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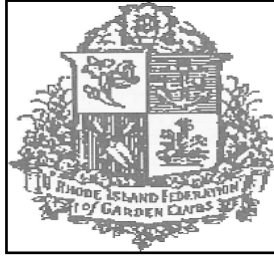
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## *Flower Show Schedule*



## *President's Message*



I hope this NEWS and my message finds everyone safe, warm and dry! As I watched the impact of Sandy out my window, on television and in photos, I worried about each of you and your families. Certainly, walking my gardens following the storm makes me more than ready to put everything to bed for the winter and look forward to next spring!

As you begin to prepare for the holidays, please consider the Holiday Luncheon on Thursday, December 6<sup>th</sup>, immediately following the RIFGC Board Meeting at Roger Williams Casino. We have enjoyed the luncheon and opportunity to share holiday greetings early in December the past two years, so are repeating again. Vera Bowen is coordinating the luncheon and is hoping to add some carolers for our enjoyment! Please contact her at 401-254-2034 or [verabowen9092@gmail.com](mailto:verabowen9092@gmail.com).

And soon we will be enjoying our Standard Flower Show at the Spring Flower and Garden Show February 21 – 24, 2013. Cathy Moore is our chair and she has been working with Sue Redden to develop a great schedule. Titled "Hot Off The Press", it is the 20th anniversary of the Flower Show in Rhode Island. Per Cathy, "Our theme reflects newspapers and how it is used to note special events throughout time. Please come and enjoy the talent and beauty of our floral designs created by the dedicated members of our organization."

One other reminder, NGC award applications are due Dec 15<sup>th</sup> and RIFGC award applications are due Feb 15<sup>th</sup>. Please contact one of the committee members with questions.

Please enjoy the holidays, stay safe and warm! It will be spring before we know it.

Judy

# RHODE ISLAND FEDERATION OF GARDEN CLUBS NEWS 2011-2013

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## *Over The Garden Gate*

### Ode to Cheryl!

In the March/April/May edition of the “News” Cheryl talked about the talent, creativity and beauty of all of the entries in our February flower show. Having taken over for her as “News” editor for two editions I have to say that the sentiments she used toward the Flower Show are the same sentiments that I would use toward her. She has done such a wonderful job as Editor of the “News”. Her talent and creativity have taken us to new lengths and we are grateful. Thank You Cheryl for your wonderful work!!

This issue is LATE and it is entirely my fault. I apologize and will make sure that the next edition will be on time!

As Judy mentioned in her letter, an event not to be missed is the Annual Spring Flower Show. The schedule is included in this edition of the “News”. Please participate in whatever way you can.

A friendly reminder to all: the copy deadline for the March, April, May issue is February 1, 2013. This is the President’s issues. Please have your reports to me no later than February 10<sup>th</sup>.

Thank You, Vera

# Flower Show Schools

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The Rhode Island Federation of Garden Clubs, Inc. was proud to host the New England Region Symposium on October 15 – 17, 2012 at the Providence Marriott Hotel.

The Symposium immediately followed the New England Region Annual Meeting, which was also held at the Marriott.

One hundred and twenty six people attended, including 21 from Rhode Island.

We were honored to have our NGC President, Shirley Nicolai, our New England Region Director, Joyce Kimball and our own President, Judy Hager, attend the first session. Each welcomed the attendees to the meeting.

My heartfelt thanks go to the Symposium Committee: Vice-Chairman, Priscilla DiMarco; Registrar, Vicki Iannuccillo; Treasurer, Vera Bowen; Design Chairman, De Feldman; Horticulture Chairman, Marjorie DeAngelis; Staging Chairman, Ann Huntoon; Proctor, Doris Stephens; Clerks, Adelaide Clifford and Darcy Scott; Proctor's Helper, Roberta Thompson; Table decorations, Cathy Moore, and the designers – Vera, Jacqueline Connell, Priscilla, De, Lynne Merrill, Candace Morgenstern, Janice Panoff, Gisela Rodgers, and Doris. Everyone did their job and more, when a hand was needed someone was always there to help out. It was a real team effort and we had fun too! The Marriott's personnel were amazing. Everyone, from the Event Manager to the guy who helped us park our cars, was so helpful and pleasant.

The Instructors, Barbara May, for Design and David Robson, Horticulture, were excellent and both were very well received by the attendees. We were most fortunate that they were able to come to RI to teach this Symposium

Cathy and Vicki took the point-scoring exam and passed! This is Cathy's third Refresher and she is now an Accredited Life Judge. Vicki needs one more Symposium to become an Accredited Master Judge. Congratulations to both of them.

Priscilla, De, Lynne, Candace, Cynthia O'Malley, Janice, Gisela, and Doris – all

Accredited Master Judges, refreshed (audited) and their 'Good-Standing' date is now December 31<sup>st</sup>, 2015.

