

# GRAPPEVINE

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2019  
9<sup>th</sup> District**

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Mark your calendars and send in your reservation for the upcoming Annual Spring Luncheon and Executive Board Installation - April 15, 2019 at the Crabtree's Kittle House Restaurant in Chappaqua NY. FGCNYS President, Monica Hansen, will be present to join the 9<sup>th</sup> District for lunch and install the new Executive Board. Marcia Borel, Sogetsu Ikebana designer, is our presenter.

Please RSVP by March 31<sup>st</sup>. No walk-in's will be accepted at this event.

And don't forget – 9<sup>th</sup> District minutes are available on the 9<sup>th</sup> District website.

Just click "For Members Only", password "Lasdon" then click on "9<sup>th</sup> District Minutes". Or simply click on this link <http://www.district9fgcnys.com/For-Members-Only.html>

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**March 11 @ 10 am**

**March 26 – 28**

**Monday, April 15**

**April 29 - May 2**

**May 19 - 21**

**\*\*\*IMPORTANT\*\*\***

**9<sup>th</sup> District Board Meeting**

**Flower Show School IV**

**Spring Luncheon – 9<sup>th</sup> District**

Crabtree Kittle House Restaurant  
\$60 P/P -11:30 am

**NGC Installation and Convention**

<http://gardenclub.org/about-us/convention-2019.aspx>

**FGCNYS, Inc. – Annual Meeting**

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**Lasdon Park & Arboretum**

First Congregational Church  
Chappaqua, NY  
Registration: [cwolff37@gmail.com](mailto:cwolff37@gmail.com)

contact: [rosemaryeshghi@gmail.com](mailto:rosemaryeshghi@gmail.com)  
send registration to: M. Delano  
1486 Pleasantville Rd  
Briarcliff, NY 10510

Beau Rivage, Biloxi, MS

**Hauppauge, LI**  
<http://www.fgcny.com/index.html>



## Visiting Nurse Baskets and Holiday Wreaths



### New Rochelle Garden Club December 2018



### Submitted Articles and News:

#### Horticulture is Groovy! Specialty Flower Show July 19-21 at Lasdon

Celebrate the 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of Woodstock with New Horizons GC and Lasdon Park & Arboretum. New Horizons is presenting the first Horticulture Specialty Flower Show in our district. Everyone is welcome to participate; let's learn together. A working Horticulture schedule will be distributed shortly. Student Judges, here's chance to earn some horticulture exhibiting credits. On Friday afternoon and evening, Lasdon expects hundreds of guests to attend the concert and other activities including viewing our show. The show will remain open all weekend, staffed by Lasdon. Stay tuned for more info.

#### Auralie Logan, Editor Extraordinaire

After nearly thirty years of writing and editing the *Horizon Line*, Auralie Logan is stepping down. Auralie's combination of horticulture knowledge, smooth writing style and collections of corny jokes will be sorely missed. The *Horizon Line*, created and lovingly prepared by Auralie, is not your ordinary club newsletter. Along with the usual upcoming events and club news, Auralie added in-depth articles on specific types of horticulture, environmental concerns and other topics of interest to club members. All of us learned a great deal from these thoughtfully prepared monthly newsletters and are indebted to Auralie for sharing her knowledge with us over many years.

On behalf of New Horizons Garden Club members, thank you Auralie, for a wonderful collection of Horizon Lines and for your continuing mentorship.

Pam Wright  
President, New Horizons GC

### 9<sup>th</sup> District Board Openings!!!

Over the last few years many 9<sup>th</sup> District Board Openings have been vacated and opened-up. Why not volunteer for one of these chair positions? Support your district and make a difference in the direction of the 9<sup>th</sup>! For more information; contact: [suzy.trager@gmail.com](mailto:suzy.trager@gmail.com)

## ACTIVITIES : JANUARY, FEBRUARY & MARCH 2019

### **Section 1: Trina Hiemcke, Chair**

**Brewster Carmel:** *January-March* The Brewster/Carmel Garden Club did not meet in January. Our February 12<sup>th</sup> meeting was cancelled because of snow and rescheduled for the following week. Pam Wright who was going to present on the Elements and Principles of Design at our meeting on the 12<sup>th</sup> was rescheduled for our March meeting. In April we have our spring luncheon. May will be a busy month for us. We have our annual plant sale, a trip to Boscobel and a presentation by the Bedford Audubon at our monthly meeting. Adam Wheeler from Broken Arrow Nursery is doing a presentation at our June meeting and we are sponsoring a garden tour of area gardens on June 8<sup>th</sup> which is open to the general public.

