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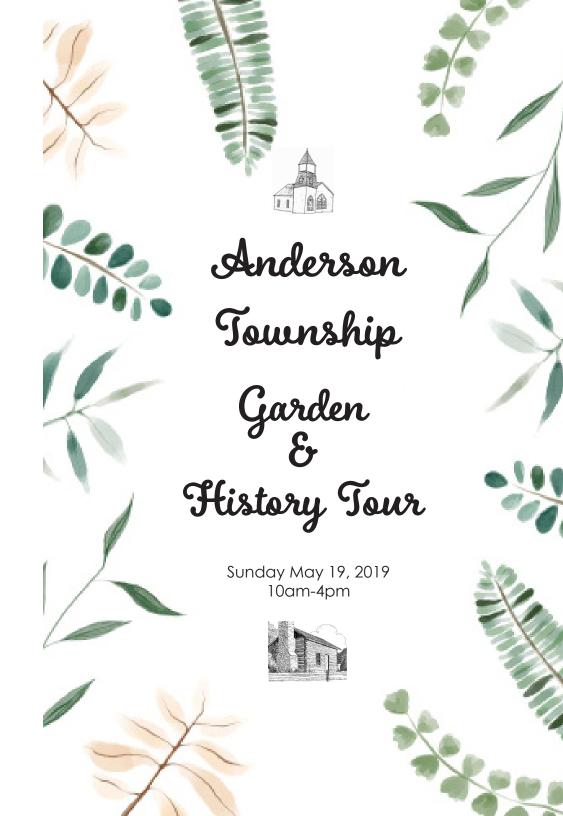
Please remember that restrooms are not available inside the homes.

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Welcome to the Anderson Township Garden & History Tour

Thank you to all of our visitors, as well as all of our gardeners for making each year special and unique. Their hard work makes this tour possible each year.

1. 7415 State - Clara Berger

Clara's passion has always been to create a garden for all seasons with an array of perennials, shrubs, dwarf conifers and bulbs. She enjoys propagating unusual and garden-worthy plants. She has a mature garden with 40+ years of working with shade, rock gardening, ornaments and nature's wildlife. "The best part of gardening is trying to tie it all together in harmony." Clara offers the following garden tips: "If you make mistakes, it's a chance to learn. You will find the right plant for the right place. Remember to sit back and enjoy your hard work!"

Parking: Across the street in the El Coyote parking lot.

2. 6905 Moorfield - Malcom Sharp

Work began in 1998 on reshaping a minimally established "garden". As time permitted old foundation plantings were removed & reworked. "Sunny" flower beds were added and many different trees were planted. The focus has been on year round interest plants, especially for bark, plant structure / shape and foliage color / texture. As the plantings have started to age, lower growing perennials have been included to fill in whatever space might have been left. Expansion continues into the backwoods, please wear sturdy shoes if you wish to participate in this portion.

Parking: Available on the driveway, on Moorfield Drive and along Riverdee Court.

3. 8593 Coran Dr- Jeff and Carolina Rodriguez

This is an eclectic garden combining two gardeners' differing visions. Carolina likes to use contrasting combinations of foliage and sweeps of perennials, grasses and shrubs to create a tapestry of textures and colors. Many less common perennials, grasses and shrubs can be found in her garden areas. Jeff keeps his garden areas wilder and naturalized with mostly native plants and shrubs to mimic a meadow and woodland. Wildlife is an important part of this garden from the native plants that support pollinators, shrubs grown to provide shelter and berries, birdhouses and feeders and the small creek where birds like to bathe.

