Garden Walk Notes

Walk 2

5/5/07

Hi All-

The next Garden Walk is Sat. May 19 to catch up on the gardens. On June 3rd we'll be going on an excursion to buy plant materials.

Rx for our trees

It was a glorious day yesterday for our training on tree maintenance with Ron, Knox Parks Foundation's arborist.

I have put a photo account of Ron's advice on the website at : http://kenyonstreethartford.org/tree_planting_2.html#TreeMaintenance

In case you missed it, the most prevalent things:

- Move the mulch away from the trunk.
- Don't prune for another two years unless you have:
 - dead limbs, suckers on the roots or trunk, limbs that rub together (remove any plastic tags or nylon string).
 - Keep mowers and string weeders away. Place your trash cans away from trees (the auto arms damage the trees).
- No need to water unless we have a drought and you see wilting leaves.

Knox will replace the two trees that died over the winter - so if one of them is yours, remember to water 15 gallons a day for the first week, then once a month.

<u>Doug picked up the Centennial Rose bushes</u> - so if one is yours, see him. See more about the bushes at: <u>http://kenyonstreethartford.org/garden_walks.html#Centennial%20Roses</u>

Adopted rose bed.

Martha and I visited the rose bed that we adopted (along with Victoria and Mildred). Please feel free to pull a weed if you are in the park. The bed is very close to the info center: <u>http://kenyonstreethartford.org/garden_walks.html#Adopted%20Rose%20Bed</u>

Garden Tour sponsored by the CT Valley Garden Club

Some of you asked about the 2007 Garden Tour sponsored by the CT Valley Garden Club. It's June 15 and 16 - starting on Whetton Rd (you drive all over to see them all). Their brochure is attached. It's \$25. If you go, you'll get to see how we compare.

Look forward to seeing many of you at Thursday's award ceremony. http://kenyonstreethartford.org/calendar.html#HPAaward_2007

Carolyn