The Garden Club of Hyannis Club Clippings



March 2021 President: Gail Hubacker Editor: Nancy Wong

President's Message:

It's beginning to feel as though Spring will come, and there will be relaxation of some of the COVID restrictions. Ah, freedom, but don't let your guard down, please follow the CDC guidelines I want everyone to remain safe!

With such encouraging information coming to us, we are looking forward to holding our June Celebration and flower show in person, as well as, the Showcase in November, 2021! Of course, each event may have to be modified to suit the situation at the time of each event. For planning purposes, we are enthusiastically moving forward! You will be receiving updated information on both events.

Many activities are ramping up—By-Law revisions will be presented for your approval, after having been diligently prepared by Chair Joan Kenney and her committee, Nancy Beless, Laura Doherty, Deirdre Laughlin, and Simone Perrier. A difficult task to keep the language broad enough to provide flexibility, yet firm enough to guide The Club in its structure and activities. **Our gratitude to Joan and her committee for completing a job well done!** The Executive Board is now reviewing The Standing Rules for relevance, and update.

Another project in process is creating "Visioning The Garden Club of Hyannis at 100!" Each of you will be asked to contribute to this project via virtual round table discussions. It should be fun and enlightening! A compilation of your input will be included in the booklet for the June 90th Anniversary Celebration. The flower show "Through the Years" is a look back through our history, and the "visioning" is a look toward our future, in which you all have a vested interest. Information will be sent to you in a separate email.

I would like to once again highlight some of the offerings provided by The Garden Club Federation, Inc, on their website. <u>GCFM.org</u>. Specifically look under the Education tab. You'll find seminars and "schools." The MAYFLOWER is also being forwarded to you, it's also full of information, and is provided as part of your dues. Each include webinar information on pertinent topics. You'll find information on Native Plant Challenge, Webinar on the same, Neonicotinoids, etc, etc.

Happy Spring! Happy St. Patrick's Day! Gail



HELP WANTED!!!

Incoming co-presidents Cheryl Baer and Sally Cameron are looking for a Yearbook editor for next year. Ability to use a design program is a plus. You would get lots of support and assistance in putting the yearbook together. Interested? Give Sally a call and learn about this one-and-done job that helps the club all year long.

To all the many dear garden club friends who sent me beautiful sympathy cards because of the recent death of my sister Whitney. Each card was so special to me and they all had handwritten messages of love and support which warmed my heart. Many, many thanks to each of you for your thoughtfulness.

Signed, Kitty Lorenz

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Website: www.thegardenclubofhyannis.org

Design - Dolores Ahern

April 9 - Design 101 via Zoom for New Members

<u>April 27</u> - Design committee will meet via Zoom to present examples of the Design types that are in the schedule for the June Flower Show. The meeting will be recorded and shared with the membership.

Click on the link at the end of this article to enjoy. Many thanks to a friend from the Needham Garden Club for sharing!

Needham's Art in Bloom 2021 Returns VIRTUALLY!!!

Beth Shalom Garden Club is excited to be going forward on our 13th year with a virtual version of Needham's Annual Art in Bloom. We're very happy to be able to offer this event to our community at a time when we feel like everyone could use a little lift. The creativity of our town's talented Needham High School student artists coupled with the artistry of Beth Shalom' floral designers, as well as participants from Needham and Kalmia garden clubs, will remind us that, even in tough times like these, beauty is still around us and spring will surely be coming soon.

This year we created a video, set to music, of a selection of 18 pieces of student art with accompanying floral interpretations. The video also includes examples of art and designs from prior NAIB years. The video will be available for public viewing beginning on March 1st, through a link on NeedhamArtin-Bloom.com.





Once again, we thank Roche Bros. for their continuing support.

HISTORIAN -Ann Rosseel and Nancy Wong

Showcase Coordinator Life is slowly returning to normal! With nearly 40% of people having either had covid or the vaccine, we are headed toward herd immunity. Travel and other restrictions are being relaxed and MA doctors are predicting an "almost normal summer".

We expect that people will be very anxious to attend our Showcase on November 18, 19 and 20. We are gearing up for record crowds.

A new time line has been set: The advisory board met on March 2 and Room Captain's and Chairs meeting will be April 6. In April, we will start seeking additional sponsors. Please help. Contact Deborah Benassi and/or Linda Kiley with your ideas of businesses who may want to support our club.

Tickets and Save the Date Cards will be printed in mid May so they can be distributed before our annual meeting in June. With the pent up demand for socialization, selling tickets should be a breeze.

And If you aren't already participating in a Showcase committee, please consult the last page of the yearbook which lists various committees and contact the committee chair to volunteer.