Parking: On Coran Dr

4. 1427 Stanley Road - Susie Peck & Dan Earls

Stroll up a long gravel driveway and the first thing to greet you are Susie's 4 girls and their old metal hen house. Enter the hillside garden through the lattice gates at the front of the house. The garden was started 11 years ago using creek rock, large trees and even honeysuckle to make paths and bridges. A small water feature leads you down the hillside where you will see many dwarf conifers, perennials and some annuals scattered along the hillside. At the base of the hillside you will meet Ms. Munchie, the large praying mantis created by Dan who watches over the four and a half acre property. The garden was the recipient of the Judges Choice Award for 2012 presented by the Cincinnati Horticultural Society. "Gardens are always a work in progress and we cannot wait to share our lil piece of Heaven with you"

Parking: along Stanley and neighboring streets.

5. 1016 Markley Road - Cathy & Stuart Scheller

Stroll down the long tree lined drive and back into time. Visit the weeping willow tree next to the half-acre pond encircled with Iris and Day Lilies. Relax under the pergola covered with native Wisteria reclaimed from the tree tops. Be calm in the reflexology zen-garden allowing the warm stones on bare feet to lower your stress level. Wander through the pathways that take you to a sun-filled cottage style garden filled with Black-eyed Susans, Hollyhocks, Vegetable garden and the Butterfly garden. This historic home and property originally purchased by Abraham Hopper in 1832 later became his son Aaron's 500 acre fruit farm, known as FRUIT HILL. Aaron Hopper built onto the the original home creating this farmhouse. What remains today are the farm house, pond and three acres of award winning gardens. All lovingly restored by Stu and Cathy.

Garden tip -"gardening is a wonderful way to reduce stress, not only in the work, but also in the reflection of your passion."

Parking – St. James subdivision, it is the second house back on the drive; People having difficulty walking may park at the house, but it is only one lane and a long drive. Please use caution when entering or exiting the stone pillar entrance.

6. 2731 Newtown Road - Scott & Michele Buerlein

This garden began as a collection of choice and rare plants. Despite this, over time and lots of edits it has evolved into something resembling a cohesive garden. Out front, a recent renovation has opened new areas for sun-loving, pollinator-friendly, deer-unfriendly perennials and young shrubs. This garden will need some time to mature towards its vision. The backyard features a nice collection of Asian maples, hornbeams, and other trees, a small crevice garden, shady nooks, and, hopefully, a new, neat vegetable garden.

Scott is a horticulturist. He is the Manager of Botanical Outreach at the Cincinnati Zoo & Botanical Garden. He also writes the back of magazine column for both Horticulture Magazine and Ohio Gardening Magazine, he also contributes articles, and rants once a month on the Garden Rant blogsite.

Parking: at bike path lot or Heritage Unitarian Church

7. 6550 Clough Pike and 2560 Bartels Road- Anderson Township Historical Society

The volunteer members of the Anderson Township Historical Society want to share with the community their native plant gardens made up of many perennials, herbs, and ferns. Some of the plants are thinned out and sold at our annual Plant Sale in May. The "Memory Garden" is a place to appreciate and think about those people who built and lived in the log house and the special volunteers that have done so much for the society, by giving their time and money supporting the mission of the Society. Some of the plants growing in the gardens are Bluebells, Bloodroot, Buttercup, Chinese Lanterns, Wood Poppy, Oriental Poppy, Dutchman's Britches, Daisies, Grape Hyacinths, Peony, Iris, Phlox, Mullein, Yarrow and a variety of Ferns. The Log House was built in 1796 and will be open for visitors as well as the barn. Another highlight of the Tour is our Urban Farm located on 2550 Bartels Road. It will be open to the public from 4-7 pm with a "Seed Bash" which kicks off our new community garden. We welcome all participants and visitors from the Tour to wrap up the day with a live band, food selections from Eli's Barbecue, face painting, petting zoo, draft horse demonstrations and more. For more info please go to andersonurbanfarm.com.

Parking: Lot provided on site as well as Knights of Columbus parking area.

8. 1060 Five Mile Road - Five Mile Chapel

This historic church of thee United Brethern in Christ building was erected in 1844. Today, it is owned and maintained by the non-profit Five Mile Chapel Society. The church and cemetery were entered in the National Register of Historic Places in 1978.

