

# Weymouth Garden Club

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# WEYMOUTH GARDEN CLUB ("WGC") GENERAL MEMBER MEETING

March 8, 2025

The WGC March General Member Meeting was called to order at 9:35am by Lisa Kimball, President.

#### **Officer Updates:**

#### Welcome from President (Lisa K.)

- Welcome new members and guests
  - Current membership total: 108
- Books in Bloom success
  - o Thank you, Michelle C. and Regina!
- Plant-A-Tree
  - (Formerly: Penny Pines)
  - Sponsored by the National Garden Club, partnered with USDA Forest Service, use each
     \$50 contribution for sustaining national forests
  - We collected >\$50 at the February General Member Meeting
  - At today's meeting, we collected again and also collected nominations for honoree(s)

# Treasurer's Report (Carole)

- Plant Sale
  - The club will hold our annual Plant Sale on Saturday, May 17<sup>th</sup> at the Weymouth DPW
    - Plant Sale proceeds go to the club's Education Fund which funds programs to educate members, supports member horticultural education, and contributes to the Weymouth Town Scholarship fund
- Weymouth Town Scholarship
  - We submitted our \$3k donation

# **Recording Secretary (Allie)**

Approved – February General Meeting Minutes

# **New Business Updates:**

# **Donations (Charlotte D.)**

- Weymouth Food Pantry Donation Drive
  - o Final collection at today's meeting
    - Checks payable to the Weymouth Food Pantry
    - Action If needed, you can also mail your check to Charlotte D.

#### **April Elections (Terry, chair of Nominating Committee)**

- Present official slate of candidates:
  - o President: Lisa Kimball
  - o <u>Vice President:</u> Laura Balan
  - o Corresponding Secretary: Tara Fairfax
- Election will be held at the April General Member Meeting

## Field Trips (Mayre H.)

- Isabella Stewart Gardner Museum
  - Thursday, March 13<sup>th</sup> 11:30am-1pm (1.5-hour tour)
    - Tour of the "botanically-themed artwork in the museum"
    - 18 members attending
    - Carpools put together
    - Action If you are attending, pay \$10 fee to Mayre if you haven't already
- London, England
  - o Saturday, April 26th Sunday, May 3rd
    - Action If you are attending, apply for Electronic Travel Auth. now
- Native Plant Trust (Wayland)
  - Sunday, May 24<sup>th</sup>
    - Guided tour
    - \$15 per guest; tour guide fee paid by the club
    - Sign-ups to come

# **Beautification (Anne)**

- DPW Pollinator Garden Plan
  - Prepare location for plantings: Sunday, April 6<sup>th</sup>
  - Plants go in the ground: Saturday, May 3<sup>rd</sup>
    - Action Looking for members to sign up to contribute pollinator plants for planting
- Town of Weymouth Community Clean Up Day @Abigail Adams Village Green (AAVG)
  - o Saturday, April 26th 9am-12pm
    - Free lunch; food truck at town hall
      - WGC is already signed up online
      - Action Members only need to acknowledge release form and note if you want lunch or not
      - Action Wear your pink!

## Art in Bloom (Kari P. and Chelsea V.)

- Friday, May 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday, May 4<sup>th</sup>
- Received our assignment, *The Boston Throne*, which is described as a "three-sided relief with a scene of weighing"

# Plant Sale (Suzanne)

- Saturday, May 17<sup>th</sup> at the DPW
  - o Drop off: Friday, May 16<sup>th</sup>
- Plant Contributions
  - Every member donates 10 plants (indoor plants, native plants, herbs, etc.)
  - Your plants can be divided and potted up from your yard, your house plants, or bought from a nursery
  - Action Plan your 10 plants now
- Garden Shop
  - No glass!
  - Make sure they are clean
  - o Action Collect your gently-used garden supplies and décor

# **Evening Programs (Kathy, Donna)**

- "Honey Bees" with Lee Anne Burton from Lee's Bees
  - o Tuesday, March 25<sup>th</sup> 7pm
  - o Tufts Library Room 133
  - o Enjoy learning all about bees and sampling honey from around the world!
  - Registration required (members only)
    - Action Sign up via SignUpGenius here

#### Membership (Johannah)

- Pink WGC T-shirts
  - Limited supply, will refresh each fall
  - o Action New members, if you haven't gotten a t-shirt already, ask Johannah
- Yearbook Headshots
  - Reminder that available during the break

#### Sustainable Weymouth Seed Swap (Mary F)

- At today's meeting, we collected seeds
- Seed Swap
  - o Tuesday, March 18<sup>th</sup> 6:30pm
  - Will have presentation on starting seeds following by a "Sustainable Weymouth" organizational meeting

Announcements adjourned at 10:27am.

# **Program Speakers**

## "Pollinator Gardens" by Trevor Smith, Weston Nurseries

- Tufts Library underwent a building-wide disturbance in their WiFi and internet 5 minutes into
  the program. The lecture has been rescheduled to Thursday, March 27<sup>th</sup> 6pm via Zoom. This
  presentation will be recorded so you can watch at your leisure afterwards. The link for the
  recording will be emailed to members after the presentation.
  - Zoom information:
    - https://us06web.zoom.us/j/89813828092?pwd=FySy4QKJ37XX4piPTOnA4VnNQ BOLj4.1 |Meeting ID: 898 1382 8092 |Passcode: 701797

#### **Next Board Meeting**

The next board meeting is Wednesday, March 19th 6:30pm at the Tufts Library.

🌻 Minutes submitted by Allie DeCastro 🌻