

Jeff Bazell and Jeff Kestner of Flowers of the Good Earth in Bremen will host the annual Spring Garden Party on Sunday, May 3, 2009.

The event is the 17th annual Garden Party sponsored by Flowers of the Good Earth. Gardening experts will speak on a variety of topics.

The Flowers of the Good Earth boasts nearly 60,000 square feet of nursery space and gardens in historic Bremen, Ohio, just 10 minutes outside of Lancaster. The nursery specializes in propagating and growing rare perennial and woody plants, as well as landscaping design and installation.

Bazell is a three-time Ohio Florist of the Year winner who has won several awards in regional and national floral design competitions. He speaks across the country on rare plants and garden design.

The family's 1903 home sits on the nursery grounds. Noted New York architect Joseph Richardson designed the home for the G.E. and Emma Turner family. Turner was Bremen's first mayor and a wealthy oil-drilling executive during the town's oil boom days of the late 1800s and early 1900s. The home contains original leaded glass windows imported from Italy, and was the first home in Fairfield County to be built with an indoor bathroom.

Registration for the Garden Party will begin at noon, with activities beginning at 1:00 p.m. A light luncheon is included. Flowers of the Good Earth is located at 231 Marietta Street, Bremen, Ohio.

Advance-purchase reservations of \$10 each are required, and children above the age of 14 are welcome. Call 740-569-7288 or email FlwrsGoodEarth@aol.com for additional information and reservations.