Parking: On site

9. 624 Watchcove Ct- Emily & Richard Godin

A serene and tranquil Zen garden showcases a multi-tier cascading waterfall, emptying into a Koi stocked lotus pond. Venture up the stone staircase to take in the sound of the water and serenading frogs while relaxing by the fire. A butterfly friendly variety of perennials, colorful annuals, ornamental trees and shrubbery will have the Monarchs in flight.

Parking: On, or accross the street

10. 7075 Five Mile Road - Highwood Lodge at Withrow Nature Preserve

Today the wonderfully landscaped and serene Highwood Lodge is a wedding venue. Great photographic settings in this outdoor area are abundant. Nature providees many beautiful backdrops throught Withrow Nature Preserve. Former owners of the land were Mr. and Mrs. Andrew H. Withrow, who wished that someday it would become a nature preserve. In 1980 the land was transferred to The Nature Conservancy, the leading conservation organization protecting ecologically important lands and waters in the world. By 2011, the land was owned by the Hamilton County Park District.

Parking: On Site

11. 890 Eight Mile Road - Anderson Township Heritage Center

Restored for use as a public venue during a Bicentennial Anniversary project in 1993, the Anderson Township Heritage Center once served local farm families as a homestead. Once known as the Bellville-Markley House, the Heritage Center's orgins date back to 1812, when James Bellville and his family bought 100 acres and then built a one-room structure.

Parking: On Site

12. 5824 Forestway Lane - Caroline Mueller

After Caroline received a rototiller for Christmas in 1991, the grass on this property was doomed to be transformed! Mixed borders of small trees, shrubs, ornamental grasses, vines, perennials and favorite annuals greet you along this private drive. Most of the perennials were grown from seed using the greenhouse. A collection of tropical plants are overwintered in the solarium but enjoy the summer sun on the large back porch. The garden has a stone drive framed by sloping naturalized deer resistant plantings and a dry stream. An arbor covered by wisteria decorates the side yard. The back has a collection of hydrangeas, a potager with herbs and a spring ephemeral garden. The walkways are in stone, so please wear stable shoes if you plan to visit!

Parking: The kind neighbor has offered her grass along her drive for easier parking! There will be signs explaining this.

13. 6840 Clough Pike - James Clark Stone House

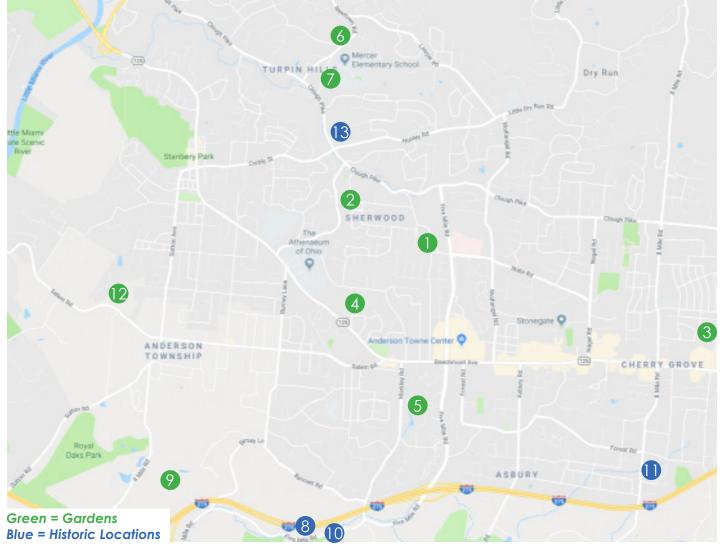
The Clark Stone House was built around 1801 and is now home to the Greenfield Plant Farm. This is one of the oldest standing stone houses in Ohio and recieved an Ohio Historical Marker designation in September of 2018. The home was restored by and is now owned by Anderson Township.

Parking: Greenfeild Plant Farm



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