

Academy Garden Club
of Lenox



2024-2025 Yearbook

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P.O. Box 2081,
Lenox, Massachusetts 01240
www.agclenox.org

2024-2025

Member of the Garden Club
Federation of Massachusetts

Organized 1977

Federated 1990

55 Members

Supporting Our Community

-  Beautifying the Paterson-Egleston Monument and Academy Building planters with flowers.
-  Honoring fallen firefighters with plantings at the New Lenox Fire Station monument.
-  Decorating the Lenox Post Office window.
-  Creating a new pollinator friendly garden at the Lenox Community Garden.



NATIONAL GARDEN CLUBS, INC.

Brenda Moore, President

NEW ENGLAND GARDEN CLUBS, INC.

Susan Miner, Regional Director

**GARDEN CLUB FEDERATION OF
MASSACHUSETTS, INC.**

Marjorie Dienhart, President

WESTERN & CENTRAL SOUTH DISTRICTS

Vana Nespor, Director

ACADEMY GARDEN CLUB OF LENOX

Jill Dore, President

2024-2025

OFFICERS

Academy Garden Club of Lenox

President

Jill Dore

Vice President

Linda Goff

Secretary

Sarah Hatch

Treasurer

Theresa Fasano



2024-2025 COMMITTEES

Civic Projects Committee

Co-Chairs: Kathy DeVyllder, Dianne Romeo and Bobbie Anne Salinetti

Members: Susan Wolf, Theresa Terry Michney and all Active Club Members

Fundraising Committee

Co-Chair: Jill Dore and Theresa Fasano

Members: Ginny Akabane, Jan Chague, Anne Gannon,
Theresa Terry Michney

Program Committee

Co-Chairs: Linda Goff and Harriet Wetstone

Members: Jan Chague, Barbara Glicksman, Colette Lemanski

Scholarship Committee

Chair: Janice Brindisi

Members: Colette Lemanski, Bobbie Anne Salinetti,
Lynn Schmitter, Carol Way

Budget Committee consists of Officers of the Club, Chairs of the above committees and members of the Fundraising committee

The Thymes Editor - Patricia Neri

Photography at meetings - Tjasa Sprague

Monthly Horticultural Column - Harriet Wetstone

Hospitality - Refreshment Hostesses listed monthly

Summer Garden Tours - Chair: Dianne Romeo

Member: Sarah Hatch

Nominating Committee: Linda Goff and Kelly Grems with input from members

2024-2025 CIVIC PROJECTS

Monument – Academy Building

Pollinator Garden

New Lenox Fire Station

Post Office Windows

The Paterson - Egleston Monument - Design, plant and maintain flowers around the town monument. **Kathy DeVyllder, Dianne Romeo and Bobbie Anne Salinetti.**

Note: Lenox DPW will water the monument

Pollinator Garden – Develop and maintain a pollinator garden: **Kathy DeVyllder, Dianne Romeo and Bobbie Anne Salinetti**

The Academy Building – Maintain plants in two planters on either side of front door: **Dianne Romeo & Colette Lemanski**

The New Lenox Fire Station – Maintain plants in front of the monument honoring firefighters; plants are on right side of the building: **Theresa Terry Michney & Susan Wolf**

Post Office Windows - Plan and place attractive displays with outdoor and gardening themes in the windows of Lenox Post Office four times a year.

BY-LAWS

The Academy Garden Club of Lenox By-Laws are unchanged from last year and can be found on our Web-site:

www.agclenox.org >

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By-Laws

September 10, 2024

Program: Meet, Greet, Eat and Auction!

Meeting Place and Time:

Academy Building Front Yard – 6:00 pm

Refreshment Hostesses - Everyone!

Please bring a **dish to share** and your **place setting**.

A-L – Desserts

M-Z – Appetizers and Mains

2024-2025 Yearbooks will be distributed.



September 28 from 10 to 5 - Visit our Booth at **APPLE SQUEEZE** located in front of the Academy building.



Post Office Window for September, October, November

Cindy Packard and Bobbie Anne Salinetti

October 08, 2024

Program: Cannabis

Presenter: Bill Stanton of Kapha Cannabis.

How Cannabis is grown and processed:
Medicinal Uses and Recreational Uses

Meeting Place and Time:

Lenox Community Center – 6:00 pm

Refreshment Hostesses:

Anne Gannon and Theresa Terry Michney

November 12, 2024

Program: Creative Boxwood Workshop

Expanded to include centerpieces and wreaths as well as our traditional balls and trees

Instructions by Members:

Liz Celli and Dianne Romeo

Meeting Place and Time:

Lenox Community Center – 6:00 pm

Cost: Please bring money to cover your share of the Boxwood Workshop costs.

Equipment: Please bring cutting tools and decorations, a container, or use the one provided.