Judges' Council Chairman, Doris Stephens and I will be attending the Instructors'/Flower Show Schools Personnel Symposium in Tampa, FL in January.

Sue Redden  
RI and NER Symposium Chairman  
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# FLOWER SHOW NEWS

## "HOT OFF THE PRESS" Design Entries

Sue Redden and Priscilla DiMarco, Design Entries Chairmen

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There are ten classes in our Design Division. We hope that you will find at least one of these designs to your liking and consider doing a design for the RIFGC Flower Show in February. As of November 1<sup>st</sup>, one class (D202) is filled. Classes include a buffet table, a breakfast tray, a cocktail table, a Creative Floor Design, an Op Art Design, a Traditional Design in the Federalist Manner, a design of all fresh plant material including vegetables, an all fresh design, and a Small Design (open only to Novices).

Looking forward to hearing from you, soon!

Sue and Priscilla

## February Flower Show - "HOT OFF THE PRESS"

### YOUTH ENTRIES: Pre- school – 18 years -Artistic Crafts

It is not too late to enter the Youth Section of our flower show! Anyone from pre-school age to 18 may enter. This year the Artistic Craft is a butterfly. It may be decorated in any way, but there must be some plant material included in the design. The back may be finished lightly as the butterflies will swing around, but one side should be the obvious front.

If anyone needs a butterfly for their children, grandchildren, relatives, or friends, I will have some with me at the December 6<sup>th</sup> luncheon or just email me with your name and address and I can send whatever you need.

Entries may be brought to the January Federation Board Meeting, or delivered to me at 16 Appian Way, Barrington.

If anyone picked up Butterflies # 11 - # 20 at the September Board meeting at the Casino, would you please let me know the name of your garden club.

### Youth Horticulture

How about trying to grow a sweet potato vine?

It isn't difficult and we would like lots of entries!

Please contact me if you would like more information.

### An Old Fashioned Sweet Potato Vine (*Ipomoea batatas*)



Sweet Potato - toothpicks in place



Fully grown vine.

Sue Redden

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*2013 Floral Forays*  
*with Barrington Garden Club @ Barrington*  
*Community School*

## Philadelphia International Flower Show & Longwood Gardens, March 7-8

The official theme of the largest indoor flower show in the world is “Brilliant!” featuring gardens and displays reflecting the horticultural and design expertise of gardeners of the British Isles. This overnight visit includes a visit to Longwood Garden’s spring display, accommodations in Philly right across the street from the flower show, all admissions, lunch at Longwood, full American breakfast Friday, transportation and more!

## Boston Flower & Garden Show Friday, March 15

“Seeds of Change”, the theme of this year’s show, will showcase how New England’s best green thumbs are fearlessly embracing new plants, methods, and materials to increase the beauty, harvest and ecological friendliness of their gardens. Also co-sponsored by Hameho GC.

## Art in Bloom at the Museum of Fine Arts, Boston Monday, April 29

Be inspired at this annual rite of spring, as the beauty of art and nature are joined through inventive floral designs interpreting specific museum artworks. Always a treat!

**Gardens of Scotland:** a 10-day tour followed by a 4-day optional extension in Windsor, which includes the Hampton Court Palace Flower Show, Kew Gardens and a visit to Highclere Castle, location of *Downton Abbey* (dependent on filming schedule, tba). Each day will be filled with beautiful gardens, castles, dramatic views or historic sites. (And a malt distillery!) Beautiful accommodations, several meals, British Airways round-



trip flight, transfers, local guide and BCS escort and more. A complete day-by-day itinerary is available; call to be mailed a copy!

STAY TUNED! Details for our 2014 international tour, **Gardens of Ireland and the 2014 WAFA show**, will be available by early summer, 2013. Call to be placed on the list to be mailed a copy when they are completed.



For more information call Sandi Tinyk at 401-245-0432 or visit the Community School website, [www.Barrcommschool.com](http://www.Barrcommschool.com)



## **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?



## The Rhode Island Federation of Garden Clubs, Inc.

### LIFE MEMBER GROUP

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 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

Gloria Westlake, Chairman LMG Marjorie DeAngelis, Janice Panoff,

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## The Rhode Island Federation of Garden Clubs LIFE MEMBER GROUP SCHOLARSHIPS AND

### National Garden Club Scholarships

Members of the RIFGC and the Life Member Group should be very proud of their commitment to funding scholarships for worthy students from Rhode Island and nearby Massachusetts! We are all well aware of the increasing expense of college and university tuition. So also are we aware of the critical need to educate future leaders in the field that are of such interest to us.

**Thanks to you**, the RIFGC does its part to provide financial aid to these students. The RIFGC partners with our national organization, The National Garden Clubs (NGC), to broaden the possibilities for students from Rhode Island.

