

FACT SHEET

Garden Stories, the Troy Garden Club's 49th Garden Walk – Wednesday, July 10, 2024

GARDEN WALK SPONSOR: The Troy Garden Club, a 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization, was founded in 1971. The organization celebrated its 52-year anniversary in September 2023.

WHAT & WHERE: Troy Garden Club's 49th garden walk with SIX home gardens in Troy, plus one BONUS venue.

WHEN: Wednesday, July 10; gardens open 9:30 AM – 3:00 PM and 5:00 PM – 8:30 PM, **RAIN or SHINE.**

GARDEN WALK NAME: *Garden Stories*. The event will feature a 14th year of plein air artists painting in the gardens.

WE HOPE TO PLEASE GARDEN WALKERS AS THEY PASS THROUGH GARDENS WHOSE NAMES WERE INSPIRED BY THE WORKS OF WILLIAM SHAKESPEARE:

(1) A Midsummer Day's Dream; (2) All's Well That Grows Well; (3) Much Ado About Everything Green; (4) As You Plant It; (5) The Summer's Tale; (6) The Gentle Garden of Oakwood; PLUS BONUS VENUE: All the World's a Stage.

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, regional, state and national levels. The 2023 garden walk generated net funding of approximately \$13,400.00 for distribution in early 2024 to at least 22 nonprofit organizations, in support of their horticultural programs and educational pursuits.

GARDEN WALK PROMOTIONAL IMAGE: An art competition organized by the Troy Garden Club, in cooperation with Troy-area art teachers, will produce a sponsored grand prize winner (to be featured on promotional posters and postcards), as well as a sponsored black and white image for garden walk tickets.

TICKET PURCHASE: \$15 in advance, at Auburn Oaks Garden Center, Bordine's Rochester, Telly's Greenhouse, the Troy Historic Village and Uncle Luke's. On garden walk day, July 10, beginning at 9:00 am, tickets at \$18 each will be sold ONLY at the Troy Historic Village. Tickets include maps to all venues. Beginning in mid-June, there will also be an opportunity to purchase tickets online. Check our website in early June for online purchase details. See TGC web address below under **TROY GARDEN CLUB WEBSITE.**

JULY 10 TROY HISTORIC VILLAGE GARDEN WALK ACTIVITIES: **FREE ADMISSION**

to Midsummer Arts & Crafts Boutique AND Plant Sale, 9:00 AM – 6:00 PM, at the **TROY**

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

GARDEN WALK INFORMATION: Call 248-765-8088 for additional garden walk information.

TROY GARDEN CLUB WEBSITE: www.TroyGardenClubMI.com

GARDEN WALK HI-RES PHOTOS AVAILABLE FOR PUBLICATION: Beginning April 15, 2024, photos, jpg format, will be available for all six home gardens plus the BONUS venue. Email: infoandideas@aol.com to request hi-res images for publication.

FACEBOOK & INSTAGRAM: Troy Garden Club MI

Photos will be posted beginning April 15, 2024. Included will be images of all gardens. Page updates with additional photos will be posted periodically.

IMPORTANT NOTE: **The information on this page is current as of February 24, 2024.** The 2024 Fact Sheet will be updated periodically, through late June 2024, as information changes or as additional information becomes available.