

The Garden Club of Hyannis Club Clippings

October 2025 President: Betty Logan Editor: Nancy Wong

Message from the President:

"The crickets felt it was their duty to warn everybody that summertime cannot last forever. Even on the most beautiful days of the whole year, the days when summer is changing into autumn, the crickets spread the rumor of sadness and change." Charlotte's Web, E. B. White

Indeed, fall is in the air! As we recover from our summer guests and activities, we welcome the cooler weather to prepare our beds for the winter to come. Fran Raleigh, our speaker this month, will give us ideas to think about this winter for our spring planting to attract pollinators.

Fall is indeed a time to be grateful and we in the garden club have much to be thankful for. I am thankful for the leadership of Nancy Bailey and the Outings committee for their tireless efforts on behalf of the club and the amazing events they have provided for the club over the years.

We are grateful for being a recipient of Sandy Greene's estate. She left us a considerable amount of money designated for scholarships. We will be exploring the best approach for awarding new scholarships in the years to come.

We are grateful to Candy Louiselle, friend of Donna Garrabrant, for generously designing our new rosa Ragusa logo pro bono. It does not replace our original artwork in our yearbook, but we plan to feature it as we develop plans for Showcase 2027.

I am grateful to our board of directors who work tirelessly for the benefit of all members. Everyone is welcome to attend board meetings. If you have a topic to present, please let me know in advance so I can add you to the agenda. All board meeting minutes are available in the member section of our website.

As always, I am deeply grateful for the dedication and commitment shown by every member of our club. Betty Logan

Upcoming Events

Oct 20 – Floral Design Workshop
Oct 21 – Membership Meeting
Nov 5 – Showcase Workshop
Nov 11 – Board Meeting

Nov 3 - Showcase Advisory Comm. Nov 17 - Floral Design Workshop

HORTICULTURE

Each month the Horticulture Committee will provide a table for the display of Horticulture.

Everyone is encouraged to bring in a specimen of botanical interest.

Your specimen might be:

a stem of a dahlia or colorful coleus, zinnia, hydrangea, berried branch etc a plant/pest/disease you'd like help identifying a potted houseplant with distinctive variegation or flowers any specimen of botanical interest you'd like to share

Please provide a vase or container for displaying your specimen and an index card with the botanical name, cultivar name (if known) and common name and a few words of description. Also include your name on the back of the card.

We hope to speak briefly about each specimen and thus learn about many areas of horticulture from one another. Here are a few examples of specimens and identification cards:



MEMBERSHIP NEWS

Please make changes in your Yearbook Bailey, Nancy PO Box 325. Centerville, MA 02632. nbailey@capecod.net. 508-775-3336. Cell 508-737-0761.

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If you are bringing a guest to our meeting please let one of us know so we can send a welcome email. Presently we have 80 regular members and growing.

.....Peggy McNamara , Nancy Beless co chairs, membership



Brittany DeRenzo, Yarmouth
Conservation/ September program



Weeding Wednesday !!





September Floral Design Workshop

CONSERVATION COMMITTEE/Cheryl Baer

Time for Fall Outside Cleanup

Pull out annuals and plant debris from your beds and compost if not diseased.

Leave your Perennials to add interest. This also provides food for wintering birds as well as protection for insects and birds from predators.

If you choose to cut down to appropriate size this will help the plants conserve energy, and tidies your garden space.

Take time to weed! Compost your leaves or spread in garden beds for nutrients and insulation.

Plant Spring bulbs.

https://www.gardengatemagazine.com/articles/diy-projects/wildlife-pollinator/diy-bird-feeder-wreath/#:~:text=Construct%20the%20wreath,fir%20(Abies%20spp.).

follow above link to make a bird feeder green wreath.

Enjoy!

Cheryl

SHOWCASE WORKSHOP/Cheryl Baer

Our first workshop will be held on **November 5th at 9:00 am** at Betty Logan's house.

Please sign up with Cheryl at cbaer123@gmail.com or at our next membership meeting Oct 21st. Limit of 12 people. See you soon.

