

Award Number: 1  
Award Name: Garden Club of Toms River Intermediate School  
Gardener's Award

Rake & Hoe of Westfield  
75 members

### *Juniors Schedule*

- February 20, 2019: Make miniature gardens for GCNJ Flower Show
- March 20, 2019: Make Peter Rabbit wreaths and Goodnight Moon collages for GCNJ Flower Show
- April 24, 2019: Floral Designs for GCNJ Flower Show
- April 27, 2019: Run a Make & Take Floral Design table at the GCNJ Flower Show
- May 17, 2019: Shadowlawn Butterfly Garden clean-up and make insect habitats
- June 12, 2019: Juniors honored at the Rake & Hoe annual luncheon
- September 18, 2019: Historic Tree Project Activity at Union County College  
Find historic trees and learn their histories  
Collect leaves from trees for Educational Exhibit
- October 16, 2019: Paint Kindness rocks
- November 20, 2019: Make mosaic stepping stones
- December 18, 2019: Make holiday centerpieces with candle and evergreens
- January 15, 2020: Make Botanical Arts Collage for Regional Flower Show

# February



Making miniature Gardens for the GCNJ Show



## Rake & Hoe juniors make mini gardens

Junior members of the Rake & Hoe Garden Club of Westfield met last month to make miniature gardens for submission to the New Jersey Flower and Garden Show.

The show will be held April 25 to 28 at the New Jersey Convention and Expo Center in Edison.

The miniature garden designs are based on children's

book and fairytales. The books that were chosen were: "Where the Wild Things Are," "The Secret Garden," "Mulan," "The Little Mermaid," "Rapunzel," "Snow White," "Alice in Wonderland," "The Jungle Book," "Hansel and Gretel," "Beauty and the Beast" and "The Tale of Peter Rabbit."

The Rake and Hoe Garden

Club is affiliated with the Garden Club of New Jersey and the National Garden Club Inc.

The club meets at noon on the second Wednesday of the month at the Scotch Hills Country Club.

Membership is open to residents of Westfield and surrounding towns.

The Juniors, ranging from kindergarten through high

school, meet monthly, after school during the school year to work on projects focused on flower design, gardening and community service.

For more information about the Rake & Hoe Garden Club, call Jeanne Marie Ryan 908-654-0271 or visit the club's website, rakeandhoe.org.



Junior members of the Rake and Hoe Garden Club of Westfield made miniature gardens for the New Jersey Flower and Garden Show. Pictured (front row) junior members Alissa Stumpf, Arline Bound, Lila Spadaro, Emilia Rud; (back row) Malissa Morabito with club members: Joan Barna, Sharon Shiraga, and Junior, Riley Dupuis. Courtesy Rake and Hoe Garden Club of Westfield



# March – April



Peter Rabbit Wreaths and Goodnight Moon Collages for the GCNJ Flower Show. .



Flower Designs for the show..

# April- GCNJ Flower Show

Some of our entries at the flower show.



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## YOUNG GARDENERS WIN BLUE RIBBONS

Submitted by Elizabeth Round  
Junior members of the Rake & Hoe Garden Club of Westfield achieved great success at the

New Jersey Garden Club's annual Flower show. The youth won ribbons in various categories, especially for the foliage and flowering plants

they had grown. They also submitted miniature gardens they designed to reflect their favorite book illustrators. In a separate category, they submitted floral designs inspired by great artists or to reflect the theme, "A Beautiful Day in the Neighborhood." Overall the Juniors were awarded 19 blue ribbons.

The Juniors also coordinated a children's activity entitled "Make Take." They taught the younger children how to make small "table-top" arrangements using laundry detergent caps that they could take home. This activity was very popular, and many adults also asked to participate in making these small arrangements.

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The Rake and Hoe Garden Club of Westfield is affiliated with the Garden Club of New Jersey and the National Garden Club, Inc. The club meets on the second Wednesday of the month at 12:00 p.m. at the Scotch Hills Country Club. Membership is open to residents of Westfield and surrounding towns. For more information about the club, call Jeanne Marie Ryan 908-654-0271 or visit the club's website, rakeandhoe.org or Facebook page.



(above, l-r) Sophia Poeschi, Lexi Strauss and CJ Strauss at the "Make and Take" Table.

At the Make & Take table, we taught children and adults how to make small flower designs using a tuna fish can.

# May



Cleaning up the Shadowlawn Butterfly Garden and making insect habitats



# June



Juniors honored at the Rake & Hoe Annual Luncheon



# September



The Historic Tree Project at Union County College. Learning about the trees and collecting leaves for an educational exhibit.



# October



Painting Kindness rocks for the Shadowlawn Garden



# November



Making mosaic stepping stones for our gardens

# December



Centerpieces to take home for the holidays

# January



CJ Strauss, Malissa Morabito, Riley Dupuis, Sophia Poeschl, Arline Bound, Arabella Morabito, Lila Spadaro, Alissa Stumpf, Lexi Strauss, Emma Sylvester



Making Botanical Arts Collages for the Regional flower show in April.

## *Financial statement*

The Junior youth pay a \$20 registration fee. The annual budget from Rake & Hoe is \$700.

## *Summary*

It was a very busy year for the Junior Youth Group. Besides their regular commitment to the Shadowlawn Butterfly Garden, they had the flower show and Make & Take to prepare for. We still were able to do many fun and interesting projects, like the mosaic stepping stones, miniature gardens and the insect habitats.