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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE



Summer gives us time to reflect, reconsider, recharge, and relax – not necessarily in that order.

Reflecting on the past garden club year, it is apparent that our clubs have engaged in an assortment of interesting activities involving many of their members. Coming out of our long winter, there was an explosion of Presidents' Days, combinedmeetings, Guest Days, club flower shows, house and garden tours, field trips, educational programs, and social gatherings. Many people have made new connections, engaged in group activities, and made a difference along the way. "If you want to go fast, go alone; if you want to go far, go together."

Now there is time to slow down and smell not just the roses, but all the other scented blossoms around us. We can take a few moments to reconsider the course each of us has set. The trouble with "going fast, and going alone" is that you may get there first, but you miss so much along the way. NGC President Linda Nelson's theme, "Making a world of difference - choices matter", reminds us that we choose our path through the garden - and beyond. The effect of those choices determines the shape of our gardens and our lives.

In summer, we have the chance to recharge our batteries, fill in the bare spots, and draw inspiration from the astonishing variety of nature's seasonal display. In the serenity of the summer garden, we can look back and assess the results of our choices, and look ahead to consider future options.

For garden club people, one of those options could be the choice to get to know our colleagues better and to appreciate their talents, abilities and opinions. There is a huge resource pool of experience, knowledge and creative thinking in our organization. There is also a deep well of kindness, consideration and concern for others. We are missing out if we think otherwise.

It is summertime, so relax and enjoy life.

Marisa McCoy, President The Garden Club Federation of Massachusetts, Inc.

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LOVER STORY Aster Cordifolius BLUE WOOD ASTER

By September most of the brilliant flowers of summer are gone. In open fields and along sunny roadsides, the many species of goldenrod and aster begin the final phase of the year's display. Aster cordifolius, the blue wood aster, is one of the few of these that thrive in the shade. The plant is about 2 to 3 feet tall. with clusters of white to lavender-blue flowers at the ends of its many branches. The flowers are small, but they are produced in such abundance that the effect is that of a feathery cloud.

Blue wood asters are a hardy perennial, native from Nova Scotia to Minnesota and south to Missouri and Virginia. In New England, they are among the most common of the wild asters. They make a frilly ornament in the fall landscape, pleasant but not conspicuous. They are an ideal background plant, useful in a casual woodland garden, behind hostas or scattered among the foliage of spring and summer flowers. They can also be planted in otherwise wasted places, along shady roadsides and at the edges of woods, where their hardiness and ability to seed and spread is an advantage. Like many asters, they are subject to a number of plant diseases that damage the foliage but do no permanent harm to the plant. In a bad year, they can look quite bedraggled by autumn, but the flowers bloom well anyway, as if they did not really need all those leaves so late in the season.

Care required for blue wood asters is minimal. They seed profusely, so they should be trimmed back after

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ATTENTION GCFM BOARD of DIRECTORS

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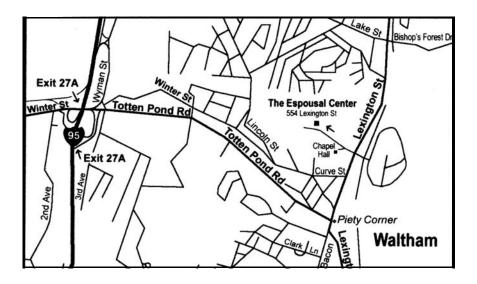
- Wednesday, June 11, 2014 10:00 AM
- Wednesday, September 10, 2014

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DIRECTIONS TO THE ESPOUSAL CENTER

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- Route I-95 (128) to Exit 27B, Totten Pond Road/Winter St.
- Take right at lights at end of the exit ramp.
- Take a left onto Totten Pond Road at traffic light/ next intersection.
- Follow Totten Pond Road east toward Waltham to the traffic light at road's end, about 1-1/3 miles.
- Turn left onto Lexington Street. Go 0.3 mile. Turn left into the driveway at the sign for the Espousal Center.
- For the **Retreat House**, drive up the hill, bearing right, to the large tan brick building on your right.



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HOW TO APPLY FOR A PUBLICITY PRESS BOOK AWARD

Compiling a Publicity Press Book is a wonderful way to record your club's activities and to keep your member's informed of your worthwhile contributions to the community. As a federated garden club, you are also eligible to enter your Press Book for a Garden Club Federation of Massachusetts, Inc. (GCFM) state award as well as a National Garden Clubs, Inc. award.