NGC is proud of its college scholarship program which offers financial aid to students majoring in fields of study related to horticulture and the environment. Applicant must be planning a career related to gardening, landscape design, environmental issues, floral design, horticulture or related fields. Thirty-five (35) advanced annual scholarships were awarded by the NGC in 2011 for the academic year of 2011-2012, each in the amount of \$3,500.00. That's a whopping \$122,500!

Last year, Emily Cotter, a student at URI, was Rhode Island's candidate for an NGC Scholarship. We were all so pleased for and proud of Emily! She was awarded an NGC Scholarship in the amount of \$3,500., in addition to the \$3,000. awarded to her by the RI Life Member Group Scholarship !!! Our Life Member Group Scholarships often can make the difference for a scholar

being able to continue his or her studies. At the very least, it helps to ease the heavy burden of college loans that so many young people struggle to repay.

***The Scholarship Committee needs your help to promote this critically important scholarship program!***

We would like to have many applicants for our scholarships!

Please do YOUR part to spread the word about these scholarships! Mention them to your neighbors. Tell your children! Tell your grandchildren! Ask them to tell ***their*** friends!

Complete information on how to apply for a RI Life Membership Scholarship ( including application requirements, deadlines, forms and procedures) can be found on the RIFCG website. The NGC web site gives similar information about the national scholarship program and procedures.

Please contact Janice Panoff, Scholarship Chairman, with any questions or suggestions regarding Scholarships. Contact information is: Phone- 401-782-2256 Email – [janicepanoff@post.harvard.edu](mailto:janicepanoff@post.harvard.edu).



# FLOWER SHOW WORKING SCHEDULE

## THE RHODE ISLAND REGISTER

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Complimentary

RIFGC, Inc., a member of National Garden Clubs, Inc., (NGC) is recognized as the largest volunteer gardening organization in the world, and represents approximately 1300 members in 31 clubs in RI and southeastern MA. Meeting at different times of the day throughout the area, the clubs offer the right time and place for anyone interested in joining a club.

Key programs include our Blue Star Memorial Markers, Arbor Day projects, planting of vegetable and perennial gardens at the prisons, landscaping for Habitat homes and much more. We also award scholarships to students within our region who study horticulture, landscape design, the environment, or other related subjects. In 2012, two students were awarded scholarships, one of whom received a National Garden Clubs scholarship too. RIFGC presents an NGC Standard Flower Show each year which gives members and young people a chance to show off their creativity and 'green thumbs.'

NGC offers schools in floral design and horticulture, landscape design, garden and environmental study. Garden clubs have much to offer each member, including opportunities to give back to their communities - but most of all they are a source of lasting friendships with people who share similar interests.



### RHODE ISLAND FEDERATION OF GARDEN CLUBS, Inc.,

presents

## ***“HOT OFF THE PRESS”***

### A Standard Flower Show

SPECIAL 20<sup>th</sup> ANNIVERSARY EDITION

February 21 – 24, 2013

Thursday–Saturday 9:00 am – 8:00 pm  
Sunday: 9:00 am – 6:00 pm

Admission free with ticket to  
RI Spring Flower and Garden Show

RHODE ISLAND CONVENTION CENTER  
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PROVIDENCE, RHODE ISLAND

Member:  
NATIONAL GARDEN CLUBS, INC.  
NEW ENGLAND REGION

Judy Hager, RIFGC President  
Catherine Moore, Flower Show Chairman

Congratulations to the RI Spring Flower and Garden Show on its twentieth anniversary. The Rhode Island Federation of Garden Clubs has been a proud contributor to this event since its inception. This show has grown over the years; visitors from all over New England come to Rhode Island to view the show.

February is not the most favorable month for a flower show. We have endured cold temperatures, rain, sleet, and snow, but have also enjoyed some delightful sunny days, too. Whatever the weather, the show must go on!

We thank our garden club volunteers who have chaired the show and those that have fed us, lugged heavy staging into place, painted, spread loam, brought in horticulture, created fabulous designs and special exhibits, written schedules, judged, clerked, hosted, created signage, assisted with computers, and so much more. We could not have presented this show for twenty years without member support. We also acknowledge the generosity from Walpole Woodworkers, our fence provider, and Chuck Carberry and his team, who have done the 'heavy' work and helped in so many ways. Finally, many thanks to Maury Ryan, the owner of the Rhode Island Spring Flower and Garden Show. The members of Rhode Island Federation of Garden Clubs, Inc. are proud to present their twentieth Standard Flower Show:

