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Wareham Garden Club Newsletter

September 2022

President's Corner

The cooler nights are sure a relief and all our plants are harkening to the rain they have received. Finally, the grass is greener. Fall is close and September is so welcomed. I am, of course, speaking of my sentiments.

On that note, I wish to share that I am going to be taking these next two months off from my President's duties. Most of you know that I lost my husband in March. We have an amazingly caring and supportive club so Barbara V (past President), Judy Morgan (1st VP), and Peter L. (past President) will be graciously carrying out garden club business. I hope to continue my position in November.

Thank you for your support.

Diane

Weeding On Wednesday

WoW had a very busy, hot summer. We got together approximately 13 times.



We worked on Main Street planting flowers in the bump-outs, weeding and picking up litter. The Train Station weeding. Even unveiling a bike rack no one knew was there. We worked at the library. In the courtyard weeding, trimming and cleaning the benches. Also out front weeding and trimming the hedges. Horseshow Mill, Pezzoli Square, the Veterans Memorial, Fearing Tavern, and Memorial Garden. We did a lot of WEEDING!

Thank you all. Those who came every week and those who came when their schedule allowed. The town looks much better for our work.

Sheila D

Welcome Back!

We have great things in store for this year. We have a new president, vice president, board and committee chairs and a new line up of programs and activities.

Remember to lug your mug!



Thursday, September 8th we'll have two areas of focus at our meeting:

1. getting to know each other—we have many new members.
2. sharing a flower, a leaf and/or a branch of something alive and growing from our gardens for a horticultural display. **What's this?** It's easy and we hope everyone will bring in at least one beautiful specimen from their garden. **Read p. 5 for more details.**

No, don't go out and buy a plant! Flower Show guidelines say you have to have grown it for at least 90 days! The clear bottle is usually small with a narrow neck to hold the stem upright. Like the pic. Taller stems/branches would use a taller bottle for stability.



Several experienced members will help you finalize your display and card information.

Try it! You'll like it!

Questions? Check with Chris Michaud: 508 654-5527, Judy Morgan: 508 280-5085, Joyce Holster: 774 404-4659 or Kathleen Coyle: 508 662-7376.

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Thank you to everyone who is on the Hospitality committee this month!

Responsibilities of Hospitality for monthly meetings:

Set up- need a couple of people to come an hour early.

Cleanup

Provide light refreshments before meeting which would include healthy options such as fruits and vegetables.

Food tables can be decorated with a seasonal/monthly theme and would include plant/flower material. If the committee wants themed napkins, they can purchase them.

Monthly budget for regular meetings is \$40 this year.

You will also find this information under the September meeting agenda in our yearbook.

In addition we usually have about 45 to 50 members attend our meetings. It would be helpful to have individual servings of food so that we handle the food less. I will provide cupcake papers for this purpose. We will continue with the lug-a-mug. We encourage everyone to bring their own mug for a beverage.

Thank you! Sue Scipione

Notes from Officers and Committee Chairs

Hospitality chairperson-

The hospitality chairperson signs up a monthly tea chair and the servers for each monthly meeting. The tea chairs are contacted before the meeting to plan for food selection and preparation, table decor, as well as cleanup and setup. The hospitality chair readies the coffee and tea as well as provides the cream, lemon, and sugar. He/she assists with the setup and the cleanup. In addition the chair plans the annual meeting.

Sue Scipione

Hello everyone!

My name is Carole LaFreniere and I'm the garden club's membership chairperson. I'm there to greet you as you enter the general meeting and have you sign in and take your name tag. I'll collect your name tag after the meeting and if you should leave before the meeting is over just leave your tag on the magnetic board on your way out.

If you bring a guest, they will need to sign in also and a guest book will be provided for non-member's along with a paper label for them to put their name on. I will introduce them to the members at our meeting.

Another important matter I want to mention: when you receive your yearbook, check out the personal information we have put in the book and if any discrepancies please let me know so we correct it.

So that said, welcome all!!

Carole L



Notes from Officers and Committee Chairs (con't)

We start out this garden club year with a new president and many members in new jobs for the club. So many new adventures and possibilities for learning, teaching, being creative, and enjoyment. It is a time of looking forward. As the new Historian, it is interesting to look back and see what the Wareham Garden Club has done in the past. From pictures and write ups I've seen, this club has always been working, achieving, and contributing.

Donna Greenwood

Greetings, I am Mike Bower and I have recently joined the Publicity Committee. While I have been with the Club a number of years this will be a new challenge for me. While it is perhaps a bit scary, it is at the same time a bit exciting to learn new things. My transition is being made easier by Nancy Edwards the previous Chairperson. It is the kind of support I have come to expect from within the Club when we venture into new challenges. It is part of what makes such adventures so much fun. Anyone wishing to learn or contribute communication skills is welcome to join in.