**Lake Mahopac:** *January:* The Lake Mahopac Garden Club held our Annual Luncheon in Sycamore Park. The tables were decorated with gay pots of flowers, so welcome to the senses on a gray winter's day. Everyone brought a dish. I kid you not when I say, we have "the best of cooks in our club!" There was an induction of two new members and three officers. Each member was given a copy of our revised bylaws.

*February:* We do not meet this month. *March:* Following our business meeting the co-chairs of our, "The Merry Month of May," Showcase Flower Show (occurring May 17 & 18 in the Mahopac Public Library), gave the members a preview of what will be expected in the designer flower arrangements. Member, Liz Benediktson in charge of Design, presented Angular Design from the Handbook for Flower Shows.

**New Horizons:** *January:* Planning meeting for 2019 and installation of new officers. P. Wright (President), C. Wolff (Vice President) and S. Trager (Sec/Treas.) are the new officers for the 2019-2021 term. *February:* Petite Fleur Workshop using watch stands as an armature was very well-attended at Lasdon Park *March:* C. Wolff presents Root, Nurture & Grow – a \$15 workshop on the propagation of plants to be held at Lasdon Park on March 18<sup>th</sup>. Register with [suzy.trager@gmail.com](mailto:suzy.trager@gmail.com)

#### **\*Peekskill:**

**Yorktown:** In *January* members visited the Frick Museum in Manhattan, former residence of Henry Clay Frick whose collections have been open to the public since 1935. Lunch was then enjoyed at Via Quadranno. A business meeting to discuss club activities and projects was held in *February* at Lasdon Park and Arboretum. Jacqui Bergonzi presented Vegetable, a Taste of Summer at St. Matthew's Episcopal Church Parish House in Bedford on February 27<sup>th</sup>. Her talk covered soil prep, including raised beds and containers, watering, fencing and staking as well as maintenance, tools and putting the garden to bed. In *March* John C. Hart Library hosted Kim Eierman from the Native Plant Center at Westchester Community College. She discussed Great Native Plants for Containers and informed the public how to invite butterflies, beneficial insects and hummingbirds to your patio or balcony.

### **Section 2A: Chris Wolff, Chair**

**Briarcliff Manor:** On *Wednesday February 13<sup>th</sup>* we saw a video presentation organized by John Panagacos : "The Great Gardens of England" . We visited 3 of England's finest gardens: Hidcote Manor, the National Trust Rose Garden at Mottisfont and the most famous garden in England, the Sissinghurst Castle.

**Chappaqua:** Member interest groups Juniors, Garden Therapy, Winter Book Club, and Library Flowers were active and members attended two presentations. Landscape Architect Glen Ticehurst spoke on creating visually appealing Winter Landscapes in January. Urban naturalist Ken Chaya, co-founder and president of the Central Park Nature Association, discussed the flora, fauna, architecture and trees of Central Park in March. The Flower Arranging committee is planning a trip to the NYC Flower Market in the spring and prom flowers workshop in June.

### **Section 2B: Mary Bailly, Chair**

**Green Acres:**

**Hopp Ground:**

**Pound Ridge:** Pound Ridge does not meet in January and February

### Section 3: Yvonne Avant, Chair

**Ardasley** has been awarded \$1000 National Garden Clubs Plant America Community Project Grant. The money will be used to complete the renovation of the pollinator garden at the Ardsley Public Library. More native plants from the Native Plant Society at WCC will be installed.