Please be safe and let us know if you need help securing an appointment for your vaccine. We now have many members that are familiar with the state vaccine system and can walk you through it, the best places to get vaccinated and best times to sign up etc.

HOSPITALITY—Frances Hoothay, Deborah Benassi

Our March hostesses, Linda Zarif and Joan Kenney, are sharing their favorite recipes. Joan is getting us ready to celebrate St. Patrick's Day with a Celtic Spice Cake recipe and Linda is taking us on a trip to Sweden with her delicious (no crust) äppelpaj. Get ready to do some baking! With the longer days and warmer weather, maybe you'll enjoy these desserts in your garden thinking about the days ahead!



From the kitchen of **Joan Kenney**

Ingredients

- 1 cup sugar
- 1 cup raisins
- 1 1/2 cups water
- 3 Tbsp. shortening
- 1 tsp. cloves
- 1 tsp cinnamon

Directions

Cook everything together until shortening melts; boil 5 minutes.

Cool thoroughly, then add 2 cups flour and 1 tsp. baking soda.

Finally beat in 1 egg.

Bake at 350 degrees in a Pam sprayed 8 x 8 pan for 30-35 minutes.

Serve with vanilla ice cream





From the kitchen of Linda Zarif

Ingredients

4 cups sliced cooking apples

1 tablespoon sugar

1 tsp. cinnamon

½ cup chopped pecans

½ cup butter

1 cup sugar

1 beaten egg

1 cup flour

½ tsp. salt

1 tsp. baking powder

Whipped cream

Directions

In butter a 9' pie plate, spread apples and spring with sugar, cinnamon and pecans. Cream butter and sugar. Beat in egg. Sift together flour, salt and baking powder and add to cream mixture. Spoon batter over apples and gently spread. Bake at 350 for 35 to 40 minutes. Let cool in pan for 5 minutes. Turn pie upside down and serve warm with whipped cream.

OUTINGS—Nancy Bailey and MItzie Kocsis

Bringing Nature Home

Please join the Outings Committee in congratulating Nancy Wong on winning the Bringing Nature Home virtual tour quiz. Nancy, like our other winners, will receive a gift card to Country Gardens in Hyannis. Nancy W. joins Susan Sweeney and Nancy Costa as this year's winners!

Thanks to all of our participants and those who took the time to just send a nice note without submitting an entry.

Upcoming Outings...Save the Dates

Good News from the Outings Committee, co-chaired by Nancy Bailey and Mitzie Kocsis. Starting in May, the Outings Committee hopes to start inviting members to several events which the committee began working on last summer. While we don't have all of the details finalized yet, we did want to share what you have to look forward to so you can save some of these dates on your calendars.

On May 5^h, we will celebrate Cinco de Mayo in a unique way. More details to come. But you might want to dust off your family's coveted Marguerita recipes!

Thursday, May 20^h, you'll be invited to Green Briar Nature Center in Sandwich, MA. The jam kitchen will be open along with their gift shop and we'll be able to enjoy their wildflower garden and nature trails.

Save Tuesday, June 29, for a tour of Highfield Hall gardens hosted by its master gardener. While you're in the area, you might want to spend some time on your own at The Knob, a 12-acre property with trails and water views.

Tuesday, July 13, offers participants a tour of George Chapman's personal garden followed by a 1.5 hour tour of the Coonamessett Farm gardens. Mr. Chapman is the landscape director at Highfield.

We'll close out on August 4^h, with a tour of the personal gardens of Dave Scandurra, owner of Edible Landscapes.

For those of you who are new to the club, outings are offered with a request that you sign up by a deadline date in order to save a spot. There can be a capacity limit, especially when touring someone's personal garden. So if any of these interest you, be sure to sign up early. PLEASE DON'T START CALLING US NOW! We also keep a waiting list of people who may not have signed up by the deadline. That way, if someone cancels, we can offer the spot to someone on our waiting list. In some cases, a small fee may be charged: sometimes this can be paid at the door, other times in advance.

Hopefully, we'll all be vaccinated by the time these kick off and the committee will share any health protocols these locations might have in place as our dates near.

A big THANK YOU to committee members who had so many ideas and kept working remotely...at times from other states... on these events just waiting for a chance to welcome you.

CONSERVATION – Sally Churchill and Nancy Beless

The Conservation Committee is planning a native plant, native seeds and garden produce sale for September 10th at Candi Hurwitz's home in Centerville. Mark your calendar and think about what you might want to contribute. More details will follow. Proceeds to benefit the Scholarship Fund.

Conservation Tip for March

Household Hazardous Waste collections begin in April. The zonal map below gives date, place, and time for each town's collection. The collections are a collaboration between Barnstable County and individual towns. It is a free service and the mission is to protect our sole aquifer water supply. So start organizing your hazardous waste for your town's collection date. Additional information can be found at www.capecodextension.org

NATIVE PLANT OF THE MONTH - ASTER

Scientific name: Aster spp.

