

GRAPPEVINE

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9th District

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9th District Happenings...

As the summer winds down and we enter the cooler months of September and October, the 9th District is busy, busy, busy! Too often we don't have time for the things we LOVE and ENJOY because of work schedules, family, health or commitments. Involvement in your club and the 9th district is an important way to spread the word of our clubs' mission statements whether it be through education, community beautification, blue star markers, etc. Take advantage of the programs offered by other clubs in the coming months and see what's growing in their garden

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FALL DATESIMPORTANT***FALL DATES***

September 11-13

FGNYS Annual Fall Meeting Info/reg: Annette Kuhn akuhn@rich.com
Radisson Inn, Corning, NY

September 24

*District President's Luncheon
& Board Meeting* info: rosemaryeshghi@gmail.com
reg: M. Delano
"High Tea" Theme \$20
Sandwiches, coffee, etc
Dobb's Ferry Women's Club
1486 Pleasantville Rd
Briarcliff, NY 10510

October 2,3 & 4

Flower Show School-Course III Info/reg: ckwolff37@gmail.com
Chappaqua First Congregational Church, Chappaqua

October 18 & 19

"AN AUTUMN PALETTE"
9th District Flower Show Info/ rosemaryeshghi@gmail.com
Dobb's Ferry Women's Club, Dobb's Ferry
schedule on district9fgcnys.com

Flower Shows are only one way of showing your talents as a designer, horticulturist or educator

Small Standard Flower Show
"Living with Color" May 11 & 12 2018
Ardsley GC

Award of Design Excellence: Arline Weston
Award of Horticultural Excellence: Elly Akhavan
Educational Top Exhibitor Award: Larry Nardecchia



Petite Standard Flower Show
"Verse & Verdure" June 1,2, 3, 2018

New Horizons GC

Award of Design Excellence: Pam Wright
Award of Horticultural Excellence: Dee Aspros
Educational Top Exhibitor Award: Sue Trager



Standard Flower Show
"Tealicious" June 8 & 9 2018
Briarcliff Manor GC

Award of Design Excellence: Maureen Delano
Award of Horticultural Excellence: Barbara Kijak Miller
Educational Top Exhibitor Award: Barbara Kijak Miller & Mary Moller

ACTIVITIES : AUGUST, SEPTEMBER & OCTOBER

Section 1: Trina Hiemcke, Chair

***Brewster Carmel:** The Blue Star committee of the Brewster/ Carmel Garden Club has been busy preparing for their Blue Star ceremony on October 13th. Invitations have been printed and will soon be sent. The stone is being donated and as well the plaque as mentioned in the last Grapevine. We are participating in the Brewster Fall Festival in September. Members have prepared planters with succulents which will be sold at the event as well as plants from their gardens and flower arrangements. We had two outstanding presentations in June and July. An educator from Wave Hill presented on planting and maintaining lavender in your garden and P.C. Carey from the Connecticut Bee Keeping Association did a very informative presentation on bee hives and the habits of the bee population. In June, 16 of our members toured Holister House and Gardens in Connecticut. We are happy to report that we have inducted 5 new members since February 2018. Each is already actively involved in our activities.

***Lake Mahopac:** July - We celebrated our Annual Luncheon at Florrie Kaye's Tea Room in Carmel. The LMGC was treated to an assortment of finger sandwiches and delectable desserts. Three new members were inducted into our club in between cups of exotic teas. The five civic gardens, that our Club maintains in Mahopac, have flourished from the abundant rain. It has taken the onus off members who had to water them in the drier periods. August – We found ourselves, yet again, eating well at our monthly meeting! Member Kathy Tuttle hosted our Annual Herb Luncheon at her lovely home in Mahopac. Each member brought a dish that featured an herb. Our Tea Committee met during the month to find a theme for our largest fund raiser of the year, and to organize the details for the tea. The theme is “Tea in Sleepy Hollow, and will be held Saturday, October 20th.” Garden Club member Regina Morini presented a check for \$500 generously donated to us by the Mahopac Rotary. It is to be used to maintain the civic gardens we are responsible for. September – We were back in Sycamore for this meeting. Our program featured “Mass Flower Arrangements,” and was presented by master gardener Jane Gendron from the Putnam County Chapter of Cornell Cooperative.

