### A. Rather Garden (Ann) 3927 Michigan Ave West 49037

Planned and executed about 20 years ago by Ann and her late husband Bo, hostas and grasses were featured at first. With the loss of trees and more sunlight, it became an eclectic plant mixture of weeping white pine, mulberry, coral bells, hydrangea, boxwood, and lilacs. The front garden features a pleasing curved bed interspersed with sedum, grasses and perennial geraniums. Ann added whimsical features, like the chainsaw carving of "Young Bo" by James Denkins, and a pergola, fish pond and potting shed with screened porch. Though not handicap accessible, this compact garden is level and easy to get around.

#### B. Wensaur Garden (Brian) 138 Woodrow Ave North 49037

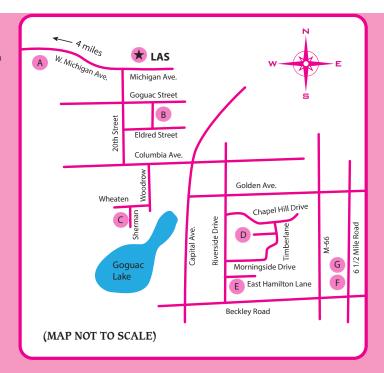
Lifelong gardener Brian began work on his current garden with a waterfall in 2018. Other hardscapes followed with an all-season gazebo, stamped concrete patio, and outdoor kitchen. Botanical highlights include over 150 hostas, abundant perennials, unique willows, and 7-foot tall lilies.

### C. Bachler Garden (Liz) 334 Sherman Drive 49015

Liz Bachler has enjoyed gardening since she was a young child influenced by her mother. She inherited a lot of trees and shrubs from the previous owners. Her cottage-style garden is sprinkled with a variety of colors from cone flowers, daisies and zinnias. Her pride and joy is her "She-Shed" used for planting and potting, as well as showcasing a variety of stained glass collectibles.

#### D. Godfrey Garden (Jean & John) 625 Morningside Drive 49015

Jean has a rich history of lifetime gardening, with many in her family active in the production of vegetables and flowers. Jean and her husband John have owned their home since 1971, transforming the property over time into a relaxing, well-managed garden to enjoy and admire. The evolution from a vegetable garden, meeting the needs of a growing family, into a multifaceted array of shade and sunflower beds has changed the yard greatly. Hardscape forms the bones of the garden; perennials, shrubs, vines, and trees have filled in to reflect a cottage-garden atmosphere.



## E. Brown Garden (David & Lisa), 431 East Hamilton Lane 49015

A visual oasis of 100 distinct tree species, including a tall California Redwood, growing along a meandering brook, through low meadows, and up to scenic vistas in a garden that celebrates the quiet giants of every green space – the tree. Accompanied by 200 distinct shrubs, diverse ground cover, and thriving community of wood ducks, the garden grows wild and free. Wheelchair-friendly; a 4-wheeler is available for those unable to walk the trails.

## F. Haywood-Mains Garden (Lori), 13185 6-1/2 Mile Road 49014

Lori has gardened for over 10 years, with her goal of being wrapped in an array of color. Without a formal plan, her garden is primarily created with perennials, spattered with annuals for ongoing color, and complemented with a display of garden decorations, a small manmade pond, and garden shed. A visitor to her garden will enjoy feeling immersed in color with chirping birds in a sanctuary of peace.

#### G. Tichenor (Sally & Pat), 13207 6-1/2 Mile Road 49014

For 39 years, Sally and Pat Tichenor have gardened and built around their 1853 farmhouse. Using Sally's 50 years of gardening experience and Pat's structural knowledge, these gardens have evolved into pathways, rooms, and cottage-style plantings throughout the property. Sally loves hostas and is known to have "splitting" parties. Come walk the paths, see the potting shed, and enjoy the lily garden around the guest house.

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