Cheryl

SHOWCASE BOUTIQUE/Lynette Helms

We still need the following to create items for the Showcase Boutique:

- 1. Greens, greens and more greens
- 2. Wooden sleds, wooden skis and snowshoes
- 3. Grapevine wreaths
- 4. Containers for arrangements: wood, ceramic, Nantucket baskets
- 5. 11 x 14 inch wooden picture frames
- 6. Mussel shells
- 7. Wide mouth canning jars

If you have any of these treasures, please contact Lynette

at lynettechelms@gmail.com or

508-264-1952

CIVIC PROJECTS - Nancy Costa

"We do not inherit the Earth from our ancestors, we borrow it from our children."

Native American Proverb

Looking ahead – Let's celebrate Arbor Day, Friday, April 24, 2026. There are countless Earth Day events that will happen in Barnstable in 2026. So much information is posted online about April 2025's events, it makes me eager to search for something that will involve our Club. If you are interested in finding information about Arbor Day 2026 and involving Club Members in a local activity, please let me know. We have time to organize and plan for our involvement in this civic project.

- Barnstable Land Trust has
 designated April as 'Earth Month'.
 I've joined their newsletter and will
 look for Arbor Day programs (walks
 and talks) that may interest our club
 members. blt.org/events
- Do we simply want to be part of a tree planting group around Hyannis/Barnstable?
- Contact: Nancy Costa ncosta71@hotmail.com

Civic Beautification/Gardening was the aim of Committee work in September & October at Hyannis Public Library. Thank you to everyone who participated! We are pleased with our accomplishments in the flagpole area and sidewalk toward the Library entrance. The weeds are gone and we were victorious!

 Our Committee is seeking the help of horticulture enthusiasts on scheduled Wednesday mornings, to help us learn from each other the difference between a weed and a native plant. For example, we know it is a plant, but sometimes we struggle to name it and/or leave it be.

 Join us for 'Weeding Wednesday,' All are welcome!



We work early: 9:00 - 10:30 AM, so that we have the remaining morning to ourselves. For more information, contact Nancy Costa or Ann Marie Carlson ragnardesign@comcast.net



OUTINGS COMMITTEE

As we have found that our interests are leading us in a different direction, we have resigned from the Outings Committee.

We thank everyone who has helped us, and those who have participated in our many planned Outings. We would particularly like to thank Nancy and Skip Walsh for their generosity, time and efforts in opening up and preparing their property for planned Outings for the past three years.

We wish the future Outings Committee members much success.Nancy Bailey, Angela Lipinski, Simone Perrier, Nancy Wong, Michelle Black



Don't miss out — Garden Therapy is back on October 28th! Come spread smiles and joy with us as we brighten seniors' days, one beautiful bouquet at a time

Heads up: There's no Garden Therapy in November, so this is your last chance to join the fun until January! There's always room for more volunteers — come lend a hand!

Where: Barnstable Adult Community Center

825 Falmouth Rd, Hyannis

When: 10 am - noon Dates: October 28th

November 25th **Canceled** Email Kathy: <u>kathyclay47@gmail.com</u>

Library Flowers

11/3/25 Simone Perrier

11/10/25 Sharon Cornelious

11/17/25 Joan Golden

11/24/25 Ann Marie Carlson

If you cannot keep your commitment to bring flowers on those dates, please ask a friend to fill in for you.

Thanks,

Linda lord

Horticulture Highlight - Nancy Henry

Are you looking for a boxwood replacement?

Boxleaf Euonymus (Euonymus japonicus 'Microphyllus') is a slow-growing, compact evergreen shrub that typically reaches a mature height of 1 to 2 feet tall with a spread of approximately 1 foot wide. Its dense, low-maintenance foliage resembles boxwood, making it an excellent choice for low hedges, borders, and containers. Full Sun/Partial Sun. Growing zones 6-9



October 6 Floral Design Workshop (see more photos in the website Photo Gallery)







