

## Twinsburg Garden Club Meeting Minutes June 13, 2024 #2

- The meeting was facilitated by Virginia Schmidt.
- Delicious, herb-themed refreshments were provided by Jessica Fitzwater, Danielle Letterle and Rose Skipper.
- Two guests were introduced – Pam Pechalk and Sandy Hansen (former member).
- The minutes from the May meeting were approved.
- Thank-you to everyone who brought baby items to donate to the Food Pantry at Faith United Methodist Church on Post Rd. Mary Griffith will deliver the items.
- Treasurer's Report – Valerie Wales reported that the club has a balance of \$5870.27. The scholarships have not been awarded yet.
- Community Garden – we still have 2 beds. Many of the natives that were planted last year did not do well. Kristen Rocco mowed the grass around the beds (thank-you). We will need to decide soon if we want to keep 2 beds again next year.
- Library Garden – we received some uncomplimentary comments about the condition of the garden on Face Book. Virginia put informational flyers in the box by the garden. A sign-up sheet was distributed so members could sign up for one week of weeding and watering over the summer.
- Snake Program – there will be a program about snakes and how beneficial they are to our gardens on Saturday, June 22<sup>nd</sup> starting at 1pm in the pavilion at Liberty Park.
- Plant Sale – it went very well despite the cold and rain. We made about \$3500 profit. Virginia was able to sell most the plants left over from the sale.
- Field Trips – Mary Gemlich and Ada Pollack have arranged two field trips
  - July 16<sup>th</sup> - Visit to Pegasus Farm 7490 Edison St. NE, Hartville, Ohio.  
They support people with diverse needs through teaching gardening skills and how to operate a store. Cost is \$9. Group will visit the local thrift store and have lunch there. **Meet at the Twinsburg Town Square at 9 am**
  - July 27<sup>th</sup> – Visit to Hippley Farm, Stanton Ave., Columbiana OH 44408. The miniature farm has houses, bridges, waterfalls, and a 6 ft water wheel made of cedar. There are also miniature plants and tunnel and a G-scale train. The group can get lunch at a nearby restaurant or you may bring your own lunch. If time allows, we will also visit Fellow Riverside Gardens in Youngstown. **Meet at the Twinsburg Town Square at 9 am.**
  - **If you are interested in either trip, call Mary Gemlich at 330-425-4721**

- Featured Gardens – Sally Pate, Judy Aplis and Dennis Deegan are in charge this year. If you have a garden to nominate, fill out the form on the website and get it to Sally, Judy or Dennis by June 30<sup>th</sup> so they have time to visit the gardens at their peak. Send photos, if possible. It is an honor to be nominated and the club is proud to showcase the lovely gardens in our community. Gardens must be in Twinsburg, Twinsburg Township or the area in Reminderville served by Twinsburg Schools
- Storage Update – the club is exploring using space by the VFW Hall. There would be no fee and we would be allowed 24-hour access. We need approval from city leaders.
- Virginia Schmidt attended the National Garden Club Convention in Denver, CO
- Facebook – Virginia clarified that there are two parts - a page and a group. Only TGC administrators can post on the page (lists events) but anyone can post on the group section
- The group enjoyed a fun-filled trivia game about herbs. Thank-you Jessica, Danielle and Rose! We all learned and laughed a lot.
- Next meeting: July 11<sup>th</sup> at the Liberty Park Pavilion. Janean Curfman will give a presentation on fall seed collecting.
- Summer Picnic – August 8<sup>th</sup> in the Twinsburg Historical Society Barn. Details will be coming.

Respectfully submitted,  
Mary Griffith