The goal of the Publicity Committee is to facilitate communication between the Club and the media. We want to be able to share our message and mission with the rest of the world. We have been involved with community service through our love of gardening for over 80 yrs. It continues to be a great ride.

I look forward to working with the President, Committee Chairpersons and my fellow members in sharing the many Flower Gardens, Memorial Gardens, Community Programs and Conservation Efforts the Club is actively involved in.

Wareham is a town rich in natural beauty and community spirit. I think it is time to better share it with all. Nothing beats getting out for some sunshine and taking time to smell the roses.

You can touch base with me at any of our meetings as well as through the information below.

Mike Bower, 508-295-4435, mikiemmb@hotmail.com

Garden Therapy Chair:

This fun position entails compiling lists of leaders and helpers for each month for Garden therapy, held at the COA in Wareham the second Friday of each month or the Friday following our regular Garden Club meeting.

The duties also include: communicating a budget to the two leaders, reminding each helper a few days before going to the Senior Center. Also, inquiring if there are extra supplies and if you can be of any assistance in acquiring those items.

Lastly, to submit receipts, filling out the reimbursement form and sending to the treasurer for reimbursement, for the month. Also, to assist leaders and helpers with the project.

Pam Parsons

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Conservation and Education Chairperson

The Conservation Chairperson promotes and educates members on conservation issues and events. The chairperson looks for news articles and current issues of relevance to club members. The information will come from accredited sources while searching online, magazines, newspapers and attending gardening events. This information will be emailed to our Clippings Chairperson to be printed in our monthly newsletter or presented to members at our monthly garden club meetings.

Interested members will be experiencing how our neighborhoods, towns and state have preserved land for our enjoyment and health. These lands, parks, and reserves are also a natural solution for preventing greenhouse gases. We will discuss these conservation issues while hiking. We will be helping reforestation of our preserves by giving 'pennies for pines'. There will be an emphasis on addressing environmental concerns with our local congressmen/women. Information on environmental issues that are being brought before congress, will be discussed at monthly meetings.

Barbara Smith

What is the IPCC and what do they do?

IPCC stands for Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change. The IPCC is the scientific group assembled by the United Nations to monitor and assess all global science related to climate change. Every IPCC report focuses on different aspects of climate change.

What can I do as an individual?

Learn how to talk about climate change: We can all help by engaging and educating others. Our guide will help you feel comfortable raising these topics at the dinner table with your friends and family. Download our guide to talk about climate change.

- **Share your thoughts:** Share this page on your social channels so others know what they can do, too. Here are some hashtags to join the conversation: #IPCC #ClimateAction #NatureNow

Join collective action: By speaking collectively, we can influence climate action at the national and global levels. You can add your name to stand with The Nature Conservancy in calling for real solutions now.

Keep learning: Educate yourself and share the knowledge—you can start with some of these articles, videos, and other resources.

You can read the full article here: <https://nam12.safelinks.protection.outlook.com/?url=https%3A%2F%2Fwww.nature.org%2Fen-us%2Fwhat-we-do%2Four-insights%2Fperspectives%2Fipcc-report-climate-change%2F&data=05%7C01%7C%7C308efa3afd1f450b640b08da8ce6b539%7C84df9e7fe9f640afb435aaaaaaaaaaaa%7C1%7C0%7C637977219749780052%7CUnknown%7CTWFpbGZsb3d8eyJWIjoiMC4wLjAwMDAiLCJQIjoiV2luMzliLjBjIiI6Iik1haWwiLCJXVCI6Mn0%3D%7C3000%7C%7C%7C&sdata=D%2BVOXrCjCXf7Wuu%2F%2FNfIRaG9PbJiiFA0qn8SHykj9%2Bc%3D&reserved=0>

Barbara Smith

HORTICULTURE GUIDELINES

1. All cut specimens should be placed in a **CLEAR** bottle with water. Exhibitor can provide wedging, if needed.
2. Cut specimens may not exceed 30 inches. No foliage below the water line.
3. Two 3x5 index cards to accompany each exhibit.

Side A: your name;

Side B: botanical and common name of specimen (genus, species, cultivar or variety)

4. All entries must be in by 9:15 AM.
5. Horticulture will be judged by a panel of three Accredited Flower Show Judges.

HORTICULTURE SCHEDULE

Section A: Cut annual/perennial grown for flowers (1 stem)

Class 1: Dahlia

Class 2: Zinnia

Class 3: Aster

Class 4: Any other show-worthy specimen

Section B: Cut annual/perennial grown for foliage (1 stem)

Class 5: Hosta

Class 6: Heuchera

Class 7: Coleus

Class 8: Any other show-worthy specimen

Section C: Trees and Shrubs

Class 9: Acer (Maple)

Class 10: Hydrangea

Class 11: Clethra (summer sweet)

Class 12: Any other show-worthy specimen