***“HOT OFF THE PRESS.”***

## 2013 RIFGC Flower Show Committee

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## **GENERAL RULES**

1. This is a Standard Flower Show staged according to the rules of National Garden Clubs, Inc. (NGC) using as its authority the ***Handbook for Flower Shows, 2007 revised*** and any changes printed in the ***National Gardener*** magazine.
3. All Design and Artistic Crafts Classes are open to members of NGC, Inc. Design and Artistic Crafts entrants are required to pre-register with the respective Entries Chairman. One designer per entry. On line entry forms may be found at [www.rigardenclubs.org](http://www.rigardenclubs.org)
4. Design entries will be received on **Wednesday, February 20, 2013 between 7:00 am and 9:30 am ONLY**. All exhibitors must leave the show area by 9:30 am.
5. All design plant lists to be sent to [Jhager@cox.net](mailto:Jhager@cox.net) no later than 9:00 pm on Tuesday February 19, 2013. Revisions to plant lists may be made during the passing process.
6. All Horticulture classes are open to any gardener. Pre-registration via email is required for Section H1000. Send to: Marj DeAngelis [marjorie.d10@gmail.com](mailto:marjorie.d10@gmail.com)
7. All Horticulture entries (Youth Hort. included) and Educational Exhibits will be received on **Tuesday, February 19, 2013 between 10:00 am and 2:00 pm ONLY**. No horticulture will be received on Wednesday, February 20, 2013.
8. All Artistic Crafts entries will be received on **Tuesday, February 19, 2013 between 5:00 pm and 8:00 pm ONLY**.
9. Youth and Educational entries are required to pre-register. On line entry forms may be found on the website. [www.rigardenclubs.org](http://www.rigardenclubs.org)  
All youth exhibits must be delivered to the Youth Entries Chairman, by **January 24, 2013**.
10. **All Exhibits must be removed on Sunday, February 24, after the show closes, between 6:00 pm and 7:00 pm or Monday, February 25, 7:00 am – 11:00 am**
11. Judging will begin promptly at 10:30 am on Wednesday, February 20, 2013. Only the Show Chairman, Classification, Judges', Awards', and Clerks' Chairmen are allowed on the floor during the judging. The decisions of the judges are final. Awards may be withheld if not merited.
13. Plants on the RI conservation/endangered lists may not be used unless grown by the exhibitor or obtained in a legal manner and so stated. Invasive plants may not be used.
14. The emphasis is on **fresh** plant material. Artificial plant material is **not** permitted in any division.
15. The Committee will take all possible care to protect the exhibitor's property, but cannot be held liable for any loss or damage.

## **AWARDS**

The NGC Standard System of Awarding will be used. Only one first (blue), one second (red), one third (yellow), and one or more honorable mentions (white), will be awarded in each class or sub-class when merited.

***Judges are asked to consider non-blue ribbon winners for a 90+ recognition.***

First Place exhibits must score 90 or above.

Second place exhibits must score 85 or above.

Third place exhibits must score 80 or above.

Honorable Mention Exhibits must score 75 or above.

## **NGC TOP EXHIBITOR AWARDS**

**Top Exhibitor Awards must be Blue Ribbon winners scoring 95 or above.**

**Exception: Youth Awards must score 90 or above.**

### **Design Division**

**To receive the following awards all General and Design Requirements must be met and there must be a minimum of three classes in each section with at least four entries in each class.**

**Award of Design Excellence** – A Division Award – may be awarded to the highest scoring exhibit in the entire Design Division entered by a single exhibitor. The winning exhibit may have also won a Top Exhibitor Award. This award is a rosette of gold ribbons.

**Designer's Choice Award** – A Section Award – may be awarded to the highest scoring exhibit in which the designer has been given complete freedom to choose plant material and other components within NGC policies.

Section D 200 is eligible for this award of purple ribbons.

**Table Artistry Award** – A Section Award – may be given to the highest scoring table.

Section D100 is eligible for this award, a rosette of burgundy ribbons.

**Tricolor Award.** – A Section Award – may be given to the exhibit with the highest score in Section D300. This award is a rosette of yellow, red, and blue ribbons.

### **Horticulture Division**

**To receive the following awards there must be at least three classes in each section, no minimum number of entries in each class, but a minimum of twenty entries overall.**

**Award of Horticultural Excellence** – A Division Award – may be given to the named exhibit judged to be the finest in the entire Horticulture Division.

This award is a rosette of green, orange, and blue ribbons.

**Arboreal Award** – A Section Award for cut tree and shrub branches, may be awarded to the highest scoring exhibits in each section. Two may be given. Sections H600 and H700 are eligible for these awards of two values of green ribbons.

**Award of Merit** – A Section Award. may be awarded to the highest scoring exhibits in each section. Section H900 and H1100 are each eligible for this award. The exhibits must share some physical quality, such as the same growing condition/life cycle. These awards are rosettes of orange ribbons.

**Grower's Choice Award** – A Section Award for Container-grown plants and Combination Plantings. Three may be given to the highest scoring exhibits in Sections H500, H800 and H1000. These awards are rosettes of dark green ribbons

## **Special Exhibits Division**

**Educational Award** - may be given to the highest scoring exhibit in Section S1300, that is designed to educate the public in some phase of NGC objectives. Each exhibit must use a minimum of 18 sq. feet of surface area. There must be at least two exhibits in a Section for this award to be given. It is represented by a rosette of brown and white ribbons.

