The Earthworm



August 2015 The Windsor Garden Club

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<u>President's Message</u>

"Flowers are restful to look at. They have neither emotions nor conflicts." ~Sigmund Freud

Hello All,

I would like to thank Maureen Vagnini for inviting us to her home for our July Summer "Optional" Meeting. Our August meeting will be held on <u>August 10th starting at 6:00 p.m.</u> at Debbie Baker's home, 846 Windsor Avenue, Windsor. Please consider bringing a treat to share with members and you might want to also *bring a chair to help out with seating*. These Summer Optional Meetings are a great way to visit with members and possibly bring a guest that might have interest in learning more about the Windsor Garden Club.

The membership of the Windsor Garden Club extends it appreciation to the eight garden hosts that permitted their landscapes or gardens to be viewed by the patrons of this year's tour. The willingness of the hosts to support the Club provided a delightful tour for all to enjoy. Additional appreciation is extended to Club members who volunteered to act as hosts at the various tour locations.

The Windsor Garden Tour Committee has met and is very pleased with the support from our membership. Cindy Daniels held a Wrap Up meeting at home. One aspect of the tour which was well received, was the fact that those who toiled to create the landscapes and gardens, were available to answer questions and guide tour patrons as necessary. Also, there was verbal patron appreciation for the detailed map and driving instruction sheet which was provided with the tour ticket. The next tour to be sponsored by the Club, will take place on July 15, 2017. This tour will coincide with the <u>Windsor Garden Club's 80th Anniversary</u>!

Please don't forget to get your membership forms/dues in to us so that your information can be included in our annual membership booklet. Our cutoff date for membership inclusion will be <u>August 12th</u>. We are preparing for our next Windsor Garden Club membership booklet to hand out at our September 14th meeting.

Laura WGC President

FOR YOUR INFORMATION

- 1. July Meeting: A great time was had by all who attended the optional meeting at Maureen Vignini's home. With the weather cooperating it was great to be outside and enjoy the company of members. Thanks again, Maureen.
- 2. August Meeting: As was stated before, this optional meeting will be held at Debbie Baker's home at 846 Windsor Ave. I would suggest that you park on Portman Street as Debbie's house is on the corner to the left.
- **3. Free Garden Plants:** As was stated in a recent communication from Laura Brad Mosley is giving away many plants this Saturday, August 8th at his home on 3 Kellogg Street in Windsor from 9:00 am to 1:00 pm. Some plants will be available in pots or in plastic bags. If using the pots please return them to Brad. He also has granite blocks for sale at \$2.00 each.
- **4. Windsor Garden Club Logo:** Anyone wishing to order clothing with our Club Logo should do so at our upcoming September 14th meeting. We had many compliments on our t-shirts at our recent Garden Tour. Thanks, everyone!
- 5. Northwest Park Country Fair: As was stated in the previous Earthworm the WGC will donate a gardening basket to the Fair which is in September. Members are asked to make contributions and if possible bring them to the meeting at Debbie Baker's house on August 10th. For more information contact Laurie Durant at 860-688-9484.

FYI. This will be my last Earthworm. It has been great being involved but it is time to move on. I will still be involved with the Club and its various committees. If anyone is interested in being the editor of the Earthworm please contact Laura. Thanks.

PROGRAMS AND EVENTS PRESENTED BY

WENDY, JOAN AND CINDY

Raptors in Our Environment

The Windsor Garden Club will feature, Raptors in Our Environment, on Monday, September 14, 2015. May Beth Kaeser, from Horizon Wings, a nonprofit rehabilitation center specializing in birds of prey, will bring several different raptors for us to view and learn about.

Meetings of the Windsor Garden Club are held at the LP Wilson Center on 599 Matianuck Avenue. New members are always welcome. This meeting is free of charge and runs from 6:30 – 8:30 pm. The program will begin at 7:00. For more information go to our website at <u>www.windsorgardenclub.org</u>.