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Thank you!

Proceeds from our Spring Fling Fundraiser cover a large percentage of BFCG's operating costs. We had a very fun and successful event this year!

The Operating Committee wishes to thank all of our wonderful sponsors and gardeners who donated baskets and gift cards for this year's event. We also extend our gratitude to our gardeners who donated bakery, volunteered their time or attended the Spring Fling!

And finally, a HUGE thank you to Lisa Young for facilitating the majority of the event. We couldn't have done it without her!

Pictures of event and full list of sponsors are on our website. [Link below.](#) Please patronize these businesses and tell them you appreciate their support!

[Complete Sponsor List](#)

Garden Opening Information & YouTube Video Link

Our Kick-off Meeting was held via Zoom on Tuesday, May 10th. If you were unable to attend, please take the time to watch the recording of the meeting. [Link to YouTube video](#) is below. It contains important information regarding the 2022 season.

Some items of note:

- Opening weekend is tentatively scheduled for May 21-22 (weather permitting). Greg has been out on the tractor working hard to get the garden ready. Garden

opening will be announced on social media, through Remind message and on our website. Please wait until announcement is made to bring your things into the garden.

- During the first 2 weeks of the season, the 3 parking spaces inside the garden gate are to be used for unloading only. Once unloaded, please move your car to the parking lot to allow for fellow gardeners to unload their cars. Handicap spots are only to be used by those with a handicap placard.
- When plants arrive at the garden, please review the white board regarding the number of plants allotted per plot. Seeds are also available. Please take only what you will use in your plot.
- Bulletin board on garden shed will contain information about events and garden happenings. Please review it periodically. If you have a gardening question, please post it on the board and another gardener may have some advice to offer.
- Sweet Potatoes: If purchasing sweet potatoes at the garden, cost is \$9. Please put exact change in an envelope and deposit it in the mailbox on the shed door. No money is to be given to Greg. Each bundle has 25 slips.

Kick-off Meeting Video

[YouTube Video](#)



Music in the Garden Returns

We are excited to announce BFCG will host 11 musical performances this summer! Concerts will be held on Saturdays, June 4 & 18, July 2 & 16, August 6 & 20, and September 17; and Wednesdays, June 22, July 27 and August 24.

All performances are at 6p. In the event of rain, Saturday performances will be held Sunday at 2p. Wednesday performances will be held Thursday at 6p.

All concerts are listed on our calendar. See BFCG 2022 calendar link below.



Art Series Coming Soon

BFCG is currently developing an Art in the Garden series. The first class is scheduled for June. More information and dates to come. Stay tuned for exciting information!



2022 Garden Gear

Our online store is open to purchase t-shirts, tank tops, sweatshirts, hats and bags with our updated BFCG logo. "Grow Local - Cleveland, Ohio" is printed on the back of all t-shirts and sweatshirts.

Store is open May 10th - May 30th. We have some new items this season! Be sure to check it out. Orders will be available for pick-up at the garden during the week of June 20th. A remind message will be sent with dates and times.

Thank you for supporting the garden!

[Garden Gear Store](#)

Plant Discounts at Old Brooklyn Greenhouse and Charlie's Plant Place for BFCG Gardeners

Old Brooklyn Greenhouse is offering \$10 vegetable flats and \$10 short marigold flats to BFCG gardeners. Charlie's Plant Place is also offering a discount on all plants. Mention that you are a BFCG gardener to get discounts and thank them for their support!

Straw ordering deadline is May 22nd (weather permitting)

Last day to order straw is the garden opening date. Orders will be delivered to the garden. A Remind or email message will be sent alerting you to the delivery. If you have questions about using straw or are unable to use the online form, contact Elicia at [440-666-6101](tel:440-666-6101).

[Access online order form](#)

Attention: New Gardeners

Learn the ins and outs of BFCG! Lots of helpful information for new gardeners is available on our website. Please use link below.

[New Gardener Information](#)

Spring Plant Drive Reminder

Thank you to our gardeners who have already donated plants! Some plants we are still in need of are **ferns, tricertis and hosta of any size and color as well as perennials for sun, like echinacea, sage, salvia, daisy, lamb's ear and sedum, like autumn joy!** We are happy to take anything you would like to donate. Renata, our Beautification Committee Chair will find your donated plants a home in the garden!

Thank you, Renata, for all your time, dedication and expertise! If you have any questions, she can be reached at gardensbyrenata@aol.com





Recycle Your Glass at the Garden

We are happy to be a **Repeat Glass** drop off location. The bins are located right outside the gate, next to the garden classroom.

For more information on **Repeat Glass** and what you can drop off, visit their website. Link below.

[Repeat Glass](#)



Heirloom Tomato & Pepper Plant Sale at BFCG - May 21, 10a-3pm

Don't forget about the Tomato Monster Heirlooms at the garden for their Heirloom tomato and pepper plant sale. Plants are \$5 each and \$1 from each sale is donated to BFCG. Plants tend to sell out. You can preorder to reserve your favorite tomato and pepper varieties now. Click the link below to view the BFCG sale page.

[Garden Sale Page](#)

BFCG 2022 Calendar

[View Calendar](#)

Monthly Garden Committee Meetings

Unless otherwise indicated, committee meetings are held the third Wednesday of every month at 6:30 p.m. in the Garden classroom. **All gardeners and members of the public are welcome to attend!**



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