

## **BRIAR CHAPEL GARDEN CLUB FLOWER TEAM MEETING, APRIL 24, 2018**

**Participants:** Judy Benson, Arden Brady, Ellen Cuttler, Zita Dauler, Beth Hudson, Terry Leese, Laurie Leichman, Jim Neill, Mary Omiecinski, Lisa Walston, Pam Williams

### **Agreements reached:**

We will plant a mix of annuals and perennials to further beautify our community gardens and to provide fresh, cut flowers and flowers for drying.

- **Perennials** – Jim Neill will take the lead on planting hardy perennials along the inside perimeters of both gardens. These plants will be tough enough to survive without regular irrigation and will be donated by club members seeking to thin out their own perennial beds. We will avoid invasives but moderately aggressive plants that are shallow rooted and easily weeded are acceptable. Identified donations include blue salvia, bee balm, black eyed susan, columbine, gaura and bachelor buttons.

If the club, at a future date, needs to thin out these perennials, we could pot what we don't need and run a plant sale fundraiser.

- **Dried flowers** – Judy Benson and Ellen Cuttler will team up to purchase and plant flowers suitable for drying. They will use all of raised bed 6 at Briar Patch.
- **Cut flowers** – Pam Williams will purchase these plants and Beth Hudson, Mary Omiecinski and Lisa Walston will do the planting. These plants will be put in Boulder Park in bed 7B/row 1.
- **Wildflower meadow** – After our vegetables have been planted, if space allows, we will sow a wildflower meadow seed mix at Briar Patch in bed A.