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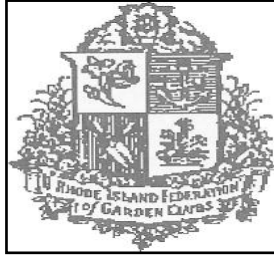
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Chairman's Issue





As we quickly move toward fall, I hope everyone has enjoyed this summer and their gardens!

The 4th of July found us constructing a float for the Bristol parade, an effort that was supported by a variety of our members and friends. Many thanks to Vera Bowen, Sally Phillips, De and Jan Feldman, Sandi and George Tinyk, Holly Lippert, Leanora Graves, BJ Stephens, Rochelle Kieron, Annette Jarvis, Betty Ann Taylor and my husband, Rob. Our theme, "Honoring Our Veterans" the Blue Star Memorial, was carried out beautifully and the two Marines who rode with us on the float added reality to our theme.

We won Most Beautiful Float in the Non-Commercial Category! Please check out our photos in the NEWS and on the website.

Late June featured the Newport Flower Show. Congratulations to all of our members who participated and to the designers who competed! In early July, we had an opportunity to plant another Habitat House in South Providence. Mid-July found many of us enjoying the Bristol Garden Club Garden Tour featuring nine lovely gardens. Really, a great walking tour in Bristol!

As we look forward, RIFGC has an Education Day scheduled for September 13th – free to all of our members, it a great program to bring a group from your club to. Contact Sandi Tinyk for more details. Our October board meeting will be at Save the Bay, a great place to spend a fall morning. Watch for more details of a potential post meeting activity!

As always, take time to enjoy your gardens and these early days of fall!

Judy

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Over The Garden Gate

Hello All!

I hope that everyone enjoyed the sunshine and heat of the summer. There will be more beautiful days to come as we ease into the fall season.

Many thanks to those who had a hand in our very first Bristol Fourth of July parade float! Congratulations on your win! Photos of our float are included in this edition.

Please be sure to take note of all of the exciting activities scheduled for the upcoming months.

Enjoy your autumn which will be sure to contain all the colors of an artist's palate!

A serious reminder to all; as we change the clocks to Eastern Standard Time please be sure to change the batteries in your smoke detectors, CO detectors, and be sure that your fire extinguishers are fully charged. Smoke detectors that are ten years old are required to be changed by law.

One last note: please be sure to forward all submissions for the December, January, February issue by October 1, 2012.

Yours in gardening fun and fire safety,



Cheryl

Flower Show Schools

SAVE THESE DATES! October 14 & 15 New England Region Annual Meeting

October 15 – 17 New England Region

Symposium.

PLACE: Providence Marriott.

Rhode Island will be hosting the New England Region (NER) Annual Meeting and the NER Symposium this year. Each NER state takes a turn to host these events, so every six years it is our turn!

Both events will be held at the Providence Marriott, starting with the NER Annual Meeting on Sunday, October 14, 2012. Our National President, Shirley Nicolai whom some of you met last December, will be attending. The dinner on Sunday evening will be preceded by a reception to honor Joyce Kimball, NER Director, and Shirley. Monday, October 15, Joyce will preside at the meeting, followed by a program, *The Prison Project – “The Hope Garden”* by RIFGC past president, Vera Bowen. Lunch will follow and then the NER Awards will be presented.

The NER Symposium will begin at 4:15 that afternoon with an Allied Subject by past NGC President, Barbara May. Barbara will instruct Design for the Symposium the next day, October 16, her subject, *“For Your Dining Pleasure”* Exhibition Tables.

On Wednesday, David Robson will teach *“A Different Take on Displays & Collections”* and Orchid plants.

His Allied subject, *“So you think you know the Handbook?”* takes place before Barbara’s lecture on Tuesday.

This is a wonderful opportunity to learn more about NGC and to hear two excellent instructors in Design and Horticulture.

WHAT IS AN NGC FLOWER SHOW SCHOOLS SYMPOSIUM?

This Symposium is a course of advanced study in Horticulture, Design, and Allied Subjects. The National Flower Show Schools Committee regulates the curriculum and requirements according to *The Handbook for Flower Shows* with updates printed in *The National Gardener Magazine*. State Flower Show Schools Chairmen serve as liaison with the NGC FSS Chairman and FSS

Committee. The state Symposium Chairman is responsible for seeing that the symposium meets the requirements as specified in the Handbook. The courses are taught by NGC accredited instructors. Four hours of Horticulture, and four hours of Design, including one and one half hours of oral point-scoring for each; and two hours of Allied Subject/s on related topics.

The purpose of the Symposium is:

1. To provide an opportunity for advancement from Accredited Judge to Accredited-Life Judge and then Accredited-Master Judge status.
2. Enables Accredited-Master Judges to 'refresh' and thus keep in 'Good Standing' by obtaining audit credit, needed by December 31st of the third year.

Judges also need exhibiting credits to establish eligibility to take the Symposium for credit. These requirements help to keep the judges up to date on the latest trends. Only Accredited-Master Judges do not take the written point-scoring exams. However, they must attend all lectures to gain credit.

Judges not in need of credit, and other interested people, may attend all or part of any symposium upon payment of the registration fee.

This will be an exciting time for our state and it is hoped that many of you will attend all or part of these events. Please come and learn with us – you will be so pleased you did!

Brochures for both events are available on line or from Registrar: Vicki Iannuccillo – viannuccil@aol.com or from me.

Sue Redden, NER/RI Symposium Chairman.

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RIFGC Community Project Award

Do you have a community project that you would like to start and feel that you are unable to do so due to lack of funds?