**Youth Award** – Three Youth Horticulture Awards, one in each age class, may be given to the highest scoring exhibits in the Youth Horticulture Section S1500. These awards are rosettes of red, white, and blue ribbons.

## **ADDITIONAL AWARDS**

**Artistic Crafts Award** – A Section award, may be given to the highest scoring exhibit in Section S1200. Exhibit must include some plant material. This award is a rosette of navy ribbons.

**Flower Show Judges' Award** - may be given to the exhibit in the Design Division which best depicts its class title. Exhibit need not be a blue ribbon winner. This award is a rosette of pink ribbons.

**MacColl Award** –Judged to be the best design by an exhibitor who has never won a blue ribbon in a RIFGC Inc. state show. The winner need not be a blue ribbon winner, but must be a member of the RIFGC, Inc. This award is represented by a rosette of turquoise ribbons.

**President's Award** - will be given by the President of RIFGC, Inc. to the blue ribbon winner of her choice. This award is a rosette of green and white ribbons.

**Sweepstakes Award** – The Show Chairman and the Awards Chairman will compile the tabulations. All three Divisions are eligible. Points are allotted as follows: Top Award = 5 points, Blue Ribbon = 5 points, Red Ribbon = 3 points, Yellow Ribbon = 1 point. This award is represented by a rosette of green and white ribbons.

**The Rhoda B. Greene Award** – is awarded to the blue ribbon winner in Design Class D401

**The RIFGC President's Special Youth Awards** – This award, a rosette of lime green ribbons, will be given to the blue ribbon winner in each age group in Section S1400.

## **DESIGN DIVISION RULES**

1. All classes are open to members of National Garden Clubs, Inc. (NGC)  
**Exception:** Class D401 is open to novices only. See Glossary p.12
2. An exhibitor may enter only one entry per class, but may enter more than one class. Each exhibit must be the work of one exhibitor.
3. Any exhibitor unable to participate must provide a substitute.
4. Fresh plant material **may never** be treated in any manner. Only dried plant material may be treated.
5. Some plant material must be used in every exhibit. Plant material need not have been grown by the exhibitor.
6. Artificial flowers, foliage, fruit, vegetables, or menu foods are **not** permitted.
7. Religious symbols must be displayed in a respectful manner.
8. The American flag and other national flags are **not** permitted in any design.
9. Landscapes, scenes, and living members of the animal kingdom are not permitted in the Design Division.
10. Designs may be partially assembled prior to the show with finishing touches done on site.
11. Plant material must be identified with correct botanical names on entry form.
12. All designs judged using the Scales of Points in the ***Handbook for Flower Shows, 2007 revised*** – page 303.

## **DESIGN DIVISION I**

### ***THE HOME SECTION***

*Eligible for the Award of Design Excellence\_*

Consultant: De Feldman 401-369-5466 (cell) [defeldman6@gmail.com](mailto:defeldman6@gmail.com)

### **Section D100**

### ***“Food for Thought”***

All table classes must relate to the service of food

*Eligible for the Table Artistry Award*

#### **Class D101**

#### ***“Morning Delivery”***

Four Entries

A Functional Breakfast Tray for one person. Staged on a gray pedestal 42” high, with a 24” square top. Tray and all components supplied by exhibitor.

#### **Class D102**

#### ***“A Gathering of Friends”***

Four Entries

A Festive Functional Buffet Lunch Table for six. Staged on a 6’ table 30” deep and 30”high, supplied by the committee.  
Exhibitors choice of all components including table coverings.

#### **Class D103**

#### ***“Deadlines Met, Time to Relax”***

Four Entries

A Functional Cocktail Table for two, staged on a 36” round table 30” high provided by the committee.  
All components and table coverings provided by exhibitor.

## **Section D200**

### **“The Arts”**

*Eligible for Designer’s Choice Award*

#### **Class D201**

#### **“The Movies”**

Four Entries

A Creative Style Floor Design depicting a movie of exhibitor’s choice, and staged in front of a taupe background in a space 8’ high x 4’ wide x 3’ deep. Designer’s choice of all components. Name of movie must be given to the Entries Chairmen and will be displayed near exhibit.

#### **Class D202**

#### **“Covering All the Angles”**

Four Entries

A Creative Style Angular Design staged on a black pedestal, 42” high with a 15” square top. Background is taupe. Frame of reference 8’ high x 30” wide x 30” deep. Designer’s choice of all components.

#### **Class D203**

#### **“Thinking Outside the Box”**

Four Entries

A Creative Style Op Art Design staged on a black pedestal 40” high with a 24” square top and using a backboard 24” wide x 36” high, supplied by the committee. Designer’s choice of all components.

