

*Academy Garden Club  
of Lenox*



*1996-97 Yearbook*

**Academy Garden Club of Lenox  
Lenox, Massachusetts 01240**



**Member of the Garden Club  
Federation of Massachusetts**

**Organized 1977**

**Federated 1990**

**Membership  
47 Active Members**

## OBJECTIVES

The objective of the Academy Garden Club of Lenox shall be to promote interest in horticulture, artistic arrangements and education.

## CONSERVATION PLEDGE

I give my pledge as an American to save and faithfully to defend from waste the natural resources of my country, its air, soils and minerals, its forests, waters and wildlife.

## BY-LAWS

### ARTICLE I - NAME

The name of this Club shall be the Academy Garden Club of Lenox.

### ARTICLE II - OBJECT

Its object shall be to promote interest in horticulture, artistic arrangements, and education.

### ARTICLE III - MEMBERSHIP

Membership shall be limited to under 50 active members.

**Active** members must pay yearly dues of \$15. Members in arrears shall be notified in a timely manner and if after receiving one reminder and a note from the Treasurer concerning nonpayment of dues they shall be dropped from membership.

**Active** members must participate in one fund-raising activity and one civic project.

**Active** members must attend at least 5 meetings a year. Meetings are held 9 time a year.

If an active member cannot fulfill the guidelines laid down for membership due to unusual circumstances they may request an extension or waiver from the Membership Committee with the approval of the Executive Committee. Such circumstances could include serious illness or changing

family circumstances.

To accommodate individuals who wish to participate in some club activities but cannot meet the requirements for "active" membership a category of **Associate** member has been developed.

**Associate** members must pay a yearly dues of \$25. If these dues are not paid within two months of the yearly notice associate members will be dropped from the membership roster.

**Associate** members must attend at least 3 meetings a year.

When meetings involve workshop activities, active members shall take precedence over associate members in cases of limited participation.

When the Club membership reaches its limit of 49, the names of potential members shall be maintained on a waiting list. When someone drops out of the Club or becomes a sustaining member and a slot for an active member becomes available the first individual will be notified. This process will be activated twice a year (in January and in September). If said individual responds affirmatively, and pays their dues at the next scheduled meeting, they shall become an active member in good standing.

#### ARTICLE IV - ELECTION

**Section 1.** A Nominating Committee of two or more persons shall be appointed by the President to prepare a slate of officers. This slate shall be presented for acceptance at the May meeting. Floor nominations shall also be accepted at this time. Final presentation and voting will take place at the June meeting. These officers will assume their new positions effective September.

**Section 2.** No person shall hold the same office for more than one term; a term consists of two years.

**Section 3.** Vacancies shall be filled by the President with the approval of the Executive Board.

#### ARTICLE V - MEETINGS

**Section 1.** The Club shall meet at least 9 months of the year.

**Section 2.** There will be 2 or more open meetings per year. Workshops and dinner meetings will not be open meetings.

**Section 3.** The final meeting shall be called the Annual Meeting, at which time the annual reports shall be given and officers shall be elected.

**Section 4.** Business can be conducted with the approval of a majority of the members present unless a quorum is requested.

**Section 4a.** Seven active members shall constitute a quorum.

#### ARTICLE VI - LIST OF OFFICERS AND DUTIES

**Section 1.** The President shall preside at the meetings of the Club, see that the provisions of the by-laws are carried out, and assume all duties assigned by custom to that office. The

President shall act as a member ex-officio of all committees. The President shall not vote except in the event of a tie.

**Section 2.** The Vice-President shall assist the President, and shall preside at meetings in the absence of the President.

**Section 3.** The Recording /Corresponding Secretary shall keep a full and complete record of the proceedings of each meeting, shall have custody of the records of the Club, and take the roll at each meeting, and be responsible for all correspondence.

**Section 4.** The Treasurer shall have charge of the general funds. The Treasurer shall receive income and pay the bills of the Club after such bills are presented to the Club and approved by a majority vote.

**Section 5.** The Publicity Chairman shall be responsible for publicity.

#### **ARTICLE VII - STANDING COMMITTEE**

**Section 1 -** There shall be the following Standing Committees: Nominating, Program, Handbook, Hospitality, Horticulture, and Civic Projects.

