



The GCFM, Inc offers many services and programs to members

Ability to be a non-profit 501(c)3 under the GCFM umbrella.

Insurance to protect clubs and club members. We also offer Director & Officer insurance.

Full access to the GCFM website (GCFM.org) and the electronic edition of the *Mayflower*, the quarterly state newsletter.

Each club President is sent the Federation yearbook (directory) which includes the calendar of events, listing of state officers, and all member clubs and their officers.

Free advertising and PR for fundraising activities through listings on the GCFM website calendar.

District meetings with the state chairperson to inform and support club Presidents with their projects, programs and activities.

All local clubs are automatically members of the National Garden Clubs, Inc., which makes many helpful services available and also automatic membership of New England Garden Clubs.

Provides nationally accredited judges for local club flower shows.

Grant money for civic or historic projects up to \$2,000.

11 scholarships of \$1,000 offered yearly to high school seniors.

Makes the club eligible for civic awards, state awards, flower show awards, regional and national awards.

The GCFM Annual Speakers Program webinar is posted on our website. Annually, we invite speakers to present their topic for 2-3 minutes which is recorded for viewing at any time. This affords clubs the opportunity to seek a presenter for their club programs.

The Garden Club Federation of Massachusetts offers a variety of Educational Programs

Horticulture Mornings – three programs that bring top speakers to talk about current horticultural subjects of interest to garden club members.

Design Workshops – three workshops where attendees are taught to create a specific style of design.

FUNDamentals (Back to Basics) – three classes of floral demonstrations by floral designers on specific styles or design techniques.

Civic Development Workshop – a single workshop with a landscape designer or other professional to help clubs with their civic projects.

Schools – three schools are offered each year:

- Flower Show
- Garden Study
- Landscape Design

Each school has four courses; a different course is given each year until the four are complete.

Please note that fees may be charged to cover the cost of materials or speaker fees. We offer free educational webinars during the winter months of January, February and March for our members, which are recorded for later viewing.

We also have powerpoints and webinars on our website which cover topics such as State Awards, Flower Show Awards, Junior Gardening, and FAQs for Treasurers.

We offer 3 free educational webinars to our members each year during the months of January - March.

Further information on all services and programs along with registration form are available on the Garden Club Federation of Massachusetts website, www.GCFM.org

Benefits of Club Membership

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