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Wilton Garden Club to Host Daffodil Festival Invites Community to Celebrate Wilton's Golden Miles

Wilton, CT April 6, 2021 – The Wilton Garden Club is celebrating a very big birthday this year and everyone in town is invited to the Club's first Daffodil Festival to take place on Saturday, April 17th from10 am to 2 pm at the Wilton Historical Society. According to Nancy Greeley, the Garden Club's President, "We thought a daffodil festival would be a fun way to kick off our centennial celebration and call attention to the thousands of daffodils we planted around town in the fall for our Wilton's Golden Miles initiative."

This will be a free **one-way drive-through event** with lots of contests for all ages to enter and festival-goers are encouraged to go a little "daffy," to think daffodils and participate in the fun, including dressing up for the occasion. As you leave the festival, follow the daffodil map that will be on display to enjoy the gorgeous blooms at 6 locations around town.

Daffy Hats: The Wilton Garden Club encourages whimsical daffodil-themed hats and fanciful costumes. Dress up individually or as a family. Nothing is too daffy.

Daffy Dogs: Whose pet will be crowned Wilton's Daffiest Dog? Here is your chance to daffilly adorn your four-legged friends. All kinds of pets are eligible, even turtles.

Daffodil Photo Contest: Wilton Garden Club is challenging Wilton's amateur photographers, young and old, to enter up to 5 daffodil photos. Landscapes, close-ups, daffodils with people and animals are all acceptable as long as they are daffodil-themed shots. Send them to <u>WGCDaffodilFestival@gmail.com</u> by April 17th.

Flower Show - Horticulture: Show us your daffs. You can enter single stems of fresh-cut daffodils up to a total of 5 different varieties and no need to worry about the variety name. Each daffodil will be entered individually, and the registration forms can be found on the Wilton Garden Club's website (see below).

Flower Show - Floral Design: Show off your creativity with a daffodil-designed flower arrangement in any size or shape. This is meant to be a joyful fun activity, with no anxiety allowed. If it looks right, it is right. Just be sure to use fresh flowers and have daffodils dominate your design.

For more information, a map of daffodil bloom sites, contest rules, and registration forms go to www.wiltongardenclub.org

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Wilton Garden Club is a volunteer 501(c)(3) community organization of nearly 130 members committed to the mandate of beautification, preservation, conservation, and education. For more information about the Club or to make a donation for the Wilton's Golden Miles initiative, go to wiltongardenclub.org

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