Habitat: Fields
Bloom time: FALL



This following list is for general information only and not an endorsement from The Garden Club of Hyannis of any listed resources. To access the websites in the following charts, copy & paste the link to your browser. This list is also sent as a separate PDF attachment to the clippings email.

Name	Web Address	Comments
	Informational Sites	
The Garden Club Federation of Massachusetts, The Native Plant Challenge	https://www.gcfm.org/president-s-project	Information pertaining to the Native Pant Challenge
Native Plant Initiative Association to Preserve Cape Codapcc.org:	https://apcc.org/our-work/education/native-plant-initiative/	Links to sources and resources
Native Plant Trust	http://www.nativeplanttrust.org/	Extensive information and Resources
Native Plant Lists/Benefits of Planting with Regionally Nativewww.mashpeema.gov	https://www.mashpeema.gov/conservation/pages/native-plant-listsbenefits-planting-regionally-native-plant-species	Good information, includes links to nurseries which carry native plants
Southeastern MA, Cape & Islands Grow Native Massachusettsgrownativemass.org : Our-Commonwealth : capeislands	https://grownativemass.org/Our-Commonwealth/cape- islands	Includes Lists of books pertaining to Cape Cod Native Plants
Coastal Landscaping in Massachusetts - Plant List Mass.govwww.mass.gov	https://www.mass.gov/service-details/coastal-landscaping-in-massachusetts-plant-list	Excellent resource for dunes and areas close to the ocean
Cape Cod Cooperative Extension - Grow Native Massachusettsgrownativemass.org :	https://grownativemass.org/sites/default/files/documents/ Cape_Cod_Coop_Ext_Plant_List.pdf	If you like charts technical but full of useful information
Native plants for a Cape Cod gardenwww.capecodwoodlandgarden.com	http://www.capecodwoodlandgarden.com/	Blog posts, charts and leaf id included.
Grow Native Massachussetts	https://grownativemass.org/	Extensive information and Resources and Links
Audubon: Plants for Birds - Native Plant Data Base www.audubon.org	https://www.audubon.org/plantsforbirds? gcild=Cj0KCQidyoeCBhCTARIsAOfpKxiKws6T3cSbi0yKY2 e56W9l4m886iZK_e1x9tW4J-8dRXjrTti1190aAuPCEALw_wc_ <u>B</u>	Great site for planting natives to attract birds. Includes a zip code look-up to tailor the list to your area
Fact Sheets Cape Cod Cooperative Extensionwww.capecodextension.org:	https://www.capecodextension.org/aghort/resources/	Not limited to Native Plants but an excellent resource for all trees, shrubs, vegetables and plant care
	Where to Buy Native Plants:	
Native Plants of Cape Cod – Crocker Nurseriescrockernurseries.com	https://crockernurseries.com/earth-day-at-crocker- nurseries/	Resource: local (Brewster) nursery - Not Native focused
Best for Cape Cod - Hyannis Country Gardenwww.hyanniscountrygarden.com : best-for-cape-cod	https://www.hyanniscountrygarden.com/wp-content/ uploads/2020/04/Best-For-Cape-Cod natives.pdf	Resource: local (Hyannis) nursery - not Native focused
Cape Cod Coastal Nursery, Harwich, MA	http://www.capecoastalnursery.com/default.html	Resource: Specializes in Beach Grass and Native Plants

Name	Web Address	Comments
Beacon Gardens at Ostervile, Osterville, MA	https://www.beacongardens.com/	Resource: local (Ostervile) nursery - not Native focused
Sylvan Nurseries, Westport, MA	http://sylvannurseries.com/retail	Resource: Wholesale Nursery that sells retail on certain days. Come prepared to take items with you - not deliveries but an extensive inventory. Preview their catalogs on the website before you go. Not Native focused
Soares Nursery, Falmouth, MA	https://www.soaresflowergardennursery.com/	Resource: local (Falmouth) nursery - not Native focused
Cape Abilities Farm, Dennis, MA	https://www.capeabilitiesfarm.org/	Resource: local (Dennis) nursery - not Native focused
Mahoney's Garden Center, Multiple locations	https://mahoneysgarden.com/	Resource: local nursery - not Native focused
Cape Cod Organic Farm, Barnstable, MA	http://www.capecodorganicfarm.org/cape-american-beach-grass from grass	Specializing in American Beach Grass from Sandy Neck.
Hart Farm, Dennis Port, MA	http://www.hartfarmnursery.com/nursery.html	Resource: local (Dennis Port) nursery - not Native focused

