

Norwood Evening Garden Club
Norwood, Walpole, Westwood, Dedham, Medfield, Stoughton & Randolph

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NORWOOD EVENING GARDEN CLUB ELECTS
NEW SLATE OF OFFICERS

The Norwood Evening Garden Club recently installed its new slate of officers for the next two years. Sheela Venkatesh of Norwood was elected President and Susan Cosman of Walpole was elected Treasurer. Vice President and Secretary positions will be filled later.

Ms. Venkatesh is in the process of selecting her board and says she is confident she will have a strong support team that will help to continue the club's 20-plus year tradition of educating and beautifying the communities it serves. According to Ms. Venkatesh, the Garden Club has an interesting lineup of speakers scheduled for this year that will interest both the novice and experienced gardener.

The Club plans to continue its Plant-A-Row for the Hungry campaign, as well its annual Art in Bloom event, where club members interpret the drawings of Norwood and Walpole High School art students. It will also continue its significant civic beautification efforts for the towns of Norwood and Walpole. The Club's most visible community contributions to date have been the design and care of the "Washington Street Corridor" which includes the beds in Norwood's Guild Square, the Round in Norwood Center, the corner of Cottage and Washington streets at the Common, Hawes Pool Park in South Norwood, and the beds at the entrance to Bird Park in Walpole. They will also care for the Walpole Library's rain garden and continue to offer a scholarship to a deserving graduate of Norfolk Agricultural High School.

Because the Club meets in the evening, it draws members from a number of towns – Norwood, Walpole, Westwood, Dedham, Stoughton and Randolph. The Club welcomes novices, experts and all levels in-between. Membership is open to anyone who loves gardening and is willing to further the Club’s goals. “Our primary objectives are to encourage interest in all phases of home gardening, and to promote environmentally sound horticultural practices, civic beauty and the conservation of natural resources,” said Ms. Venkatesh.

The Norwood Evening Garden Club has won many awards at the local, regional and national levels from the Garden Club Federation of Massachusetts, the New England Region of Garden Clubs, National Garden Clubs, Inc., the Boston and Newport Flower Shows and the Marshfield Fair. They have also won numerous awards from the Massachusetts Horticultural Society and two awards of distinction from the Garden Club of America.

For more information about becoming a member of the Norwood Evening Garden Club or to learn about upcoming club programs, contact Donna Lane at 781-769-3854 or visit www.NorwoodEveningGardenClub.org.



Newly elected officers of the Norwood Evening Garden Club (from left to right): Sheela Venkatesh, President, and Susan Cosman, Treasurer.

