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"An Afternoon in Paris" WH&GC Spring Luncheon

The Winchester Country Club was transformed into a scene from the "City of Light" and the

fashion capital of the world, Paris, for our well attended Spring Luncheon. Members and guests arrived in true attire. Many were adorned with slouching berets, Breton stripe sailor shirts, headbands formed with feathers and tulle, tea-length dresses and the dripping of pearls. The Spring colors of pink, black and white were mixed with a lovely array of floral dresses and vintage pocketbooks.

The room provided a lovely backdrop and complimented the Parisian flair embraced by all who attended.

Many thanks goes out to Alice Lombardo for transporting us to "An Afternoon in Paris". WH&GC

> members were treated to a delicious lunch, an enticing opportunity drawing and vibrant live auction leaving

us saying "Ooh, la, la" at the end of this magical afternoon.



Dot, Alice & Cathy

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Luncheon Photos



Thanks to all of the members who attended the luncheon, donated items to the opportunity drawing, purchased tickets and dressed in Parisian style. A note of appreciation to our floral centerpiece designers: Rose Beecher, Cheryl Curtin, Eileen Bickenbach and Jackie Burchard.

A special thank you goes out to Dot Butler and Kent Porter-Hamann for their live auction donations. And a round of applause for Mai Harrison and her enthusiastic bid calling as our auctioneer.

Luncheon Photos







Mt. Vernon Street Bridge

"I want it said of me by those who knew me best, that I always plucked a thistle and planted a flower where I thought a flower would grow" Abraham Lincoln



The Winchester Mt. Vernon Street Bridge project wins engineering award as reported by the *Daily Times Chronicle*. Click on the picture above to read the full article

Please join Kristen Ward on May 23rd at 11 am in this important civic beautification project. The town planted a beautiful garden upon completion of the bridge, which needs some loving hands to care for and tidy the site.

Kristen works throughout Winchester on beautification projects and welcomes members to join her at the Mt. Vernon Street Bridge site garden.

Click the sign up button and be a part of the team that will proudly care and maintain this high profile garden.



Kristen Ward

View Sign Up

Fountain Project

At the Spring Luncheon, I had the pleasure to chat with Angie Finke about her role in bringing the fountain to the Winchester Common. I learned that Angie and her husband, Bill, traveled though Europe and were in awe of the beautiful fountains they saw in Italy. Together they brought the idea home and rallied for an installation to share with the residents of Winchester.

Bill and Angie searched for a historically appropriate design and chose a cast iron fountain with a basin similar to those featured at the Italian Water Gardens. You can see Angie in this picture at the ceremony dated June 3, 1987.

Angie spoke proudly of her role in this beautification project, she is glad to see the restoration is underway and is appreciative of the Winchester Home and Garden Club members' substantial donation and continued support in the refurbishment project. She is happily anticipating a wonderful new terrace to feature the fountain that she and Bill imagined many years ago. A place to sit, meet a friend and enjoy the scenery!





Thank you Angie and Bill for sharing your vision and bringing this lovely water feature to Winchester.



Friendly tidbits

If you incur WH&GC expenses and require reimbursement, please mail your receipts to: Courtney Peschel – 16 Lorena Road, Winchester, MA 01890

Did you know that all members are invited to submit home and garden tips, tricks and terrific hacks? Please help keep our newsletter interesting with your thoughts and ideas. Send along your submissions <u>by the last day of the month</u> and we will do our best to include it in the next publication. Email to: whgclub18@gmail.com

Yearbook & Membership Information

Please review your personal information in the WH&GC yearbook for accuracy. If you have made any changes to your name, telephone number, mailing address, or email address, kindly email Maureen, maureenconway@yahoo.com, and she will be sure to update the booklet for the next printing.



Additionally, at the last Board meeting the idea of providing members an opportunity to pay their membership dues early was discussed. This would help us expedite the distribution of yearbooks as well as offer an added convenience to our members.

Early submission will allow you to receive your Club Book as soon as Club season begins in September. Look for more information to come in our next newsletter.







