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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE - Summer is Here!

I hope this finds everyone healthy, comfortable, and looking forward to summer activities. Even though many plans had to change, I hope you have time to relax, feel the sunshine, and enjoy the beauty of nature whether you're in the mountains, at the shore, or in your own backyard.

Thinking back to our last meeting on March 4 and our celebration of WWGC's 65th Birthday, I don't think any of us imagined that by the end of the following week we would be sheltering at home for three months and canceling our April, May & June activities. I'm happy to share that all the missed meetings, trips, and workshops from this past spring will be rescheduled for April, May & June, 2021.

Planning for this fall is a bit more challenging given continued COVID concerns and the importance of keeping all our members safe and healthy. While the Governor announced that counties in southeastern PA are moving to the green phase on June 26, there are many reasons to remain cautious. Masks



and physical distancing are still required and many people are not comfortable jumping back into life as it was "before."

With that in mind, your officers and committee chairs met via Zoom on June 17 and made the following decisions:

Our first meeting will be October 7 this year. It will be our Welcome Back Social, tentative location is Jenkins Arboretum. We'll have yearbooks and bulbs for everyone, we'll collect dues (\$50) and anyone who pays their dues before or during the meeting will be entered in a drawing. This is subject to change, but we hope not!

We will not have a Greens Sale this year. A huge thank you to Gwen Puglisi who led very successful Greens Sales for the past 4 years, and to Maureen Innes who assisted Gwen for the last 2 years. Due to their efforts and the support of all our members, the Club has built a healthy reserve of funds and the club will be ok financially if we skip a year. We all agreed that this is the year to skip!

Without the greens sale, we cannot balance our budget ,so we drafted a budget that dips into our reserve funds this year. To minimize the "dip," we are cutting back in several areas and are planning a small fundraiser for December 2. The current idea is a greens "make & take" workshop to benefit the club. We'll have more details at the October meeting.

The Hospitality Committee will take on the Membership responsibilities of greeting members & guests, handing out/collecting nametags, and keeping attendance records.

The Board will meet again on August 5 to finalize plans for the fall as best we can. If you have suggestions or concerns, please let me know.



The above picture needs no title or introduction.

If not contained, the spotted lanternfly could potentially drain Pennsylvania's economy of at least \$324 million annually, according to a study carried out by economists at Penn State.

The spotted lanternfly uses its piercing-sucking mouthpart to feed on sap from over 70 different plant species. It has a strong preference for economically important plants including grapevines, maple trees, black walnut, birch, willow, and other trees. The feeding damage significantly stresses the plants which can lead to decreased health and potentially death.

As SLF feeds, the insect excretes honeydew (a sugary substance) which can attract bees, wasps, and other insects. The honeydew also builds up and promotes the growth for sooty mold (fungi), which can cover the plant, forest understories, patio furniture, cars, and anything else found below SLF feeding.



SLF has a broad host range and has been recorded feeding on over 65 different plant species.

https:/extension.psu.edu

In other news, I am still looking for a few members to fill the following open Committee Chair positions:

Programs – good news is the work for 2020-21 is done! The need is for someone to begin working on 2 to 3 speakers for 2021-2022.

Fundraising – The need is for someone to work with the board on organizing a smaller fundraising activity (holiday greens) at Roberts on Wednesday, December 2.

Social Events – we need a party organizer for the Winter Social and the June dinner! With many members who enjoy helping, this position is truly about organizing the details with the help from the Board.

Please consider volunteering for one of these roles --- it's a great way to get better acquainted with other club members and share your talents with the club.

Here's to a healthy, happy 2020-21 for us all! Best, ~ Anne ~

WWGC NEWS

2020-21 COMMITTEE CHAIRS

Here are the Committee Chairs for the new year! My heartfelt thanks to the following members for volunteering to share their time & talent with WWGC:

Many Hands Make LIGHT Work

Administrative Committee: Marilyn Small (new member!) Communications: Kathy Liberato & Colleen Gassert Community Services: Lee Carson & Nancy Morris Floral Design: Ellen McGarrigle & Nancy Cuttic

Fundraising:

Horticulture: Laura Furman & Myrtie Musetti

Hospitality & Membership: Karen Bruno

Programs & Trips: open (programs) & Ginny Studebaker (trips)

Social Events: open

Yearbook: Nancy Cuttic

SIGN UP FOR A COMMITTEE!



OLUNTEER Remember the Sign-Up Genius Karen Bruno sent out last month to sign up for hosting meetings & bringing refreshments? Well it worked so well that we have another Sign-Up Genius for members to pick their Committee for next year.