\***Dobbs Ferry:**

\***Parkway Gardens/Homes**

\***Little Gardens of Tarrytown:**

**White Plains:**

### Section 4: Suzanne Clephane, Chair

**Boulder Ledge:**

**Ceres of Rye**

**Larchmont**

### Section 5: Mary Bowles & Yolanda Gorman, Chairs

**Baychester:**

**City Island** We began the new year with a presentation at our *January* meeting by beekeeper Nancy Kheck of City Island Gold Apiary; she spoke about her beekeeping activities here on City Island as well as her educational, public outreach, and research projects with other beekeepers. Our *February* meeting featured Nick Storrs, an instructor at the New York Botanical Garden and manager of the Randall Island Urban Farm, who returned for the second half of his presentation on vegetable gardening. In *March*, our committees met to plan the club's many projects for the coming months: organizing our annual fund-raising campaign, seasonal plantings for the planter boxes along City Island Avenue, field trips, and special beautification projects. The luncheon committee also finalized details and assigned tasks for our Annual Luncheon on May 16, selecting "Daisies are Forever" as this year's theme.

**Luther Burbank**

**New Rochelle:** Jan: No Meeting this month. Feb: The Home Herbalist- Courtney Rothaus. We learned which garden plants are used to heal, soothe and increase immunity. March: Annual Fundraiser: Luck o' the Irish Bingo Annual Fundraiser.. Always fun and successful. Guests welcome!

**Manor Club of Pelham:**

**Morsemere:** In January the Morsemere Garden Club did not hold a formal meeting but removed the holiday decorations from Philipse Manor Hall in Yonker. February brought the club members to the Hudson River Museum for a tour of the Glenview Manor and its collections, including a new exhibit entitled "Color of the Moon. Following the museum the members held their monthly meeting and enjoyed lunch at Dolphin Restaurant in Yonkers. The March meeting was held at the home of Roseline Morandin, with Yvonne Lynn serving as her Co-Hostess. A slate of officers for 2019-2020 was presented to the Executive Board by the Nominating Committee. Gwen Cort presented a very educational Floral Design Demonstration in preparation for the club's upcoming flower show in May.

## 9<sup>TH</sup> DISTRICT upcoming 2019-2020 FLOWER SHOWS

May 17-18	Lake Mahopac	Showcase Flower Show	The Merry Month of May
May 21	Morsemere		A Toast to 90 Years
July 19-21	New Horizons	Horticulture Specialty Show	Peace, Love & Flowers
August 23-24	X District Show	Standard Flower Show	Oz Revisited
September 12 -14	Brewster Carmel		
September 21	District II Greenport, LI, NY		A Social Whirl
April 17-19 2020	9th District	Design Specialty Show	50 <sup>th</sup> Anniversary Earth Day
June 2020	Pound Ridge	Petite Standard Flower Show	

**\*\*Please refer to last page of Grapevine for important information on obtaining Judges and Awards for your upcoming Flower Shows\*\***

## Calendar of Events

March – June 2019

**March 5** Carol Pisani, an award-winning crafter, will be demonstrating a bracelet using dried plant material for botanical art.

**March 11 at 10 am** 9<sup>th</sup> District Board Meeting at Lasdon Park & Arboretum

**March 12 at 12:30 pm** Principles & Elements of Design Pam Wright Brewster Carmel GC

**March 13** Briarcliff Manor Public Library - William J. Vescio Community Center we will be having a program with Ernest Cavallo called: "Galanthophilia: A Good Kind of Love". Ernest Cavallo has gardened on the East End of Long Island for 40 years. In 2009 when he retired from a career in public service, he decided to take a trip to the UK to explore new options for his Winter garden. Since 2010, he worked with the staff at NYBG as a volunteer to help expand the Garden's collection. Now he is ready to share what he has learned with you.

