

# CLIPPINGS

Wareham Garden Club Newsletter November 2023



## President's Corner from Judy Morgan

Hello Members,

This is such a beautiful time of year and it is so wonderful just driving down the highway and seeing all the fabulous fall colors. I just love including them in my floral designs. With all this fall color it just reminds us that we are coming into winter and have to start thinking about our clubs Holiday Fair. So please sign up for some of our upcoming workshops and to all our new members, please join in at any of these workshops as it is a great way to meet our members.

This year, club members and family will only be able to purchase items from our holiday sale at the same time as our customers. There will be no items marked 'hold' or 'sold' before the doors open. This will ensure that it does not take away from our customers' chance at seeing all the wonderful items we will have for sale and being able to purchase them. I have asked other clubs what they do at their sales and this is the only way it works for them. I have been involved in our Christmas Fair for many

years at the door as a greeter and the public's main complaint was that most of our items were sold or on hold, so let's not disappoint our customers and please wait

until the doors open this year to make our own purchases. We will have two members stationed at each table and can take turns making their own purchases. The cashiers will not open until 9am.

Please note that the library is still closed at this time and will not be available for any workshops until well into December, so please plan your workshops at your home or another member's home. If you have any receipts for reimbursement from the faire give them to our co-chairs, Lois Crapo or Christine Benjamin, before the sale date so we can have an accurate tally.

Just a reminder to everyone that our club will be walking and riding on the float in the Veterans Day Parade here in Wareham. I hope you will participate with our club to honor our veterans. We will meet at the parking lot beside the St. Patrick's hall to decorate our float and leave our cars there and ride down to the back of main street to line up for the parade which will go down Main Street to Center Park. I am told it's only an 1/8 th of a mile. Please see Bob Powilatis or myself with any questions.

Good news! Our club aprons are in and they are only \$20. See Andria if you would like to purchase yours at our November meeting.

Judy Morgan, WGC President



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## November Hikes

- We will meet at 9am to carpool. Park on the right side of Walmart for northern hikes and Hines Field in Onset for southern hikes.
- Hiking will start around 10 am depending on miles to destination.
- If there is a freeze, 3 inches or more of snow, or if its raining, there won't be a hike.
- Call Barbara Smith at 410 952 9644 with any questions.



### Friday, November 10th, Stone Barn Farm entrances, 786 Horseneck Road, Dartmouth

Beautiful Things Store afterwards. This is part of Allen's Pond. There are acres of fields, beaches, ponds, marsh, and woodlands. There are 300 species of birds and rare butterflies.

### Friday, November 17th, Allen C. Haskell Gardens, 787 Shawmut Avenue, New Bedford

We will explore picturesque gardens and grounds cultivated by this famous horticulturist. There are 6 acres with historic buildings and ½ acre of greenhouse space.

### Friday, November 24th, Beebe Woods Park, 56 Highfield Drive, Falmouth

Charming historic forest featuring various walking trails plus 2 ponds. There are many birds, different trees and just lovely nature to explore. We will be enjoying Christmas at Highfield Hall after our hike.

Hope you are all staying well. Our hikes so far have been super fun and instructive. We are enjoying lunch after our hikes together. Please join us.



HIKING

## Garden Therapy

By Linda Souza

The new year started off on Friday, October 13th with a door/wall fall decoration. Our group leader was **Deborah Roberts**. Provided with a black shovel, flowers, and ribbon, the ladies participating were given instructions on how to make a proper bow for their decoration. This arrangement could be used year round by changing the bow and flowers for several seasons.

All the Ladies enjoyed the class and were very enthusiastic. A **BIG** Thank You to helpers : **Maureen Bean, Bunny Hayes, Marsha Ledbury and Mary Todesco.**



A pretty fall scene from Carole LaFreniere's yard



LUG-A-MUG Don't forget to bring your coffee mug to the membership meeting!

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Hello W.G.C.,

Fall is such a great season !

Our October Tea Chair, **Mimi Parr**, with her Tea Servers **Marsha Ledbury**, **Sue Barnes**, **Maureen Bean**, **Susan Melrose**, and **Diane Cook**, filled the air with Apple Crisp, Pumpkin Muffins, Apple Cake, Plum Cake and more !

