2016 Wildlife Habitat for Senior Regidential Living at Muldoon Gardens

The Carantouan Greenway has been funded by the Tioga County Senior Citizen Foundation in support of wildlife habitat development for senior residential living. Many seniors leave behind their own gardens, perennial beds, and green space; in exchange for residential living.

This projects aims to give some of that back. Based on a needs assessment conducted with residents of Muldoon Gardens, the project includes the design and development of a wildlife habitat to include native plant pollinators, a bird feeder, nesting box, birdbath, and an architectural design to complement the historic Muldoon building. The garden has been developed at the entry to the original school-door-entrance; adjacent to existing seating and picnic areas. Residents have expressed interest in maintaining the gardens, feeding the birds, and relaxing in the enhanced outdoor space. Upon completion in the spring 2016, the garden will be certified by the National Wildlife Federation, as a Certified Wildlife Habitat.



Preparing the Wildlife Garden





Summer 2015



Chimes



Bird Feeder & Shepard Hooks



Hummingbird feeder



Ralph Geiger Bird House-Nesting Box
Spring 2016 Mulching & Prep





Celebrating the Wildlife Garden

Spring 2016, Muldoon Garden residents celebrate the new garden with a picnic and ribbon cutting ceremony. Special thanks is also extended to Horn's Gary Keene, craftsman Ralph Geiger, the Valley Garden Club, Marilyn Palmer, Melissa Coolbaugh and Louise O'Neill and Eileen Cole. The garden was recently certified by the National Wildlife Federation, as a Certified Wildlife Habitat.



The turquoise color scheme throughout the garden is in honor of master gardener Julia "Judy" Joanne Kerwin DePumpo, whose beautiful spirit continues to inspire....

Julia Kerwin DePumpo, known to her family and many friends as 'Judy', was also renowned for her long of gardening, achieving Master Gardener status through her coursework and life-long application within the Village of Waverly. Her personal gardens were festooned with a wide variety of annuals and perennials, but always held hints of her favorite color, turquoise. As a school teacher, Judy spread her love of all growing things with blossoming young minds and thereby instilled her passion in countless generations of gardeners.

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