



Aptucket Garden Club of Bourne



“Learning, Growing and Sharing Together.”

February 2017

January’s Artistic Design



Judy Loomis and Barb Daniels were assigned to do an interpretation of a favorite piece of art that they were supposed to supply. They chose a picture that was painted by Alan Daniel’s grandmother that was of a chipmunk perched on a piece of

wood. Always looking for materials to use, Judy was thrilled to find a fern still alive growing in the woods near her home. She quickly dug it up and brought it home to use in their design. Their creation was lovely, but for all of their hard work they each were rewarded with a case of poison ivy! Now that is dedication!



“Indoor Gardening Through the Winter with Houseplants”



The speaker, Yvonne Capella, brought several of her houseplants and discussed how to care for

them to be ready to be entered in the spring flower show.



Upcoming Events and Workshops (Check Your Yearbook for more details)

- Feb 8 **Board Meeting** 5:30 pm
Joint Evening Meeting
Bourne United Methodist Church
Social 6:30 pm, Meeting 7:00 pm
Program: “Backstage at the Boston Flower Show”
Artistic Design: A Capsule Functional Place Setting for 1
Designer: Helen Farrington
- Feb 14 **Garden Therapy** 3:00 pm
Cape Cod Senior Residences
- Feb 15 **Garden Therapy** 10:00 am
Cape Cod Nursing Home
8 Lewis Point Road, Bourne
- Mar 13 **Board Meeting** 10:45 am
Day Meeting
Bourne United Methodist Church
Tea 12:00 Noon, Meeting 12:30 pm
Program: “Think Spring into Your Designs” Anna Holmes of “Flowers by Anna” will demonstrate how she incorporates a mix of fresh spring flowers with longer lasting flowers, foliage and flowering branches.
- Mar 15 **Evening Meeting**
Social 6:30 pm, Meeting 7:00 pm
Bourne United Methodist Church
Program: “Hide and Seek, Hide and Eat”
- Mar 15 **Garden Therapy**
Bourne Manor 10:00 am
- Mar 22-26 **BOSTON FLOWER & GARDEN SHOW**
Seaport World Trade Center in Boston

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How Does YOUR Garden Grow?

- Do you have questions or problems with your garden or landscape?
- Would you like a small group of your fellow AGC members visit your garden and answer your questions?
- Would you like to visit other members' gardens to give them constructive advice and suggestions?

If so, *email club member Cheryl Keown* at cherylkeown@jayebee.com.

Ask and Answer is a pilot program to schedule a visit to your garden by your AGC peers this Spring and Summer. All members, whether they have an active garden or not, are welcome to participate. *Get your name on the list now!*

BOSTON FLOWER & GARDEN SHOW



Seaport World Trade Center
in Boston

Will be held from Wednesday,
March 22 through Sunday, March 26.

The theme this year is **Superheroes of the Garden**, to honor "...the crusaders, innovative tools, and legendary plants that help make us all champions in the battle for garden supremacy!"

*Our President's 2016-2017 Club Theme:
"Learning, Growing and Sharing Together."*

A Few Reminders



Kathy Sargent O'Neill asks folk to bring in Food Pantry items and she will collect them at the meeting and deliver them to the Bourne Food Pantry. Thank you Kathy!

Joan O'Brien reports that the schedule for the flower show in May will be available at the February meeting and that an electronic copy will also be sent to all members.

Thanks so much.

Joan

(A copy of the schedule "**Time To Dine**" is printed at the end of this newsletter.)

Diane Svensen has a Garden Therapy reminder... On Wednesday, February 15 at 10:00 a.m. Garden Therapy will be at the Cape Cod Nursing Home, 8 Lewis Point Rd., Bourne, MA.

Thanks,
Diane

Yearbook Corrections or Changes

There are no additions or changes this month.

If your contact information changes, please notify the Editor (Aptucxeteditor@gmail.com) and the membership will be notified via the email cover sheet of the newsletter.



***A Letter from our
President***

Dear Members,

The start of a new year is traditionally a good time to set goals for the future. In that vein, I would ask you to take a few moments to consider the goals of our club. On page 2 of our Handbook it states that our members are committed to:

1. promoting an interest in gardening
2. aiding in the conservation of trees, plants and all natural resources and
3. encouraging civic planting and flower arranging.

We need to keep in mind that, as a non-profit institution, we have a responsibility to use our funds for these stated goals. Are there any additions or updates that you feel might enhance our club for ourselves and/or the community? Ideas might involve widening the scope of something we already do or exploring a new avenue. I would love to hear from you by phone or email. I will compile your input to use as another tool to keep the Aptucxet Garden Club thriving!