**Section 2.** The Executive Committee shall consist of all elected officers, the most recent past president, and chairmen of all standing committees. It shall meet by order of the President and oversee the general direction of affairs. Five members shall constitute a quorum.

**Section 3.** The committee in charge of a project has the authority to cancel that project with the approval of the President if in its best judgement that project becomes unworkable.

#### **ARTICLE VIII - DUES**

**Section 1.** The dues shall be \$15.00 per year payable by June 30 and delinquent by July 31. Non-payment of dues will result in removal from active membership.

**Section 2.** Any expense above \$100.00 incurred by an extra-curricular activity must be approved by a two-thirds vote of the membership present.

#### **ARTICLE IX - HOSPITALITY**

The Hospitality Chairman shall submit any bills to the Treasurer.

#### **ARTICLE X - AMENDMENTS**

These By-Laws may be amended at a regular meeting by a two-thirds majority vote of those present, providing such amendment shall have been presented to the Club in writing at one regular meeting immediately preceding the one in which the action is to be taken.

National Council of  
State Garden Clubs, Inc.  
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National President  
Eleanor Yates (Mrs. Graem)

New England Region  
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Berkshire District Director

1995 - 1996  
OFFICERS  
Academy Garden Club of Lenox

President  
Maryjane Fromm/Diane Romeo

Secretary  
Elaine Christopher

Treasurer  
Sue Rudd

Past President  
Lynne Roberson

## COMMITTEES

1996-97

### HOSPITALITY

**Pauline Stevens**

### PROGRAM

**Diane Romeo**

### NEWSLETTER/YEARBOOK

**Jean Drees**, Georgia Autorino, Pat Archey,  
Peg Carpenter

### HORTICULTURE

**Kathy Devylder**, Nancy Cowhig, Sue Dunlaevy,  
Jean Drees

### CLUB HISTORIAN

**Lucy Babbitt**

### PUBLICITY

**Margot Tierney**, Carol Rumph, Peg Carpenter  
Kathy Arment

## 1996-97 PROJECTS

### CIVIC PROJECTS

**Monument Plantings** - Design, planting and maintenance of flowers around the town monument. *Kathy DeVylder*

**Library Reading Park** - Maintenance of Perennial Garden in Lenox Library Reading Park. *Carol Rumph*

**Post Office Window** - Planning and placing attractive displays with outdoor and gardening themes in the windows of the Lenox Post Office. *Elaine Christopher*

**Tub Parade** - Enter a decorated horse drawn cart in the Annual Tub Parade. *Liz Celli*

### FUNDRAISING PROJECTS

**Lenox Apple Squeeze** - Assist other Berkshire District Clubs on "Cornucopia for All Ages," 1st Annual Flower Show Event. *Carol Rumph*

**Berkshire Botanical Gardens** - Assist the Botanical Gardens by "manning" a booth for their fund raiser.

**September 10, 1996**

**Program:** Preparation for District Garden Show  
*Flower Arrangement Techniques to prepare for District Garden Show*

**Meeting Place and Time**

Lenox Community Center at 7:00 p.m.

**Refreshment Committee:**

Norma Greenfield  
Elaine Christopher

**Other Dates:**

September 21 - Tub Parade  
September 28 - Apple Squeeze

**October 8, 1996**

**Program:** Herbal Gifts from the Kitchen  
*Learn to make holiday gifts from your kitchen.*

**Meeting Place and Time:**

Lenox Community Center at 7:00 p.m.

**Refreshment Committee:**

Donna Trask  
Anne Mack  
Paula Smith

**Other Dates:**



November 12, 1996

**Program:** Preparing for the Holidays  
*Shortcut to holiday decorating*

**Meeting Place and Time:**

Lenox Community Center at 7:00 p.m.

**Refreshment Committee:**

Liz Celli  
Carolyn Brunett  
Jean Drees

**Other Dates:**

December 10, 1996

**Program:** Progressive Dinner  
*Our annual Christmas get together at different homes gets everyone into the holiday spirit.*

**Meeting Place and Time:**

Time and place to be announced.

