

Aptucxet Garden Club of Bourne

As the Garden grows, so shall the Gardener

Monthly Newsletter

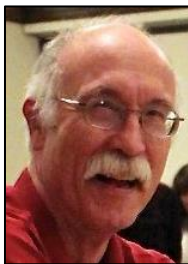
November 2018

October Meeting

Laura Murphy gave a brief presentation on what a normal day in her garden would be like at this time of the year. She reminded us to “keep weeding”. Other tips included:

- *You can plant bulbs as long as you can get the shovel in the ground,*
- *Keep your flower beds clean,*
- *It is time to stop your regular maintenance of roses, and*
- *Don't divide perennials in the fall, wait for spring.*

Master Gardener Will Clarke gave the main presentation. He gave a fun review of the status of many typical Cape Cod plants in the fall garden. This included plants in bloom now, like: Cone flowers, Shasta Daisies, Dahlias, St. John's Wort and Goldenrod.



Will Clarke

Ask both what your Fall Garden can do for you, and what you can do for your Fall Garden.

Jokingly he said he agreed with Laura on just about everything; but, that he often divides perennials at this time of the year. He said this was a good time to see what was now too large in your garden; and where you want to thin things out.

Autumn is a second spring, when every leaf is a flower. – Albert Camus

Artistic Design



Sally Zeghibe presented a Victorian flower arrangement and explained four design principles. These arrangements are:

- Often in fancy urn shaped containers,
- Tightly massed with bright flowers,
- Round or oval, and
- Usually one and half times higher than the container.



The October meeting was very well attended. And there were seven sign-up sheets for November and December events.



"Preparing the Flower Arrangement"

The Victorian artist Edouard Debat-Ponsan captured the spirit of the times in this painting. And the arrangement follows Sally Zeghibe's Victorian flower arranging design principles!

Art in Bloom Applications

Art in Bloom is at the MFA in April. Applications are due in November.



Floral arrangement inspired by Paul Signac's "Pink Clouds"

Art in Bloom programs are held at museums all across America. But the first Art In Bloom program was held at our own MFA in 1976. The term "Art In Bloom" was coined by a volunteer Lorraine M. Pitts.

Holiday Happenings!



Oh boy! Here we go! It's time for all of our Holiday Workshops, the Green and Bake Sale and civic projects.

All members are encouraged to participate. Many hands and many creative ideas make our projects so much fun!

Christmas Trees for the Bourne Library Charity Auction are to be delivered November 13-16. Other seasonal gift items are also welcome. Contact Chris Crane to participate.

Wreath Workshop – November 27

Boxwood Tree & Swag Workshop – December 3

Holiday Centerpiece Workshop – December 5

Green & Bake Sale – December 7 & 8



Special Thanks to Bobbie Lingard for her very generous donation of Design and Garden items and books!

Looking Ahead

November Calendar	
5	<p>10:45 AM Board Meeting 12:00 PM Tea 12:30 PM Day Meeting Program:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">  Artistic Design: Laura Murphy will demonstrate a Table Design Centerpiece  Horticulture: Glorious Gourds with Many Uses, by Karen Cronburg  “Buzzard Bay Coalition Projects” by Rachel Jakuba, PhD, Science Director of the Buzzards Bay Coalition <p>Tea Chair: Amy Fenton Committee: Sally Curtin, Karen Cronburg, Cathy Grant, Cindy Williams & Betsy Woodley Décor Theme: Bountiful Harvest</p>
14	<p>10:00 AM Garden Therapy Cape Cod Nursing Home</p>
14	<p>6:30 PM Social 6:45 PM Evening Meeting Program:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">  Horticulture: “To Toss or Not?” by Ellen Hammond  “5 Gifts & Design in < 10 Minutes” by Floral Designer, Anna Holmes <p>Hospitality: Janet Clay, Marjorie Dienhart & Irene Johnson</p>
27	<p>10:00 AM – 3:00 PM Holiday Wreath Workshop Pocasset Community Building</p>

Happy Thanksgiving!



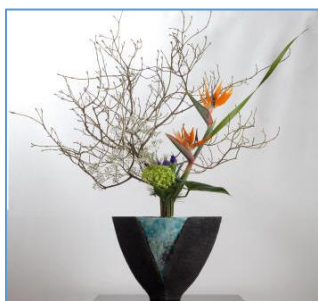
Interesting Cranberry History



One of the first commercial cranberry farmers was a Revolutionary War veteran named Henry Hall, in Dennis, MA. In 1816 he noticed that the cranberry vines growing on his land thrived when they were covered by sand in a wind storm. He began to mimic Mother Nature and his business took off. By 1820 he was exporting cranberries to Europe.

- Source: Cattail Moonshine & Milkweed Medicine, by Tammi Hartung

Ikebana Workshop



Workshop on Ikenobo Ikebana 9:30 am – 3:00 pm November 17, First Parish Church, 50 Church St., Waltham, MA

Bring: A shoka vase, kenzan (pin holder), pebbles if needed, scissors, small bucket, paper bag for trash & your lunch. To register send \$40 (includes floral material for 2 arrangements) payable to Ikebana Society of Boston, by Nov. 7, to Joanne Wimberly, 264 Main Ave, South Hampton, NH 03827



Message from the President



Greetings!

Here is a basket of dried hydrangeas from my garden. I really love the colors of the flowers as they age. My secret is that I wait until the early fall to cut the flowers for drying. I'll put them in water in a cool (out of sunlight) place for a couple of weeks. Some will get limp and need to be thrown out; but others keep their shape and their lovely subtle shades. I think they make a beautiful fall centerpiece; and then for Christmas I spray paint them gold.

- **Laura Bergeron**

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Protecting Our Environment

Recycling News



We all know the importance of the 3 R's: Reduce, Reuse and Recycle. This theme has important messages for us as Gardeners. Some examples include:

- ✚ Reduce the use of water and all pesticides;
- ✚ Reuse plants as we thin and manage our gardens;
- ✚ Recycle green waste, with composting and contributions to our local landfill.



Bourne Landfill Open House

Saturday, November 17, 2018, 9:00 AM – 12:00PM

201 MacArthur Blvd., Bourne, MA

The Town of Bourne celebrates **America Recycles Day** with an **Open House at the Bourne Landfill**. This annual nationwide celebration was started in 1997 to promote recycling and is supported by the “Keep America Beautiful” organization.

The Town’s Recycling Committee will be present at the Open House and will share information about the program. AGC members and friends are invited to participate. Residents are invited to bring yard waste and recyclables. There is also mulch that has been screened for the use of residents.

In Massachusetts, we spend \$400,000 a day to dispose of 4,000 tons of trash. Recycling is so important! Come and learn more.