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Gardening Club

Some of our friends and well-wishers have expressed an interest in starting a gardening club! We think it's a great idea, so starting February 27th at 5:30 pm we are offering one! Garden planning, seed catalogs, garden journals, advice, fellowship, and more! Later in the season, we will have plant swaps and seed shares!

What's Happening?

2/4 Library Board

5:30 pm (Library)

2/7 Monica from Take Off!

Special Story Time 10:30am (Library)

2/17 Presidents Day

(Library Closed)

2/20 Novel Readers

Travel book of your choice, 2:30pm

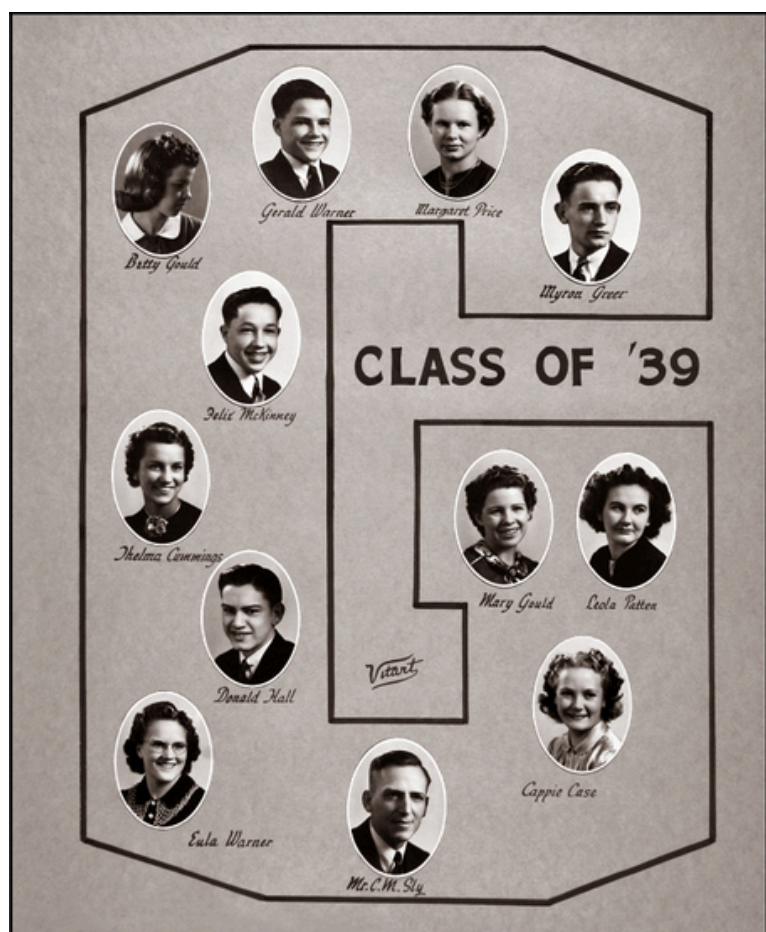
2/27 Gardening Club!

Let's start a gardening club 5:30pm

Weekly Programs

Tuesdays at 4:00 pm Come In For a Yarn

Fridays at 10:30 AM Preschool Storytime



New at the Library

The Girl Who Wrote in Silk by Kelli Estes

The Grey Wolf by Louise Penney

A Rustic Cabin by Dennis Dauble

LEGO Awesome Ideas

The Ballad of Hattie Taylor by Susan Andersen

Know My Name by Chanel Miller

The Righteous Mind by Jonathan Haidt

Vera Wong's Unsolicited Advice For

Murderers by Jesse Q. Sutanto

The Island of Missing Trees by Elif Shafak

Weston High School Graduating
Class of 1939
Hold That Tiger



Indoor Plants

We are forming a new Gardening Club this year! We are going to discuss our garden plans for the season to come, and look at seed catalogs, and share ideas for techniques. What do we think of rustic vegetable garden features and supports and fencing? Who has tried a heritage tomato they like? Maybe it's time to really take succession planting seriously. These long hot dry summers, what kinds of fruit does everybody have success with? For instance, is it hot and dry enough to grow prickly pears? Or is it just time to transition to dryland orchards?

Please don't imagine the Gardening Club will be limited only to vegetable gardening and fruit production. We will not neglect our flowers, either. We are going to have a crash course in container gardening, and get some rose gardening advice. I know we all want something that blooms in August.

This is invaluable for gardeners of all skill and experience levels. We all have our strengths, our ideas, and our little tricks and preferences. It's inspiration! It's great ideas! It's new techniques to try! But at first it will not be very hands-on. It's too frozen to dig. This is the time of the year to prune fruit trees and burn yard detritus, but it's really too dry for burn days so that's out. It's too soon to prepare our containers, there's still plenty of hard freezes ahead. Once you have written out your garden plan, that's all done. What kind of gardening can we do in winter?

We can experiment with houseplants, that's what we can do. Even here in the library, indoor plants make a distinct contribution. We are encouraging some spider plants the post office gave us to root, and there is a red cyclamen on the south window sill. The cyclamen has been an unusual and exotic-looking foliage plant for a year now, as it came on Valentine's Day, but has also re-bloomed, modestly, twice!

The most venerable of our indoor plants is a pothos on top of the fiction section covering King through Mayor. That pothos does better than you can imagine, for a plant that gets absolutely no sunlight. It grows and it grows, in spite of the dry air of the library. We are over the creek, making us humid, but we are full of books and paper, making us very dry indeed. These are not the best conditions for the pothos, which wants a *little* sun anyway, and likes a steamy little environment. But that library plant just grows and grows. It grows miles of vines, and this winter has grown two leaves sticking up at the top, looking like antennae, so I think it's an alien. The vining it does is out of control, to be honest. We're thinking of cutting some off and growing the rest on a moss pole, just for a change of venue. Since it is the height of foolhardy hubris to water the plant on top of the book case, we do have to keep it movable for watering in the sink, so it can't be too elaborate, but a moss pole seems non-invasive.

See! These are the conversations waiting in the new Gardening Club!