**Email [brigardenclub@gmail.com](mailto:brigardenclub@gmail.com) for more information and/or if you wish to attend**

**March 14** 7:00 pm Warner Library in Tarrytown Free talk / discussion on Climate Change. Open to the Public Hosted by many of the Rivertown's garden clubs (Irvington, Dobbs Ferry, Little Gardens of Tarrytown, etc).

contact Kim Waddell, 914-625-8814 or [waddellkim05@gmail.com](mailto:waddellkim05@gmail.com)

**March 18 10 am** "Root, Nurture & Grow" New Horizons Workshop at Lasdon Park & Arboretum Fee \$15  
contact: [suzy.trager@gmail.com](mailto:suzy.trager@gmail.com) to reserve your spot

**March 20** 12:30 p.m. First Congregational Church – Chappaqua GC presents Ken Chaya, creator of "Central Park Entire, the Definitive Illustrated Map" who will discuss wildlife, flora, trees and architectural features of New York's Central Park. Free to the public

**March** "Luck o'the Irish" Bingo Fundraiser led by Charlotte Stupple

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**April 8 10 am** Trendy Houseplants and Decorative Containers New Horizons Fee: \$10  
Plants and Containers will be available for sale Contact: [suzy.trager@gmail.com](mailto:suzy.trager@gmail.com) reservations

**April 9 10:30 am** Vegetable: The Taste of Summer with Jacqui Bergonzi Pound Ridge Library, 271 Westchester Ave  
Free & open to the public Pound Ridge, NY  
Contact: Susan Lee 914.764.9051

**April 10 @ 2PM:** Attracting Birds to your Garden by Hank Weber. Mr. Weber is an active birder in the area and leads tours. Free Location: St. John's Episcopal Church Cottage, New Rochelle NY 10804  
Contact Judie Phillips 914-715-8818

**Wednesday, April 10<sup>th</sup>, 2019** John Panagacos will conduct a hands-on workshop program called: "Growing Plants from Seeds" to enable us to start from seed, perennials and annuals that we cannot find in the local nurseries. Experience the thrill of starting your own plants from seed and watching them grow in your garden or in containers, throughout the summer. Please bring a sheet of newspaper with you to this session. The club will supply the workshop supplies.

**Email [brigardenclub@gmail.com](mailto:brigardenclub@gmail.com) for more information and/or if you wish to attend**

**April 10 12:15** "Shrubs, the New Perennials" with Lorraine Ballato at the First Congregational Church Chappaqua

**April 15 9<sup>th</sup> District Annual Spring Luncheon & Installation**

**Crabtree Kittle House, Chappaqua, NY**

**May 7 10:30 am** "Botanical Jewelry" Susan Trager - create a one of a kind piece of jewelry using nature's elements  
Pound Ridge Library Contact: Susan Lee 914.764.9051

**May 8 @ 2PM** Small Horticultural Show. Please join us!  
Location: St.John's Episcopal Church Cottage, New Rochelle NY 10804

Garden Club of New Rochelle  
Contact Judie Phillips 914-715-8818

**Wednesday, May 8<sup>th</sup>** Barbara Kijak Miller former owner of the family-run business, Green Valley Nursery (1947-2017) will conduct a workshop: "A Succulent Bird's Nest". Barbara grew up on the nursery's property, where she was exposed to the everyday workings of a very successful, horticulture business. With her vast knowledge of indoor and outdoor plants, she will conduct a workshop, showing you how to make your own succulent bird's nest, using dried moss and living succulent plants. She will take you through the basics of arranging succulents, plus how to care and maintain them in both the garden and outdoors.

**Email [brigardenclub@gmail.com](mailto:brigardenclub@gmail.com) for more information and/or if you wish to attend**

Briarcliff Manor Public Library William J. Vescio Community Center

One Library Road, Briarcliff Manor, NY 10510

**May 11:** Annual Mother's Day Plant Sale will be held in front of Suburban Wines and Liquors. Plants from Yorktown members gardens, annuals, perennials, hanging baskets and collections as well as gift items will be available for purchase. Profits will go toward town beautification.

