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## **Monday Memo**

January 8, 2024

Hello Everyone,

A new year. A new start. A new beginning. New hope. New experiences. New friends. New members. New plants, shrubs and trees. New ideas. A new garden. A new class to take. Whatever will be new for you, I wish you all a Happy and Healthy New Year!

Life happens and sickness, too. The GCFM newsletter, [The Mayflower](#), is now posted on the website under Resources. Due to family illnesses, the winter edition was a bit delayed. Seems like so many have been sick in December and also in January so far. Thank you again to Emily Alston for her hard work in putting the Mayflower together. It's a cumbersome job. Thank you to the clubs who participated by sending in their submissions. It makes for an interesting read.

As I mentioned in my opening letter in The Mayflower this edition, now might be a good time for garden clubs to take stock in their clubs activities and reevaluate what is working and what is not. It's time to question what you can manage and what you must table for a year or two until you get the right people filling the roles to get the job done. It's okay not to have a lot of committees. Manage what you can and do it well rather than lots of committees and none of them running well.

The deadline for the NGC Youth Poetry Contest entries has been extended to January 19th. Please send any poems to Nancy Martin by email [nancymartinextra@gmail.com](mailto:nancymartinextra@gmail.com).

New England Garden Club Photography Group Newsletter has been published. If you are interested in photography, you can register for a class for March 11, 2024 **"Get Pro Quality Images with Your Smartphone" with Rick Sammon.**

Kate will be out of the office from January 12 - 21st. Please direct any concerns you might have directly to me via phone or email during this time. [marjorie.dienhart@gmail.com](mailto:marjorie.dienhart@gmail.com) or 774-454-1041. Thank you.

Enjoy each day.



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**APRICITY (n.) The warmth of the sun in winter.**