- The Publicity Press Book is a collection of published press releases about your garden club. The book contains publicity for one calendar year -- January to December.
- Articles for inclusion in the Press Book may have appeared in newspapers, journals or any printed or digital publication that is available to the general public. For example, publicity in the *Mayflower* and the *Art in Bloom* program are acceptable, as are articles that appear in community, regional and statewide newspapers or magazines, in digital/online publications, or in blogs.
- All articles must be original clippings (not photocopies). The trimming and placement of articles on the Press Book page is very important.
- Items should be arranged in the Press Book in chronological order (based on date of publication) starting with January 1 and ending with December 31.
- More than one item may appear on a Press Book page.
- Each publicity item should list the name of the garden club, Garden Club Federation of Massachusetts, National Garden Clubs, Inc., and the District to which the club belongs.
- Articles must be accompanied by the name and date of publication, which should appear directly above each item. The first time the club name, GCFM name, etc., appears in an item, it must be neatly underlined.
- Information should be placed in a theme-style report cover. The overall size of the report cover can be 8-1/2 x 11" or 9 x 12". Over-sized scrapbooks or loose clippings are not to be used and will not be judged.
- There is no limit to the number of pages in the Press Book. A table of contents is required, and all pages must be numbered.
- Neatness is very important.

The completed Press Book should be submitted to the Press Book Chairperson by January 25th of the following year. An application form is not necessary for the Press Book award. Awards are presented at the annual meeting of the GCFM, Inc. in June.

Further information and the scale of points for judging the Press Book can be found in the GCFM Handbook (Yearbook, "green book") in the State Awards section. It can also be found on the GCFM web site, www.gcfm.org. Information on the Publicity Press Book award available from National Garden Clubs, Inc. can also be found in this book. For questions, please contact the Press Book Chairperson, who is listed in the GCFM Handbook. (Green Book)

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flowering if you do not want more seedlings. If you allow them to seed naturally, the young plants can be pulled out easily or lifted and moved to a better location. You can recognize them by their distinctive, heart-shaped leaves. This plant, with its small, pale flowers, attracts little interest in the nursery trade and is not likely to be found at garden centers. Several Midwestern nurseries offer named selections of the species, but these are seldom available in New England except by mail order. The easiest way to start these plants is with seeds, which are available from Garden in the Woods. The plants grow quickly, and usually bloom the first year if started indoors in February.

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"Midwinter Interlude"

by Linda Jean Smith Photos by Cheryl Collins

On February 1, 2014, the Garden Club Federation of Massachusetts held its



first fund-raiser in four years entitled "Midwinter Interlude," at the 4-star luxury Beechwood Hotel in Worcester. The event featured nine floral designs by GCFM designers reflecting "The Wide World of Floral Design." Designers included Priscilla Styer,

G C F M President Marisa McCoy,

shown above left, with her design, Margo Maione, LuBeth Kuemmerle, Kay Vosburgh, Sylvia Strand, Event Chairman Joyce Bakshi, a friend of the GCFM and Julie Lapham shown right with her design.





Under the guidance of their president, Cindy Pitcher, the Worcester Garden Club members, shown left with GCFM President Marisa McCoy, acted as hostesses, greeting guest, selling raffle tickets and making for a friendly event. (*Table floral design by Lubeth Kuemmerle.*) Attendees, shown below right, enjoyed the designs, conversation and

live music provided by the Platt Jazz Quartet. Hors d'oeuvres were prepared by the hotel's French-trained chef, Laurant Olivier and the event was rounded out by a cash bar.

Seven lucky guests won raffle items such as a golf outing for four, a lobster weekend in Maine for four, scholarships to the GCFM schools and a full set of mystery novels from local author Neal Sanders. The elegant party with its international feel, transported people to foreign shores without traveling far from home.



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SCHOOLS

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DoubleTree by Hilton 11 Beaver Street Milford, MA 01757

For details and registration, visit www.gcfm.org>education>schools and registration

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Parkman Room Massachusetts Horticultural Society at Elm Bank Wellesley, MA

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TIME AFTER TIME

The Design Division of a Standard Flower Show **Marshfield Fair** August 15 - 24, 2014

DESIGN CLASSES

Class 1 Time Flies

A Hanging Design. Type II. Suspended from a hook, provided by the committee.

Designer's Choice Award 4 Entries

Class 2 Long Time No See

A Transparency Design. Designer's Choice Award

Class 3 Lunch Time

A Functional Table for two on a 30" round. Tricolor Award 4 Entries

Class 4 Time Traveler

A Creative Design inspired by the person you would visit if you were a time traveler.

