



Nurture Nature

Monday Memo

October 9, 2023

Hello Everyone,

And tomorrow we host, **The New England Region Conference**, at the Hotel 1620, in Plymouth, on the waterfront. It is very exciting to see the response we have received for attendance and I look forward to meeting you all. You may still sign up if you wish to attend. Walk-ins are welcome on Wednesday. See the pop up on our website for registration at www.gcfm.org.

Fall is when our youth are back in school and an excellent time to think about working with young people. Please encourage them to enter the **Smokey Bear Poster Contest** or the **NGC Youth Poetry Contest**. The youth poem title for 2024 is "I Spy With My Little Eye, Something Green Outside – Celebrating Our Green World".

Prepare cold weather activities for the children in your life by downloading the youth activity book, "Do Something Green". Work with a young person to create a recycled material sculpture for the Youth Sculpture Contest. Go to <https://www.gcfm.org/youth-contests> for additional information.

The GCFM Executive Team visited Central North, Western and Central South Districts this past week.

It was a wonderful event, hosted by Nancy Riggs and Vana Nespov, District Directors, for those regions. We had a room full with many clubs represented, hence lots of questions were asked. It was richly rewarding to meet the club presidents and treasurers in that area of the state. I hope to be back soon.

Mark your calendars for the upcoming Webinar to be hosted by Diana Brandi, our Junior Gardener Chairperson, which will take place on October 19th @ 7 PM. The Zoom link is now posted on the GCFM state calendar. [2023-2024 State Calendar](#)

The webinar is open to all clubs interested in starting a Junior Garden Club or wanting to learn about new projects they can use for their existing Junior Garden Club program. No registration is needed. The call will be open to the first 500 members who join in. A flier will be posted later this week on the website with more detailed info under **UPCOMING EVENTS**.

Enjoy each day.



Marjorie Dienhart
GCFM President

Listen! The wind is rising, and the air is wild with leaves, we have our
summer evenings, now for October eves! - Humbert Wolfe