

Academy Garden
Club
Of Lenox

2006-2007 Yearbook

Academy Garden Club of Lenox
Lenox, Massachusetts 01240

2006-2007

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

Organized 1977 Federated 1990

Membership
44 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.

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 \$21. 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 times 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 mem-

bership, a category of **Associate** member has been developed.

Associate members must pay a yearly dues of \$31. 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 a 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 COMMITTEES

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 \$21.00 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 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.
4401 Magnolia Avenue
St. Louis, MO 63110

BERSHIRE DISTRICT DIRECTOR

~~Patti Brundage~~ *Connie Lewis*

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2006-2007 OFFICERS

Academy Garden Club of Lenox

Co-Presidents

~~Debbie Sweeney~~
Pat Archey

Secretary

Bobbi Ann Salinetti

Treasurer

~~Jane Leahy~~

Anne Koch

2006-2007 COMMITTEES

Hospitality

Mary Ann Coakley, Sandy Merlino, Brooke Hawkins

Program

Colette Lemanski, Anne Mack, Diane Romeo,
Carol Rumph, Elaine Steinert, Sue Ward

DEBBIE SWEENEY

Horticulture

Liz Celli, Jane Leahey, Mary Spina

Club Historian

Dianne Romeo

Yearbook

Jean Drees

2006-2007 PROJECTS

Civic Projects

Monument Plantings – Design, planting and maintenance of flowers around the town monument.

Post Office Windows – Planning and placing attractive displays with outdoor and gardening theme in the windows of the Lenox Post Office four times a year along with displays from Lenox Memorial Middle and High School Students, under the direction of Karen Romeo-Leger.

Tub Parade – Assist in Tub Parade Festivities

September 12, 2006

Program: Potluck Supper

A potluck supper to get us together as we discuss the year ahead.

Meeting Place and Time:

Lenox Academy Building at 7:00 p.m.

Refreshment Hostesses:

Everyone

Post Office Windows

September, October, November

Liz Celli, Edie Buxton, Marie Weatherhead, Tjasa Sprague

Notes: Bring your plate and utensils

October 10, 2006

Program: Lecture with Peter Salinetti
"Putting your Gardens to Bed"

Meeting Place and Time:

Lenox Academy Building at 7:00 p.m.

Refreshment Hostesses:

Brooke Hawkins

Alice Hoff

Notes:

November 14, 2006

Program: Workshop – Pumpkin Floral Centerpiece

Meeting Place and Time:
Lenox Academy Building at 7:00 p.m.

Refreshment Hostesses:

Nancy Cowhig
Jean Drees

Notes:

Bring a sharp knife, newspapers, and a scoop or spoon. \$6.00 to cover expenses.

December 12, 2006

Program: Annual Holiday Gathering at Ventfort Hall

Appetizers and desserts brought by club members. A Holiday grab bag for all - \$7

Meeting Place and Time:
Ventfort Hall at 7:00 pm

Refreshment Hostesses:

Everyone

Post Office Window

December, January, February
Alice Hoff, Nancy Cowhig, Brooke Hawkins, Sandy Merlino, Mary Ann Coakley

NO MEETING IN JANUARY

*** February 15, 2007 ***

Please note – This is Thursday

Program: Chez Vous

Meeting Place and Time:

Chez Vous
150 Main Street
Lee, MA

Refreshment Hostesses:

None Needed

Notes: Demonstration and Dinner
\$25.00

March 13, 2007

Program: Lecture with Rene Laubach
“Birds, Bats and Butterflies”
There will be birdhouses for sale.

Meeting Place and Time:

Lenox Academy Building at 7:00 p.m.

Refreshment Hostesses:

Jane Whalen, Sue Warden, Bobbie
Salinetti

**Post Office Windows
for March, April, May**

Jean Drees, Debbie Sweeney
Need additional volunteers

April 10, 2007

Program: Trillium

Meeting Place and Time:

Trillium

25 Pittsfield Road

Lenox

Refreshment Hostesses:

Marie Weatherhead, Lucy Babbitt

Notes:

May 8, 2007

Program: Berkshire Botanical Garden

Meeting Place and Time:

Berkshire Botanical Garden

Stockbridge, MA

Refreshment Hostesses:

Marilyn Valeri, Joan Parker, Kathy
DeVylder

Post Office Windows

June July August

Bobbi Salinetti

Jane Whalen

June 12, 2007 Annual Meeting

Time and place to be announced

MEMBERS

Agar, Helen

Archey, Pat

Babbit, Lucille

Buxton, Edie

Keep Cantone, Claire

Celli, Liz

Christopher, Elaine

Coakley, Mary Ann

Cowhig, Nancy

DeVylder, Kathy

Dunlaevy, Susan

Drees, Jean

Fromm, Maryjane

Fulco, Karen

Greenfield, Norma

Hawkins, Brooke

Hillier, Margaret

Hoff, Alice

Leahey, Jane

Lemanski, Collette

Mack, Anne

Marasco, Nancy

MacFadyen, Hermine

Merlino, Sandy

Paddock, Margo

Parker, Joan

Romeo, Diane

Rudd, Sue

Rumph, Carol

Salinetti, Bobbi Ann

Shandoff, Margo

Shea, Pat

Smith, Paula

Spina, Mary

Sprague, Tjasa

Steinert, Elaine

Stevens, Pauline

Sweeney, Debbie

Trask, Donna

Trombly, Claudia

Valeri, Marilyn

Warden, Sue

Weatherhead, Marie

Whalen, Jane

Emily Hilson

THE PHONE TREE

The phone tree works very well if everyone does their part. PLEASE keep calling down the tree until you talk to a garden club member personally. If you skip members on the tree be sure to keep trying members you skipped. Pat and Debbie will call the first member on each tree.

Tree #1

Helen Agar
Claire Cantone
Mary Ann Coakley
Jean Drees
Jane Leahey
Margo Paddock
Diane Romeo
Pat Shea
Elaine Steinert
Claudia Trombly
Jane Whalen

Tree #2

Edith Buxton
Nancy Cowhig
Maryjane Fromm
Margaret Hillier
Anne Mack
Sue Rudd
Mary Spina
Pauline Stevens
Paula Smith

Tree #3

Lucy Babbit

Liz Celli

Kathy DeVylder

Karen Fulco

Alice Hoff

Nancy Marasco

Carol Rumph

Margo Shandoff

Marilyn Valerie

Brooke Hawkins

Sandy Merlino

Tree #4

Elaine Christopher

Susan Dunlaevy

Norma Greenfield

Hermine MacFadyn

Colette Lemanski

Bobbi Salinetti

Tjasa Sprague

Donna Trask

Marie Weatherhead

Sue Warden

