

# THE EARTHWORM

THE PERIODIC NEWSLETTER OF THE WINDSOR (CT) GARDEN CLUB  
CELEBRATING **81** YEARS OF CONTINUOUS EXISTENCE



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## WORDS FROM THE CO-PRESIDENTS

It's October! It's finally cooler weather and much easier to work in the yard. This is the time to catch up. I have found in years gone by, the more I can do now, the easier it is in the spring to open the garden.

October is the time to plant your bulbs, also cut back your perennials and the best time to dig and divide your Hosta. Cut back your herbs - I dry them. I also cut back all my artimesia, hang it in the garage to dry and use it in December as a Christmas tree filler or in a wreaths. Now is also the time to plant your garlic, if you have never grown garlic before, try it! You plant it in October and harvest in July. Happy Gardening.

On a personal note I have committed to the 2019 Garden tour. This will be the second time I am doing it at my Windsor Ave address, I did it one other time at my previous home on Scarborough Rd ,many years ago. I would encourage any Garden club member to do it once, it's a lot of work but the people you meet ,that come to your garden make it all worth it.

Patty Crowley , Co-President with Debbie Baker

P.S. the Nurse in me wants to remind all to get your Flu shot.

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## **SHORT TERM FUTURE CLUB EVENT**

**October 6, 2018** – The Club will be staffing an information booth during the Lion's Club annual fall craft fair. Members are asked to consider staffing the booth in an effort to promote the Club. If you have some free time on this Saturday, please stop by and assist in promoting the Club.



## **SHORT TERM FUTURE CLUB EVENT**

**October 15, 2018** – This is the Club's second business meeting for the 2018-2019 session of the Club. Guest speaker for this meeting will be Ms. Rita Giacomazzi Gilmore, a past President of the Club.

Rita has been the Past President, Vice President and Secretary of the Windsor Garden Club during the nineteen eighties. She will be discussing the propagation and hybridizing of daylilies. Daylilies are one of the few perennials that give the garden beautiful color throughout the summer. A gift of hybridized daylily seeds will be given to all who attend. She will also have pictures of daylilies that she will be presenting to the club



## **FUTURE EVENTS CALENDAR**

<b>DATE</b>	<b>EVENT</b>
November 12, 2018	November 2018 business meeting with guest speaker
December 3, 2018 <b>(1)</b>	December 2018 business meeting – wreath construction event
December 9, 2018 <b>(1)</b>	Holiday luncheon – Track 139 Restaurant
February 11, 2019	February 2019 business meeting – “Soup Talk”
March 11, 2019	March 2019 business meeting with guest speaker
April 8, 2019	April 2019 business meeting with guest speaker
May 6, 2019 <b>(1)</b>	May 2019 business meeting – member plant swap
May 11, 2019 <b>(1)</b>	2019 Garden Mart fundraising event on the Town Green
June 10, 2019	June 2019 summer social meeting
July 8, 2019	July 2019 summer social meeting
July 13, 2019	2019 Garden Tour fundraising event titled: <i>“A Midsummer Gardeners’ Dream”</i>
August 12, 2019	August 2019 summer social meeting

As the date of an event draws closer, more detailed information will be provided in upcoming issues of the EARTHWORM.

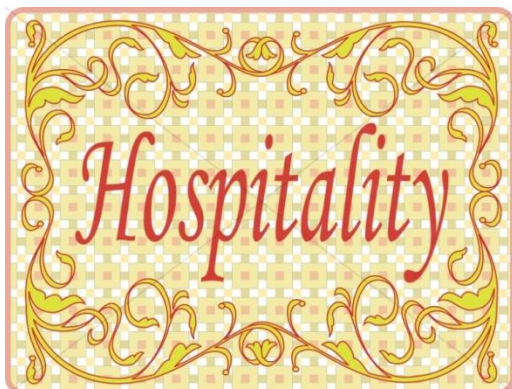
(1) December 2018 and May 2019 dates adjusted from those published in September.

## MEMBER SPOTLIGHT

Windsor Garden Club member Lorrie Gallo-Donahue was awarded the First Place ribbon in the floral arrangement contest at the 2018 Northwest Park Country Fair. Congratulations Lorrie!



## **CLUB COMMITTEE INFORMATION**



Hospitality Committee co-chairwomen Joan Lynch announces, that Lorrie Gallo-Donahue, Edith Glanz, Lorie Durant, Wendy Mitchell, Alice Lang, and Barbara Kyer, have graciously volunteered to provide fruit and sweets.

Thank you ladies!

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## **CLUB MEETING INFORMATION**

- Business meetings are typically held at the Windsor Senior Center, 599 Matianuck Avenue in Windsor.
- Meetings during September, October, November, March and April feature guest speakers. Social hour begins at 6:30 PM and the guest speaker begins their presentation at 7:00 PM. The Club conducts its business portion of the meeting after the guest speaker has finished. These meetings are free to anyone attending.
- The December meeting is a member only meeting during which Club members construct holiday wreaths.
- The February meeting is the annual "soup talk" meeting where members bring soups and breads to share. During this meeting there is a round-table discussion of plant and horticulture related topics.
- The May meeting is a member only meeting during which final plans are made for the annual Garden Mart plant sale. Also, attending members can participate in a plant swap.
- There is no Club meeting in January.
- Meetings during June, July and August are deemed to be only social meetings. These three meetings are typically held at the respective homes of Club members.

## **CLUB MEMBERSHIP INFORMATION**



Club membership is open to anyone who has an interest in plants, landscaping, horticulture and other related topics. Annual membership dues are \$20.00 for an individual and \$35.00 for a family. Renewal memberships are typically due June 1<sup>st</sup> while new memberships are accepted at any time. The current membership application form is available on the Club's website.

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## **REQUESTING ASSISTANCE FROM THE CLUB**



The members of the Windsor Garden Club are able and willing to provide both the design and installation of landscape beautification projects within Windsor. If you would like additional information about obtaining the Club's assistance, please download the information document and application form from the Club's website. (Word and PDF formats are available.)

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