In friendship,
Judy

***Aptucxet Garden Club
Of Bourne***

presents



“Time to Dine”

A Small-Standard Flower Show

Wednesday, May 10, 2017

3:30pm – 5:30 pm

Open to the Public

***Bourne United Methodist Church
37 Sandwich Road
Bourne, MA 02532***

Aptucxet Garden Club of Bourne

Judy Sheehy, President

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Betty Sanders, GCFM President

Fluffy Winner, Southeastern District Director

**and National Garden Clubs, Inc. (NGC) and
its New England Region (NER)**

Sandra Robinson, NGC President

Vera Bowen, NER Director

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"Time to Dine" A Small-Standard Flower
Show**

GENERAL RULES

1. *Time to Dine, A Small-Standard Flower Show* is staged according to rules of National Garden Clubs, Inc. (NGC) using as its authority The Handbook for Flower Shows, 2007 Revised Edition (abbreviated Handbook) and any changes published in The National Gardener. The flower show's emphasis is on fresh plant material.
2. Entries are open only to members of the Aptucxet Garden Club. Each entry is to be the work of one exhibitor. An **Exhibitors' Meeting** for Design and Horticulture will be held April 5, 6pm at the Library.
3. All Design Division entries must be confirmed with Design Entry Chairman Judy Sheehy, 508-888-6094.
4. **ENTRY DATE: May 10, 2017 from 9:00-10:30 am for Horticulture and from 9:00-11:00am for Design. REMOVAL DATE: May 10 at 8:00pm.** Exhibitors must remove or have someone remove their exhibits at the close of the garden club's meeting.
5. The treating of fresh plant material and the use of artificial plant material are strictly prohibited.
Some plant material must be used in every exhibit.
6. Wild collected plants of species listed by the Massachusetts Natural Heritage program may not be used in Standard Flower Shows of the Garden Club Federation of Massachusetts, Inc., or its member clubs. Cultivated plant material appearing on the list may be used if the exhibitor provides a typed card noting that it has not been wild collected.
7. Plants listed on the (MDAR) Massachusetts Dept. of Agricultural Resources Prohibited Plant List may not be exhibited in this flower show.
8. Only Exhibitors and the Committee will be allowed in the Show area while exhibits are being entered.
Only required personnel as determined by the General Chairman will be permitted in the flower show area during judging. Judging begins at 12:00pm, May 10, 2017. The decision of the judges is final. Awards are given only if merited. The judges are required to consider non-blue ribbon winners for 90+ recognition.

9. The Standard System of Judging is used and allows for one First (90 points or above, blue ribbon), one Second (85 points or above, red ribbon), one Third (80 points or above, yellow ribbon), and one or more Honorable Mention (75 points or above, white ribbon) in each class.
10. It is the exhibitor's responsibility to keep his/her exhibit in pristine condition throughout the show. An exhibit may be removed at the discretion of the Committee.
11. Aptucxet Garden Club distinctly disclaims all liability for loss or damage to designs and personal property belonging to the exhibitors.

HORTICULTURE DIVISION RULES

1. All exhibits must be fresh and grown by the exhibitor at **least 90 days**. *Exception:* plants grown from seed, seedling, cuttings or immature transplants, bulbs, tubers, corms or rhizomes.
2. Committee will provide transparent (clear or lightly tinted) bottles and wedging material. No foliage below the water line for cut specimens.
3. Entry Cards, available at the Exhibitor's Meeting, should be completed in advance, if possible. **All horticulture specimens must be labeled with the correct botanical name (genus, species, and variety/cultivar) to be eligible for Top Exhibitor Awards.**
4. Exhibitors may make more than one entry per class or sub-class if each is a different genus, species, variety, cultivar, type, size or color.
5. All entries must be approved for conformance to the schedule by the Classification Chairman before placement by Committee. The Committee may delete or subdivide any class.
6. Horticulture entries will be judged by the appropriate Scales of Points found on pages 298-300 in the Handbook.

HORTICULTURE AWARD

The AWARD OF HORTICULTURAL EXCELLENCE, a rosette of orange, green and blue ribbons may be awarded to the named exhibit of fresh plant material judged to be the highest scoring exhibit, scoring 95 points or above in the entire Horticulture Division. Only one may be offered and awarded.

Award Requirements: Handbook, pp 42-45.

Horticulture Division I

"À La Carte"

All exhibits are eligible for the Award of Horticultural Excellence.

Committee will provide transparent (clear or lightly tinted) bottles and wedging material. Be sure to include the complete botanical name on your entry card to be eligible for a top award!

Section A Container-grown plants, grown for Foliage or Flower. No restriction on pot size. Flowering plants must be in bloom.

- Class 1 – *Begonia* ssp.
- Class 2 – *Saintpaula* cv. (African Violet)
- Class 3 – Succulents
- Class 4 – Any other

Section B Flowering Perennial in bloom, cut specimen, one stem.

