

APRIL 'DiRT'

from the Silver Ridge Park - Westerly
Garden Committee 2025

Spring is finally here and we deserve it. It was a colder-than-average Winter and with the drought continuing now at 8 months, it was hard to tell sometimes if the plants in your yard were dry or frozen?

For three years now, your Garden Committee has been planting beds at the ClubHouse of colorful flowers, interesting shrubs and new shade trees. As residents in SRP-W we are fortunate to live surrounded by a unique, beautiful and fascinating ecosystem called the Pinelands. Your Garden Committee has supported this natural Pinelands community at the ClubHouse by creating pesticide-free zones and installing flowers and plants that offer food for butterflies and other wildlife.

There are two ways you can support the continued progress of your Garden Committee. You can donate some of your time, whether an hour per week helping with weeding or watering or spending one morning a month having fun at one of our projects. If you do not have the time to offer, you can also support your Committee by donating some funds to help us purchase plants and supplies. Just a few dollars can help us buy colorful annuals and \$100 can help us purchase a shade tree!

'DiRT' on things we have scheduled:

Wed APR 9 **Fun Project** starting at 10am so bring your gardening gloves and enthusiasm to the ClubHouse as we will be removing stone and making a garden bed.

Wed APR 30 is our first **Monthly Meeting** of the season starting at 7pm at the ClubHouse. Learn how to get ready to provide for hummingbirds that will be migrating back to your yard this month! We will also talk about how to save money by growing your own vegetables from the produce you buy in the store!

'DiRT' you should check out:

Sat MAY 3 at 9am - **Plant sale** by Master Gardeners of Ocean County. Huge assortment of bedding plants, specialty annuals, perennials and shrubs at competitive prices. Even plants that you cannot find at local nurseries.
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