



# Watch the birdie!

## Around District 8 with...

# Snapz

our feline foto journalist



Lewiston Garden Club members gathered on February 28 to elect officers for the club's 95th year! As an added attraction, members created arrangements for St. Patrick's Day. The members at the table starting from the front left in a clockwise direction are as follows: Mary Lostracco, Jacquie Lodico, Barbara Landree, and Judy DiCamillo.

The new officers serving for one year and are:

President: Sharon Low

1st VP: Judy Talanco

2nd VP: Nicole Johnson

3rd VP: Barbara Landree

Recording Secretary: Marianne Gitteman

Corresponding Secretary: Tasla Fitzpatrick

\$: Doreen Albee

Picture and caption information submitted by Doreen Albee, Club Treasurer. Thank you Doreen for your excellent coverage of the meeting.

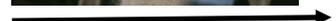
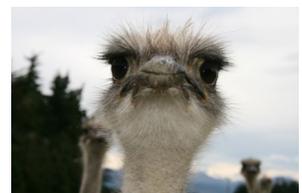
The Front Cover and Centerpiece sections of *Figure 8* sometimes receive many pictures and sometimes not. So for our overflow and those pictures which arrive too late for inclusion, *Figure 8* has been granted this space to capture all your pictures.

The next issue of the *Figure 8* is the July, August, September 2022 issue. The deadline for your club's pictures is Monday, May 23. These pictures will be included in the July, August, September *Figure 8*.

Please send your pictures to Carol-Jo Pope: bobpope5@hotmail.com  
Along with the proper ID for the captions.

To properly ID your pictures answer these questions: Who? What? When? Where? Why? And sometimes How?

*Pictured Below:  
Watch, the birdie*



**GARDEN CLUB OF THE TONAWANDAS ADDS HOLIDAY CHARM TO BENJ. LONG HOMESTEAD. DEC. 2021**



Judy Kurtzworth, Secretary of Garden Club of the Tonawandas, sent these pictures of the Benjamin Long Homestead located in the City of Tonawanda on the Erie Canal. Decorations are created by club members for the Christmas Holidays in 2021. This charming 19th century home is open for tours.

[Benjamin Long Homestead - A Historic House Museum \(tonawandashistory.org\)](http://tonawandashistory.org) check out this site for information.

**If your club is decorating an historical site or engaged in any activity for the Christmas season, please send pictures and identifications as soon as possible in November and before 15 December 2022 for inclusion in the January/ February/ March 2023 issue of the *Figure 8*.**





## KOKEDAMA WORKSHOP – EDEN GARDEN STUDY CLUB

Lecturing at the March meeting of the Eden Garden Study Club, is member and special guest speaker, Lana Gardner.

Lana’s presentation included the history of, and how to create the centuries old form of Japanese garden art.

Kokedama literally translates from “Koke” meaning moss and “dama” meaning ball.

It is a living planter as well as a distinctive display piece, featuring the moss ball as the focal and supporting point for a sculptured tree or plant.

It may be affixed to a piece of driftwood or bark, suspended from a string, or nestled in a clear glass container.

Hanging several of the Kokedama moss gardens in a group is a “string garden”.

Lana became interested in the Kokedama after entering a design class for Kokedamas at the Eighth District Standard Flowers Show held at the Erie County Fair

**Photo and article submitted by Michelle Wilson**

## Evans Garden Club: Spring Décor Workshop, March 19, 2022



Marilyn Hasenpusch, professional flower designer and Evans Garden Club member directed fellow club members in the design of spring grapevine wreaths to decorate members’ homes or to be sold at the 2022 EGC Plant Sale.

**Photos and info submitted by Mariam Oster.**

**Pictured above** Left: Marilyn Hasenpusch assists fellow club member Ann Marie Justinger.

**Pictured right:** Members are busy working on their wreaths. *Clockwise:* Kathy Duke, Sally Needham; (at approx. 12 o’clock) Marilyn is helping Barbara Schmitt; (in black sweater) Nancy Ward. See three of the wreaths on next page.





Check out *Figure 8* for dates of Plant Sales. Evans Garden Club members plan to sell some of their wreaths during their plant sale.

## Eden Study Group part of Community Beautification Project



March 5, 2022. Zittel's Greenhouses.

Eden Study Group planted 500 petunia plugs in hanging baskets which will eventually grace the main streets of Eden.

*Shown left to right: Club members: Lana Gardner, Ginny Guenther and Dawn Seggio.*

Amos Zittel & Sons, Westview Farm Inc., Henry's Gardens, Agle's Farm Market, Kenneth Henry & Sons Inc., and W.D. Henry & Sons Inc. coordinate the care of baskets until late May or early June. The baskets will be hung by the Eden Town Recreation Department with assistance from the Eden Highway Department.

*Picture and information: Michelle Wilson of ESGC*

*These were pictures submitted after the deadline for April, May, June 2022 issue of Figure 8. Sometimes the front cover and Centerpiece sections of Figure 8 cannot fit all pictures, so they will appear here on the website.*

*Remember upcoming deadline Figure 8 for July, August, September (JAS) 2022 is May 23.*

*Deadline for Figure 8 for October, November, December 2022 (OND) is August 24. This issue will feature fair winners.*

*We'll be looking for your late summer gardening/activity pictures for the JAS issue and winning Fair Entries for the OND issue. Please remember to identify your pictures completely by answering: who? What? When? Where? Why?*



*Hope you enjoyed the pictures.  
Signed,  
Watch, the birdie*