



View from the Garden

News from the Wolfeboro Garden Club

STAY COOL, GARDENERS!

from Nancy Saltmarsh, Community Projects

Wolfeboro Garden Club - 4th of July Parade: Summary

This year's 4th of July Parade theme was:

"Home of the Free Because of the Brave"

Our Garden Club theme was "**Backyard Serenity**" - we are able to enjoy our gardens because of the bravery of those before us.

Thank you to all our members who contributed items to the float and A BIG THANK YOU to Julie Fergus, Joyce Lake & Bobbie Stave for helping out with the "Pre-parade" trial run - without your assistance the float would not have been ready for the festivities

A very special THANK YOU to **Joyce Lake** for collecting all the greens for last minute final touches and joining me the morning of the parade to put the float together and meeting me at the end to take it all down - that glass of wine at the finish definitely helped!

Julie Fergus has been awesome taking photos and getting our name out there. Also thanks to all the Club Members who cheered along the parade route - your enthusiasm and support was truly appreciated.

Last but not least a special shout out to **Andy Saltmarsh** who let me have his truck, spent countless hours helping with the logistics of securing everything

down and was the official driver down the parade route - could not have done it without his support!

Did you ever wonder what goes into making of a float???? All household materials, a little imagination and a bit of “hands on” :

THE MAKINGS OF A FLOAT - 2024

Vehicle: Red Pickup Truck & Driver - **Andy Saltmarsh**

Materials:

Front: Garden Club Banner

Sides of Truck:

Braided rope, Bunting: (4) 1.5 x 3 ft American Flag, Patriotic Garland: (2) 108 “ long, Red/white/blue flowers - plastic (“tissue paper”): 3 plastic table cloths & Pipe cleaners

Inside bed of truck - Donations:

Garden Bench & 4 window boxes: courtesy of **Deanna Saltmarsh**

Long stemmed flower bouquet: courtesy of **Martie Lincoln**

Floral Basket, 2 Bird houses: courtesy of **Bobbie Stave**

Birdbaths: courtesy of **Susan Hugel & Donna Lockitt**

Lg variety of Greens: courtesy of **Joyce Lake**

Raised platform, Shepherd hooks, 2 window boxes, wind chimes, Gardening hat, Flowering plants & stands, Ferns & assorted containers for greens : courtesy of **Andy & Nancy Saltmarsh**

Inside bed - Additional materials:

Pails of flowers & decorative ribbon - repurposed from 2023 Festival of Trees decorations

Flooring: (2) green plastic tablecloths, Bunting: (2) 18” x 2 ft American Flag, Center brick walkway: Poster board & 4 shades paint , Pinwheel flowers: (12) red/white/blue, Decorative Bee Garden stakes (2),

Duct tape- low residue: (2) rolls, Zip ties, Twine

Tailgate Banner:

Blue cloth, Letter stencils, Red & white Felt

Thank you everyone for all your support.

Nancy Saltmarsh - Community Projects

ed: It takes a Village.....We are fortunate to have a Jewel like Nancy leading this committee.

A July Garden Tour!!

July 24, Wednesday

10am - noon

John Welch will Open his gardens for Wolfeboro Garden Club Members on Wednesday, July 24th between 10:00am and 12:00. These gardens are lovely with many flowers and flowering shrubs. He has sun and shade loving plants. Color, texture and lovely pathways are displayed throughout these unique gardens.

Directions:

Drive past the Brewster Tennis Courts and on your left look for Claflin Road. This is a dirt road which will bring you to John's House on the left.

His **number is 92**.

This road is shared by other homes so park to the left side. We will have a sign to help. If members can drive together that would be most helpful. Hope to see you there. Any questions or if anyone might want to add their Gardens for a tour just call me. **Martie Lincoln** 603-569-2652

Family Note From Martie:

Hopefully everyone enjoyed a wonderful 4th of July. We hosted an Engagement Party for our Granddaughter, Caitlyn . In the morning , when she and "soon to be husband" John were leaving her sister, Kristen became engaged! Jason proposed on our Beach! Both our Granddaughters have found great guys!

ed: **CONGRATULATIONS ARE IN ORDER !!**

From Julie Fergus, Publicity Chair

SHOW OFF YOUR GARDEN!!

Dear Members,

As part of our ongoing effort to celebrate the beauty of our community and inspire others with nature's wonders, we are reaching out to invite you to share **your garden photos** with us to share on our website and social media. Your garden is a testament to creativity and dedication, and we believe that showcasing its beauty can bring joy and inspiration to others. Whether you have a thriving vegetable patch, a serene flower garden, or a unique landscape design, we would love to feature your photos in our website and social media platforms.

Please send me your photos via email or text along with a brief description of your garden. Feel free to include any interesting stories, challenges overcome, or favorite plants. Your contribution will not only highlight your gardening efforts but also encourage others to cultivate their own green spaces. Thank you in advance for considering this invitation. I look forward to receiving your submissions and sharing the beauty of your garden with the wider community.

Warm regards,

Julie Fergus, Publicity Chair

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