## **Section D300**

### **“Times of Our Lives”**

*Eligible for Tricolor Award*

#### **Class D 301**

#### **“The Way We Were”**

Four Entries

A Traditional Style free standing design in the manner of the Federal Period (1780-1830) using all fresh plant material. Staged on a white pedestal 37.5” high with a 19.5” round top.

#### **Class D302**

#### **“Market Gardeners, a Time to Grow”**

Four Entries

A Design of all fresh plant material, exhibitor’s choice of style. Some vegetables and/or fruit must be used. Staged on gray pedestal 42” high with a 24” square top. Background is black.

#### **Class D303**

#### **“ Time to Celebrate”**

Four Entries

A Design honoring our Twentieth Anniversary Flower Show, using all fresh plant material. Exhibitor’s choice of style, and staged on a gray pedestal 42” high with a 24” square top. Background is black.

## **Section D400**

### **“The Funnies”**

*Eligible for the Rhoda B. Greene Award*

#### **Class D401-**

#### **“Happiness is.....”**

Four Entries

**Novice Class.** A Novice is someone who has never before won a blue ribbon in a state or other large show.

A Small Design, exhibitor’s choice of style, no more than 8” high, deep, or wide. Design to be viewed from all sides and staged on a black shelf 42” high, in a space 12” square with a black background.

## HORTICULTURE DIVISION RULES

1. The Horticulture Division is open to any gardener. All horticulture specimens to be fresh plant material and grown by the exhibitor.
2. Entry cards are available from Entries Chairman, Marjorie DeAngelis. Fill out in pencil or non-run ink.
3. Pre-registration with the Entries Chairman is required for Section H1000.
4. All specimens must be named giving genus and species; variety and cultivar added when available.
5. An exhibitor may enter more than one variety of a genus, but not more than one in the same variety, type, color, or cultivar.
6. Classes may be sub-divided at the discretion of the Classification Chairman.
7. The Flower Show Committee will provide clear bottles for cut specimens.
8. Exhibitor may supply large, clear bottles for heavy branch specimens.
9. Container-grown plants must have been in possession of the exhibitor for at least 90 days. Combination plantings must have been growing together for a minimum of six weeks.
10. Plants must be of show quality and well groomed. No oiling, glossing or dressing of foliage allowed. Staking and wedging permitted. Wedging supplied by committee.
11. All entries in the Horticulture Division will be judged according to the Scales of Points on pages 298-302 of the *Handbook for Flower Shows, 2007 revised edition*.

## HORTICULTURE DIVISION II

### **THE GARDEN SECTION**

*Eligible for the Award of Horticultural Excellence*

Consultant – Lois Hartley: [aldhartley@verizon.net](mailto:aldhartley@verizon.net)

#### Section H500     **“Blooming Wonders”**

*Eligible for a Grower’s Choice Award*

**Container-grown Flowering Plants**

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|-------------------|--|
| <b>Class H501</b> | Container size under 8”                    |
| <b>Class H502</b> | Container size 8”and over                  |
| <b>Class H503</b> | Hanging Plant, container not to exceed 12” |

#### Section H600     **“Touching the Sky”**

*Eligible for an Arboreal Award*

**Broad-leaf Evergreens – a branch grown for the beauty of its form.**

**Maximum length 30” from cut end to tip with several nodes.**

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| <b>Class H601</b> | <i>Buxus</i> (Boxwood)                                       |
| <b>Class H602</b> | <i>Ilex</i> (Holly)<br>a) with berries<br>b) without berries |
| <b>Class H603</b> | Any other broadleaf evergreen                                |

## Section H700

### *“Pruning for Perfection”*

*Eligible for an Arboreal Award*

**Needled evergreen – a branch grown for the beauty of its form.**

**Maximum length 30” from cut end to tip with several nodes.**

- Class H701**      *Juniperus* (Juniper)  
                            a) with berries  
                            b) without berries
- Class H702**      *Pinus* (Pine)  
                            a) with cones  
                            b) without cones
- Class H703**      *Thuja* (Arborvitae)  
                            a) with cones  
                            b) without cones
- Class H704**      Any other needled evergreen  
                            a) with berries or cones  
                            b) without berries or cones

## Section H800

### *“Heritage”*

*Eligible for Grower’s Choice Award*

**Container-grown primarily for its foliage**

- Class H801**      Container size under 8”
- Class H802**      Container size 8” and over
- Class H803**      Hanging plant, container not to exceed 12”

## Section H900

### *“Desert Beauties”*

*Eligible for an Award of Merit*

**Container-grown Cacti and Succulents**

- Class H901**      Container under 8”
- Class H902**      Container size 8” and over
- Class H903**      A succulent used for medicinal purposes,  
                            Container not to exceed 12”

## Section H1000

### *“Potting Shed”*

*Eligible for Grower’s Choice Award*

**Combination Plantings**

Staged on half a black 30” cube. Space allotted each exhibit 30” w x 15” deep.

