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### Honors bestowed on Westport Garden Club

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**Left photo:** Westport Garden Club members display honors received recently at the Federated Garden Clubs of Connecticut annual awards program are, from left, Nathalie Fonteyne, Andrea Turner and Monica Buesser.

**Right photo:** Ellen Greenberg, left, a past president of the Westport Garden Club, was presented the “Tribute Award in Landscape Design” of the Federated Garden Clubs of Connecticut, by Polly Brooks, the group’s president. / Contributed photos



WESTPORT — A bouquet of honors recently was presented to the Westport Garden Club and its members by the Federated Garden Clubs of Connecticut.

The club, founded in 1924, received the awards and certificates of achievement at the federation's 93<sup>rd</sup> annual awards luncheon in Plantsville.

The local club was awarded the "Club Certificate of Achievement — Arboreal" for planting a swamp white oak at the town's Grace K. Salmon Park in observance of "Oaktober 2021."

The club also won a "Certificate of Achievement — Historic, Memorial and Public Gardens" for this year's renovation of the Nevada Hitchcock Garden at the corner of Cross Highway and Weston Road. The garden, established in 1941, was renovated with a focus on native and pollinator plantings.

Club member Andrea Turner received a Certificate of Individual Achievement. As the club's horticultural chairwoman, Turner was recognized for expanding the group's horticultural knowledge by sharing best practices at club meetings.

The "Tribute Award in Landscape Design" was awarded to Ellen Greenberg, a club past president, for leading various projects, including the Waltersville School Garden Project with Pivot Ministries, the Wakeman Town Farm Pollinator Gardens, a Kaboom playground project in Bridgeport, as well as her work with Aspetuck Land Trust on the Green Corridor Initiative and the Haskins Preserve Project.

"We are very proud of the civic beautification work we do within our town, as well as our involvement in various community outreach projects, all the while furthering our members' interest and knowledge in best gardening practices, Ginger Donaher, the Westport Garden Club's president, said in a press statement.

*For more information about the Westport Garden Club, including events and membership, [visit the club's website](#).*