



Aptucxet Garden Club of Bourne



“Learning, Growing and Sharing Together.”

April 2018

Highlights of the March Day Meeting

The hospitality committee, headed by Isabel Melo and Alda Barron, once again put on a lovely tea. The delicious food was presented on two tables that were adorned with lovely creative centerpieces using bird's nests with birds and eggs inside. The bird's nests were chosen to pick up the same design on the luncheon napkins. These creations were designed by Judy Loomis and Barbara Daniels.



Design by Judy Loomis



Design by Barb Daniels

At the start of the meeting, Alda presented a plant and a card signed by garden club members to Laurie York who was celebrating her 94th Birthday that day! Everybody joined in to sing Happy Birthday to this wonderful lady!



Helen Farrington introduced our newest member, Gretchen Woodruff from Cataumet. Welcome Gretchen!



Karen Cronburg reminded us that this was the time to force flowering branches to bring some Springtime into our homes!

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

- Apr 10 **Garden Therapy** 3:00 pm
Cape Cod Senior Residences
- Apr 11 **Board Meeting** 5:30 pm
Joint Evening Meeting
Bourne United Methodist Church
Social 6:30 pm, Meeting 6:45 pm
Program: “Let’s Contain It-The Thrillers, Fillers, and Spillers”
Speaker: Elaine Johnson
- Apr 14 **Design Workshop**
Delores Ahern
Pocasset Community Building
9:00 – 11:00 a.m.
- Apr 18 **Garden Therapy** 10:00 am
Cape Cod Nursing Home
- Apr 19 **Southeastern District Annual Meeting & Luncheon**, Coonamessett Inn, Falmouth, 8:30 am – 2:00 pm
- May 2 **Field Trip**
Museum of Fine Arts “Art in Bloom”
Car pool to Boston.
- May 8 **Garden Therapy** 3:00 p.m.
Cape Cod Senior Residences
- May 12 **Spring Plant & Bake Sale**
9:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.
Pocasset Community Building
- May 13 **Field Trip** to Arnold Arboretum
Mother’s Day Lilac Sunday
View the lilac collection representing 369 lilac plants. Car pool at 9:00 a.m. to Jamaica Plain.

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March Program with Paul Split

The very entertaining, Paul Split, demonstrated for us how to make our own flavored vinegars. He put together ingredients to make a Strawberry Vinegar which he then put on individual salads for each member to have a taste. He also made a cranberry vinegar that was raffled off to a lucky member of the audience.



Unfortunately, we only had one meeting this month as one of the many snow storms hitting us this month caused a power outage and the evening meeting had to be canceled.

Boston Flower and Garden Show

Judy Sheehy entered two designs in the "Petite" section of the Boston Flower and Garden Show. The first is a 12 inch traditional design. Class title was "Swan Boats," 3rd place. The second is a 5 inch creative design. Class title was "Make Way for Ducklings," 2nd place. Congratulations Judy!



"Swan Boats"



"Make Way for Ducklings"

**Our President's 2017-2018 Club Theme:
"Learning, Growing and Sharing Together."**

**Upcoming Events and Workshops
Continued**

- May 14 **Board Meeting** 10:45 a.m.
Day Meeting Tea 12:00 p.m.
Meeting 12:30 p.m.
Bourne United Methodist Church
Program: "Everything you Always Wanted to Know About Roses" Speaker AGC member, Julie Saunders.
- May 16 **Garden Therapy** 10:00 a.m.
Bourne Manor
- May 16 **Evening Meeting** Social 6:30 p.m.
Meeting 6:45 p.m.
Program: "Get in Shape-Without the Gym."
At this hands-on workshop participants will experiment with basic principles of design elements. Speaker AGC member, Carolee Packard.

**Spring Plant and Bake Sale
Saturday, May 12th
Pocasset Community Building**



Hello All,

It's hard to believe but there is only one more meeting before the "PLANT and BAKE SALE" on Saturday, May 12th.

We will need your help working at the sale, providing perennial plants from your gardens and baked goods for the bake sale. There will be signup sheets at the April 11th joint evening meeting. We are purchasing ANNUALS for the sale, please let us know what plants you are interested in, your input is appreciated. Finally, don't forget we are making Mother's Day Baskets. Mother's Day is May 13th.

