CANTON GARDEN CLUB



SUMMER/FALL 2014 NEWSIETTER

A Message From Cheryl

Hello everyone and welcome back to the fall season of the garden club.

This year will mark the 85th anniversary of the Canton Garden Club. We are planning to have members include some of the history of the club in the columns they will be writing for the newspapers.

Our first meeting was held on September 15th at the American Legion Hall. Carol Munson and Marla Jenkins held an in-house program demonstrating how to use hydrangeas in wreaths and arrangements.

Joan Marie Driscoll has planned some exciting events for the coming year that you will not want to miss. One of the first events is going to be a <u>FALL PLANT</u> SALE which will be held Saturday, October 4, from 9 am to 4 pm.

There will be a workshop for the plant sale at Carol Munson's garage on Tuesday, September 23 from 1 - 4pm All are welcome, just bring clippers and gloves.

We will be collecting boxes of cereal again for the Canton Food Pantry. Please bring boxes to any meeting. Thank you.

For women who find they cannot attend the day time meetings, the Garden Club is planning 3 night time meetings this coming year in October, February and April. They will be held at the American Legion Hall at 7pm.

Looking forward to a great year!

Cheryl James, President Canton Garden Club



MEDIA DIRECTOR...Ruth Kidd, Pat Ouellet

Welcome back members of the Canton Garden Club. The coming year promises to be a new and innovative year with lots of great programs. Pat and I are very happy to keep everyone up to date with all that is going on in the garden club. Informative programs, workshops, in house programs and projects are all part of our 85th year as THE CANTON GARDEN CLUB!

The club will move on with many new ideas involving students in Canton schools and promoting awareness of civic beautification in the town of Canton. We plan on continuing with the successful "Artists In Bloom" program that includes students from kindergarten through high school. We will be having more night meetings so that we can attract women who cannot make a daytime meeting. These meetings are interesting, informative, and connect to the woman and her family of today...We hope to see all our longtime friends and any new members at all meetings. Belonging to the garden club is a great way to learn more about flowers, our environment, gardening and becoming involved in the civic beautification of your town.

Bring a friend or neighbor to a meeting of the Canton Garden Club..

Don't forget to click on our website: <u>cantongardenclub.org</u>

See you next time...

Thank you, Ruth and Pat

GARDEN THERAPY...Marla Jenkins, Christine Sparuk

The Fall arrangements created by Marla and Christine for the student dining room centerpieces at The Massachusetts Hospital School, will be made at Carol Munson's garage. Time and date to be announced at the October meeting. All are welcome to attend and help put together 16 always lovely and fun arrangements. The Hospital School with staff and students alike, appreciate the generosity of the garden club by putting a touch of Fall on their tables.

Thank you, Marla and Christine

CIVIC BEAUTIFICATION...Vicky Chaisson

I wish to thank all the members who so tirelessly helped with all the flower boxes and water troughs this past summer. Your help was much appreciated and made my job as director a lot easier. I look forward to working with members this fall season making our flower boxes and troughs look attractive and welcoming.

Thank you, Vicky

HOSPITALITY ... Rita Crowley

Hostesses for September, October, November:

Monday, September 15: The Board of Gardeners will be hosting a tea held at the American Legion Hall at 9:30am.

Monday, October 13: Mary Ensins & Marilyn Gowing are hosting a coffee at the first night time meeting held at the American Legion Hall at 7:00pm.

Monday, November 10: Elizabeth Johnstone & Val Morrison will be hosting a coffee held at the American Legion Hall at 9:30 a.m.

I wish to thank all the members who kindly hosted a meeting or donated delicious sandwiches and deserts for our meetings. The <u>Garden Club Hostesses</u> do a wonderful job decorating tables, setting up the coffee and tea table and telephoning members to bring delicious refreshments for all to enjoy. Thank you, Rita

<u>WAYS AND MEANS:</u> Joan Marie Driscoll

Welcome back to all our Garden Club ladies. There are lots of exciting projects to participate in this coming year. I look forward to seeing members volunteering their time and talents in these wonderful events. The FALL PLANT SALE, held October 4th on the LIBRARY front lawn is our first event. Master Gardener Fran Carleton, will be on hand to answer any questions at the "ASK THE EXPERT" table. Joan Lehan and Deb McCourt will be signing up prospective new members at 'THE CANTON GARDEN CLUB TABLE.

Thank you to everyone who volunteers their time to participate in all these events Without any of you, they would not be successful or fun! Joan Marie

PROGRAM COMMITTEE: Marilyn Gowing & Fran Carleton

Programs for the fall season have started with Carol Munson and Marla Jenkins doing a hands-on demonstration with Hydrangeas. The successful program was informative and fun. Many members brought their clippers and gloves and were involved in making their own grapevine wreaths

The October night time meeting is another Hands-On workshop featuring Joan Marie Driscoll demonstrating how to make a miniature fairy garden. Plants and accessories are available for purchase.

The November general meeting will be a presentation by Suzanne Mahler with tips for preparing gardens for winter weather.

Thank you, Marilyn and Fran

NOTES OF INTEREST:

SENIOR CENTER BUILDING LANDSCAPE PROJECT:

The Garden Club Board was invited to help plan the landscaping portion of the proposed Senior Center Building, formerly the K of C Building on Pleasant Street. A committee was formed of Carol Munson, Fran Carleton and Roxie Gray to work with this committee. They have met several times over the summer and will meet this fall to share ideas on plantings and accessories appropriate for the outside area. The budget for this project is very limited, so they are asking for knowledge and expertise from our club. Some ideas will be implemented this fall with many more in the spring. This is another way we can help our community to improve civic beautification.

A SPECIAL THANKS TO MARTY AND BILL KRAMER..

Marty and her husband, Bill salvaged perennials, mostly Hosta and Day Lilies from the island on Bolivar Street. Marty will be in contact with Donna-Creed Bauman, organizer of the garden project at Canton High School to further help with the project.

Thank you both for your dedication and hard work.

