

# Wayne Woods Garden Club

## In Bloom

JUNE/JULY 2021

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### PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

What a year it has been! I am just in awe of all we accomplished during a pandemic! We went virtual and maintained a full schedule! Thank you, **Nancy Cuttic, Ellen McGarrigle, Myrtie Musetti, Laura Furman, Gwen Puglisi and Sally Smith** for planning and presenting interesting topics to keep our meetings going throughout the year! Thanks also to **Karen Bruno** for taking Hospitality virtual with recipe shares, member spotlights, and centerpieces. Thanks again to **Nancy Cuttic and Ellen McGarrigle** for a virtual cigar box workshop; and to **Ginny Studebaker** for our in-person trip to The Woodlands. And kudos to **Marilyn Small** for her creative newsletter designs each month and all the award submissions. I know many others contributed this year -- please know that I appreciate all you have done for our garden club. It takes a village ...!

The Board is busy planning for next year, and we look forward to seeing you all at our first meeting, in-person, at the Old Roberts Schoolhouse on **Wednesday, September 8!** The August newsletter will be emailed in late August so you have the details for our first meeting.

Wishing you all a safe and happy summer! Best, ~ Anne ~

### JUNE 2 GATHERING

Twenty-five members enjoyed a beautiful evening at Jenkins Arboretum on June 2! It was wonderful to be together again and share lively conversations over delicious appetizers, desserts, and wine!



June Gathering at Jenkins. The centerpiece was created by Gwen Puglisi and won by Kathy Liberato.

## CIRCLE TRAP FOR SPOTTED LANTERNFLY



With spotted lanternfly egg-hatch season looming, homeowners in many Pennsylvania communities are bracing themselves for the arrival of the troublemaker and its never-ending appetite for the sap of grapevines, hardwoods and ornamentals.

One of the ways property owners can reduce infestations on their properties is by placing traps on trees. Spotted lanternfly nymphs, which will emerge from egg cases, crawl up tree trunks to feed higher on the tree, and traps can intercept them.



An effective type of trap is the circle trap, a funnel-style device that wraps around a tree trunk.

Spotted lanternfly nymphs and adults are guided into a container, usually a plastic jug or bag, at the top of the funnel as they move upward to feed on the tree. These traps work best on trees with smooth bark because bark with deep grooves may allow lanternflies to crawl underneath the trap.

### For more info about traps:

<https://extension.psu.edu/circle-trap-works-to-destroy-spotted-lanternflies-says-extension-educator>

## WWGC TRIP TO THE WOODLANDS

On a beautiful, warm Saturday in May, ten of us met at Roberts and drove to The Woodlands in SW Philadelphia for a private tour of the William Hamilton Federal-style mansion and the lovely Victorian-era cemetery grounds. We saw many cradle grave gardens in bloom and enjoyed a picnic under towering shade trees. So good to be outside again!



Karen & Gwen, the Petty sisters, with Ginny ride in style!



The Woodlands Mansion



Cradle Grave Gardens

## WE NEED YOUR INPUT!



As **Marilyn and Nancy** put the yearbook together this summer, we need some info from each of you! We'd like to include in the new yearbook everyone's birthdays (just the month and day, not the year!) and any garden club awards or accolades (not laurels) you have received over the years. We also need to know if your mailing address, email address, or phone number have changed.

A Google docs link will be coming your way soon, OR if you are not technologically savvy, you can email **Marilyn** ([mmsmall@comcat.net](mailto:mmsmall@comcat.net)) with your information: personal info changes, Exceptional Horticulturist, Forget Me Not, Perennial Bloom, are you a Master Gardener, or an NGC Consultant.

## DO YOU HAVE EXTRA PLANTS?

We are looking for donations that can be transplanted to the gardens we maintain around the Old Roberts Schoolhouse and/or in the barrels at the entrance to McKaig Nature Center. Please contact **Myrtie Musetti and/or Laura Furman** who will be happy to use any plants you no longer want (shade-loving & deer-resistant would be best).

AND, during our meeting in May 2022, we will have a Plant Sale so start thinking now about what you can dig up in the spring and donate to the May 2022 meeting.



## GET YOUR FRIENDS INVOLVED!

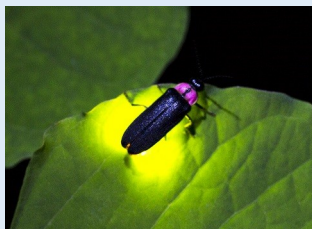


We are always happy to have guests and new members! If you have a friend, neighbor, or co-worker who might be interested in joining our club, tell them about us! Send them our newsletters. If they are interested, send **Karen Bruno** an email ([klpettybruno@yahoo.com](mailto:klpettybruno@yahoo.com)) with the person's name and email address, and Karen will reach out. Who can you bring to the September meeting?!!!



## DID YOU KNOW?

The official state insect of Pennsylvania is the Firefly



Pennsylvania designated the firefly, *Photuris pennsylvanica* (De Geer), as the official state insect in 1974. A small, unremarkable beetle by day, fireflies can transform a midsummer night into a fairyland of tiny, brilliant twinkling lights - a true wonder of nature. The firefly is also a state symbol of Tennessee.

