:30 PM, **rain or shine.**

**GARDEN WALK NAME:** *Garden Gifts* - featuring a ninth year of plein air artists painting in the gardens.

**INDIVIDUAL GARDEN NAMES:** *A Garden of Patient Attention; Sitting in the Shade; Going to the Woods; Working on the Railroad; The Eagle Has Landed; Solitary Trees.*

**AWARDS & CELEBRATIONS:** The Troy Garden Club has won state and national awards from the Woman's National Farm & Garden Association in honor of the excellence of the club's garden walks.

**PURPOSE:** The garden walk is the club's principal annual fundraiser, from which donations are made at the local, state and national levels. The 2016 garden walk generated net funding of more than \$8,000 for distribution in 2017 to 30 organizations and individuals, in support of their horticultural programs and educational pursuits.

**GARDEN WALK PROMOTIONAL IMAGE:** A ninth annual art competition sponsored by the Troy Garden Club, in cooperation with the Troy School District, awarded a \$100 grand prize to Shraddha Gatla, the 2017 winner. Also awarded were 1st, 2nd, and 3rd prizes at the high school, middle school and elementary levels. The 2017 grand prize winning art work is the garden walk image on promotional postcards and posters. The prize has again been sponsored by Stephen M. Kremer – Centaurus Financial.

**TICKET PURCHASE:** \$10 in advance, at Auburn Oaks Garden Center, Telly's Greenhouse, the Troy Historic Village and Uncle Luke's. On garden walk day, July 12, tickets, \$15, will be sold **ONLY** at the Troy Historic Village. Tickets include maps to all venues. Tickets will also be sold at English Gardens Royal Oak **ONLY** on Saturday & Sunday, July 8 & 9, 12:00 noon to 6:00 pm.

**JULY 12 TROY HISTORIC VILLAGE GARDEN WALK ACTIVITIES:** **FREE ADMISSION** to Arts & Crafts Boutique, Plant Sale, Fabulous Finds Sale, Student Art Exhibit, 9:00 AM – 6:00 PM

**TROY HISTORIC VILLAGE:** 60 W. Wattles, just west of Livernois, Troy.

**GARDEN WALK INFORMATION:** Call 248-854-3728 for information or to order tickets by mail. Visit the club's web site: [www.TroyGardenClubMI.com](http://www.TroyGardenClubMI.com)

**PHOTOS:** Photos, jpg format, are available for all six gardens.

**FACEBOOK:** Troy Garden Club 2017 Garden Walk. Included will be photos of all six gardens. The page is updated periodically with additional photos.

**IMPORTANT NOTE:** The above information is current as of April 24, 2017. The 2017 Fact Sheet will be revised periodically, through late June, as additional information becomes available.