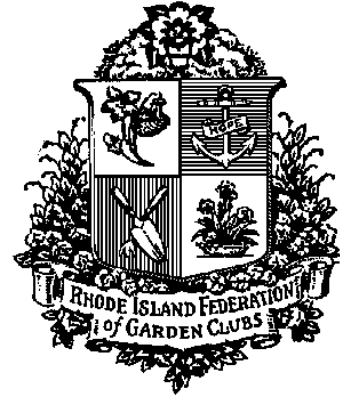


March Meeting

Rhode Island Federation of Garden Clubs

March 22, 2018

Digital reports due to snow cancellation



Reports requested by President Blakely Szosz

- President's Report- Your participation is appreciated and welcomed for the RI Home, Flower, and Garden Show *Springtime Floral Fusion*. <http://www.rihomedshow.com/> for details and tickets- one ticket gets you in every day of the show.
- Treasurers Report- Balance of Operating account as of February 21, 2018-\$26,410.46.
No cash receipts.
Total Cash Disbursements \$817.16.
Balance as of March 21, 2018- \$25,593.30
- ANNUAL LUNCHEON- It is of most importance that a note go out to all clubs and members that they need to send their checks to reserve their seats at the Annual Luncheon. We are rapidly approaching our deadlines. Final date for registration is April 19th. There will be no cancellations (returned checks) after April 1st. Please note the corrected mailing information of Liz Pesce, PO box 568, Barrington, RI 02806. They may call Liz at her cell [774-991-0400](tel:774-991-0400) or Kathy LaRiviere at cell [401-316-5828](tel:401-316-5828). Thank you!



FLOWER SHOW NEWS

- Entries- Priscilla DiMarco: Exhibition table class opening may be available. **Please correct her email to phd64@verizon.net** Thank you and FABULOUS job filling classes for the show.
- Host/Hostess- There are still a few openings available to greet guests at the Home & Garden Show. Please contact me soon if you are interested in helping out. Representing RIFGC comes with free entry to show and opportunity to spend a few hours surrounded by beautiful floral designs and fellow gardeners. Contact Sheryl McGookin at sherylmcgookin@gmail.com

NEW DATES FOR YOUR CALENDAR

- Bristol Rainkeep Garden Dedication Ceremony -10:00 Saturday, April 14, 2018. Thomas Park Hope St. Bristol. The Rainkeep is an inspiring public work of art celebrating environmental and human resiliency. It symbolizes and celebrates the history and spirit of Bristol, linked to an attitude which seeks innovative, forward thinking solutions to present and future environmental challenges for our community. It will be dedicated, with hope, to our children who will inherit this future.

- Rehoboth Garden Club is honored to host Blakely Szosz for a very special fundraiser. Blakely, who is President of the R.I. Federation of Garden Clubs and Head Gardener at R.I. Country Club, will present "Jewelry for the Garden". She will demonstrate how to create perfect planters to enhance your outdoor space. Drawings will be held for all Blakely's designs. 100% of the guest fees will go toward the purchase of a flowering tree to commemorate Rehoboth's 375th Anniversary. The tree will be planted in front of the Blanding Library at a ceremony in June.
Tuesday, May 1, 2018 at 6:30 PM at Goff Hall, [124 Bay State Road, Rehoboth, MA](#)
\$10 guest fee includes planter design demonstration, dessert buffet and one drawing ticket.
- Back by popular demand, Sunday, July 15, 2018 the 3rd Annual Newport Polo **All Charity Day**
- Education Day 2019- Tuesday, November 13th- please let your program and yearbook chairs know ASAP