



Greenfield Garden Club Newsletter

July 2019

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July President's Report - *Laura Schlaikjer*

July is here, and the heat with it! I hope you are finding time to sit in a shady part of your garden with a tall, refreshing glass of lemonade. I've had such a busy year so far with work and life in general that I am just now trying to get a few things into my veggie garden. I have a bumper crop of weeds, due to neglect. I hope your gardens are in much better shape than mine! // I hope you will be able to join me as we savor the season at our July meeting at the home of Norm and Marsha, putting our feet up and sampling the different dishes that everyone brings. I hope to see a big crowd that night, since we are also going to honor the work of the committee who put the finishing touches on the new by-laws. We will have a vote to put them in place to help streamline the club. // It's getting harder and harder to find bedding plants with several local sellers getting out of the business. What are your favorite places to find plants these days? How about favorite places to view gardens in MA? Here is a link that may prove helpful if you're traveling this summer, and are looking for a place with beautiful gardens to visit: <https://www.visit-massachusetts.com/state/massachusetts-gardens/>. This site has a few additional offerings of a similar nature in New England: <https://www.discovernewengland.org/things-do/new-englands-glorious-gardens>. Wherever your path leads you this summer, I hope you can make time to rub elbows with other members at an upcoming meeting. See you soon!

July Meeting with Potluck and Plant Swap - Thursday, July 18 – 5:30pm

RSVP to Marsha at: mds41@comcast.net

Our July meeting will find us making a beeline for the home and gardens of Norm Hirschfeld and Marsha Stone.

Their address is 41 Meadow Lane in Greenfield. We plan to enjoy a view of their gardens, eat delicious food together, vote on the slimmed-down by-laws, and for those who are interested, participate in a plant swap.

Please make sure you RSVP to Marsha at mds41@comcast.net so we can plan beverages, etc. You could pack a folding chair just in case, as well as some bug spray. We will hold this event rain or shine. Bring some plants for the swap, and read the by-laws which are posted on our website. See you there!!

Directions: from downtown Greenfield, head west on Main St. As you start to pass Ford of Greenfield on your left, take a right onto Colrain St. Continue all the way to the rotary near GCC. Take the first exit off the rotary, which is Colrain Rd. Follow this just past Nash's Mill Rd (where the Greenfield Swimming Area is located) and take a right onto Plain Rd. The first left you come to will be Meadow Lane. Number 41 is about ¾ of the way up the street on the right. It is a pale green house. Come through the door near the garage, not the front door. There is plenty of parking in the driveway and on the street.

The club has a Face Book Page and a Website! Please visit them often for updates!

Facebook: Greenfield Garden Club

Website: www.TheGreenfieldGardenClub.org

The Garden Conservancy of NY, has been sponsoring country-wide events called Open Days - where private gardens are "opened" to the public for garden tours and special programs. Visit opendaysprogram.org for information on private garden Open Days in your area!

Fundraising Committee Update

Jan Adam

We are looking for gardens for our Garden Tour 2020. Please email GreenfieldGardenClub@yahoo.com To let us know about a potential garden and we'll check them out. Our goal is to get 7 to 8 gardens secured for the tour! **Extravaganza** update: if you could give us an idea of plant you might donate next year – we will work to make laminated information cards for them over the coming months. This will help everyone learn more about the plants. Thanks for your help. **Next meeting: 7/11/19 6pm at 252 Davis St.** Our plan is to carpool and look at different gardens. All are welcome!

Treasurer's Report

Balance as of May 15, 2019... \$2,589.74
Income\$2,185.59.07
Interest, dues, plant sale, void check
Expenses..... \$75.00
Re-issue grant check to different name
Balance as of June 15, 2019..... \$4,700.33

All financial matters and membership dues should be directed to the club Treasurer: Joanne Burns, 14 Freeman Street, Greenfield MA 01301

Fund Raising Committee – Jan Adam

Thursday July 11 6:00 PM at 252 Davis St. Greenfield.

