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The Garden Path Newsletter **AUGUST 2022**

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Dear Garden Club Friends,

It is my pleasure to act as your new President of the West Trenton Garden Club. I have enjoyed being a member of this special club for the last five years. I've made so many new friends and have learned so much about plants and gardening from our wonderful activities and events. Being an active member enhances the experience.

Summer is in full swing with sunshine and flowers everywhere. It's so nice to see families and friends enjoying themselves playing on the beach, picnicking in parks, playing on playgrounds, and visiting special gardens. One special garden is the one WTGC cares for in Birmingham Park. Make a point to visit it and enjoy the many plants that have been labeled by our own Rick Lazarick and Heidi Furman.

The West Trenton Garden Club Executive Board has started planning our new year. The club's first meeting will be held on Monday, August 1 at 7:00 p.m. at the Ewing Community Center featuring our Jersey Fresh Auction. Members are asked to bring a farm fresh item for the auction. It can be anything purchased from a farm market (produce, flowers, honey, jam, etc.) or from your own garden, or even something you made from fresh farm items. Don't you just love walking through a great farm stand! Mark your calendars!

Last Spring, I visited the Naples Botanical Gardens in Florida. What a magnificent place! One colorful, delicate garden held a sign that read, "Live Life in Full Bloom." The words resonated with me and I continue to live by them each day. So enjoy the rest of your summer and remember to...

Live Life in Full Bloom,

Lorraine Persiani, President WTGC

We will be meeting at the the EWING COMMUNITY CENTER 999 Lower Ferry Road, Ewing

ON MONDAY, AUGUST 1, 2022, AT 7:00 PM



MEETING CALLED TO ORDER

The end of the year event and Installation of officers was held on June 6, 2022 at the Senior/Community Center. President Barbara Bernhard started off the evening at 6:20 p.m. welcoming all members. Zofia Jablonski Feulner delivered a beautiful invocation. Barbara urged members to sign up for hospitality and the vacated committee positions. Barbara asked for any additions or corrections to the proposed budget and for members to vote to pass the budget. Members then voted unanimously to pass the budget. Barbara thanked out-going officers and congratulated incoming officers. She then gave daisies to, and thanked members who worked tirelessly throughout the year on special projects and various committees. Barbara then presented certificates to members with milestone anniversaries. She thanked Iliana Okum for the beautiful arrangements presented to new President, Lorraine Persiani and Vice President, Camille Rainiero.

The winners for place settings in four different categories were announced by judges Lorraine Persiani and Camille Rainiero.

Members were invited to enjoy the delicious appetizers and desserts while Diane Sanchez and June Miller ran the White Elephant Auction.

The evening ended with an outstanding Installation Ceremony performed by Anne Chmielewski and a brief speech by incoming president, Lorraine Persiani.

> Linda Gerasimowicz Recording Secretary



Birmingham Park



MARK YOUR CALENDAR

AUGUST 1, 2022, 7:00 PM - Jersey Fresh Auction

We will be meeting at the Ewing Community Center, 999 Lower Ferry Road. As usual, the evening will begin with a short business meeting followed by refreshments while you take chances on your favorite "Jersey Fresh" items – provided by members. A ticket sheet costs only \$5.

NOTE TO MEMBERS: Don't forget to bring your "Jersey Fresh" item to the auction. It can be anything purchased (\$5 minimum value) from a farmers' market (produce, flowers, honey, jam, etc.) or your own garden or something you make from a Jersey Fresh item (baked goods, sauces, salsas, etc.).

HAPPY BIRTHDAY!

- Matt Kowalski August 1
- Diane Sanchez August 9
- June Rosso August 13
- Susan Fair August 17
- Virginia "Ginny" Sari August 18
- Iliana Okum August 19
- Alicia Magee August 25

DON'T FORGET!

FLOWERS FOR EWING LIBRARY - Heidi Furman

HOSPITALITY COMMITTEE - Helga Fontus (Chair), Anna Adomaitis, Georgiann Cook, Susan Chrystal, Linda Geiger, and Iliana Okum.





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