

The GCFM 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

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 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 become members of the National Garden Clubs, Inc., which makes many helpful services available

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, state, regional and national awards

Program workshop held in March at New England Botanical Garden (formerly Tower Hill) and Elm Bank which bring prospective speakers together, allowing club members to preview programs available.

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

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

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

FUNdamentals (Back to Basics) – three demonstrations of 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.

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