- Class H1001**      A Terrarium                      Four Entries
- Class H1002**      A Dish garden                    Four Entries
- Class H1003**      A Planter                            Four Entries

## Section H1100

### ***“Fabulous Florals”***

*Eligible for an Award of Merit*

**Container-grown Bulbs, Corms, Rhizomes & Tubers**

<b>Class H1101</b>	<i>Hippeastrum</i> - Amaryllis
<b>Class H1102</b>	<i>Orchidaceae</i> - Orchid
<b>Class H1103</b>	A forced bulb/s or corm/s

## **SPECIAL EXHIBITS DIVISION RULES**

1. **Artistic Crafts Section:** All exhibits must include some plant material.
2. **Educational Section:** Each exhibit must occupy a minimum surface area of eighteen (18) square feet.
3. **Youth – Horticulture:** Each entry must include name, birth month and year on provided tag.
4. **Youth Artistic Crafts:** Each entry must contain a predominance of plant material.
5. Each exhibit must include name, birth month, and year on provided tag.
6. All exhibits in this division will be judged according to the respective Scales of Points on pages 303 & 304 of the ***Handbook for Flower Shows, 2007 revised***

## **SPECIAL EXHIBITS DIVISION III**

### **LOCAL NEWS**

## Section S1200

### **Artistic Crafts**

#### ***“Sports Section”***

*Eligible for the Artistic Crafts Award*

Consultant - Ann Huntoon [annhuntoon@gmail.com](mailto:annhuntoon@gmail.com) 401-823-8384

**Class S1201** ***“Tennis Hall of Fame”*** Four Entries

A tennis racquet either pre-made or an interpretation by designer, using fresh and/or dried plant material, other embellishments optional.

Staged on a peg board in a space 36” x 24.

**Class S1202** ***“Pawsox”*** Four Entries

A baseball field to be constructed by exhibitor. Overall size not to exceed 20” x 20”. Staged on a gray pedestal 42” high with a 24” square top.

Some fresh/and or dried plant material must be used.



**Class S1203 “Rhode Island, a Golfer’s Paradise”**

Four Entries

A golfer's hat, cap or visor, either purchased or an interpretation by designer using fresh and/or dried plant material, other embellishments are permitted. Hat will be placed on a black Styrofoam head form supplied by the committee.

**Section S1300**

**Educational**

***“Conserving, Preserving, and Saving”***

*Eligible for the Educational Award*

**Exhibit S1301** The ‘Children’s Garden at the Women’s Minimum Security Prison Facility’ An overview of the project, before the planting and the results so far. Future plans.

**Exhibit S1302** ‘Rain Garden’

Information on the Rain Garden planted at the new “Save the Bay” building and how it affects the surrounding Landscape.

**Exhibit S1303** ‘The Asian Longhorned Beetle’

This pest from China is ‘Hot News’ It attacks trees in the United States particularly Massachusetts where hundreds of trees have been infested. This exhibit describes this beetle and shows effective ways to eradicate it.

**Section S1400**

**Youth Artistic Crafts**

***“Butterflies are Free!”***

*Eligible for the President’s Special Youth Award,  
one in each age class.*

Committee will supply butterfly shape for each exhibitor. Some plant material must be used. Other components, exhibitor’s choice. Butterflies will be hung by the Youth Staging Chairman. A detailed information sheet is available for the exhibitors.

**Class S1401** Juniors: pre-school through 7 years

**Class S1402** Intermediate: ages 8 through 12 years

**Class S1403** Advanced: ages 13 through 18 years

**Section S1500**

**Youth Horticulture**

***“Growing & Showing”***

*Eligible for the Youth Horticultural Award,  
one in each age class.*

**A vine grown from a sweet potato.** Container and sweet potato provided by exhibitor. Information sheet provided:

- Class S1501** Juniors: ages pre-school through 7 years
- Class S1502** Intermediate: ages 8 through 12 years
- Class S1503** Advanced: ages 13 through 18 years

**A Container-grown herb of exhibitor’s choice.** Plant must have been in exhibitor’s possession for sixty days.

- Class S1504** Juniors: ages pre-school through 7 years
- Class S1505** Intermediate: ages 8 through 12 years
- Class S1506** Advanced: ages 13 through 18 years

**EXTRA, EXTRA!!**

**Upcoming Events**

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|--------------|--------------------------|
| February 28  | RIFGC Board Meeting      |
| March 1 – 3  | Vermont Flower Show      |
| March 2 - 10 | Philadelphia Flower Show |
| March 13 -17 | Boston Flower Show       |
| March 28     | RIFGC Board Meeting      |
| April 25     | RIFGC Annual Meeting     |
| June 6       | RIFGC Board Meeting      |
| June 26-28   | Newport Flower Show      |

## GLOSSARY

**Angular Design** – A Creative Design in which there is a strong emphasis on angular components.

**Creative Design** – An expression of the exhibitor’s unique idea, eclectic in concept and usually showing restraint in the amount of plant material used.