4 Entries

Designer's Choice Award 4 Entries

Class 5 It's About Time

A Design, Freedom of Style, including a clock or some element/s of a clock. Tricolor Award 4 Entries

Class 6 Old Timer

A Design, Freedom of Style, incorporating one or more antique objects. Tricolor Award 4 Entries

STAGING

All classes are staged in front of a backboard 30" wide by 40" high, with a 30" square underlay, placed on a platform 33" high, except Class 3 where the backboard is 30" high by 40" wide.

To help control costs and reduce waste, all correspondence with exhibitors will be via email unless otherwise requested. Be sure to check your email often

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DISTRICT DOINGS

METRO (Jean McCarthy, District Director)

The Garden Conservancy has selected **The Evening Garden Club** of West Roxbury to participate in its 2014 Open Days, a series of private garden tours across the country. Garden club members will host visitors at the Reading Garden of the West Roxbury Branch Library, one of their award-winning community beautification sites. Four club members' private gardens will also be included on the June 8th Open Days tour.

NORTHEASTERN (Ellen Todd, District Director)

The Arrangers of Marblehead held a holiday greens sale and boutique on December 7 at the Marblehead Council on Aging.

The winter 2013 issue of Mayflower announced the approval by the State Department of Transportation for The Cape Ann Garden Club. The Gloucester Garden Club and The Rockport Garden Club to manage plantings at the Grant Circle rotary at Rt. 128. The site is a key access point to Cape Ann and for years has been a major eyesore. The three clubs are now working together to raise \$90,000 to purchase new plants, increase the size of beds, install an irrigation system and hire professional landscape maintenance services. Gorton's Seafoods, Gloucester, has become the lead sponsor with a \$15,000 grant. To see the clubs' vision for rehabilitating the circle, visit www.plantgrantcircle.com.

In December, Cottage Gardeners of Marblehead and Swampscott, together with the Marblehead Public Library, sponsored a free public holiday decoration demonstration by Betsv Williams. January was "Environmental Month": Susan Yachelson of Salem Sound Coastwatch presented ways to curb pollution through safe gardening practices. The club's Environmental Committee shared the results of a survey of members' environmental practices, which will be updated annually to monitor progress.

Hamilton Wenham Garden Club held a luncheon at Misselwood at Endicott College, Beverly, on February 12.

In late fall 25 members of **The Nahant Garden Club** visited the Isabella Stuart Gardner Museum, Boston, for lunch and a private tour of the museum's galleries and courtyard garden (which was ablaze with chrysanthemums). Thanks to VP Edie Hunnewell for organizing the trip.

In December, **The Nahant Garden Club** held a holiday celebration featuring seasonal music, a singalong and a presentation on growing pineapples by member Suzanne Hamill. Member-donated centerpieces and amaryllis plants were auctioned off, with proceeds going to

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the club's scholarship fund. Members also contributed items for Toys for Tots and Teens.

NORTHERN (Lisa Bourgeois, District Director)

The mission of the **Methuen Garden Club** is to raise public awareness regarding the joys and rewards of gardening and to be stewards of the land. To support this mission, they are awarding "seed money" stipends to area educators who are teaching about plant growth, ecology, conservation, bio-diversity, etc. Money may be used toward supplies and curriculum materials.

A major project of the Methuen Garden Club is "Memorial Day grave site enhancement," a community service initiative started in 2008. Working through the local senior center and newspapers, the club reaches out to area residents who are no longer able to maintain loved ones' graves. Club members fan out across seven local cemeteries to plant geraniums, dusty miller, marigolds and ageratum on close to 100 graves. Volunteers also clean, fertilize and mulch the graves. A Methuen greenhouse provides plants at a discount.

As part of their theme of "Preserve the Past, Plant the Future," North Reading Garden Club has redesigned a seasonal garden at Ipswich River Park. Last fall — as part of the club's "Daffodil Project" — over 300 bulbs and other perennials were planted at the park. The club also sponsored a daffodil sale for the general public. The club's year concluded with an "Art in Bloom" show at the Flint Memorial Library, featuring floral arrangements inspired by local artist Don Doyle's watercolors of early North Reading.

The Tewksbury Garden Club recently participated with other local clubs and organizations in a meeting to learn more about what services each group in town provides to the community. Following the working session, the evening continued with dinner and dancing.

