

LGC Newsletter



September 2018

Dear Member,

We are now officially in flower show count down mode. One year from this September we will hold our community flower show at White Memorial. Flower shows are intended to educate and, hopefully, entertain. So when the schedule is distributed, read it over and decide which areas interest you the most. Maybe this is the time to try your hand at floral design or learn more about our local pollinators or grow something new. Look at your garden mid-September and see what is suitable for a flower show.

And finally, our meeting this month is open for guests. If you are considering proposing someone for membership, this is a great opportunity to introduce them to the club and the club to them. For many of us, September is our most beautiful month. Enjoy!

Best, Diane



Scanned image - Ellen Hoverkamp

**Scanning for Digital Capture
Ellen Hoverkamp**

September 20, 2018

2:00 P.M.
Litchfield Community Center

Open to *LGC Guests*

If you haven't done so already, RSVP [Joan Burgess](#)

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Committee Reports and Announcements

Conservation: Tonja Curry

There will be a meeting of the Conservation Committee at 1pm Wednesday, September 19th at the Oliver Wolcott Library meeting room. There will be updates on the pollinator garden signage and plans for a seed collection project. We will also discuss our plans for the flower show exhibit.

Tonja

Flower Design: Lee Reese and Kate Fahey

The Floral Design Committee will meet at 9:30 am on Monday, September 10th in St. Michael's Parish hall. We will discuss the design sweeps for our October meeting and also for the December tea.

The sweeps for the October meeting will be a mass design viewed from three sides. Arrangement should not exceed 16 inches in width and 18 inches in length. If you miss the meeting and would like a handout, just let me know. If you have any questions, email [Lee](#) or call 860.567.5417.

Looking forward to a great year!

Lee and Kate

Horticulture: Julia Metcalf

Horticulture Sweeps for September

LGC Members, for our September Sweeps I hope to see loads of specimens!!!

Gay Canal is judging again. Please drop off your Horticulture by 12:30 on September 20th at the Litchfield Community Center.

Class 1. Dahlias

1. Single specimen, dis-budded, one set of leaves required
2. Collection of 3 different specimens, all disbudded, exhibited in one clear glass container

Class 2. Grasses

1. Single specimen
2. Collection of 3 different specimens, exhibited in one clear glass container

Class 3. Annuals

1. Single specimen
2. Collection of 3 different specimens, exhibited in one clear glass container

Class 4. Perennials

1. Single specimen
2. Collection of 3 different specimens, exhibited in one clear glass container

Class 5. Flowering Branches (such as hydrangea, hibiscus, caryopteris)

1. Single specimen, not to exceed 30 inches in length from tip to cut end
2. Collection of 3 different specimens, exhibited in one clear glass container

PLEASE LET ME KNOW IF YOU CAN CLERK. I NEED TWO CLERKS FOR THE SHOW!!!

ALSO, we will organize a combination Floral Design and Horticulture Committee Meeting to review the calendar for the rest of the year! This will include workshops for the 2019 Flower Show! Lee and I are looking at our calendars to get a date set in stone.

Thank you, [Julia](#)

Photography: Cathy Oneglia

We are all invited to photograph the gardens of Frank Fontana and Andrew Becker on the morning of September 4th, from 7am until 10am - 1747 Turner Road, Thomaston. You might especially like to get pictures of dahlias and hydrangeas for our September sweepstakes. Come to this beautiful garden whenever it is comfortable for you. There is no absolute start or finish time. If it rains, you may still come on the 4th or come on September 5th instead, same time frame.

The sweepstakes for September 20th includes a wide range of subject matter and plenty of opportunity for individual creativity. Please enter as this is the photography meeting for our program year. Click [HERE](#) for the sweeps requirements.

I highly recommend this workshop for beginners and advanced beginners. Our new Zone Chair, Susan Brewer, has invited us to register for a day class in Photography 101. Details are:

ZONE II PHOTOGRAPHY 101 WORKSHOP
FOR BEGINNER AND ADVANCED BEGINNER PHOTOGRAPHERS

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 3RD 10AM - 3PM

Fairfield Museum and History Center
370 Beach Road in Fairfield, Connecticut
\$65 entry fee due by September 21, 2018
Limited to 20

More info below in UPCOMING EVENTS

Cathy

Projects: Jane Hinkel and Maryanne McNeill

Thank you to our August waterers! September schedule below.

September 1 - September 15:
Norfolk Road: Sylvia Abbott & Open
West Green: Lynne Sherman & Jane
Hinkel

September 10 - September 24
West Green: Meredith Penfield

REMINDER: West Street includes Murphy's Pharmacy Planter and the Trough on the West Green.

Jane and Maryanne

Website: Joan Burgess

- New pictures have been posted from our August "Garden Tour" - visit the [Hospitality](#) page.
- Did you forget a date for a meeting, visit our [website](#) for the Club Calendar - login in and scroll down.

Don't see something but want it posted or have a question - contact [Joan](#). Need LGC information - use our website! It's all there and easy to find.

Member News & Upcoming Events

Zone II Photography 101 Workshop For Beginner and Advanced
Beginner Photographers

Wednesday October 3rd 10AM - 3PM
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The GCA Photography Committee is very excited to announce a new workshop, which will be offered in all zones, Photography 101.

This workshop is geared to Beginner and Advanced Beginner photographers who are interested in advancing their skills in photography - using either their camera or cell phone. The workshop is ideally suited for those who want to move beyond "auto mode" on DSLR cameras, but cell phones are permitted.

To register and for additional information, click [HERE](#). The link will take you to a GCA website and you must be logged into your member account. Need help, contact [Cathy](#).

SUMMER BUZZ

Late Summer Update from The Garden Club of America

What's the Buzz! That's the theme of the upcoming Zone VII meeting and a fitting lead-in for this summer update! There is BUZZZ a-plenty in the GCA-and it's my pleasure to share just a few of the many important initiatives underway.

Annual Meeting 2019. Our sights already turn to Boston, where we will convene for the GCA's 106th Annual Meeting: Don't miss the charming, animated, online Save the Date, and be sure to get your order in early for the scarf and special new charm. Co-chairs Beth Meyer and SaSa Panarese and their team promise two remarkable days with keynote presentations from nationally known historian Douglas Brinkley and ocean expert David Rockefeller, Jr. (a name synonymous with environmental protection). Club presidents will receive save the date postcards in October with a reminder to identify delegates early for this exceptional meeting.

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Great American Public Gardens: The Untermyer Gardens Conservancy announces a symposium entitled "Great American Public Gardens: Successes and Challenges", to be held at Untermyer Park and moderated by Shobha Vanchiswar, noted garden blogger. The featured speakers are Louis Bauer of Wave Hill, Andi Pettis of the High Line and Timothy Tilghman of Untermyer Gardens. Each horticulturist will speak individually, then participate in a panel discussion. The event will conclude with a tour of Untermyer Gardens, led by Tilghman and Stephen Byrns, president of the Untermyer Gardens Conservancy. Tickets cost \$50 and may be purchased by check mailed to Untermyer Gardens Conservancy, 945 North Broadway, Yonkers, NY 10701 or online - click [HERE](#).

Date: Saturday, September 29

Location: Cola Community Center at Untermyer Gardens 945 North Broadway, Yonkers NY 10701

2:00 pm Presentations

3:15 pm Panel Discussion

4:15 pm Tour of Untermyer Gardens with Timothy Tilghman and President Stephen Byrns



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