



Monday Memo February 24, 2025

Hello Everyone,

We are rolling right along into another month before next week! Yikes! Very busy times ahead.

-March 3 @ 1 PM Membership Monday with National Garden Club.

-March 4 - Free Class offered by Pat Fleming at Topsfield Fairgrounds is gathering a lot of interest. Here is the corrected email to contact Pat regarding details for sign up.

fleming.3patricia@gmail.com

This is a Study Group for Design and Horticulture Showing. Location is Coolidge Hall, 207 Boston St., Topsfield

It is open to any member of a garden club who wishes to expand their knowledge in Design and Horticulture. [Click here](#) for more detailed information.

-WEBINARS coming soon!

-March 6 - Youth Activities/Jr Gardening is hosting a webinar with our own Chairperson, Diana Brandi @ 6:30 PM.

[Click here](#) for more detailed information. You must [register](#) for this event. We encourage members to tune into this but in particular, clubs who have a junior garden club.

-March 7 - Organic Lawn Care with **Jim Agabedis - Minuteman Landscaping, Inc.** Jim is very passionate about educating people about how to truly treat your lawn organically. This will be a very enlightening lecture which we hope you will be able to attend. [Click here](#) for more detailed information. You must [register](#) for this event.

-March 10 The Mayflower newsletter submissions are due!. We realize December and January were a bit quiet but things are ramping up now and if you have photos you want to share or an interesting article about something you learned from a speaker, a good garden book you read, please make sure you get those items to Karen Brockelbank using her email:

GCFMwebmaster@gmail.com

-March 25 - 27 VIA ZOOM

Landscape Design School sign up

What: Landscape Design School Series 17, Course 3

When: March 25th-27th, 2025 8:30 am – 12:30 am

Where: Virtually, via Zoom

Registration Information: There are two ways to register:

- Via Check – Download [Printable Form](#)
- Online registration link <https://www.gcfm.org/events-1/landscape-design-school-1>



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- Bookkeeping/accounting basics
- Understanding of financial statements
- Understanding of and adherence to regulatory / compliance requirements
- Comfortable with spreadsheets
- Familiar with electronic payments
- Comfortable with cloud storage and file sharing

  

Kindly reach out to our Nominating Committee Chairperson, Donna Garrabrant, if you are interested at chrisanddonna@cfm.org or 860-916-5004.

April 9, 10, 11 VIA ZOOM

Gardening Studies School, Course 3

This course will offer lectures on factors that influence Plant Growth, New Plant Development and Evaluation, Container Gardening – Outdoor, Houseplant Basics, Native Trees and Shrubs, Teaching Tour of a Botanical Garden

[Click here](#) to register and read more detailed information. CONTACT: [Linda Jean Smith](#)

-2025 Club Anniversaries have been posted on our website for 2025. Please double check that your club is on the list. We celebrate all anniversaries that end in zero with the exception of 25 and 75. This information was gathered from our current Federated yearbook directory. Please note that there are several clubs who reached 110, 105 and 100 years old, because of their date of origin, but we only list the Federated Anniversaries. [Click here to view](#).

-Memorials At the upcoming GCFM Annual Meeting on June 19 in Danvers, it is customary to honor and mention those of our members who have sadly left us the 2024-2025 year. Please send an email to [Linda Jean Smith](#), our GCFM Historian, with a photo (if possible) and the name of the deceased member along with the name of your garden club.

There has been a lot of talk about the cold, the snow, the winds, etc. I thought this little rhyme would be appropriate right about now.

Whether

Whether the weather be fine
Or whether the weather be not
Whether the weather be cold
Or whether the weather be hot
We'll weather the weather
Whatever the weather
Whether we like it or not
-Anonymous

Enjoy each day.
Marjorie Dienhart
GCFM President