



WINCHESTER HOME & GARDEN CLUB

Meetings 2022

1/19 - VIRTUAL

Aberjona Initiative: Restoring our Beautiful Aberjona

2/16 - St. Eulalia's Manion Hall

Joann Vieira from Stevens Coolidge Gardens

3/16 - St. Eulalia's Manion Hall

Kathy Skinner - Hydrangeas: Which one is right for me?

4/27 - St. Eulalia's Manion Hall

Jana Milbocker - Enchanted Gardens of the Scottish Highlands

May - Luncheon TBD



Thank you to Bernadette Kearney for the beautiful arrangements for the Gables and Mt. Vernon House

Dear Garden Club Friends:

Happy New Year! We hope you had a safe, healthy Holiday Season. We missed our gathering during that time but at the end of the day, while noting what is happening all around us, we think we made the right decision.

Unfortunately, our meeting on January 19th will not be in person. We had a Board meeting and everyone felt it wiser not to gather. Our presenter is very flexible and has agreed to do a ZOOM presentation at **Noon on this Wednesday, 1/19**. Since everyone had it on their calendar as a noon presentation, and many members now have commitments in the evening, we decided to stay with that time offering. We do hope you will tune in. Reed Pugh will be presenting the "Aberjona Initiative- Restoring our Beautiful Aberjona", which we feel you will find very interesting. Fortunately, it is a perfect topic for a ZOOM, as it is a Powerpoint and video. Below is the meeting link:

Join Zoom Meeting at Noon this Wednesday, 1/19

[https://us02web.zoom.us/j/85058822949?](https://us02web.zoom.us/j/85058822949?pwd=L2EwV2dvVlJf1bGfSVG9POVVhNldHQ2J09)

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Mary Grassi has planned some wonderful programs for February, March and April. We will check in with the Health Department for our February meeting to see what advice they will share about having a meeting in person. Things are appearing to get better so keep your fingers crossed that we can meet in person on 2/16. You can find the upcoming programs listed in the left column.

Cristy Walsh and Nick Sakorafas will be our designers for the Museum of Art's, "Art In Bloom". As far as we know, AIB will be in person this year (April 28, 29 and 30th). This is always such an amazing event and every year we have members who do the most amazing, gifted designs. We are looking forward to their creative entry for 2022.

Included in this newsletter on the front page are lovely pieces Bernadette Kearney created for both The Gables and Mt. Vernon House during the holiday season. Thank you so much, Bernadette, for your beautiful designs and thinking of the Residents at both places.

Also, after our wonderful presentation in November on Paper Whites and Amaryllis, some of our members have sent in pictures of their BLOOMS! We all walked away with many tips from our Presenter, Michele Schuckel of Natural Selection Gardens. Who knew VODKA would be the drink of choice for some of our bulbs! It stunted their growth and made for manageable planters.

Looking ahead to Spring, we are reminded of our annual Spring Plant Sale. The plant sale usually takes place on Winchester Common on the second Saturday of June. We would love to keep this tradition alive but right now we do not have a chair/chairs. If you have any interest in taking on this role, please send us an email. The chair basically organizes the event and our members volunteer to help either with some of the planning or on the day of the sale. Fortunately it takes place outside so we don't have to worry about the variants!! Let us know if you have an interest.

Finally, we are planning our Spring luncheon for the beginning of June! We have options for either inside or out but we definitely want to end our year with a spring soiree. After all, WHGC loves "Ladies who Lunch"!

Before we sign off, we are thinking of doing something especially for Valentines Day. How about a "Secret Valentine"? This can be done in person or not—plans are in the making, so stay tuned for more details.

See you Wednesday afternoon on Zoom!

Cathy and Dot

Thank You & Membership Dues

75% of our Members who have paid their dues for the year! We are making great progress. If you haven't paid yet, please use this link or send check of \$50 to Liz Darby, 26 Eaton St FRONT, Winchester, MA 01890.





LOOKING FOR PHOTOS OF YOUR PETS!

Share a favorite photo of your four legged friend and send to donabuedesign@verizon.net

Kent Porter Hamann shared a Christmas tree she made from holly plants in her yard and had an wonderful surprise! Being indoors some of buds on the cuttings bloomed! Kent wishes everyone a Happy New Year!