**Refreshment Committee:**

Hospitality Committee

**Other Dates:**

**No Meeting in January**

**February 11, 1997**

**Program:** Flower Arrangements

*Carolyn Valente will give us some pointers on making arrangements*

**Meeting Place and Time:**

Lenox Community Center at 7:00 p.m.

**Refreshment Committee:**

Peg Carpenter

Pat Archey

Nancy Cowhig

**Other Dates:**

**March 11, 1997**

**Program:** Souper Supper

*Short Lecture - Then eat. Guests welcome.*

**Meeting Place and Time:**

Lenox Community Center at 7:00 p.m.

**Refreshment Committee:**

Elaine Steinert

Sue Dunlaevy

Lorraine Roman

**Other Dates:**

**April 8, 1997**

*Exact date to be announced*

**Program:** Planning the Summer Garden  
*Guest speaker to be announced*

**Meeting Place and Time:**  
Community Center at 7:00 p.m.

**Refreshment Committee:**  
Maryjane Fromm  
Lois Weaver  
Barbara Salinetti

**Other Dates:**

**May 13, 1997**

**Program:** "Painted Pots"  
*Donna Trask will show us how to decorate our flower pots.*

**Meeting Place and Time:**  
Community Center at 7:00 p.m.

**Refreshment Committee:**  
Kathy DeVyldeur  
Jane Leahey  
Marie Weatherhead

**Other Dates:**

**Saturday morning, May 10, 1997**

Library Cleanup and Plant Exchange

*Bring as many plants as you want to exchange along with garden tools to clean the Reading Park.*

**June 10, 1996** - *Annual Meeting at Maryjane's House*

## MEMBERS

\* - Denotes Associate Member

Arment, Kathy

Agar, Helen

Archev, Pat

Autorino, Georgia

Babbitt, Lucille

Brolli, Marcia

Brown, Marcie\*

Brunett, Carolyn

Buxton, Edith

Carpenter, Peggy

Celli, Liz

Christopher, Elaine

Cowhig, Nancy

DeVylder, Kathy

Dunlaevy, Susan

Drees, Jean

Fromm, Maryjane

Fulco, Karen

Greenfield, Norma

Hoff, Alice

Kerrigan, Mary

Leahey, Jane

Lemanski, Colette\*

Mack, Anne

Morasco, Nancy

Nejame, Coreen

Roberson, Lynne

Roman, Lorraine

Romeo, Diane

Barbara Rose

Rudd, Sue

Rufo, Judy

Rumph, Carol

St. John, Susan

Salinetti, Barbara

Shea, Pat

Smith, Paula

Spina, Mary

Tjasa Sprague

Steinert, Elaine

Stevens, Pauline

Sweeney, Debbie

Tierney, Margot

Trask, Donna

Trombly, Claudia

Weatherhead, Marie

Weaver, Lois

Alice Bregan

## THE PHONE TREE

The phone tree works very well if everyone does their part. Please keep calling down the tree until you talk to someone personally. Maryjane Fromm will call the first person on each phone tree.

### TREE #1

Maryjane Fromm

Marie Weatherhead

Liz Celli

Kathy DeVlyder

Mary Spina

Debbie Sweeney

Lynne Roberson

Lorraine Roman

Barbara Ross

Carol Brunett

Donna Trask

Lois Weaver

Elaine Steinert

Paula Smith

Marcie Brown

THE FRONT TREE  
TREE#2

Jean Drees  
Kathleen Arment  
Pat Archey  
Claudia Trombly  
Elaine Christopher  
Lucille Babbitt  
Tjasa Sprague  
Susan Dunlaevy  
Georgia Autorino  
Jane Leahey  
Barbara Salinetti  
Margot Tierney  
Nancy Cowhig  
Pauline Stevens  
Judy Rufo  
Collette Lemanski

TREE #3

Diane Romeo  
Carol Rumph  
Alice Hoff  
Susan St. John  
Susan Rudd  
Corinne Nejame  
Norma Greenfield  
Anne Mack  
Peggy Carpenter  
Nancy Morasco  
Marcia Brolli  
Pat Shea  
Edith Buxton  
Karen Fulco  
Mary Lou Kerrigan  
Helen Agar