Winchester Home & Garden Club

PLANT SALE



Saturday, June 8

9:30-12:00 Town Common

Alongside the Farmers' Market

Annuals, Perennials, Herbs, Flower Arrangements Come get a bargain - most plants under \$10



Hello Winchester Home and Garden Club Members, the countdown has started!

Our annual plant sale is fast approaching and we would love your help! In past years your time and generosity has made this not only a success but a wonderful tradition!

> As always, reach out to Mai, mai_harrison02@hotmail.com or Christine, me@christineschmitt.com with any questions.

Please consider volunteering by clicking the link below and sign up

https://www.signupgenius.com/go/8050a4caea728a46-whgc1

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Winchester Chamber of Commerce Invites you to enjoy

GARDEN TOUR 2019 Friday June 14th 12-4Rain or Shine La Patisserie Sponsored by European Bakery Café LUNCHEON 11:30 - 1:00 6 Mystic Valley Parkway Lunch & Tour: \$35.00 Day of \$40.00 Tour: \$25.00 Day of \$30.00

Tickets available at Bookends

Cash or Check only



Gloucester Garden Tour Saturday July 6, 2019 — 10:00 to 4:00

Explore gorgeous private gardens along Gloucester's stunning Back Shore.

Traveling along the Back Shore is to experience the grandeur of the Atlantic Ocean in its full glory. The magnificent vistas include Good Harbor Beach, the twin lighthouses on Thacher Island, and the waves crashing along miles of rocky shore. When French explorer Samuel de Champlain visited the area in 1606 he named it Le Beau Port, meaning the beautiful harbor, and on this tour you will easily understand why.



Photo by David Cox

This year's Generous Gardeners' Garden Tour will provide the opportunity to see hidden backyard gardens behind many of the impressive facades on Atlantic Road and neighboring roads. One iconic property on Sherman Point is 3.5 acres of manicured lawn and gardens that served as a small golf course for the original owner.

Tickets are \$30 each and may be purchased the day of the tour at the Stop & Shop parking lot, 6 Thatcher Road, Gloucester, or in advance on our website GenerousGardeners.org. This is a self-guided walking tour of 3 miles roundtrip from Stop & Shop.

Photography welcome • No pets • Rain or shine

For more information contact Susan Kelly, susan@generousgardeners.org or 781-346-1363.

Proceeds are for beautification of Gloucester public gardens.

Generous Gardeners.org Philanthropy through gardening



Local Happenings



The Belmont Garden Club has an upcoming tour, check out their site for more information:

http://belmontgardenclub.org/

The Lexington Field & Garden Club has a couple of activities listed on their site:

https://www.lexgardenclub.org/



June 5th GCFM Annual Meeting, Dedham Hilton Keynote Speaker: Doug Tallamy - Creating Sustainable Landscapes

Doug Tallamy, a professor in the Department of Wildlife Ecology at the University of Delaware, will present the compelling message of how the choices we make as gardeners profoundly impact the diversity of life in our yards, towns and on planet earth. We will learn the remarkable benefits of removing those invasive plants from our public and private lands and why it is important to bring back our native plants.

'Live' registration and payment is available through the GCFM website. **Click here:** <u>www.gcfm.org</u> You DO NOT need to be a PayPal subscriber to use the PayPal module.

Room rates at the Boston Dedham Hilton are \$169/double occupancy. The rate will be honored until Wednesday 5/1. However, it may be possible to find a better rate via <u>Expedia.com</u>, <u>Travelocity.com</u>, <u>Kayak.com</u>, etc.



Winchester Home & Garden Club New Member Form

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What might you be interested 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 □ Programs □ Workshops □ Ways & Means □ Luncheons

I'd like to help the club run smoothly and inform the public about our activities:

□ Yearbook □ Newsletter □ Website □ Membership □ Treasurer

□ Correspondence □ Publicity □ Archives □ Recording Secretary

I'd like to play in the dirt, improve our community and engage with the public:

OUTDOOR: Civic Beautification Fountain Cleaning Site Gardens Plant Sale

INDOOR: Community Service Garden Therapy IN & OUT: Horticulture

For much more information, visit WHGCLUB.org.

Please send this form and check of \$50 made out to "WHGC" to Liz Darby, 26 Eaton Street Front, Winchester, MA 01890