

Monday Memo September 2, 2024

Hello Everyone,

Happy Holiday! And just like that, it is September. I have been in touch with so many club presidents in the past 2 weeks regarding club email versus private email. I appreciate the responses I have received. You will note in the yearbook coming out this Fall that if you do have a club email, it is noted under your club information. However, if you do not request that we use that, we will be using your private email. Many of you have responded that private email was preferred. I have a spreadsheet tracking these requests and changes can easily be made upon request. Just let me know.

The New England Region creates a newsletter quarterly called Northern Exposure. The most recent one is posted on our website but here is the <u>link</u> for your convenience. It is an interesting mix of what the New England Federated state garden clubs are doing.

I am sure it is exciting to be back having meetings or preparing for your first opening meeting of your fellow club members. Some clubs have already been in full swing. After Labor Day, it really starts to ramp up.

I wish all clubs a wonderful year ahead and I hope to be able to oblige as many invitations as I receive. It's such a pleasure to get to know how the clubs out there are doing. As I noted in the <u>Mayflower</u> issue, we have significantly increased our membership from 10,436 to 10,891. Bravo to the clubs who were so successful in gaining members this year.

Enjoy each day.

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It becomes obvious to me that nature has her own language. She speaks through the animals, the trees and the cool summer breeze. She whispers, "Embrace me", and I do. -Red Deer Runs in Darkness