

The Lake Minnetonka Garden Club  
Community Projects & Depot Garden  
Year-End 2024-25 Report

As the Wayzata Depot Garden's immediate future becomes clear, work to beautify what we have in place has been this year's goal. The "Panoway Project" is complete for now and it will not impact the garden until further funding allows it to continue past the Depot and over to the beach. The Panoway has brought increased traffic and people enjoy coming up, reading the signage and experiencing the garden as they stroll along the garden walks. The garden is truly a gift to the community at large and it is encouraging to hear positive comments on LMGC collective efforts from visitors.

The garden is getting a tidy-up and reorganization. We are using much of the existing plant material. Some shrubs (clethra and winterberry) and new perennials have been installed. Annuals have been added and our perennial choices have been made with full season color in mind. We are continuing to add material as the weeks go on. There will be a new sign installed in the west end where we have been unable to grow anything. This sign will match the existing one on the lake side of the garden.

We have had wonderful guidance from several members suggesting planting materials and design. Our Monday work crews have been fantastic as we really are digging, edging and tidying up. We are so appreciative of our garden club members!

The garden continues to evolve. It is a pleasure to work in the lovely setting, getting to socialize with members, and meeting with visitors as they stop to chat about our plants and the work we do.

Respectfully submitted,  
Lockie Markusen, 2024-2025 Chair