

THE EARTHWORM:
NEWSLETTER OF THE WINDSOR GARDEN CLUB
JUNE/JULY 2016



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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

... "For the love of gardening is a seed once sown never dies, but always grows and grows to an enduring and ever-increasing happiness..." Gertrude Jekyll

Dear Windsor Garden Club Members,

It is a great honor for me to become the President of this very special club. A heartfelt thank you to Laura Jary who has served tirelessly as President since May 2013.

Thank you's to Cindy Daniels, our Vice President and program coordinator and now head of our 2017 Garden Tour. Thank you to Jim Bennett, our treasurer, Laurie Durant, recording secretary, and Erin Bourdon, corresponding secretary who will remain in these positions.

Thank you to Joan Lynch our Hospitality chair and her committee for the delicious refreshments each month. Again thank you for being willing to serve next year. Thank you Cindy Wahl, Laurie Durant, Rose Stepnick, Janet Giannetti and Maureen Vagnini for your efforts in Civic Endeavors.

Thank you Gary Kraushaar for another great Garden Mart fund raiser. Looking forward to working with you on the 2017 Garden Mart.

Thank you all that worked on the beautification project at CRIS radio. It still looks nice. Thank you all ahead who are working with me on the project at Praise Power and Prayer school on June 4th.

Thank you ahead to Vice President Maureen Vagnini and Judy Linton our new Membership Chair and to those that have agreed to keep your positions. Thank you Rose Stepnick for a great job on the Earthworm.

What a wonderful team of dedicated people that I will be working with. I look forward to serving you and our community.

Sincerely,

Diane Bernier, President

FOR YOUR INFORMATION

LOGO T-SHIRTS - ORDER NOW FOR SPRING!!

LOGO Windsor Garden Club apparel can be ordered FOR THIS SPRING, thru Suzi Jacques. Any questions call Suzi at 860-298-8935. Next order will be in the fall.

Food Donations: Please remember to bring a non perishable food item to our meetings for the Windsor Food Bank. Their clients' needs are all year round.

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MARK YOUR CALENDARS

BEAUTIFICATION COMMITTEE COMMUNITY SERVICE EVENT

June 4th – 10AM - 12 Noon

The Beautification Committee has planned a garden for the **Praise Power and Prayer Academy, 209 Kennedy Road**, Windsor. Members and friends of the Club are invited to participate in this year's beautification event which will be conducted at the Praise Power and Prayer educational facility on Kennedy Road (just west of the railroad bridge). Start time is 10:00 AM - many hands will make short work of this endeavor. Questions should be directed to **Diane Bernier**.

JUNE 13TH MEETING

Laurie Durant has graciously made her home available for the Club's optional **June 13th meeting from 6:30 to 9:00PM**. Please check the web site for a map to her home at **166 Sunnyfield Drive**. Please consider bringing a treat to share with members and you might want to also **bring a chair to help out with seating**. Also bring a guest that might have interest in learning more about the Windsor Garden Club.

Membership renewal forms are available and are **due by the end of June**.

JULY 11TH MEETING

Janet Giannetti has graciously opened her home for the club's optional July 11th meeting from 6:30- 9:00PM. We can enjoy the new butterfly garden there. Please check the web site for a map to her home at **671 Kennedy Road**.

AUGUST 8TH MEETING – 6PM start for the setting sun!

Tom Graywacz has again opened his home for the August 8th meeting from 6:00 to 8:30PM. Please check the web site for a map to his home at **11 Wilton Road**.

COMMITTEES:

All Members are encouraged to participate in one committee. Please sign up and help.

SCHOLARSHIP WINNER ANNOUNCED

The Scholarship Committee is pleased to award the 2016 Club Scholarship to **Samantha Dehais**, a Windsor High School scholar. Samantha plans to major in Fiber Science and Textile Engineering with the hopes of researching and developing environmentally friendly fibers for clothing. We will be awarding the scholarship at the June meeting.

CIVIC ENDEAVORS

INVASIVE VINES AND PLANTS COMMITTEE AT WINDSOR FARMER'S MARKET

First Town Downtown has provided us with space again this year at the Farmers Market on **June 23rd and 30th**. We could use some man power to set up and distribute info on Invasive Vines and Plants in Windsor to our citizens on the early shift from **3:15 to 4:30 on June 23rd**. Please let us know if you can help. Thanks! Maureen Vagnini
Please see the **Invasive Plant Information Page** on our web site.

HOSPITALITY COMMITTEE:

Thank You to the Hospitality Volunteers for June 13th Volunteers: Laurie Durant, Diane Bernier, and Allie Kraushaar

MEMBERSHIP COMMITTEE

2016-2-17 Membership renewal forms are available and are **due by the end of June**. A link to the forms can be found on the website. Individual memberships are still \$20.00 while family memberships are still \$35.00.



Laura Jary, Windsor Garden Club President
May 31, 2013 to May 31, 2016
Member since 2009

May Meeting: The Club presented outgoing President Laura Jary with thank you gifts in appreciation of her three years serving as President. The Executive Board nominees were announced and approved by the members. Final preparations were made for the Garden Mart.

After our business meeting we had our annual "plant swap" where members brought in plants from their yards to swap with one another. This was done by drawing numbers which gave everyone a chance to pick their "perfect swap". A fun event!

He who is born with a silver spoon in his mouth is generally considered a fortunate person, but his good fortune is small compared to that of the happy mortal who enters this world with a passion for flowers in his soul. ~ Celia Thaxter 1835 – 1984~

MEETING INFORMATION

- For additional program information, please call 860-219 1419, or search windsorgardenclubct.org
- **Club meetings** are *typically* conducted on the second Monday of the month.
- Meetings begin at 6:30 PM with social time, followed by the evening's guest speaker beginning at 7:00 PM. The business portion of the meeting completes the evening.
- New members are always welcome.
- Meetings take place at the L.P Wilson Community Center, 599 Matianuck Avenue, Windsor, CT, in the Senior Center Room, which is located on the front left side of the building.
- **During the months of June, July and August, club meetings are informal and are typically held at member's homes. BYO chair and a treat to share.**
 - Please check the calendar page to verify all meeting dates.
 - These meetings are free of charge. The programs will begin at 7:00PM.



"To all the Windsor Garden Club Members: Thank you for all your help and support with my son Ryan's butterfly garden project. We appreciate all the donations of plants, money and knowledge. Thanks to you, the project turned out great! Here is a picture of the final project. Sincerely, Janet Giannetti"
