

Award Number: 1c
Award Name: Junior Garden Club Award Certificate of Merit

Rake & Hoe of Westfield
75 members

Juniors Schedule

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| February 17, 2021 | (cancelled due to Covid concerns) |
| March 17, 2021 | Decorate birdhouses with edible glue and birdseed |
| April 21, 2021 | Make fairy houses using all natural materials |
| May 19, 2021 | Clean-up garden and plant perennials and annuals
Shadowlawn Garden |
| September 22, 2021 | Learn about the Herb garden and natural dyes, Dye wool
roving using plant dyes
Miller-Cory House- Westfield |
| October 20, 2021 | Clean-up garden, lecture about pollinators and pollinator
plants
Shadowlawn Garden |
| November 17, 2021 | Make Holiday Cards for Vets |
| December 15, 2021 | Make Boxwood Trees for the holidays |
| January 19, 2022 | (cancelled due to Covid concerns) |

March



The Juniors made edible glue using flour, corn syrup and gelatine. They then decorated small birdhouses using the glue and birdseed.



April



Using a wooden birdhouse as a base, the Juniors decorated the houses using all natural materials.





The finished fairy houses were placed outside at the Westfield Historical Society Claire Brownell Memorial Garden.



May



Every May we clean-up the Shadowlawn Butterfly Garden. This past May, we also planted perennial milkweed and dill, along with some annuals. Here are some photos of the garden in summer..



September



Junior committee member Joan Barna gave a talk about the history of natural dyes. The girls dyed wool roving using natural plant dyes. The roving will be used at a future meeting to make felted soap. Joan also gave a tour of the herb garden at the Miller-Cory House in Westfield.



The finished dyed wool roving

October



Adult Junior committee member Alice Cowell talked about the importance of pollinators and pollinator plants. We then cleaned up the Butterfly garden for the fall.



November



In November, the Juniors made cards to be added to holiday gift bags put together by the Rake & Hoe Garden Club for the veterans at the Lyons Veterans Hospital



Front row: Sophia Poeschl, Riley Dupois, Arline Bound
Back row: Arabella Morabito, Lila Spadaro, Brynn O'Grady, Hannah Lee



December



The Juniors learned how to make a tabletop boxwood tree to take home for the holidays.



Financial statement

The Junior youth pay a \$20 registration fee. The annual budget from Rake & Hoe is \$500.

Summary

Even though we had to cancel two meetings during the year, due to Covid concerns, the juniors had a great time when we could meet. They kept up their commitment to maintaining the Shadowlawn Butterfly Garden, participated in a new community service project of making holidaycards for the veterans, and learned new gardening skills.