**May 13 10 am** Entryscapes & Outdoor Containers  
Lasdon Park & Arboretum

New Horizons

Fee \$10

Contact: [suzy.trager@gmail.com](mailto:suzy.trager@gmail.com) for reservations

**May 15 at 12:15 pm** "Container Gardening" First Congregational Church in Chappaqua

**May 16 12 noon** GC of City Island Annual Luncheon

Venue/Cost TBD

Contact: Vivi Macquire 718.885.1442

**May 21** Morsemere GC "A Toast to 90 Years" On May 21, 2019 the Morsemere Garden Club will proudly present a Small Standard Flower Show entitled "A Toast to 90 Years", in celebration of the club's many projects and accomplishments over the past 90 years. The show will be held at Philipse Manor Hall located at 29 Warburton Avenue, Yonkers NY. The show will be open to the public on May 21<sup>st</sup> from 1-4pm and 5-7pm. The evening hours will include a Wine and Cheese Reception, hosted by the Friends of Philipse Manor Hall, to honor the Morsemere Garden Club. Admission is free. Please contact Shannon Daugherty on 914 760-2029 for additional information.

**June 11** Jazzing up the Garden with Color, Contrast & Movement

Karen Bussolini

Pound Ridge Library

Contact: Susan Lee 914.764.9051

**June:** Annual Luncheon place and time to be determined. Please feel free to join us! New Rochelle Garden Club

# Procedure for Applying for a Flower Show Achievement Award in the 9<sup>th</sup> District, FGCNYS, Inc.

*Please note 9<sup>th</sup> District procedures differ from FGCNYS, Inc. and NGC, Inc. procedures.*

1. At least 8 weeks before a Flower Show, the Club Judges Chair sends a *letter of intent* to apply for an award to the 9<sup>th</sup> District Awards Chair (Sue Trager: [suzy.trager@gmail.com](mailto:suzy.trager@gmail.com)). This may be a letter or an email; a phone call is not sufficient. The *letter of intent* must include:
    - a. Club name
    - b. Mailing address
    - c. Name & contact information for Judges Chair
    - d. Flower Show title, date(s), location & theme
    - e. Names, addresses & emails of all Judges judging the show (contact Judges Council for assistance)
    - f. Intent to apply for a show award, a schedule award, or both
  2. At least 4-6 weeks before the show, Sue Trager will assign Judges to evaluate either the show, the schedule, or both; depending on the Club's request. *These newly assigned Judges may or may not be the same Judges as the ones who are judging the show.* Sue will send to the Judge's Chair:
    - a. The names of the Judges on the evaluating panel(s)
    - b. The **NGC Standard Flower Show Achievement Award Application** form, &
    - c. The **NGC Standard Flower Show Achievement Award Show Data** form
  3. Each evaluating panel will consist of 3 Judges. One panel will evaluate the show and/or a second panel will evaluate the schedule. These panels may or may not be the same Judges who are judging the exhibits in the show. *Accredited Judges (not Student Judges, Accredited Life Judges or Accredited Master Judges) may receive an alternate credit for evaluating a show, but they may not count this credit if they are already counting the credit for judging the exhibits in the show. (TNG Winter 2019 pg. 35)*
  4. Some panel possibilities:
    - a. Panel A: judge show & evaluate show OR evaluate schedule
    - b. Panel B: judge show & evaluate schedule OR evaluate show
    - c. Panel C: judge show ONLY
    - d. Panel D: judge show ONLY
    - e. Panel E: evaluate show ONLY
    - f. Panel F: evaluate schedule ONLY via mail
    - g. Accredited Judges evaluate show ONLY & receive alternate credit
  5. The Club is responsible for providing the appropriate evaluating forms to each evaluating Judge along with a stamped addressed envelope addressed to the District Awards Chair, Sue Trager at 48 Rocky Ridge Cortlandt Manor NY 10567-6530. Evaluating forms were provided in the President's Pack and may be found on the NGC website at <http://www.gardenclub.org/schools/fss-forms.aspx>. Relevant forms: a. For evaluating a Schedule **Form 29**
    - b. For evaluating a Standard or a Small Standard Flower Show **Form 30S**
    - c. For evaluating a Design Specialty Show **Form 30D**
    - d. For evaluating a Horticulture Specialty Show **Form 30H**
  6. For preparing a Book of Evidence (BOE) follow up with the **NGC Flower Show Achievement Award Checklist** & the **NGC Flower Show Achievement Awards** found at [gardenclub.org](http://gardenclub.org).
- 9<sup>th</sup> District Judges Council February 2019