Topsfield Garden Club has launched a fifth grade "Tomato Project" in partnership with the Agricultural Commission and the Historical Society. Club members give a talk on the history of agriculture in Topsfield, and the Agricultural Commission shares information on current farming. Children receive an historic map featuring old farms, a tomato plant and a package of giant sunflower seeds with planting instructions.

Topsfield Garden Club also has incorporated "Garden Therapy" into the community's Meals on Wheels program. Club members make miniature floral arrangements for special occasions such as Halloween, Thanksgiving, Christmas, Valentine's Day, St. Patrick's Day and Easter. The Topsfield Council on Aging then works with Meals on Wheels to arrange for the delivery of food and flowers to elderly and shut-in residents. Recipients love these arrangements, which they say really brighten their

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SOUTHEASTERN (Sandy Slavin, District Director)

Members of the Aptucxet Garden Club of Bourne decorated a Christmas tree and donated it to the Jonathan Bourne Public Library for a fundraising event. Members also decorated and hung wreaths around town on public buildings and post offices. In January the club provided the local Meals on Wheels program with 54 small arrangements for their clients.

Falmouth Garden Club worked with the Falmouth Historical Society to decorate Wicks House for their Colonial Christmas Program. Several club members visited local nursing homes and entertained residents with the sounds of the season. For the December holidays, members of The Garden Club of Hyannis decorated the local library and trees at Cape Cod Hospital.

Greater New Bedford Garden Club members decorated the historic Seamen's Bethel Chapel and Meeting House for the holidays.

Over the December holidays, **Osterville Garden Club** members filled 150 mugs with greens, flowers and holiday ornaments for the Barnstable Meals on Wheels program, bringing a little color and cheer to residents who are house-bound.

Plymouth Garden Club members decorated holiday wreaths and planters for the entrance of the town's public library. Wareham Garden Club members decorated and hung wreaths on buildings in the town's historic district and decorated planters on Main Street. They also placed large poinsettias in common areas at Tobey Hospital and the Wareham Free Library. On Christmas day, greeting cards from the club, containing personalized holiday messages, were placed on in-patient trays at Tobey Hospital.

SOUTH CENTRAL (Joan Schofield, District Director)

Central South's garden clubs have recently hosted a wonderful variety of speakers and events:

The Fifteen Gardeners of Natick enjoyed a terrarium workshop at the Russell's Garden Center greenhouse.

Hopkinton Garden Club welcomed Warren Leach with a presentation titled "Beyond Blooms," which explored color and structure in the garden season by season.

Natick Garden Club hosted landscape architect Laura Eisener, who spoke on native trees for residential landscapes.

Speaker Bonnie Pedersen entertained **Springfield Garden Club** members with "Sailors' Valentines -A History, Demonstration, and Workshop." Participants learned about how 19th century sailors created sentimental gifts for their ladies using tiny seashells. Bonnie also displayed her own shell creations and taught club members how

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to make their own small shell flowers.

SOUTH SHORE (Leslie Mullen, District Director)

Following a successful December holiday fair, **Kingston Garden Club** enjoyed a number of programs designed to generate enthusiasm for spring planting, as members prepare for the club's annual plant sale and ready their gardens for summer visits, a club tradition.

Walnut Hill Garden Club of Hanover opened their February meeting to the public with a lecture by Suzanne Mahler entitled "Get Ready for Spring", which also included a pruning demonstration. The March meeting, "Movement and Yoga for Gardeners," was presented by Lynette Tsiang.

Weymouth Garden Club has a team of members called "The Daffodil Squad" who plant bulbs each fall. So far, they have planted over 1,000 bulbs around town.

Members of Mattakeesett Garden Club participated in a Hardy Succulent Workshop given by Art Scarpa. "Hypertufa" plant troughs, which members made at a workshop last fall, were used as succulent containers.

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Boston Flower and Garden Show Design Division I "That's Amore!"

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Class 101 "Love is in the Air"

1st	Designer's Choice
	Diane Cochran
	GC Of Hyannis
2nd	Donna Morrissey
	GC of Back Bay
	Wareham GC
3rd	Ruth Evans

Framingham GC HM Davie McNamara

Easton GC

Class 102 "How do I Love Thee?"

