

Dear Members and Friends of the Cleveland Hungarian Cultural Garden,

Welcome once again to the **Cleveland Hungarian Culture Garden NewsLetter, Issue #2 – February 6, 2023**. We proudly look back at the highlights and activities that took place in the Cleveland Hungarian Cultural Garden in 2022.

### **2022 Highlights**

On June 26, 2022 the placement and dedication of two (2) new monoliths in the Upper Garden, dedicated to Béla Bartók and Zoltán Kodály, which were designed and executed by Sheffield Monuments of Chagrin Falls, Ohio. The beautiful monoliths were made possible with a generous donation from a Friend of the Hungarian Garden.

Will we have any additions in 2023? You have to stop and visit the garden to find out.

The Hungarian Cultural Garden Golf Outing took place at Mayfield Country Club, on July 21, 2022 and is the annual fund raiser for the Hungarian Garden. We had a beautiful day of golf that included lunch and a delicious Eastern European Dinner. You don't have to be a golfer to join us for dinner. Mark your calendars and save the date for July 12, 2023 to join us for a day of golf, lunch and dinner at Sand Ridge Golf Club. Start to put your foursome together or join us as a single.

The Garden Federation One World Day took place on Sunday, August 28, 2022. This is an event that allows you to travel the world and stay in the Cleveland Cultural Gardens for the whole day. With over 35 gardens representing the ethnic groups that have settled and call Cleveland home, you can experience their language, culture, music, dance and delicious dishes of these far away lands and you will have a travel passport as a souvenir. The Hungarian Garden had their famous Budapest Café, which featured Budapest iced coffee; pastry; and beverages, which were available for purchase. Hungarian children's stories, the challenging Rubik's Cube, were some of the things to experience as you travel through the Hungarian Garden. New United States Citizens were sworn in on the new Centennial Plaza Stage. The Parade of Nations took place on MLK Boulevard and passed right by our Lower Garden which gave us an excellent view and great pictures. Put on your favorite Hungarian outfit, join the parade and show your Magyar pride in 2023. Mark your calendar for 2023 !

The Beer Tasting fundraiser at the Immigrant Son Brewery on Thursday, September 22, 2022 included the welcome pint and 4 beers, all produced at the brewery. The 4-course Hungarian themed dinner, with a beer paired for each course, was the highlight of the evening. The courses included: 1. Hungarian beef stew (gulyás); 2. Paprikas stuffed pierogi and caramelized onions; 3. Fresh Hurka, Debreceni sausage and Kolbász, Uborka Saláta (cucumber salad), beer mustard and potato au gratin; 4. Mini lángos with sour beer mixed berry fruit compote: It was a very delicious dinner for the benefit of the Cleveland Hungarian Garden. I am sure that the dinner planned for 2023 will be just as exciting. Join us and find out.

### **HOW CAN I BE INVOLVED?**

As you can see we had a very busy 2022 and we are planning an exciting calendar for 2023. We are looking for Hungarian Culture Garden members and volunteers, who enjoy the Hungarian culture or individuals who want to be involved and keep active during the year and help in the upkeep of the garden. We thank Joe Hada and family, for their donation of 2 Hungarian nut trees he planted in the Lower Garden in May of 2022.

Our Garden relies on the monetary support of our members and friends throughout the year. This support allows us maintain the Hungarian Garden in the manner you can be proud of. We are a self-supporting and volunteer based organization that relies on our membership and the generous donations, gifts, sponsors and grants that we receive. Please inquire about the opportunity for an individual or family, to check items off of our wish list that are needed for the Cleveland Hungarian Garden (such as benches, trees, plaques, etc.).

If you, or if you belong to a group (such as schools, scouts, corporate or other affiliations) of individuals that enjoy performing community work, you can help and volunteer time (about 5 times a year) to plant bulbs, pull weeds, staff our events and activities, we welcome your participation. Dates and/or activities are subject to change, so we ask you to be flexible.

If we satisfy your interest, or if additional information is needed, please contact Cleveland Hungarian Cultural Garden President - Mrs. Carolyn Balogh at 1-440-564-7088 or [cebalogh37@gmail.com](mailto:cebalogh37@gmail.com).

### **ACTIVITIES FOR 2023:**

Be sure to mark your 2023 calendar for the activities which support the Cleveland Hungarian Cultural Garden. Check the Cleveland Hungarian Garden website at [www.hungarianculturalgarden.org](http://www.hungarianculturalgarden.org) for dates, times and announcements:

- Earth Day Spring Planting, Saturday, April 22, 2023 from 10:00 am – 12:00 Noon
- The works of Franz Liszt, Béla Bartók and Zoltán Kodály, will be played on Sunday, June 25, in the Upper Garden. The program begins at 4:00 pm and will feature Vera Holczer and friends from the Aurora School of Music. Parking on East Boulevard.
- Golf Outing and Dinner at Sand Ridge Golf Club, Wednesday, July 12, 2023. Open to all.
- 77<sup>th</sup> Annual One World Day, Sunday, August 27, 2023, with activities that include a Naturalization Ceremony, All Nations Parade, the Hungarian Garden Budapest Café and Rubik Cube Demonstration and Challenge, Hungarian music and dancers and more.
- Beer Pairing Dinner at Immigrant Son Brewery - September 21 or 28, 2023.

See you in the Hungarian Garden in 2023 ! – Richard Sarosi, VP / Secretary