**Floor Design** – A large Creative Design staged on the floor with no height requirement. May include more than one unit.

**Functional Table** – A table planned and set for actual service of food.

**Op Art Design** – An Abstract Creative Design having implied visual motion.

**Small Design** – A Design in any design style, Traditional or Creative, and any design type, but reduced in size. Design may not exceed eight (8) inches in height, width, or depth.

**Traditional Design** – Plant material used in a naturalistic manner. Design is based on a single ‘set pattern’ of a geometric form (sphere, cylinder, or pyramid) and has one center of interest.

**Novice** – An exhibitor who has never won a blue ribbon in a state or other large show.

**Arboreal** – Pertaining to trees and shrubs.

**Dish garden** – A miniature landscape in an open container. May include one or more accessories.

**Planter** – A group of plants grown in an indoor or outdoor container. Not a landscape. Accessories are not permitted.

**Terrarium** – A miniature landscape in a transparent container, which may include one or more accessories.

# RIFGC ANNUAL MEETING

## Save the Date:

Thursday, April 25, 2013  
10:00 A.M.

Rhode Island Federation of Garden Clubs, Inc.  
Annual Meeting,  
Installation of Officers,  
Awards Presentation & Luncheon  
at the  
Twin River Conference Center  
100 Twin River Road, Lincoln, Rhode Island

Program:  
"From The White House to Your House"  
Elegant Designs by Ruth Loiseau

Tickets: \$30.00

Tickets will be available at the December 6th RIFGC meeting.  
Reserve a table of 10 for your club early for the best seats.  
All unsold tickets must be returned for a refund before April 11, 2013.

Contact:  
Priscilla DiMarco 401-245-6928  
Vicki Iannuccillo 401-253-4535



# 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](http://www.gardenclub.org)

Gardens with Edibles: Chairman Pat Rupiper [arupiper@bright.net](mailto:arupiper@bright.net)

1<sup>st</sup> place - \$300 946 Crouse Chapel Road

2<sup>nd</sup> place - \$150 Chillicothe, OH 45601-8842

3<sup>rd</sup> place - \$100

Container Gardens: Chairman Susan Robinson [rerob@mac.com](mailto:rerob@mac.com)

1<sup>st</sup> place - \$300 173 Witherell Lane

2<sup>nd</sup> place - \$150 Manchester Center, VT 05255

3<sup>rd</sup> place - \$100

Trees and Shrubs: Chairman Lisa Williamson [erw510@aol.com](mailto:erw510@aol.com)

1<sup>st</sup> place - \$300 403 St. Ives Drive

2<sup>nd</sup> place - \$150 Severna Park, MD 21146-1015

3<sup>rd</sup> place - \$100

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

DEADLINE APRIL 1, 2012 and 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 [betsysteale@truvista.net](mailto:betsysteale@truvista.net) or 803-789-5451.*

BARRINGTON GARDEN CLUB

PRESENTS

# PLANKTON TO PREDATOR

Tuesday, February 12<sup>th</sup> at 12  
Noon in the Barrington  
Library Auditorium

One of NGC President Shirley Nicolai's initiatives is protecting aquatic ecosystems. Join the **Barrington Garden Club** as URI Oceanographer Jerry Prezioso discusses what lies beneath the sparkling surface of one of Rhode Island's most beautiful resources- Narragansett Bay.

\$5.00 guest fee





## Member Services

To order handbooks, calendars etc., please call Member Services Chair, Grace Klinger at 401.364.2036 or email [gfhk@cox.net](mailto:gfhk@cox.net)

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### **Calendar of Events 2013**

January 24, 2013 Deadline for Publicity Press Book Awards to RIFGC Committee.

January 24, 2013 RIFGC Executive Board Meeting, Casino, 9.30am.

February 1, 2013 Deadline for NEWS Mar, Apr, May edition.

February 15, 2013 State Award Applications due to State Awards Chair.

February 21-24, 2013 Rhode Island Spring Flower and Garden Show.

March 1, 2013 RIFGC and NGC Scholarship Applications to Life Member Chair, Janice Panoff.

March 28, 2013 RIFGC Executive Board Meeting, Casino, 9.30am.

April 15, 2013 Deadline for NEWS Jun, Jul, Aug edition.

April 25, 2013 RIFGC Annual Meeting and Installation of Officers Luncheon, Twin River Conference Center.

May 22-26, 2013 NGC Annual Convention, Seattle, Washington.





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