- Class 5 – *Aquilegia* (Columbine)
- Class 6 – *Dicentra* cv. (Bleeding Heart)
- Class 7 – *Phlox subulata* (Ground Phlox)
- Class 8 – Any other

Section C Bulbs, Corms, Tubers, Rhizomes, cut specimen, one stem.

- Class 9 – *Iris*
- Class 10 – *Narcissus* (Daffodil)
- Class 11 – *Tulipa*
- Class 12 – Any other

Section D Flowering branch in bloom, Branch may be FORCED. Maximum stem length is 30" with several nodes.

- Class 13 – *Forsythia* spp.
- Class 14 – *Malus* spp. (Crabapple)
- Class 15 – *Prunus* spp. (Cherry, Plum, Peach, Almond)
- Class 16 – *Rhododendron* (1 truss), (Azalea, 1 spray)
- Class 17 – Any other

Section E Needled evergreen branch, Maximum stem length is 30" with several nodes.

- Class 18 – *Chamaecyparis* ssp. (Falsecypress)
- Class 19 – *Erica* (Heath)
- Class 20 – *Pinus* spp. (Pine)
- Class 21 – Any other

Section F Broadleaf evergreen branch, Maximum stem length is 30" with several nodes.

- Class 22 – *Cotoneaster*
- Class 23 – *Ilex* ssp. (Holly)
- Class 24 – *Leucothoe*
- Class 25 – Any other

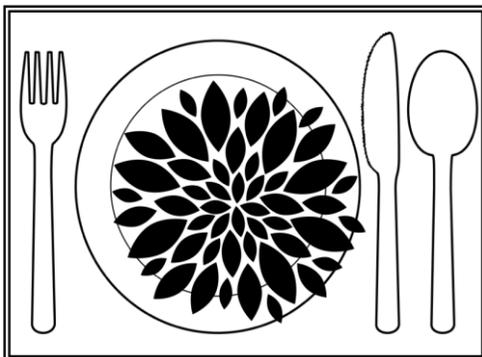
DESIGN DIVISION RULES

1. Each exhibit is to be the work of a single exhibitor. An exhibitor may enter as many classes as desired, but only one exhibit per class. The exhibitor must find a substitute if unable to fulfill this commitment.
2. Some plant material must be used in every exhibit. Plant material does not have to be grown by the exhibitor. The following are not permitted: artificial plant material, cut fruits or vegetables, menu food (salt, sugar, teabags, etc.), treating of fresh plant material, live animals, landscapes and scenes. Refer to the Handbook, pp 189-190 for NGC policies.
3. All designs may be completed at home.
4. On entry day, a preliminary list of plant material (common names) must be submitted to the Classification Chairman. When the design is completed and before the exhibitor leaves the show area, the design will be passed by the Design Classification Chairman who checks for conformance to the schedule.
5. Design entries will be judged by the appropriate Scales of Points found on page 303 of the Handbook.

DESIGN AWARD

The AWARD OF DESIGN EXCELLENCE, a rosette of gold ribbons, may be awarded to the highest scoring exhibit, scoring 95 points or above in the entire Design Division. Only one may be offered and awarded.

Award Requirements: Handbook, pp 41-55.



Design Division II

“Time to Eat”

All exhibits are eligible for the Award of Design Excellence.

Class 1 “Tea Time”

(4 Entries)

A Traditional Design in a teacup provided by the exhibitor and staged on a portion of a 30”H table covered in white and displayed on a white round riser 9” in diameter x 4”H.

Class 2 “A Celebration”

(4 Entries)

A Capsule Functional Place Setting for One staged on a portion of a 30”H table covered in white in a space 30”W x 24”D. Exhibitor provides all components and a decorative unit (flower arrangement).

Class 3 “Blue Plate Special”

(4 Entries)

A Design, Traditional or Creative in style, inspired by a favorite plate of any color or style. The Design is staged on a portion of a 30”H table covered in white in a space 30”W x 24”D. The plate, provided by the exhibitor, is displayed on a stand nearby.

Class 4 “Chef’s Choice”

(4 Entries)

A Design, Traditional or Creative in style, staged on an off-white pedestal 36”H with a round top 16” in diameter.

Flower Show Committee

Phone numbers by Directory

General Chairman	Joan O’Brien
Schedule	Bobbie Lingard
Staging	Bobbie Dwyer
Judges Chairman	Meredith Chase
Awards	Joan O’Brien
Clerks/Exhibitor Signage	Joan O’Brien
Horticulture Entries/Consultant	Sylvia Wahl
Horticulture Classification	Sally Baer
Horticulture Placement	Sally Baer
Design Entries/Consultant	Judy Sheehy
Design Classification	Sally Zeghibe
Publicity/Photos	Donna Pascarella
Hospitality	Cathy Grant