

Weeder's Digest

Hull Garden Club
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We can only be said to be alive in those moments when our hearts are conscious of our treasures.
~Thornton Wilder

Club Opportunity: Next March there will be a flower show in Boston run by the Massachusetts Horticultural Society. "Blooms!" will be a part of it including two Floral Design Divisions, Amateur Horticulture, Plant Societies, and much more. One of these is an exhibit by GCFM. We have been offered a great space at the entrance to the floral designs to "talk" about ourselves. The Mass Federation is titling the exhibit "What Garden Clubs Do." It will consist of a series of professionally done display boards, each one highlighting one area of garden club activity - such as Civic Development, Garden Therapy, Junior Gardeners, Garden Schools, Club Flower Shows, etc.

Here's how to make our club famous: we need great photos of our club in action. Not posed shots of everyone lined up holding shovels, but candid shots of us working with children, putting in or maintaining our civic projects, of garden therapy, etc. The Federation is looking to include club members and the community people we work with in these shots. They will choose two to three photos for each subject and use them to create the display for all to see.

All the Federation asks is that we send (via email as jpegs whenever possible) our very best photos. If they're chosen for display, we'll be asked to identify the people in the picture (if we don't know the name of non-club members that's okay). We're not to limit ourselves to the projects named. If we have done something different and wonderful, they're interested. This way we get to show others how we not only beautify our community, but share our knowledge and talents with many others.

Photos should be sent to Betty Sanders at betty02052@yahoo.com.

HGC Website: Between our Christmas Luncheon and back to business meeting in March 2010, I hope to get our new website up and running. We'll be looking for any information, including photos, of all that the Club has accomplished over the years to post on the site. So please, gather all pertinent material and drop it by.

Fall Conference: The GCFM fall conference was held at the Andover Country Club, 60 Canterbury Street, Andover, MA, on Tuesday, October 27, 2009. The conference provided many interesting topics and awarded well deserved accolades to two clubs in particular for their community outreach. One, a wreath project done by the Marblehead Garden Club, we've chosen to replicate.

34th Art in Bloom 2010: Once again, we've been invited to participate in this beautiful event. The celebration begins on April 24th and runs through April 26th. We're running out of time to accept this very important invitation. The Garden Club Entry Form must be submitted as soon as possible in order for the HGC to secure a spot in this prestigious event, please see me today for the application.