



Aptucxet Garden Club of Bourne



Great Garden Clubs aren't born they're grown~ come grow with us!

February 2016

An Afternoon of Tea with Laurie York



At our January joint meeting held at the Bourne Methodist Church, we were all entertained and educated by two of our own garden club members. Alda Barron, Horticulture Chair, spoke to us about her love of weeding and wild flowers. Well maybe

not so much weeding, but it taught her to look up plants and to identify what should and should not be growing in her garden. She showed us a wonderful book on wild flowers she uses called Wild Flowers of North America by Pamela Forey



Laurie York gave a talk on designing an Herbal Tea Garden and how we can grow our own herbs for tea. She also prepared a table for us to sample several different types of teas she had grown herself.

The herbal teas were made from flowers, leaves and seeds or roots. The fragrance at the table was delightful.



Laurie is a very talented and knowledgeable lady we are lucky to have in our garden club!

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

- Feb 9 **Garden Therapy** 3:00 pm
Cape Cod Senior Residences
- Feb 10 **Board Meeting** 5:30 pm
Joint Evening Meeting
Social 6:30 pm, Meeting 7:00 pm
Bourne Public Library
Program: "Taming of the Yew" by Tom Strangfeld
Horticulture: "More on Soils and Composting"
- Feb 17 **Garden Therapy** 10:00 am
Cape Cod Nursing Home
- Mar 9 **Evening Meeting**
Social 6:30 pm, Meeting 7:00 pm
Bourne Methodist Church
Program: "Container Gardening" Deborah Trickett will give a presentation on "How we can make "jaw-dropping" container gardens."
Horticulture: Herbs - Annuals vs. Perennials.
- Mar 14 **Board Meeting** 10:45 am
Day Meeting
Tea 12:00 pm, Meeting 12:30 pm
Bourne Methodist Church
Program: "Tools for Aging and Smart Gardener" Mary Arnberg will give us "smart tips" about how to do gardening tasks to help prevent injury and keep us gardening.
- Mar 16 **Garden Therapy** 10:00 am
Bourne Manor



Reminders from the Presidents

The February 20, 2016 Floral Workshop with Hila and Yvonne has been **cancelled** and will be **rescheduled** for Saturday, April 16th. More information and a sign-up sheet will be available by the February 10th meeting.

Remember there will only be one garden club meeting in February which will be held in the evening at the Bourne Public Library starting at 6:30 pm on Wednesday, February 10th.

The garden club has just received a generous donation to be applied to the Therese Earley Garden Therapy Program. The donor wishes to remain anonymous.



Bourne's Special Town Meeting February 8th

Our Conservation/Recycling Chair, Meredith Chase, encourages all of us to attend the Special Town Meeting at the Bourne High School to learn about and vote on the new Single Stream Recycling Program approved by the Selectmen and will be on the warrant at the town meeting. Even though it will be funded by the ISWM Enterprise Fund and will not cost the town any money, the Single Stream program must still be approved at town meeting. This program will allow more types of plastic items plus some new items to be recycled. Also there will be safer conditions and fewer injuries for workers. Our goal is to increase curbside recyclables from 14% to 30% or more.

January's Floral Design Workshop Leaf Manipulation

On a cold rainy windy Saturday morning, twenty-two garden club members came out to participate in another design workshop offered once again by Hila and Yvonne. Each member



was asked to bring two bunches of flowers and their own container and oasis. About half the group did a mass design and the other half did a horizontal design. As you can see, the results were very impressive!



Tower Hill Botanic Gardens – Flora 2016 Dates

My name is Alex and I am the new Special Event Coordinator at Tower Hill Botanic Gardens. I am reaching out to you today to let you know we have our **Flora 2016** dates in place, and would love to have you join us this year. The dates are:

Flower Show: Professional Designers

Friday, February 5 - Sunday, February 7

Flower Show: Individual Designers & Garden Clubs

Friday, February 12 - Sunday, February 14

Flower Show: Artists & Makers

Friday, February 19 - Sunday, February 21

Camellia Show

Saturday, February 27 - Sunday, February 28

If you have any questions, please let me know. Thanks, and I look forward to hearing from you!

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Our Presidents' 2015-2016 Club Theme: Great Garden Clubs aren't born they're grown~ come grow with us!

Yearbook Additions, Corrections or Changes

There are no changes for the yearbook 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.