- Drive around and look at potential gardens for the 2020 Garden Tour.

The Program Committee – Joanne Burns

- TBD - Continue planning programs for this year.

Steering Committee – Annette Kilminster

Thursday July 25 at 6pm. 116 Bungalow Ave, Greenfield

Everyone is welcome and encouraged to join meetings to help the club move forward!! You guessed it - we need YOU!

Membership Dues

If you have not paid for 2019, please send your check, payable to The Greenfield Garden Club and mail to Joanne Burns – 14 Freeman Drive Greenfield, MA 01301.

Please include your name, phone number, address, email address, as well as if you are interested being on a committee (see committees listed to the left) or other ways to connect with the club. Use the handy form on page 3.

The Program Committee needs your help!

We need to plan the August, September, and October monthly meetings for the club. We have tried to get a group together, but due to people's schedules, we have not been successful getting enough people to attend in order to generate ideas for future meetings. It has been suggested that we visit the Three Sisters Sanctuary in Goshen, since we have not been there in many years, and much has changed. We also have not been down to see Dan Conlon and Warm Colors Apiary in a while. What would you like to do/see?! You can send in your ideas at any time to: Greenfieldgardenclub@yahoo.com

We also need to start thinking about the Fair Booth in the Roundhouse. We might bring this up at the July meeting.

2019 Club Officers

President:

Laura Schlaikjer

Vice President:

Marsha Stone

Co-VP & Newsletter Editor:

Jan Adam

Treasurer:

Joanne Burns

Recording Secretary:

Annette Kilminster

At Large Members:

Dotty Janke

Pam Lester

Richard Willard

We are trying to make sure that everyone is on the email list. If you or someone you know is not receiving their newsletter by email, please let us know!

Daylily Festival 7/20 9-4

23 Pickett Ln, Greenfield

Come by for an unbeatable selection of gorgeous daylilies grown by club member, Richard Willard.

NEWSLETTER DEADLINE: July 28

For the August Newsletter

Send any items of interest to members to: Jan Adam JanAdam12@Yahoo.com



MEMBERSHIP RENEWAL FORM – PLEASE DETACH AND SEND IN WITH YOUR PAYMENT.

Name: _____

Address: _____

Phone: _____

Email: _____

Circle Membership Level: Single: \$20 Family/Household: \$25

Please mail this stub with your check made out to: **Greenfield Garden Club**, and mail to
Joanne Burns, 14 Freeman Dr., Greenfield, MA 01301

I'd like to help with the following committee/s: _____

I'm interested in learning about: _____



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Greenfield, MA 01302-0309

MEMBER DISCOUNTS

These vendors have agreed to provide the listed discounts for members who show their membership card when making a purchase. We appreciate their support! Please respect their offers by remembering these generous discounts are for club members only and only when your card is presented.

Baystate Perennial Farm

36 State Road (Route 5/10), Whately, MA
10% off regular priced plants

Chapley Gardens

397 Greenfield Road (Route 5/10), Deerfield, MA
10% off regular priced plants and pond supplies

Greenfield Farmers' Cooperative (Agway)

269 High Street, Greenfield, MA
10% anything garden related

Silver Garden Daylilies – 23 Picket Lane, Greenfield, MA

10% off daylilies

Any vendors interested in offering our club member -gardeners a discount, please contact a member of the Steering Committee – thank you!!

LaSalle Florists

23 LaSalle Dr (Routes 5/10), Whately, MA
10% off regularly priced plants

O'Brien Nurserymen

40 Wells Rd, Granby, CT
10% off regularly priced plants

Mill River Farm Market

Conway Rd/Corner 116 & Rtes 5/10, S. Deerfield, MA
10% off plants in Spring and Fall

Warm Colors Apiary

2 South Mill River Rd, South Deerfield, MA
10% discount

Wilder Hill Gardens

351 South Shirkshire Rd, Conway, MA
10% off plants and consultations