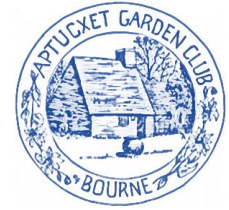


Aptucxet Garden Club of Bourne



As the Garden grows, so shall the Gardener

Monthly Newsletter October 2018

Highlights from the September 17th Meeting

Master Gardener Leslie Altman gave a very informative talk on “Cape Cod Native Plants and Birds”. She stressed the links between plants and birds and said, “Remember, what’s good for birds is also good for people.” Agreed!

Here are a few of her tips.

- Spare your back. In forest areas, leave dead trees and branches.
- Birds are attracted to moving water.
- Build brush piles to provide shelter for birds.
- Leave seeds and don’t deadhead everything away.



Tea Theme: Amber Sky

Tea Chair Paula O’Neil and the lunch committee (Dorothy Haney, Donna Pascarella, Harriet Place, Nancy Selchan and Diane Svensen) out did themselves with beautiful decorations and food.

No occupation is comparable to that of the culture of the earth; and no culture is comparable to that of the garden. – Thomas Jefferson

September’s Artistic Floral Designs



Sally Zeghibe’s and Laura Bergeron’s floral designs.



In Memory Of

Our garden club has made a donation to the Bourne Society for Historic Preservation in memory of three of our past presidents - **Jane Dalton, Susan Carpenter and Betsy Kiebal**a. We will also donate a book to the Bourne Library in memory of Jane Dalton.

Horticulture from the September 18th Meeting



Lady Jane

Ellen Hammond spoke about tulips for damp and dry soil that are proven winners to come back year after year. One of her favorites is a small delicate tulip with the delightful name of "Lady Jane". This tulip opens with the sun and will stay closed on a cloudy day. As Ellen said, "They know what's going on."



Message from the President

*Hi Ladies!
It was wonderful to see you all again in September! During the Hydrangea Festival at my house, many people asked me about this plant. I didn't know its name. Ellen Hammond said it's a Persicaria, aka "Painted Palette".*



I love the whip like red flowers and the interesting leaves. It looks nice in a flower arrangement. But, it is an invasive plant.

- Laura Bergeron

September 18th Plant Auction

The Club kicked off the 2018-19 Year with a fun fund raising Plant Auction. Laura Murphy led the auction with help from Denise Long.



Laura auctions a Pink Turtlehead.

Betsy Woodley collected the auction payments and happily announced that we raised **\$327**. Way to go!



Special Thanks to Marilyn Crane for all her hard work to put together the 2018-2019 Yearbook!

Looking Ahead

October Calendar	
9	3:00 PM Garden Therapy Cape Cod Senior Residences
10	5:30 PM Board Meeting 6:30 PM Social 6:45 PM Joint Evening Meeting Program: Artistic Design: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✚ Sally Zeghibe will demonstrate a Victorian Floral Design. ✚ Horticulture: "What to do in your Garden this time of the year" by Laura Murphy ✚ "Landscape" by Master Gardener, Will Clark
	Hospitality Chair: Dawn Lebenski and Judy Sheehy Committee: Patti Dibella, Cyndy Hurley, Isabel Melo, and Denise Walsh Décor Theme: Fall is Here
17	10:00 AM Garden Therapy Bourne Manor
20	1:00 – 4:00 PM HOLIDAY PICKS WORKSHOP ★ 25 Michael Road, Pocasset
27	DESIGN WORKSHOP with Dolores Ahern Last class in this series

Get Ready for Our Green & Bake Sale

In preparation for our December 7-8 Green & Bake Sale, four workshops are scheduled. The first is this month, see ★ above. The others are:

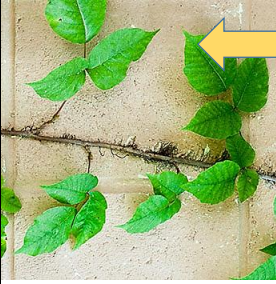
- Wreath Workshop (Nov. 27),
- Boxwood Tree Workshop (Dec. 3) and
- Holiday Centerpiece Workshop (Dec. 5).



Fall is Here!

Plant Facts - Plants to Avoid

(Source: Washington Post)

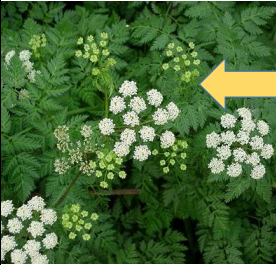


Poison Ivy

This plant secretes a sticky oil that causes itchy, painful blisters and the oil can be carried into your home by your pets. Remember the old saying, "Leaves of three; let it be." The plant's leaflets grow off of the main stem in groups of three, rather than the five common to similar backyard plants. Other tips are the plants white berries and hairy vines.

Pokeweed (American Nightshade)

This common green shrub is "toxic from head to toe." It can be recognized by its long clusters of poisonous dark berries, which hang from pink stems. It can cause blisters and vomiting. It is also used in medicine.



Poison Hemlock

This plant has white blooms that resemble Queen Anne's lace. But it has a smooth stem dappled with purple spots, not a hairy green stem. Poison when eaten. It can cause vomiting and death.

Giant Hogweed

This is the worst of the poison plants. This invasive plant can grow higher than 10 feet. It has huge lobed leaves and white umbrella like flower clusters. It's sap causes horrible blisters and burns.



What Nurses & Gardeners Have In Common



We use science, intuition and artistry to enhance the health of our subjects. We diagnose diseases, straighten limbs, prescribe treatments, ensure adequate food, nutrients, fresh air, sunshine and water. Really, the big difference between humans and plants is chlorophyll.

Excerpt from Priscilla Quackenbush's presentation at the 22nd Annual "Renewal and Remembrance" ceremony at Arlington National Cemetery to honor the fallen.



Giving Tree Charity Fund Raiser

The Bourne Library is once again holding a Christmas tree charity fund raiser. Trees are to be decorated and dedicated to a preferred Charity. The decorated trees are to be dropped off at the library on November 13th. If you are interested in participating in this event, please contact Chris Crane (508-759-5418).

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