Class 102a "Love Letters"

- 1st Dolores Ahern GC of Hyannis 2nd 90+ Fran Lucas
- Peabody GC
- 3rd Bobbie Lingard Aptucxet GC of Bourne
- HM Priscilla Styer West Newbury GC

Class 102b "Love Songs

1st	Tricolor
	Priscilla Styer
	West Newbury GC
2nd	Dolores Ahern

- GC of Hyannis
- 3rd Bobbie Lingard Aptucxet GC of Bourne
 HM Fran Lucas Peabody GC

Class 103 "Rendezvous"

- 1st Andrea Little Westborough GC
- 2nd Margo Maione Groveland GC
- 3rd Pat Bennett Atkinson GC, NH
- HM Joanne Krause Atkinson GC, NH

Class 104 "I Love Paris in the Springtime"

- 1st Sarah Boynton GC of Hingham
- 2nd, 90+ Marie Ford Nahant GC
- 3rd,90+ LuBeth Kuemmerle Hamilton-Wenham GC
- HM,90+ Pat Fernandez Newport GC, RI

Class 105 "Light my Fire"

1st	Jean McCarthy
	Beth Shalom GC
2nd	Anne Sarkisian
	Greenleaf GC of Milford
3rd	Elaine Dates
	Burlington GC, VT
HM	Natalie Wolf,
	Temple Shalom GC
	West Newton

Class 106 "Love Story"

Club Competition

- 1st Community GC of Duxbury 2nd Acton GC
- 2nd Acton GC
- 3rd Walnut Hill GC
- HM Hopkinton GC

Class 107 "Happily Ever After"

 1st Teri Mallory Walnut Hill GC
 2nd Diane Bullock Hopkinton GC, Hudson GC
 3rd Abby Ann Lavoie Arrangers of Marblehead
 HM Donna Johnson Sudbury GC

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Class 101 "Love is in the Air"

1st	Helga Frazzette, Andover
	GC, GC of Hyannis
2nd	Laura Lindop
	Acton GC
3rd	Yvonne Capella
	Lakeville GC
ΗM	Fern Doucette

Ashland GC, NH

Class 102 "How do I Love Thee?" Class 102a "Love Letters"

1st	Karen Knaub
	GC of Hyannis
2nd, 90+	Linda Pare
	Ashland GC, NH
3rd	Terri Mallory
	Norwell GC
HM	Kathleen Coyle
	Wareham GC

Class 102b "Love Songs

1st	Terri Mallory
	Norwell GC
	Walnut Hill GC
2nd	Kathleen Coyle
	Wareham GC
3rd	Linda Pare

3rd Linda Pare Ashland GC, NH

HM Karen Knaub GC of Hyannis

Class 103 "Rendezvous"

1st	Rebecca Linney
	Old York GC, ME
2nd	Gail Bartlett
	Peterborough GC, NH
3rd	Judy Gray

Ashland GC NH HM Rita DeLollis Village GC of Andover

Class 104 "I Love Paris in the Springtime"

- 1st Tricolor Fluffy Winner Falmouth GC
- 2nd, 90+Cynthia Bush Harpswell GC, ME
- 3rd Maureen Christmas Acton GC
- HM Michele Creamer Greenleaf GC of Milford

Class 105 "Light my Fire"

- 1st Designer's Choice Gloria Freitas-Steidinger Easton GC
- 2nd, 90+ Betty Anderson Danvers GC
- 3rd,90+ Minal Akkad Framingham GC
- HM,90+ Michelle Mensinger Derry GC, NH

Class 106 "Love Story"

Club Competition		
1st	GC of Hyannis	
2nd 90+	Belmont GC	
3rd	Sudbury GC	
HM	Beth Shalom GC	

Class 107 "Happily Ever After"

1st	Joan Schofield
	Holliston GC
2nd	Nancy Zapf
	Country Gardeners
	Georgetown
3rd	Kathryn Leva
	Arlington GC
HM	Tracey Burhoe
	Ashland GC

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Boston Flower and Garden Show Top Winners



Day 1, Class 101 Clair Richards Award Donna Morrissey



Day 1, Class 102B, 1st, Tricolor, Priscilla Styer



Day 1, Class 101, 1st Place Designer's Choice, Diane Cochran



Day 1, Class 107, Diane Bullock Award, Diane Bullock

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Day 1, Class 106, 1st Place, Community GC of Duxbury



Day 2, Class 101, Barbara May Award Helga Frazzette



Day 2, Class106 Garden Club of Hyannis



Day 2, Class 105, Jeanne Marie Parkes Award - Betty Anderson

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DESIGNING WORKSHOPS

TUESDAY, OCTOBER14, 2014 TUESDAY, JANUARY 13, 2015, snow date 14th TUESDAY, APRIL 14, 2015

TIME; 10 A.M. - 12 Noon

Hunnewell Bldg, Mass Hort, Elm Bank 900 Washington Street (Rt.16) Wellesley, MA

Fee for all three sessions \$135.00 – includes all materials and instruction. If a registrant cannot make any workshop they may designate someone to take their place at the workshop or someone to take their flowers and container home to them.