***New Horizons:** “Verse & Verdure”, an NGC Petite Flower Show was a success. Pam Wright received the Design of Excellence award and Dee Aspros Excellence in Horticulture. July’s workshop by Chris Woolf and power point by Pam Wright had participants exploring creative design using their own flowers and 6 inch cube vase. Members of New Horizons have been taking the rest of the summer off and planning exciting workshops for 2019!

***Peekskill:** After a rainy but successful May plant sale, members enjoyed our annual July potluck BBQ at the Peekskill Yacht Club. At our September 4 meeting, Dan Meyer will show members how to “Create a Driftwood Planter”. Members continue to maintain the Club’s “Petals Garden” in downtown Peekskill. The roses are looking good in spite of the rainy weather. We will have our October 2 Public Outreach

***Yorktown:** In July members went to Brooklyn Botanic Gardens and enjoyed lunch at the Yellow Magnolia Cafe as well as the many plantings. Brooklyn Botanic Garden is an urban botanic garden that connects people to the world of plants, fostering delight and curiosity while inspiring an appreciation and sense of stewardship of the environment. August brought us to the Hudson River on The Pride of the Hudson. We enjoyed a two hour trip on a beautiful day with informative commentary and camaraderie. Lunch on the waterfront in Newburgh was also enjoyed. Opus 40 Sculpture Garden was our September destination. Opus 40 is a large environmental sculpture in Saugerties, NY, created by sculptor and quarryman Harvey Fite, one of the founders of Bard College). It comprises a sprawling series of dry-stone ramps, pedestals and platforms, covering 6.5 acres of bluestone quarry. Lunch enjoyed at a local restaurant.

Section 2A: Chris Wolff, Chair

***Briarcliff Manor** On Wednesday, September 12, 2018 at the Briarcliff Manor Public Library William J. Vescio Community Center we will have a program presented by Pam Wright. She will design a woodland fantasy that you might stumble upon in an enchanted forest. Ferns, moss, bark and other elements will be combined to create a lush design fit for fairies or other mystical creatures. On Wednesday, October 10th, 2018 our members Silke, Susan and Barbara will conduct a workshop, working with beautiful blooms and lots of botanical, autumn texture. Each member will take home their own crafted centerpiece.

***Chappaqua** The Chappaqua Garden Club is on hiatus over the summer. At the September meeting the members exchanged plants and learned the requisites for overwintering the plants.: does not meet over the summer.

Section 2B: Mary Bailly, Chair

Green Acres:

Hopp Ground:

***Pound Ridge:** In July Courtney Rathaus formerly of the Rye Nature Center gave an interesting presentation on creating your own makeup using all natural ingredients and plants. We were all invited to participate in the process and we all went home with samples! In August Margaret Mikolenko, Master Gardner and Horticulturalist of the Pound Ridge Nursery and Garden Center gave an informative talk on horticulture presentation in anticipation of our upcoming flower show in Sept.

Section 3: Yvonne Avant, Chair

***Ardsey:** Members have been busy maintaining the Pollinator garden at the library. Joe Pye Weed is about five feet tall and thriving as is the milkweed, butterfly weed and hyssop. Hope we have a lot of butterflies laying their eggs. In July we had a summer lunch to plan the events for the Fall – including working on plans for our Spring Flower Show. We will be able to participate more in the 9th District Flower Show since it is in nearby Dobbs Ferry at the Somen’s Club. See you all there!

Dobbs Ferry: NO RESPONSE

***Parkway Gardens/Homes:** nothing to report

***Little Gardens of Tarrytown:** In July seven of our members attended the President’s Tour at Untermyer. Much progress has been made there; water now fills the canals and pool in the upper garden area. In August we spent an evening doing garden maintenance at Neperan Park.