As you may remember, under our By-Laws, all members are required to serve on one committee. Please click on the link below to sign up for the committee of your choice. You can read a brief description of what each committee does on the Sign-Up. The size of the committees is limited -- please sign up for only one committee. Chairs and Officers do not need to sign-up.



Sign-Up Genius Link:

https://www.signupgenius.com/go/30E0C44A5A822A20-20202021

If you are not comfortable using Sign-Up Genius or have questions, please call or email Anne McCrary with your committee choice and/or questions.











Quick Facts

- As of May 2020, 26 counties in Pennsylvania are under quarantine for SLF. SLF has also been found in 5 other states in the northeastern U.S.
- SLF does not bite or sting.
- SLF does not kill all trees it feeds on. SLF is a plant stressor that, along with other stressors, can cause significant damage to its host.
- Stop the spread of SLF by checking your car and any outdoor equipment (grills, mowers, firewood, etc.) when going in and out of the quarantine zone.
- Manage SLF on your property by scraping and destroying eggs, carefully using bands or traps on trees, removing preferred hosts, and using registered insecticides for control when appropriate.

Steps for Spotted Lanternfly Management

- Stop the spread
- Scrape egg masses
- Use tree traps to catch nymphs
- Remove host plants
- · Apply insecticides





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BACKYARD GARDEN TOUR

Susan Dearden Bryan hosted a small gathering for members on June 10. Those who attended had an enjoyable evening touring Susan's lovely rock garden, sharing a light meal and a glass of wine. Thank you Susan!





JUNE/JULY 2020





HORTICULTURE COMMITTEE HAS BEEN BUSY ...

Old Roberts School

Have you seen what is happening at the Old Roberts School? Laura Furman and Myrtie Musetti have been leading a transformation of the gardens! Thank you Laura & Myrtie! Thanks also to Patti Drueding, Cathy Siple, Kathy Liberato, and Debbie Woodbury who joined in and planted, mulched, and weeded on the June 3 workday!







Balloon Flower



Small balloonlike buds open to starry blue flowers.

Julia Child Rose



Floribunda rose, yellow flower with shades of gold.

Pincushion Flower



Delicate graygreen leaves with lavenderblue flowers

The center of the flower looks like pin heads in a pincushion.

Bee Balm



Scarlet red frilly starburst flower above stems of fragrant foliage.

Bees are not drawn to it but rather the crushed leaves used to be used to soothe bee stings.

Red Hot Poker



Grassy foliage, orange and yellow blooms.

Take a virtual tour of "What's in Bloom" at the Lewis Ginter Botanical Garden Richmond, VA

https://www.lewisginter.org/ visit/virtual-visit/

Here's the Latest on the Blue Star Marker



And the Barrels at McKaig were also Freshened up for June



Garden Club Federation of PA (GCFP) News

WWGC RECEIVES SIX AWARDS!

WOW! What a year for our garden club! As mentioned in the Keystone Gardener, WWGC received the following awards for 2019:

- History Award 1st Place, History of WWGC including the Old Roberts Schoolhouse
- Holiday Project 1st Place, "Christmas with the First Ladies" District I Lunch, chaired by Ellen McGarrigle
- Newsletter Publication 1st Place, created by Nancy Cuttic and Marilyn Small
- Garden Tour 2nd Place, Rose and Butterfly Garden Tour, hosted by Libby Espey
- Media / Website 1st Place, developed by Colleen Gasssert
- Youth Education 1st Place, "The Saved Seed" Project, led by Nancy Cuttic

GCFP SCHOOLS

Did you know that GCFP offers four educational schools for members at a very reasonable cost? Here is a list of the upcoming schools. Details and brochures can be found at www.pagardenclubs.org.

July 21-22, 2020 - Gardening School (on Zoom).

Sept. 8-9, 2020 – Environmental School. Details to follow.

April 8-11, 2021 – NGC Flower Show School in Plymouth Meeting, PA.

2022 GCFP CONVENTION

District I is hosting the 2022 State Convention and our very own Nancy Cuttic and Ellen McGarrigle have been selected to be Co-Chairs! Throughout the coming year, they will share details with us and let us know how we can get involved in this exciting opportunity!

PLANNING AHEAD

August 5 Board Meeting on Zoom

August 8 Deadline for Yearbook submissions

Sept. 10 District I Annual Meeting @ The Desmond is cancelled

Sept. 23 Board Meeting on Zoom

October 7 Welcome Back Social and Meeting

Wayne Woods Garden Club is a member of