Refreshment Hostesses:

Mary Tierney and Chris Stodden

December 10, 2024

Program: *Christmas and Holiday Party*
Academy Auction
Food and Fun

Meeting Place and Time:
Ventfort Hall - 6:00 pm

Refreshment Hostesses - Everyone!
Please bring a **dish to share** and your **place setting**.
A-L – Appetizers and Mains
M-Z – Desserts

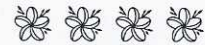
Auction: Bring money for Academy Auction:
\$1/one ticket, \$5/six tickets



**Post Office Window for December, January,
February**
Liz Celli and Jill Dore

January 2025

No Meeting in January



February 11, 2025

Program: Paper Flower Making

Presenter: Deb Carter

Meeting Place and Time:
Lenox Community Center – 6:00 pm

Refreshment Hostesses:
Barb Czelusniak and Colette Lemanski

March 11, 2025

Program: Four Generations in the Berkshires

Presenter: Sarah Hatch, our Secretary

Meeting Place and Time:

Lenox Community Center - 6:00 pm

Refreshment Hostesses:

Lynn Schmitter and Carol Way



Post Office Window for March, April, May

Jan Chague and Sharon Walker



Visit Capital Region Flower & Garden Expo

Hudson Valley Community College

Troy, NY ***March 28 - 30***

April 8, 2025

Program: Vegetable Gardening

Presenter: Bridgette Stone: Planning for a harvest that can provide food all year long.

Meeting Place and Time:

Lenox Community Center - 6:00 pm

Please bring a non-perishable donation for the Local Food Pantry

Refreshment Hostesses:

Barbara Glicksman and Ginny Akabane

May 13, 2025

Program: The Woodland Garden
Planning for your shade garden

Presenter: Chris Ferraro

Meeting Place and Time:
Lenox Community Center - 6:00 pm

Refreshment Hostess:
Theresa Fasano and Jan Chague



Visit Cricket Hill Gardens – “Peony Heaven”
Thomaston, CT

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June 11, 2025

Program: End of Year Celebration – committee and event sign-ups, agree on Summer Garden Tours – don't forget next year's dues.

Meeting Place and Time:
Berkshire Botanical Garden - 6:00 pm

Refreshment Hostesses - Everyone!
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A-L – Desserts
M-Z – Appetizers and Mains

Auction: Bring money for Academy Auction:
\$1/one ticket, \$5/six tickets



Post Office Windows for June, July, August
Caroline Kessman and Anne Gannon

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MEMBERS

Akabane, Ginnv

Ammendola, Peggy

Archev, Pat

Bell, Anne Marie

Bianco, Roberta

Brindisi, Janice

Celli, Liz

Chague, Jan

Coakley, Mary Ann

Cowhig, Nancy

Crosson, Nancy

Czelusniak, Barbara

DeVylder, Kathy

Dore, Jill

Drees, Jean

Fasano, Theresa

Fromm, Mary Ja

Fulco, Karen

Gannon, Anne

Glazer, Mary Lou

Glicksman, Barbara

Goff, Linda

Grems, Kelly

Hatch, Sarah

Hill, Lois

Hoffman, Sue

Jakobowicz, Kim

Joyner, Martha

Kessman, Caroline

Leahey, Jane

Lemanski, Colette

Mack, Anne

Merlino, Sandy

Michney, Theresa Terry

Neri, Patricia

Packard, Cindy

Romeo, Dianne

Rumph, Carol

Salinetti, Bobbie Anne

Salvatore, Maureen

Schmitter, Lynn

Shelhamer, Francine

Spies, Karen L.

Sprague, Tjasa

Stodden, Chris

Sweeney, Debbie

Tierney, Mary

Walker, Denise

Walker, Sharon

Way, Carol

Wetstone, Harriet

Whalen, Jane

Wilson, Emily

Wolf, Susan

Zaffanella, Amy

Phone Tree #1

When information needs to be sent to members on very short notice, we use the phone tree. When you are called, please call the person below you on the list and leave a message if there is no answer and keep calling until you talk to someone who can then call the person next in line.

NAME

PHONE #

Theresa Fasano

Jane Leahey

Liz Celli

Sue Hoffman

Colette Lemanski

Carol Rumph

Bobbie Anne Salinetti

Jane Whalen

Susan Wolf

Pat Archey

Kathy DeVylder

Kim Jakobowicz

Phone Tree #2

Read instructions under Phone Tree #1

Linda Goff
Jean Drees
Karen Fulco
Lois Hill
Sandy Merlino
Lynn Schmitter
Mary Jane Fromm
Maureen Salvatore
Cindy Packard
Emily Wilson
Mary Tierney
Francine Shelhamer
Mary Ann Coakley
Nancy Cowhig

Phone Tree #3

Read instructions under Phone Tree #1

Sarah Hatch
Janice Brindisi
Barb Czelusniak
Tjasa Sprague
Theresa Terry Michney
Dianne Romeo
Anne Gannon
Carol Way
Harriet Wetstone
Deb Sweeney
Martha Joyner
Amy Zaffanella
Chris Stodden
Denise Walker

Phone Tree #4

Read instructions under Phone Tree #1

Jill Dore
Jan Chague
Roberta Bianco
Ginny Akabane
Nancy Crosson
Barbara Glicksman
Caroline Kessman
Anne Mack
Patricia Neri
Ann Marie Bell
Peggy Ammendola
Kelly Grems
Karen Spies
Sharon Walker
Mary Lou Glazer

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“The most noteworthy thing about gardeners is that they are always optimistic, always enterprising, and never satisfied. They always look forward to doing something better than they have ever done before.”

Vita Sackville-West (1892 - 1962)

The British author was equally well known for her gardening and garden design. Although she considered herself an amateur, she remains a respected name in garden design.

The gardens at her home Sissinghurst located in the Weald of Kent, England, continue to be one of the most visited public gardens in the world.