The official state bird of Pennsylvania is the Ruffed Grouse



The ruffed grouse (*Bonasa umbellus*) was designated the official state bird of Pennsylvania in 1931. Sometimes called the partridge, the ruffed grouse is one of 10 species of grouse native to North America.

## WE ARE AN AWARD-WINNING CLUB!

Wayne Woods Garden Club is doing some great things, and we are being recognized not only in the state but also nationally!

## National Garden Clubs First Place Award and \$100

The May Duff Walters Historic Preservation Award  
Old Roberts Schoolhouse Garden Restoration

Congratulations to **Myrtie, Laura and their committee** on their hard work restoring and maintaining the plantings around the Old Roberts Schoolhouse.



## First-Place Garden Club Federation of Pennsylvania Awards

Yearbook

Newsletter

Blue Star Memorial Highway Marker

Floral Design Program: October 7 Meeting "Fall Planters Three Ways"

GCFP Special Recognition State Award: Beautification: McKaig Seasonal Barrels

GCFP Club Program Award: Nancy Cuttic and Ellen McGarrigle  
"Fall Planters Three Ways"

## MEMORIAL DAY REMEMBRANCE



Thank you **Myrtie Musetti, Laura Furman** and all our members who have helped maintain our gardens at the Old Roberts Schoolhouse, the barrels at the McKaig entrance, and the Blue Star Marker throughout the past year.

Here is our garden around the Blue Star Marker on Memorial Day, 2021. What a lovely way to honor the men and women who gave the ultimate sacrifice for our freedom.

## DISTRICT I NEWS

## GCFP DISTRICT I

## Meeting and Presentation

KEUKENHOF GARDENS AND  
THE FLORIAD HORTICULTURE EXPO

JUNE 17 2021

with

*George Weigel*

Pennsylvania Gardener and Horticulturalist

7 p.m. on Zoom

[https://us02web.zoom.us/j/85709309641?](https://us02web.zoom.us/j/85709309641?pwd=U1JmTnpwL2laemdjZmxZZTdyN1ZMZz09)  
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## June 17, 2021 – District I Meeting at 7 p.m. on Zoom

The speaker is George Weigel ([www.georgeweigel.net](http://www.georgeweigel.net)) and his topic is Keukenhof Gardens and the Floriade Horticulture Expo, which are the highlights of the GCFP group tour planned for April, 2022 (see next page). Join us to get a preview of these two stunning European garden events. Here is the link:

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## FLOWERS THAT LOOK LIKE BIRDS!

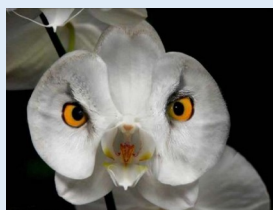
Mother Nature plays a trick on us by making flowers that look exactly like birds.



The bud of a Yulan Magnolia native to China



Green Birdflower looks like a Hummingbird



The Owl Orchid

For more information about plants that look like animals  
<https://www.ranker.com/list/plants-that-look-like-animals/nathan-gibson>

## DISTRICT I NEWS Continued

### September 15, 2021 - District I Luncheon

You're invited to the District I Luncheon at the Downingtown Country Club. The speaker this year will be Eva Monheim ([www.evamonheim.com](http://www.evamonheim.com)). Her theme is Selecting Shrubs for Four Seasons of Interest. Details and registration information are in the attachment.

### April 18 to 29, 2022 - GCFP is thrilled to host a trip to the Netherlands and Belgium!



Escorted by George Weigel, the 12-day trip includes: Amsterdam, a 7-Night River Cruise, Keukenhof Gardens, Arnhem, Middelburg, Bruges, Ghent, Antwerp, Kinderdijk Windmills, 2 days at the Floriade Expo 2022, Aalsmeer Flower Market, and Hortus Botanicus. See the attached Floriade flyer for details.

## NATIONAL GARDEN CLUBS



Meet our 2021-2023 President Mary Warshauer and read about her vision for promoting gardening and garden clubs, the new programs and of course information about all of the NGC Schools. [www.gardenclub.org](http://www.gardenclub.org)

## DID YOU KNOW? The difference between male and female Monarch butterfly?



Identifying male from female in other species is more challenging than differences in wings. Sometimes females are larger or will have flatter abdomens.

Sometimes you can tell the gender based on it's behavior. Bouncing from leaf to leaf? Probably a female looking for the correct host plant.

Does it appear to be patrolling the host plant patch, chasing away other butterflies? Probably a male chasing away competing males.

## UPCOMING EVENTS

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| August    | 1  | Submissions for the 2021-22 Yearbook are due to Nancy Cuttic        |
|           | 28 | Our Garden Club August Newsletter will be emailed on or before 8/28 |
| September | 8  | Welcome Back Meeting, 7:15 p.m., Old Roberts Schoolhouse            |
|           | 15 | District I Luncheon, 11:30 a.m., Downingtown Country Club           |
|           | 22 | Board Meeting, 7:15 p.m.  |
| TBD       |    | McKaig Festival Under the Stars 2021                                |

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