**SAVE THE DATE:** 

Our Annual Plant Sale
will be held on
Saturday, June 9



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If you have an item for the newsletter, please email Maureen with "WH&GC newsletter" in the subject line:

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# WINCHESTER HOME & GARDEN CLUB NEWS



**Annual Spring Luncheon - May 2** 

What a nice time we had at our Spring Luncheon at Winchester Country Club. Thank you to Eileen, Becky and their crew for a wonderful event!

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#### **Our Annual Plant Sale**

Did you know that this past March was the second snowiest in Boston's history? We are pushing our **Winchester Home & Garden Club Plant Sale** a few weeks later this year so we have some nice looking items to sell (and maybe good weather too).

Please mark your calendars for <u>SATURDAY</u>, <u>JUNE 9</u> when we join the first Farmer's Market of the season!

Christine and Mai are our plant sale co-chairs again this year, and they will be organizing plant donations and volunteers, so stay tuned. This sale is a great event for our club and the town, but we can't shine without you—SAVE THE DATE!

#### Local Plant Sales in the area

Reading: Saturday May 19, 2018, 9:00 -1:00 p.m. Reading Town Common

Burlington: Saturday May 19, 2018, 9:00 -1:00 p.m. Burlington Town Common

Arlington: May 19, 2018 - see flyer

WINCHESTER: Saturday, June 9 at the Town Common

#### Do you have any vases you no longer use?

Wright-Locke Farm is looking for medium-sized vases - those with openings approximately 4" wide. If you'd like to donate vases, please bring them to the Farm Stand at a time of your convenience. If the Stand is closed, please leave them on the patio and we will find them.

Thank you!

Ruth Trimarchi, Manager of Flower Operations, Wright-Locke Farm.

#### SITE GARDEN HELP NEEDED!

Cheryl Curtin and Susan Mitchell started the site garden project about 3 years ago with Nutile Field being the first garden. Our team (which also included Karen Beals) took a very overgrown weed patch and transformed it into a beautiful garden to grace the entrance to the Field

- We now have 8 little gardens all around Winchester...."pockets of beauty" for all to enjoy
- Our goal is transform neglected sites into places of beauty in visible spots around town such as Leonard Field, the Public Safety Building, The Fire Station, Ginn Field, Corner of the Common across from the Studio on the Common, Wright Locke Farm entrance path and Ciarcia Rock
- Most teams are 2,3 or 4 people. We currently need a few more volunteers to help round out our current teams at Nutile Field and the corner of the Common
- If enough people are interested in helping then we can talk to the town managers about starting other new sites that they would like to see get beautified
- It is a "feel good" thing to do....people constantly stop to thank the teams for doing the gardens
- It takes just a few hours at the beginning of the season to clean up winter debris, amend the soil and plant some beautiful plants. The teams divide responsibilities for summer maintenance like deadheading, weeding and updating plants. This take about 30 minutes, 3 days a week, one week per month
- The Club will pay for all flowers and other planting materials
- If you are interested, please see Cheryl Curtin at the April meeting or send an email to Susan Mitchell (<u>Susan.mitchell1@comcast.net</u>)

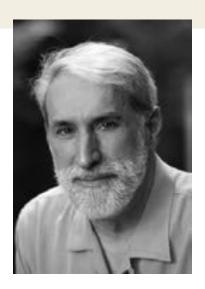


### Winchester Home & Garden Club New Member Form

Name:		Date:
Address:		
City:	State:	Zip Code:
Best phone to reach you	at (that you check for me	essages):
Email:		
How did you hear about	WH&GC?	
Please tell us your curre	nt Gardening/Home inter	rests:
What might you be inter	rested in learning about?	
Do you have any special skills or talents that you would like to share?		
We are proud to be a long established and active organization in Winchester. Our members look forward to welcoming you and we request your participation to help us further our mission. There are many ways that you can be involved for just a few hours on one or a few occasions throughout the year. Reach out to any board member to volunteer. Please check off ALL that apply to your interests.		
I'd like to help WH&GC	meetings and events run	smoothly:
🗖 Hospitality 📮 Progran	ns 🖵 Workshops 🖵 Ways	s & Means 🖵 Luncheons
I'd like to help the club i	run smoothly and inform	the public about our activities:
☐ Yearbook ☐ Newslett	er 🖵 Website 📮 Membe	ership 🗖 Treasurer
☐ Correspondence ☐ Po	ublicity 🖵 Archives 🖵 Red	ecording Secretary
I'd like to play in the dir	t, improve our communit	ty and engage with the public:
☐ Civic Beautification ☐ Community Service ☐ Fountain Cleaning		
☐ Site Gardens ☐ Gard	en Therapy 📮 Horticultu	ure 🖵 Plant Sale
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# Wright-Locke Farm's 2018 SPEAKER SERIES



### Wednesday, May 23rd

7:30 PM (Q&A to Follow)

## Food and Fuel from Sunlight, Air, and Water

**Daniel G. Nocera,** the Patterson Rockwood Professor of Energy at Harvard University, has created the artificial and bionic leaf to use just sunlight, air and water to make sustainable fuel and fertilization systems. Join us at the Farm to learn about how these discoveries set the stage for storage mechanisms for the large scale, distributed, deployment of solar energy and distributed food production. Professor Nocera will also discuss how this technology could be particularly useful to the developing world, where large infrastructures for fuel and food production are not tenable.

**Daniel G. Nocera** is widely recognized in the world as a leading researcher in renewable energy and is the inventor of the artificial leaf and bionic leaf. The artificial leaf was named by Time magazine as Innovation of the Year for 2011. Professor Nocera's research contributions in renewable energy have been recognized by numerous awards, including the Leigh Ann Conn Prize for Renewable Energy, Eni Prize, Burghausen Prize, and the United Nation's Science and Technology Award. He is a member of the American Academy of Arts and Sciences, the U.S. National Academy of Sciences, and the Indian Academy of Sciences. He was also named one of the 100 Most Influential People in the World by Time Magazine. Professor Nocera is a resident of Winchester and we are thrilled to have him share his knowledge with the Wright-Locke Farm community.

Our Speaker Series is free and open to the public. We kindly ask you to RSVP by emailing kkneeland@wlfarm.org so we can save you a seat. We also offer a casual farm-inspired supper before the event. For more information and to buy tickets to the meal, visit www.wlfarm.org/speaker-series.

In the spirit of inspiring and facilitating conversation in a time where it is crucial that we stay informed about the world around us,

Wright-Locke Farm invites you to our 2018 Speaker Series.

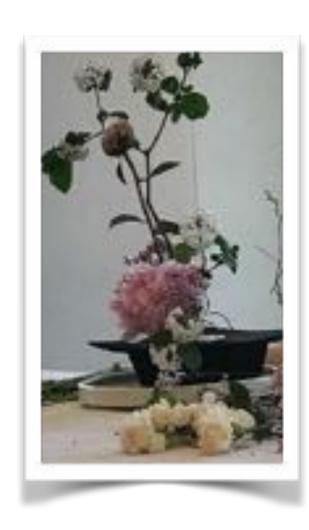
Join us monthly in our beautiful **1827 Barn** for an evening of discovery and discussion.

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Dot and Cathy represented our garden club at the Middlesex Annual District Lunch last week. Marisa McCoy was the presenter and here are some of her creations.







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