

History of the Club:

The club was founded October 28, 1928. The first meeting was held at the Polo Public Library with seventeen women and three men present. At that time, the club activities included visiting and sharing flowers and clippings from each others gardens. Members also presented programs on gardens, birds, and related topics.

In 1931, the club adopted a constitution stating that its purpose was for the advancement of gardening among amateurs, development of home grounds, beautification of the city, encourage interest in cooperative gardening, and aid in the protection of forest, wildflowers, and birds. This remains the focus of PWGC with the recent addition of protection of fruit trees and pollinators.

Community Support:

We have supported local community projects and activities for over 90 years! Some of them include:

Festival of Trees

Habitat for Humanity

Kidz Cafe

Polo Area Senior Center

Polo Ambulance and Fire Department

Polo Beautification Committee

Polo Lifeline Food Pantry

Polo Park District

Polo Public Library

Polo Rehab

Polo School Foundation

Polo Public Schools

Polo Town & Country Days

Second Hand Rose

Village of Progress

Polo Woman's Garden Club

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The "Forget-me-Not" represents remembrance, fidelity, loyalty, and friendship; for a connection that lasts through time.

We meet every third Friday at 1:30 pm.

Please contact Jean Frey at 815.946.3179 if you are interested in learning more about the club or attending a meeting.

Meetings:

Members meet once a month (every third Friday) either at a member's home or community meeting place for club business, programs pertaining to gardening, time for members to share tips and discuss gardening subjects, refreshments and social time.

During the year, our Program Committee organizes at least one field trip to an arboretum, garden, or nursery. Our outings normally include lunch, shopping, and a treat on the way home. The day is full of adventure and happy memories made.

In addition, our Program Committee plans our Christmas Luncheon when we enjoy a special meal and participate in a "White Elephant" gift exchange which is always a fun time.

Our Purpose:

Advancement of Gardening

Aid in the Protection of:

Birds

Forest

Fruit Trees

Pollinators

Wildflowers

Beautification of Local Community

Development of Home Gardens

Encourage Interest in Cooperative Gardening

In addition, Polo Woman's Garden Club helps with community needs as able.

Yearly Events:

Perennial Plant Sale

The first weekend of May in conjunction with Polo Community High School FFA Greenhouse Opening Sale..

This is our main fundraiser. These perennials are dug from our personal gardens or donated by the community, so they are "proven winners". Proceeds from the sale are returned back into the community.

Kindergarten Mother's Day Planting

Club members meet with the kindergarten classes and assist the students in planting marigold seeds for Mother's Day gifts. If we are unable to participate, we provide all of the supplies needed for the teachers to perform this project with their students..

May Garden Tour

Organized by our Program Committee

Alumni Banquet Bouquets

We as a club provide fresh flowers (from our gardens) and arrange them as requested for the Polo Community High School Alumni banquet.

Festival of Trees

We decorate a Christmas tree with a gardening theme and normally participate with the town's festival.