Message from the PWA (cont.)

Members Mary Wilson, Holly Kocet and Sarah Middeleer were kind enough to talk with me about Protect Our Pollinators and their mission. The depth of knowledge and understanding of pollinators, plants and chemicals shared by these three people was impressive. Your book *Earth-Friendly Gardening – One yard at a time* is a wonderful resource and full of helpful information. I want to share this guide plus brochures for *Pesticide Free Care for Yards, Newtown Pollinator Pathway,* and *Planting a Pollinator* Garden, with the whole Watershed. Yes, the whole Watershed. The path ahead to make things better in the watershed is captured in the book's title – "One yard at a time."

In closing, I laud POP's support of the Newtown Conservation Commission's successful effort to have the Town adopt a "Native Plant Policy" for all Town properties. Support of native plants to promote healthy watersheds, filter pollutants and stabilize banks, illustrates the alignment of POP's initiative and the PWA. Thankyou POP, for bee-ing such an effective organization that is making our Watershed better. I look forward to learning more from you and working together.

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