All attendees will need to bring: Clippers, or floral snippers, notebook, a box to carry your arrangement home in and a clean-up bag. **Note:** Should schools be closed in Wellesley due to snow, the workshop will be rescheduled to the next day.

Please mail your check for \$135.00, made out to the GCFM, Inc. to: Fluffy Winner PO Box 457 West Falmouth, MA 02574 <u>Flfmor@aol.com</u>

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Exhibitors' Meeting will be held Friday, May 16, 2014, 9:30am

For the complete Flower Show Schedule, go to www.gcfm.org

Flower Show General Chairman: Geri Williams, 1-508-833-4355 Horticulture Division I Entries Chairman: Coletta Candini 1-508-224-8179, 1-774-454-0329 cell; coletta.g.candini@verizon.net Design Division II Entries Chairman: Christine Decas 1-508-295-9260; chrisdecas@comcast.net

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Horticulture Division I - SUMMERTIME

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Design Division II - DAY BY DAY

Section A. Eat, Drink and be Merry Eligible for the Table Artistry Award Class 1 Let the Day Begin **A Functional Breakfast Tray**

Class 2 It's Five O'Clock Somewhere An Exhibition Table Type II

Class 3 Party Time! **A Functional Table for Two**

Section B. Lazy Days of Summer

Eligible for the Designer's Choice Award

Class 4 Beach Read



Exhibitor's Choice of a Traditional or Creative Design interpreting a book title named by the exhibitor

Class 5 A Beautiful Garden A Hanging Design Type I, Non-Kinetic

Class 6 Dance the Night Away

A Monochromatic Design of Exhibitor's Choice of a Traditional or Creative style.

Special Exhibits Division III - THERE'S ALWAYS TOMORROW

Section A. Quiet Time in the Garden

Competitive Temporary Gardens. Eligible for the Club Competition Award

Four Gardens, staged in a 4' square space x 6" high, titled by the exhibiting club, in place for the duration of the show.

Section B. Here Today, Gone Tomorrow **Competitive Artistic Crafts**

Class 1 The Clock is Ticking

A free-standing time piece made primarily of fresh and/or dried plant **material**. May be, but not limited to, a wristwatch, pocket watch, tabletop clock, sundial, etc.

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Calendar of Events

June 2014

- 4 GCFM Annual Meeting, Best Western Royal Plaza Hotel & Trade Center, Marlborough, MA
- Ashland Garden Club presents "Designing Shady Retreats"
 10:00 A.M. by Joan and Jana of Enchanted Gardens in Holliston, MA at Ashland Public Library, Ashland, MA
- 8 10:00 A.M. 4:00 P.M. The Evening GC of West Roxbury, Garden Conservancy "Open Days" tour of Reading Garden behind the West Roxbury Branch of the Boston Public Library, 1961 Centre St., West Roxbury, MA (ample on-street parking). Entrance to garden on side of building (Bird Place). Features an historic fountain dedicated to Revolutionary War heroine Mary Draper. For information on the Reading Garden and three club members' personal gardens that are also on the tour, contact Ann Morgan at ann.morgan2@verizon.net
- 10 10:30 A.M. Landscape Design Council, Wakefield Estate Tour-Milton
- 11 10:00 A.M GCFM Executive Board Meeting. Espousal Center, Waltham
- 19 10:30 A.M Gardening Consultants Council tour & box lunch Frederick Law Olmsted Historic Site, Brookline, Massachusetts
- 21 10:00 A.M. 4:00 P.MDanvers GC, "10 Enchanted Gardens" Garden Tour \$20 in advance/\$25 day of tour (purchase tickets at 4 Hickory Lane, Danvers. Contact: Betsey Powers-Sinclair at <u>bpowerssinclair33@gmail.com</u>
- 27-28 10:00 AM-4:00 PMThe Wareham Garden Club Presents "Scents of Summer", a Garden and Kitchen Tour. Visit homes from 1774 to present. Advance tickets may be purchased for \$22 from Christine Decas at <u>chrisdecas@comcast.net</u> or 508-295-9260.

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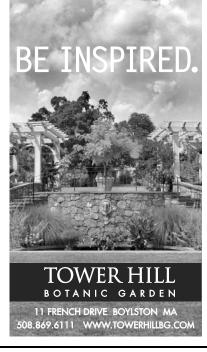


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