



THE WATERTOWN GARDEN CLUB

Encourage the Interest and Love of Gardening

Promote Better Horticultural Practices

Aid in the Protection of Wild Flowers, Trees and Birds

Encourage Planting and Beautification of Properties

THESE ARE THE GOALS OF THE WATERTOWN GARDEN CLUB AND YOUR GENEROUS DONATIONS AID US IN ATTAINING THEM.

CIVIC DEVELOPMENT

OAKVILLE POST OFFICE

- ◆ Planted summer of 2014
- ◆ 94 Plants
- ◆ Annual mulching, occasional watering
- ◆ Maintenance and replacement of plants as needed
- ◆ **Coming Soon**—Design and planting of north-lawn area—see description on back: Oakville Post Office Garden Extension Project

TOWN PLANTERS

7 Four-Season Planters located at:

- ◆ Watertown Town Hall (2)
- ◆ Watertown Post Office (2)
- ◆ Pearl Harbor Memorial Bridge in Oakville (2)
- ◆ Oakville Bus Stop (1)

POLLINATOR GARDEN

- ◆ Planted summer of 2012
- ◆ Annual mulching, occasional watering
- ◆ Maintenance and replacement of plants as needed

TOWN FLOWER—Woodland Phlox
Planted in Veteran's Park beginning 2017

CHRISTMAS WREATHS—Nine Christmas wreaths designed annually for municipal buildings

GARDEN THERAPY

WATERTOWN CONVALARIUM

AND

APPLE REHABILITATION

Members design projects for elderly residents that provide sensory stimulation and a sense of accomplishment.

Past and future events include:

- ⇒ Pussy willow painting and flower arranging with daffodils and tulips
- ⇒ Planting a small, indoor fairy garden
- ⇒ Building bird nesting material holders from grape vines and filling with alpaca wool
- ⇒ With colored sand, creating a design in a glass planter to hold a succulent
- ⇒ Arranging flowers collected from members' gardens in vases, baskets, or pumpkins, depending on season or upcoming holiday
- ⇒ Singing, talking, hugging and generally spending time with a group of wonderful, entertaining people to brighten their day

Expenses associated with providing Watertown Convallarium participants these activities are paid by Watertown Garden Club.

Swift Junior Gardening

Students meet after school to maintain Swift Middle School gardens and to participate in garden related crafts.

Costs of material and supplies are absorbed by the Watertown Garden Club's general fund, collected from dues and donations.



Swift Junior Garden Club

ANNUAL SCHOLARSHIP

Awarded each year to a high school student, residing in Watertown, entering a 2-4 year degree program in horticulture, environmental science or a related field.

2019 PROGRAMS

All of the programs sponsored by The Watertown Garden Club are free and open to the public. Each is a source of valuable information related to gardening, horticulture, environmental issues, wildlife and general beautification of properties.

The Program Committee utilizes the vast knowledge offered through CAES and DEEP, as well as local specialists and nationally acclaimed speakers.

March 8, 1:30 p.m.: Colleen Peters, The Livingston Ripley Waterfowl Conservancy, Interactive Lecture with Live Animals," Union Congregational Church, Oakville, CT

April 11, 12:30 p.m.: Bruce McCue, McCue Gardens, Union Congregational Church, Oakville, CT

May 9, 1:30 p.m.: Sally Kuslis, Watertown Garden Club member, "Gardening Tools: The Good, Bad and Ugly," Union Congregational Church, Oakville, CT

September 12, 1:30 p.m.: Cathy Ritch, "Cute, Clever, Classic: a floral design for every lifestyle," United Congregational Church, Oakville, CT

November 14, 1:30 p.m.: Robert Skaret, U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, "Hop Brook Dam History, Flora and Fauna," Union Congregational Church, Oakville, CT

OAKVILLE POST OFFICE GARDEN EXTENSION PROJECT

This project, with an estimated cost of \$1,700, will extend the garden at the Oakville Post Office to encompass the remaining frontage on RT 73 and alongside Hillside Avenue. The town committed labor and equipment, but the Club cannot complete this project without donated funds. The current garden has elicited many compliments. With the Sealy Building removed, this extended garden will be well received and appreciated.



Donations specifically earmarked for this project are requested. The Club has applied for grants that require itemization of any donations from other organizations and individuals.