



JUNE

OUR NEXT MEETING OUR NEXT MEETING is on June 14, 2018. It is also our end-of-year luncheon at the Douglaston Club, 600 West Drive, Douglas Manor. By now, you should have sent your reservation check of \$55 to Gloria Brehl 49-16 Hanford St, Douglaston NY 11363. Please make check payable to "Douglaston Garden Club" **(guests are welcomed)**.

-- Raffle Prizes for Luncheon: If you are planning to bring a basket for the Raffle, **PLEASE ARRIVE EARLY AND BRING IT ALONG WITH YOU WHEN YOU COME TO THE LUNCHEON between 11:45 am to 12:00 Noon.** Kindly attach a card on your basket donation noting a theme and basket contents. I would like to remind all that the fundraiser portion of our June Luncheon is necessary to keep our programs alive during the year and of course it adds loads of fun to our luncheon. The Luncheon Committee counts on your creativity and production. For any further questions, kindly contact Martha Gotz, 718 -225 2135.

2018-19 EXECUTIVE BOARD NOMINATIONS:

President	Catherine Touwsma	1 st Vice President	OPEN POSITION
2 nd Vice President	Patricia Yoon	Treasurer	Gloria Brehl
Corresponding Secretary	Annette Aloisio	Recording Secretary	Maria DiChiara

A swearing ceremony will be directed by Bunny Bollon, our Parliamentarian Chairperson at the opening of our meeting/Luncheon.

New Committee members: Bunny Bollon /Parliamentarian, Lori Hinchey/ Membership, Linda Akers/Trips, Mary Taylor/Ways & Means.

Annual Awards:

GOOD MEMBER AWARD	For her services provided to our club, above and beyond the normal duties of a member	Jerri Lynett
FIVE FLOWER AWARD	Who as a member of less than 5 years, provided outstanding dedication and service to our membership	Annette Aloisio
GLITTERING GLOVE AWARD	For a member who has held a board member position, dedicated time to civic beautification and has come up with creative ideas to benefit our Club	Patricia Yoon
ANGEL AWARD	For her services rendered with zeal and grace this member has been a champion of the Club in every way, a leader and a role model for everyone.	Cindy McCann
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Douglaston Garden Club May 2018 Flower Show “Islands in the Sun” List of Awards

Award of Merit	Jeri Lynett	Azalea
	Carolyn Brink	Iris
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Arboreal Award	Suzanne Campese	Spirea
Grower’s Choice Award	Martha Gotz	Euphorbia Plant
	Ruth Harrigan	Orchid Plant
	Johanna Abramo	Terrarium
Horticulture Excellence Award	Johanna Abramo	Terrarium
Botanical Arts Artistic Crafts Award	Rosemarie Robertson	Decorated Fan
Collector’s Showcase Award	Carolyn Brink	Collection of Pansies
Educational Award	Maria DiChiara	“Out of a Nut Shell”
Design Division		
Award of Design Excellence Designer’s Choice Award	Carolyn Brink	
Petite Award	Margarita Autz	
Additional Design First Place Awards	Pamela Timoyanis Jeri Lynett Lori Hinchey Josephine Cespon	
Botanical Arts Division Additional First Place Awards	Mary Baran Gianna Negovetti	

May 2018 - Douglaston & Little Neck Memorial Day Parade -



It is my pleasure to report that the Douglaston Garden Club participation to the 2018 Memorial Day Parade was a total hit! 14 Members wearing hats with flowers marched with the participation of 8 children and grandchildren. A special thanks to Lori and Amparo for lending us their beautiful grand-kids who were so well behaved and dare I say, seemed to enjoy the event tremendously. Signs, wreaths of flowers were designed and made by Maura Wrynn. Ruth Harrigan marched again this year again in her bee costume along with Riley, her lovely daughter and friend Michele who tirelessly distributed packets of seeds to the crowds (compliments of the Douglaston Garden Club). We certainly were noticed by many and cheered by all!

MAY & JUNE - BEAUTIFICATION NEWS:



In the domain of Beautification, there is more good news to report!

On behalf of our Club, Patricia Yoon finalized a donation to the Douglaston Divine Wisdom Catholic Academy of two big planters filled with a lovely composition of plants. They now are gracing the parking lot entrance of the school and will be maintained by their students. This is another testimony of the Douglaston Garden Club involvement with local Schools.

Also, one of our senior member, Mrs. Gloria Bodie donated most of her day lilies to the Douglaston Garden Club while in the process of re-designing her lovely water front garden. A small committee of volunteers planted some at the Glenwood Landing Park in Little Neck and at Douglaston Train station. A great big thank you to Gloria Bodie, Patricia Yoon, Suzanne Campese, Mike Gannon and John Touwsma.

All good deed towards or the beautification of the neighborhood!