Thank you,
Ways&Means Co-chairs
Alda Barron/Laura Bergeron



**Workshop with
Dolores Ahern
Pocasset Community
Building**

Here is the latest information for the Workshop with *Dolores Ahern*:

Date: Saturday, April 14th

Cost: \$25.00 per person which includes a container, oasis and flowers...you get to take home a finished centerpiece!

Payable at the door on the day of the workshop. Make checks payable to Aptucxet Garden Club.

Pre-signup is required and will be available at the April 11th joint evening meeting...space is limited!

Please bring: scissors and personal trash bag.

Time: Class will begin at 9:00 and will end at 11:00 a.m. or shortly before to allow for clean up!

Junior Garden Club News
At Bournedale Elementary School



The 2018 Junior Gardener's Club is being planned for Wednesday May 2nd, 9th and 23rd from 3:00 – 4:00 p.m. Each Wednesday twelve third graders will meet after school to create their own Mother's Day Floral arrangement, Fairy Garden, Pizza Garden or Terrarium to take home.

We try to have 2 or 3 AGC members help the students as they work on their projects. It ends up being a lot of fun, and the more volunteers we have, the more fun for everyone. We would love to have you join us!

Contact Sally Curtin, AGC member for more details and if you would like to be a volunteer!

NOTE: They need quart size mason jars for the May 2nd Terrarium project. Contact Laura Bergeron if you can provide any.

Bits and Pieces

- Chris Crane wants to remind everybody that the library is accepting donations of **gently read** books for their book sale. Contact Chris if you have any questions 508-759-5418.
- Kathy Sargent-O'Neill will be collecting food for the food pantry at the **May** meetings.
- Our club is taking part in the Hydrangea Festival July 11 & 12. Lots to prepare for!

**Thank you to the
Nursing Home
Garden Therapy
Volunteers!**



Just a sincere thank you to those Aptucxet Garden Club members who took the time to help the residents of Bourne Manor create one or two flower arrangements for themselves and for those residents who could not attend this morning before the storm of March 21st, the first official day of spring!

In the course of the year, Garden Therapy Members visit two nursing homes alternating between the Bourne Manor Nursing Home and the Cape Cod Nursing Home.

Flowers are purchased and paid for by the Club. Thank you to all who participate and for the money the Club provides for this act of charity.

Diane Svensen

Yearbook Corrections or Changes
Please welcome one new member this month.

Gretchen Woodruff

**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 SPECIAL TREAT FOR ALL APTUCXET
GARDEN CLUB MEMBERS
ON WEDNESDAY MAY 30th, 2018**

John Freiling and Dr. Susan Meminger have invited the Club to come and tour their newly planned and planted gardens in Sherborn, Mass. They are restoring 2 and a half acres of their land under the guidance of Thomas

Wirth Landscape Co. with the on site project Mgr. Wes Wirth. Wes is the son of Thomas Wirth and has a Landscape Design degree from Harvard. He is very excited about having our group come because of our proven interest in Horticulture and Design. For many years, Thomas Wirth was very involved with the Channel 2 programs "This Old House" and the "Victory Garden." If you go to their website, thomaswirthassociates.com, you will find some pictures of their designs and if you click on the pictures, you will get an idea of the scope of their work.

We are invited for a light lunch as guests of Susan and John. Wes will conduct the tour and share the thought process that went into the project. He will explain why some plants were chosen and others discarded and tell us of some of the neat discoveries that were made on the property as they began work and, of course, answer our questions.

We need to get an idea of the number of members that might be interested so that we can decide what type of transportation we need. We have also been invited back for the Spring of 2019 to see how the garden has filled in, see what has done well and why, and see some changes if any that have been made to accommodate the setting.

This is truly an outstanding opportunity for those who are gardeners as well as designers and I think a fun day will be had by all!

There will be a sign up sheet at the April Meeting, but we would also like to know the number of people who are interested as soon as possible for our hosts.....so please sign up early. We have limited space available.

Because of the strong interest that has been shown in this trip, we are limiting it to Club Members only. Further information will be forthcoming regarding transportation. The timing as of now will be to leave at 10:00 a.m. and return at 4:00 p.m.

Any questions call Sally Zeghibe at 508-564-5484