***White Plains:** nothing to report

Section 4: Suzanne Clephane, Chair

Boulder Ledge:

Ceres of Rye

Larchmont

Section 5: Mary Bowles & Yolanda Gorman, Chairs

Baychester:

***City Island:** Our planned refurbishment of the City Island Post Office garden area was completed in July, as well as the planting of summer flowers and greens in planter boxes along City Island Avenue. The Garden Club’s July meeting was a members’ luncheon at City Island Yacht Club on Friday, July 6, with the installation of our club officers. As usual, we did not have a meeting in August. Our September 10 meeting featured Nick Storrs, from the New York Botanical Garden, who gave us a presentation on vegetable gardening.

***Luther Burbank:** D.I.G Farm Trip- Members enjoyed a trip to D.I.G Farm, the mission of the farm is to reconnect people with our natural source of food: Club enjoyed farm to table brunch. September 9 Patriot Ceremony at the 9/11 Memorial donated Rumsey Rd for the community. September 12 Membership Recruitment at Local Library

New Rochelle:

Manor Club of Pelham:

***Morsemere:** The club did not meet in July and August. In September a number of the members toured Kykuit and got immersed into the life of the Rockefellers. Following the tour a delicious lunch was enjoyed. The club’s first meeting of the season got the members into the holiday spirit by creating tray favors for Rosary Hill. The workshop was followed by a review of the club’s planned activities for the 2018-2019 season.

9TH DISTRICT upcoming 2018 FLOWER SHOWS

September 28 th -29 th	“The Big Apple”	Pound Ridge GC	Conant Hall, 257 Westchester Ave, Pound Ridge
October 19 & 20 2018	“An Autumn Palette”	9 th District – All Clubs	Dobb’s Ferry Women’s Club

Calendar of Events for September, October & November 2018

Sept 11 10:30 Pound Ridge Library Free and open to the public
 271 Westchester Ave
 Pound Ridge NY

Our own Dee Aspros, NGC Master Judge and NYSFGC Master Judge and Horticulture Judge will give us a presentation covering the 34 floral design techniques listed in the latest Handbook for Flower Shows. She will have some examples available and will also demonstrate a few of the techniques.

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Sept 12 2 PM "The Cottage" –St. John's Episcopal Church at the corner of North and Lovell Avenues Contact: Julie Larkin 914-235-1834
 FLOWERS FOR NATURAL BEAUTY From roses to marigolds, discover the natural beauty ingredients growing in your own backyards. Learn to infuse oils and use them to create your own products. Participants will make their own blush to take home.

Oct 10 Briarcliff Manor member's Silke, Susan and Barbara will conduct a workshop working with beautiful blooms and lots of botanical autumn texture. Each member will take home their own crafted centerpiece.

Oct 10 6:30pm Will Library Luther Burbank GC - Open to Community
 Guest Speaker Tom Patton, Manages his home apiary in Yonkers, lecturing on Bee Keeping

Oct 13 Annual Little Gardens of Tarrytown fundraiser - Tag Sale
 27 College Avenue, adjacent to the Farmer's Market in Sleepy Hollow
 For more information: Kim Waddell 914-625-8814

Oct 24 Briarcliff Fall Fundraiser luncheon \$55 p/p Mount Kisco Country Club
 For more info email: brigardenclub@gmail.com

Oct 18 12:45 pm First Congregational Church Chappaqua

Melissa Fabel will discuss designing and combining native plants. Ms. Fabel is active with the Native Plant Center at WCC and has designed locally for community properties at Horace Greeley High School and our club shed.

Nov 14 Annual Therapy Meeting Luther Burbank GC
 Packaging and labeling donations for St. John's Riverside hospital patients

Nov 28 Annual Wreath Making Meeting Luther Burbank GC

Dec 5 10:00 am Holiday wreaths will be made at Yorktown Town Hall. Bring greens, clippers, gloves and holiday cheer to construct wreaths for local veterans and town buildings. Holiday luncheon to follow. For more information, contact Gail Orser 914 245-4039.

Dec 5 7pm Rumsey Rd Tree Lighting Luther Burbank GC - All welcome
 Free reception following at the Park Hill Racquet Club