OUTREACH. Please continue to bring new small toiletries to Gloria Brehl for the Madonna Heights Women's Shelter



Vietnam Veterans of America:

CONSIDER DONATING! Scheduling online is quick, simple and easy on the environment! Our Veterans thank you for your support! If you have any questions, concerns or updates, please call at 1-800-459-VETS (8387) support@vvpickupservice.org

AROUND TOWN:

Saturday, June 23, 2018 - 12 Noon/3pm -- **Friends of Fort Totten Parks**, Inc. 14th Annual Family Field Day
www.forttottenparks.org

Saturday June 23, 2018 – 7:30 /9:30 pm (rain date June 30) – **Alley Pond Environmental Center**

“Stargazing Wonders – Astronomy Night June -- In June skies are the peak month for the largest planet in the solar system Jupiter because it is closest to the Earth, and high in the sky for all to view its belts and zones and the 4 Galilean moons.”



ENJOY YOUR SUMMER!

Catherine Touwsma, President

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HORTICULTURE TIDBITS

BY MARY TOBACCO

JUNE 2018

THE WEATHER HAS BEEN VERY UNPREDICTABLE, LOTS OF RAIN, COLD, AND VERY HUMID, BUT MOTHER NATURE IS BOSS AND SHE WILL EVENTUALLY, MAKE THAT SUN SHINE FOR OUR GARDENS ONCE AND FOR ALL.

THE BEAUTIFUL SUMMER ANNUALS AND PERENNIALS WILL FINALLY BLOSSOM AND BLOOM.

TAKE THE VIBURNUM PLICATUM, "POPCORN" IT'S AN 8' TALL 8" WIDE ROUNDED SHRUB WITH LEATHERY DARK GREEN FOLIAGE. HUNDRED OF 3-4" ROUND POPCORN BALL-LIKE CLUSTERS LINE EVERY BRANCH. IT'S CONSIDERED TO BE HEAT AND DROUGHT TOLERANT, UNFORTUNATELY NOT DEER RESISTANT. IT'S IN FULL BLOOM RIGHT NOW.

AS OUR HYDRANGEAS ARE NOW STARTING TO BLOOM, LOOK FOR LEAVES THAT ARE CUPPED TOGETHER. OPEN THEM UP. IF YOU FIND PALE GREEN CATERPILLARS WITH BLACK HEADS, THEY WILL BECOME **LEAF TIER MOTHS**, ALSO KNOWN AS **OLETHREUTES FERRIFERANA**, CUT OFF THE DAMAGED LEAVES OR SQUEEZE THEM TOGETHER TO KILL THE CATERPILLAR. IT WON'T KILL THE PLANT BUT OFTEN IT DAMAGES THE FLOWER BUDS NOT MAKING THEM BLOOM.

ALL THE BEAUTIFUL AROMAS THAT OUR GARDENS PRODUCE ARE SIMPLY FANTASTIC. NOW WE CAN FINALLY SIT BACK AND ENJOY OUR HARD WORK.

JUNE IS A BEAUTIFUL MONTH FULL OF GOOD TIMES GRADUATIONS, WEDDINGS, BBQ, ETC. BUY A PLANT OR MAKE UP A BASKET, CUT FLOWERS FROM YOUR BEAUTIFUL GARDENS, GIVE THEM AS A GIFT **REMEMBER** YOU ARE VERY TALENTED. YOU WILL ALWAYS BE REMEMBERED IN A BLESSED WAY. YOU'LL ALSO MAKE SOME ONE VERY HAPPY, WE ALL **LOVE FLOWERS AND PLANTS AND RECEIVING GIFTS SURELY WILL MAKE US HAPPY.**

HELPFUL HINTS:

HOUSEPLANTS CAN BE MOVED OUTDOORS, START IN THE SHADE, THEN MOVE THEM INTO THE FULL SUN.

FERTILIZE ROSES AND ANNUALS.

REMOVE HEADS FROM SPRING BULBS.

REMOVE SPENT FLOWERS FROM RHODODENDRONS.

PRUNE SPRING FLOWERING SHRUBS.

DON'T FORGET YOUR FRUIT TREES, TRIM APPLES AND PEACHES TO ABOUT 8 INCHES APART MAKING THE BRANCHES LIGHTER.

DIVIDE AND REPLANT ORIENTAL POPPIES AFTER FLOWERING, WHEN THE FOLIAGE TURNS BROWN.

HAPPY FATHERS DAY, SUNDAY JUNE 17

GIVE DAD A HENRY LAUNDERS WALKING STICK, ALSO KNOWN AS **THE CONTORTED EUROPEAN FILBERT**. THIS SLOW-GROWING, HARDY, ORNAMENTAL SHRUB WILL PROVIDE YEAR-ROUND INTEREST IN ANY GARDEN

JUNE IS WORLD ENVIRONMENT MONTH. DON'T KILLS BEES UNNECESSARY. IF THE BEES DISAPPEARED OFF THE FACE OF THE EARTH, MAN WOULD HAVE ONLY 4 YEARS TO LIVE. DON'T FORGET USE **NATURAL REMEDIES**, NOT **CHEMICALS** HELP SAVE THE ENVIRONMENT.

IF HELP IS NEEDED FOR GARDENING PROJECTS: **CALL CORNELL 1 516-565 5265**

THE NYS DEPT. OF ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION IS ALSO VERY HELPFUL HOT LINE 1 866 640 0652

ENJOY YOUR SUMMER VACATION. STAY SAFE
GOD BLESS.