

Aptucxet Garden Club of Bourne

As the Garden grows, so shall the Gardener

Monthly Newsletter

May 2019

By-Laws Discussion and Vote

After a thorough discussion of the proposed changes to the By-Laws, the members unanimously voted their approval for the amendments. The major changes were to make the By-Laws gender neutral, and establish an Emeritus status.

A garden is a grand teacher. It teaches patience and careful watchfulness. It teaches industry and thrift. Above all, it teaches entire trust.

- Gertrude Jekyll

April Meeting – Flower Arrangements

Carolee Packard, with special help from Sally Zeghibe, Aldo Barron, Judy Sheehy, Sally Baer, Isabel Melo and Missy Fox, led teams through the development of numerous types of flower arrangements. Everything from the flowers, the plants, the card tables and even the display plates and linens were Carolee’s contribution to the evening! Wow! Thank you!



Everyone had a fun time. And we all fell in love with the bunny that could fly!





Our Helping Hands

May is a busy month for our club. Here are a few friendly reminders.

- ✚ Deliver your Plant and Bake sale items to the Pocasset Community Building. Bring your plants on Thursday, May 9, and place them under the apple tree behind the building. Bring your bake items on Saturday, May 11, at 8:00 AM.
- ✚ Bring donations for the June Craft & Treasures Fair to the May 13 meeting.
- ✚ Sign up to help make Craft items for the Fair. See sign-up sheets for special workshops.
- ✚ Sign up to staff the tables at the Fair and sell our “One of a Kind Gifts”.



Hydrangea University, Heritage Gardens

July 12, 8:30 AM – 12:15 PM

Tickets are now on sale for this fun and informative event. Nonmember tickets are \$65. For more information see:

info@heritagemuseums.org

In Memory

The Bourne Library has a new exhibit of gardening books. There is a lovely book on flower arrangements. If you pause to look through the book, you will get a nice surprise. This book was a gift of our club in memory of Jane Dalton, Past President 2004-2006.





What a Thrill!

Alda Barron won a Blue Ribbon at the Rhode Island Flower Show for her magnificent flower arrangement. She called her piece, “Dream, Discover, Design”.

Isn't that perfect! The act of creation begins with a dream ... then comes the joy of discovery ... and finally the execution through the design. Well done, Alda! We are so proud of you!

Looking Ahead

| May Calendar | |
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| 2 | 9:30 AM Sherborn Field Trip , includes lunch. View thousands of spring flowers. Contact Sally Zeghibe by Wednesday, 4/24/19 @ 508-564-5484. |
| 11 | 9:00 AM – 1:00 PM Spring Plant & Bake Sale Pocasset Community Building |
| 13 | 10:45 AM Board Meeting 12:00 PM TEA 12:30 PM Day Meeting Program: <ul style="list-style-type: none">  Horticulture: "Tremendous Tree Peonies" by Karen Cronburg  Program: "Floral Design" speaker to be announced |
| | Tea Chair: Sue Dmoechowski Committee: Jean Davock, Gloria Gammons, Betty Galbraith, Judith Martin & Jane Urso Décor Theme: Pretty in Pink |
| 14 | 3:00 PM Garden Therapy Cape Cod Senior Residences |
| 15 | 10:00 AM Garden Therapy Bourne Manor |
| 15 | 6:30 PM Social 6:45 Meeting Artistic Design: Petite Designs by Judy Sheehy Horticulture: Sedums Are Smart by Ellen Hammond Program: "Gardening is Murder" by Neal Sanders. Neal brings a humorous talk that addresses gardening from a spouse's viewpoint. This would be a good program to bring your spouse to hear. |
| | Hospitality: Laura Bergeron, Irene Johnson & Isabel Melo |



Oh Boy! Here comes Color!

Interesting Plant Facts



Einkorn Wheat & The Iceman

Einkorn is the original wheat from the Fertile Crescent (Northeast Turkey and Iran). It has never been hybridized. It is one of the first plants to be cultivated. The earliest evidence dates back about 10,000 years to two early pre-pottery sites in Turkey.

Einkorn wheat was found with Otzi the Iceman. Otzi is Europe's oldest known mummy and he lived about 5,000 years ago. One of his last meals included bread made from Einkorn wheat. Otzi was 5'3", weighed 110 # and was about 45 when he died.

All wheat is a descendent of Einkorn. The wheat is high in protein and has a different gluten structure which makes it easy to digest.

Just for fun, Einkorn wheat products will be raffled off at the May meeting. Enjoy!



Pantry Donations Wanted

The Bourne Food Pantry would love your help with non-perishable food items. In addition, St. Peter's Church on the Canal is asking for Paper Pantry donations. Please bring any gifts you wish to donate to the May meeting. Kathy Sargent O'Neil has offered to collect and deliver them.



Message from the President

Happy Spring Everyone! After a long winter spring flowers are peeking through the dry leaves. Bushes and trees are starting to bud and flower, as this forsythia bush is showing its yellow flowers. Spring is a time of new beginnings. When I push back some leaves I can see evidence of perennials that want to start growing. A few of these plants I'll need to see them emerge more so that I can identify them. It's always interesting to see what plants survive. Now I can finally get outside and clean up my garden! Enjoy!



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