The RIFGC, in an effort to "give-back" to the clubs has money available to help with these projects. Every year at the annual luncheon we will give a cash award/s of up to \$2000.00 to the club/s to help them accomplish their goal. This award will not be judged!

The applications will be placed in a hat and drawn at the Annual Meeting.

1. Please give a brief description of the project you would like to start?

2. How much money do you think you would need to accomplish your project?
3. What benefit would this project be to the community?
4. How many club members will be involved?
5. How long do you think it will take to complete the project?
6. Who will maintain the project (if needed) upon completion?

Plant Sale

Gentian Garden Club will have a plant sale on Saturday September 22, 2012 from 8:00 a.m. to noon at the Community House in North Scituate located at 546 West Greenville Road (Route 116). There will be perennials, herbs and shrubs for sale. This sale is known for having healthy plants at reasonable prices. It is a great way to purchase plants and get advice if requested from experienced gardeners. For more information please call Cindy at 934-9212.

The Rhode Island Federation of Garden Clubs, Inc.

LIFE MEMBER GROUP

January 1, 2012

Dear Garden Club Presidents,

The Life Member Group of the Rhode Island Federation of Garden Clubs, Inc. primary goal is to develop a fund for scholarship(s) promoting education in horticulture, landscape design, environmental science and related subjects. Any scholarship is for one year only and may be repeated annually until the completion of the education of the recipient. The recipient must be a resident within the area served by the Rhode Island Federation of Garden Clubs. Any individual may be a member of the **Life Member Group**. Membership in a garden club is not required. There is a one-time payment of \$100. which is tax deductible.

The Life Member group is financially sound and actively seeks applications for the scholarships.

As a Garden Club President, you can help in several ways:

1. Help us keep the Life Member Group membership list current. Please look at the Life Member Group list previously sent to your President and verify your LMG club members addresses and emails.

Please mail this information to Marjorie DeAngelis, Membership Chair..

2. Educate and then encourage your Garden Club members to join the Life Member Group. Consider giving a Life Membership as a gift from your club to a departing officer, for example.
3. Encourage your club members to attend the Life Member fund raising events.
4. Encourage students to apply for these scholarships. Contact Janice Panoff, Scholarship Chair.
5. Attached find an application to join the Life Member Group. Please make this available to your members.

Thank you for your support

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Save the date!

**Rhode Island Federation of Garden Clubs invites all club members to participate in our free, 2nd Annual Autumn Educational Day!
Thursday, September 13, 2012
at the Roger Williams Park Botanical Center**

Four 1-hour workshops are being planned, to be held between 10:00AM-3:00PM. Presentations on new introductions of David Austen roses, how to go about entering an artistic crafts design in a flower show by a multiple crafts award-winner , floral designs for the fall and winter holidays, and a workshop on container gardening (One Container, Three Seasons!). You may select those which appeal to you or choose to spend the day, have lunch (optional) and attend all four. The choice is yours!

Once again, RIFGC is happy to offer this full-day program free of charge; however, in order to plan effectively, pre-registration will be required. As we are still in the planning stages, a flyer, including the registration form, will be e-mailed in the near future to all club presidents, who will be requested to forward it to their members. Stay tuned!



***LIFE MEMBER GROUP
SUMMER LUNCHEON
THURSDAY SEPTEMBER 20, 2012***

The Dunes Club

137 Boston Neck Road, Narragansett, RI

Go to website for directions: www.thedunesclub.org

(The Dunes Club is a cell phone free zone)

11:30 cocktails (Cash Bar)

12:00 Noon Luncheon

\$36.00 per person

Guests welcome!

PROGRAM

“A Show of Paris Parks”

Presented by; Maureen Bovet

Reserve a table

Reservations by September 10, 2012

(No refunds after this date)

Payment must accompany reservation

Make Checks payable to: Life Member Group

Send checks to: Vera Bowen 11 Dolly Drive, Bristol, RI 02809



Scholarship Awards left to right: Sam W, Sandi T, Emily C, Gloria W, Janice P

2011-2013 NGC PRESIDENT'S PROJECT

PLANTINGS

FOR PUBLIC AND SPECIAL PLACES

recognizes outstanding projects in three categories with MONETARY

AWARDS:

Apply DIRECTLY to the proper Chairman using the form found on NGC website: www.gardenclub.org

Gardens with Edibles: Chairman Pat Rupiper arupiper@bright.net

1st place -\$300 946 Crouse Chapel Road

2nd place - \$150 Chillicothe, OH 45601-8842

3rd place - \$100

Container Gardens: Chairman Susan Robinson rerob@mac.com

1st place - \$300 173 Witherell Lane

2nd place -\$150 Manchester Center, VT 05255

3rd place - \$100

Trees and Shrubs: Chairman Lisa Williamson erw510@aol.com

1st place- \$300 403 St. Ives Drive

2nd place - \$150 Severna Park, MD 21146-1015

3rd place- \$100

Participate in the NGC President's Project - PLANTINGS for PUBLIC and SPECIAL PLACES. WIN in each category. Visit www.gardenclub.org for more details and to apply DIRECTLY to the individual chairman listed above.

DEADLINE APRIL 1, 2013

Complete form on NGC website as projects are completed for recognition and a MONETARY AWARD. Applications may also be submitted to chairmen by mail. For further information contact Coordinator Betsy Steele at betsysteel@truvista.net or 803-789-5451.

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September 13, 2012 - RIFGC Autumn Education Day, 10:00AM-3:00PM at Roger Williams Park Botanical Center. Registration materials and descriptions of all workshops will be distributed this summer.

September 20, 2012 – Life Member Summer Luncheon

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October 14-15, 2012 – N.E. Region Annual Meeting

October 15-17, 2012 – N.E.R. symposium

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Bristol 4th of July Float Pictures



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