

LGC Newsletter



July 2018

Dear Member,

The Litchfield Garden Club starts its new year in July. We have some new officers and a new year of wonderful programs. Make this the year that you expand your knowledge of horticulture, try your hand at floral design, document your garden or become informed on local conservation issues. All of these things are offered by our club, and we work to improve these offerings for all of you, our members. These are true life skills which will happily carry you for many years as they have carried many of us. Gardening, for example, has the multiple benefit of providing good exercise of mind, body and soul. Few activities can claim that honor. And finally there is the benefit of friendships that last a lifetime. We hope you will become active on the committees of your choice and take advantage of all we try to offer. It's summer! Relish the beauty of a fine New England summer's day with a glass of lemonade in the shade after an afternoon of weeding.

Best, Diane



Mannequin Heads & Hats will be the centerpieces for the tables at our Annual Luncheon

Annual Luncheon, Litchfield Country Club

July 19, 2018, 11:30 A.M.

RSVP, Joan Burgess, 860.567.2270

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Treasurer Report: Madeline Patenge

Garden Club Dues for 2018-2019 are due by **JULY 15, 2018**. LGC members now have the ability of paying dues online via PayPal. Please click the [PayPal](#) web-page to pay online. Or click [HERE](#) to print dues notice and pay by check.

Thank you - Madeline

Assistant Treasurer Report: Anna Heys

RSVP - Our annual luncheon is July 19, 2018. We will gather at the Litchfield Country Club at 11:30 a.m. Lisa Horn and Margy Miner are planning a delightful lunch for us. There is a charge for the luncheon and you may pay by check (click [HERE](#) for the form to pay by check) or go to our [PayPal](#) page for online payment. Your payment is your reservation and must be received by July 17th. Thank you in advance for timely payments.

Thank you - Anna

Civic Beautification and Projects: Jane Hinkel & Maryanne McNeil

Thank you to our June waterers! There is one more slot open in August. The easiest and fastest way is to signup online - click [HERE](#) or you can contact [Jane](#) or [Maryanne](#).

Watering Schedule!

July 1 - July 15:

Norfolk Road: Jackie Miller & Donielle Hawley
West Green: Berta Mette & Bibby Veerman

July 16 - July 31:

Norfolk Road: Kathy Thompson & Rose Brooks
West Green: Lynn Chapman & Kate Jamison

August 1 - August 15:

Norfolk Road: Ellen Ebbs & Nancy Post
West Green: Joan Burgess & Lynne Sherman

August 16 - August 31:

Norfolk Road: Nan Skieie - OPEN
West Green: Martha Phillips & Frank Fontana

REMINDER: West Street includes Murphy's Pharmacy Planter and the Trough on the West Green.

Flower Design: Lee Reese

Just a reminder to have your mannequin heads and hats at the Litchfield Country Club before 10 am on July 19th. As you know, these are the centerpieces for the

tables at our annual luncheon. I have extra mannequins if anyone still needs one. I will also have extra entry forms.

Please call or email me with any questions.

Lee

Photography: Cathy Oneglia

Ronni Anderson's lovely Jack in the Pulpit photo won second place in the Zone II Annual Meeting in June. Thank you Ronni for representing LGC in the Class-Macro of a Wildflower in color. The Photography Committee will meet again in August - date TBD

Cathy



Programs: Sylvia Abbott

Attached is the program for the upcoming year - 2018-2019 You will see that Horticulture, Flower & Design and Photography each have 4 sweepstakes. You will also see that we will meet in March at the Historical Society for a change of venue, and in May at Diane Stoner's barn for our Business Meeting and the Carriage House for the flower show staging review. Click [HERE](#) for the 2018/2019 program.

Questions, contact [Sylvia](#)

Visiting Gardens: Nancy Rath

There will be a guided tour of ALONA house and grounds, home of Hudson River painter Frederick Church, in Hudson, New York at a mid-week date to be determined in August. Details to follow.

[Nancy Rath](#)

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Website: Joan Burgess

- Take a look at our new "[Clipboard](#)" web-page. We are looking for comments and suggestions.
- Check the [Hospitality](#) page, there are wonderful images of our meeting at the Bellamy Ferriday House. Also check the [Horticulture](#) page to see the images of the soft cuttings workshop at the Bellamy Ferriday House.
- Did you forget a date for a meeting, visit our [website](#) for the Club Calendar - login in and scroll down.

Don't see something but want it posted or have a question - contact [Joan](#). Need LGC information - use our website! It's all there and easy to find.

Member News & Upcoming Events

June 13 - 14, 2018, Diane Stoner and Julia Metcalf attended the Zone II meeting held at the Waveny Estate in New Canaan. Our members contributed the following entries for the Flower Show: 1) Photography by Ronni Anderson (won 2nd place and the GCA Novice award for her entry); 2) pot d'herbs by Ronnie Schoelzel (won 2nd place); 3) Allium Christopherli by Ronnie Schoelzel (won 3rd place); 4)

Peony by Julia Metcalf (won 1st place); 5) Asclepias seedling by Kate Jamison (won 3rd place) (the only member of our club to actually get the darn thing to grow); 6) Floral Design by Diane Stoner (won 1st place); 7) Botanical Arts Birdhouse by Julia Metcalf (won HM). Click [HERE](#) to read the full report or visit our [website](#) to see all the images.

The Pollinator Project: On June 11, 2018 a team of LGC members (Sara Gault, Marie Kennedy, Tonja Curry, Anna Heys, Polly Brooks, Martha Phillips, and Ellen Oneglia) weeded and added new plants. Visit our [website](#) for more images.



Sara Gault, Marie Kennedy, Tonja Curry, Anna Heys, and Polly Brooks



The Team!

SOUNDWATERS SAIL, Tuesday, August 14th, 10:00 am. We have been invited to join aboard the SoundWaters schooner for a fun and educational adventure. The schooner SoundWaters is a teaching vessel with Long Island Sound as its subject. It is a three-masted 80 ft ship representative of a 19th century sharpie schooner. It is steel hulled and is U.S. Coast Guard certified with a 40 person capacity.

The program will be about Long Island maritime history and water quality. 2-2.5 hr. sail, bring a bag lunch, cost is \$25 - check made out to FGCCT. Read [MORE](#) of the details.

The Quiet Corner Garden Club invites us to historic Woodstock, CT for their 2018 40th anniversary Garden Tour & Cultural Event.

When: Saturday, July 14th from 9 - 4.

Where: Woodstock Town Common

Details: Visit their [website](#)

Click [HERE](#) for pre-register form.

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