Thank you. We all enjoyed the flavors of Fall !!

Sheila Pierce, Hospitality Chair



## DESIGN WORKSHOP

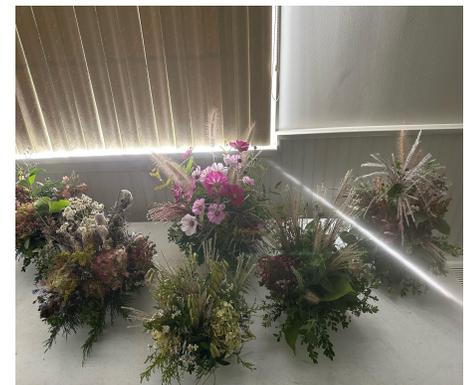
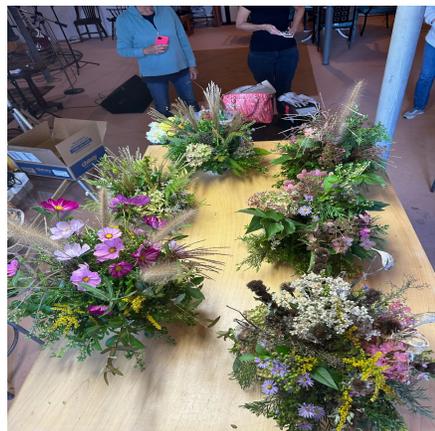


We had a fun time at the Design Workshop on October 8th. Using all the beauty in our fall gardens, we made 6 delightful designs. They included grasses, hydrangea, cosmos, and other late season beauties. Thank you to Pam Parsons, Lesley Reid, Susan Melrose, and Mimi Parr for your participation.

Please join the next Design Workshop on November 8th . It will again be held at my house due to the library still being closed. There is plenty of room so please join us as we make designs for our Veterans. There will be a dinner for the Veterans following the parade and we will be making the centerpieces for the tables. Please join us for this workshop as it is for a wonderful cause. Let's show our Veterans how much we care and appreciate their services.

All materials will be provided for this workshop.

Fondly,  
Christine (Michaud) Benjamin, Design Chair



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## Asters or Mums?

From Joyce Holster

Every autumn, pots of rust and yellow and red mums adorn stores for us to buy and pot. Chrysanthemums have been cultivated since the 8th century in Japan. The mums sold at this time of year are considered annuals, having been fed and pruned multiple times to produce the colorful rounded clumps. They will be too pooped to pop again.

But why not asters? Asters and chrysanthemums are in the family asteraceae. This includes many composite, daisy like flowers such as zinnias and dahlias - annuals and perennials. Asters come back every year and remain true to color. Names can be tough. Sometimes known as symphiotrichome or dendranthemum, they fall under the aster category. They grow easily from seed and come with names like 'October Sky'.

If you must have rust or orange, get mums. But the purple, white, pink and blue aster return for a bigger show every year.



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A big  
**WGC WELCOME**  
to our new members!



Ellen Bartlett

Louise Richardson

Sue Robert

Christine Wiggins

**WGC Christmas Holly Fair on December 2nd** is approaching fast!

Please sign up or facilitate a workshop. We need all the help we can get, so please volunteer. Sign-up sheets are available at the meeting on November 9th for all the upcoming workshops. If you have an idea for a workshop, please contact Christine Michaud-Benjamin or Lois Crapo. We love our members' ideas and creativity to shine. All suggestions are welcome.

This is the last meeting before the Fair so let's show the community how talented our club members are and make this year the best one yet!

Thanks from your Christmas Fair co-chairs,  
Christine Michaud-Benjamin and Lois Crapo

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Hello it is that time of year already !



I am Lesley Reid and I will be taking orders for wreaths before the Christmas Faire. The wreaths are a mix of greenery, with clusters of pinecone and sea shells. They are 16 inch in diameter before adding the greenery and decor. The prices are \$45.00 for one or \$40.00 each for two or more. If you would like to order and make your own, you can join us at one of two scheduled meetings.

Please let me know if you want to pre order by **November 7th**. My home phone number is **508-295-4769** or my email address is [Lreid4131@gmail.com](mailto:Lreid4131@gmail.com). If you have any questions please call or email me.

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