

## FACT SHEET

### Troy Garden Club's 44th Annual Garden Walk – July 11, 2018

**GARDEN WALK SPONSOR:** The Troy Garden Club, a 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization, was founded in 1971, and will celebrate its 47-year anniversary in 2018.

**WHAT & WHERE:** Troy Garden Club's 44th annual garden walk: seven private gardens in six venues – five gardens in Troy and two nearby.

**WHEN:** Wednesday, July 11; gardens open 9:30 AM – 3:00 PM and 5:00 PM – 8:30 PM, **rain or shine.**

**GARDEN WALK NAME:** *Invitation to the Gardens* - featuring a tenth year of plein air artists painting in the gardens.

**INDIVIDUAL GARDEN NAMES:** *A Garden Evolution; A Hosta, a Tree, a Supergarden!; Made in the Shade; A Gardener's Medley; A Painter's Garden; Pocket Gardens of Little San Francisco.*

**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 2017 garden walk generated net funding of more than \$8,000 for distribution in early 2018 to more than 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 2018 grand prize-winning art work, a result of the tenth annual art competition, will be the garden walk image on promotional postcards and posters. The prize will again be 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 11, 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 on June 23 and July 7, from 9 AM to 1 PM.

**JULY 11 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 248-540-6158 for information or to order tickets by mail. Visit the club's website: [www.TroyGardenClubMI.com](http://www.TroyGardenClubMI.com)

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

**FACEBOOK:** Troy Garden Club 2018 Garden Walk. Included are photos of all seven gardens. The page is updated periodically with additional photos.

**IMPORTANT NOTE:** The above information is current as of January 25, 2018. The 2018 Fact Sheet will be revised periodically, through late June, as additional information becomes available.