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Garden club presents the buzz about bees

The native bee population is declining and while this may seem like good news for those who think of bees as pests, bees are important to the food chain. Estimates are that up to a third of the food we consume relies on pollination by bees and other pollinators.

Learn more about the plight of pollinators and how to help at the next meeting of the Suburban Garden Club of Cheshire, Wednesday, Jan. 21, at the Cheshire Senior Center.

Lois Nichols, state projects chairperson of The Federated Garden Club of Connecticut, is the featured speaker. Nichols, an entomologist, will discuss the evolution of bees, bee keeping, the role of native bees, and actions we can take to promote the wellbeing of all pollinators.

There is a suggested donation of for non-members. Refreshments begin at 7 p.m. and the program begins at 7:30 p.m. All meetings are held at the Cheshire Senior Center on 240 Maple Ave. New members are welcome to join at any time. Contact Membership Chairperson Mary Sullivan with any questions at (203) 881-1620.

The Suburban Garden Club of Cheshire was founded in 1959 with the objective to encourage interest in all phases of gardening, promote better environmental practices and conservation of natural resources, increase knowledge in the artistic use of plant material in design and landscaping and assist in community beautification and civic involvement through member participation, contributions and charitable activities. For more information go to www.cheshirgardeners.org