

Wit & whim Supports Community Garden

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Wit & whim, a beautifully curated lifestyle store, which supports a different nonprofit organization monthly with “gifts that give back,” supported the Growing Love Community Garden in Manorhaven throughout the month of July.

“We chose to donate a portion of our profits to Growing Love Community Garden in July because, as much as we love to donate to any good cause, it’s very important to us to give back to the local community,” said wit & whim owners Krissy Harper and Jacquelyn Conte. “The founders of the garden are customers of wit & whim, who have all supported us and the other organizations we have donated to. We believe in their mission of connecting the diverse people of the community together. It is a purpose we strive to achieve at the shop as well.”

Harper and Conte explained they had a successful kickoff party with the help of Growing Love Community Garden, who invited many guests to attend the event. Throughout the month, 10 percent of the profits from wit & whim purchases will go to support new initiatives at the garden.



“The Growing Love Community Garden Committee was thrilled to be chosen for July’s give back,” said one of the founders Erika Stehl. “Wit & whim has been an institution in town, fostering so much goodwill through their generosity. It is so wonderful to be linked up with another Port Washington business trying to promote awareness for so many great causes.”

Founded by three Port Washington moms and expanded by a volunteer committee of friends, the mission of this grassroots initiative is to connect people to healthy food, nature and

each other. The newly launched garden, which includes professionally landscaped garden and hardscape features, has been a huge success.

“I knew before the garden even began that it would be wonderful because Erika, Michele and Nicole are real dynamos and had every step of the project so well planned out,” Manorhaven Mayor Jim Avena said. “But the final result is even more spectacular than I imagined. It is such an honor to be involved in this great community project that turned an unused part of the Manorhaven Nature Preserve into something residents will



enjoy for years to come.”

More than 46 planting beds and five educational beds are utilized by local families and organizations such as the Senior Citizen Center, Girl Scouts of America and SEPTA. Plans for a phase two garden to include a memorial tree garden, perennial pollinator garden and a sensory garden, to name a few, are currently underway.

Wit & whim is located at 6 Carlton Ave. in Port Washington. Find out more about the Growing Love Community Garden by visiting growinglovepw.com and on Facebook @GrowingLovePW.