



*Nurture Nature*

## **Monday Memo**

November 11, 2024

Hello Everyone,

-Congratulations are in order AGAIN! The **Garden Club of Norfolk**'s submission for their town wide project to add public butterfly and pollinator gardens was awarded **#18 The Virginia Grandpré Wildlife Gardening Award**. There was an oversight at the New England Region Conference in R.I. when it should have been presented.

### **-November 21st 6 - 8 PM Informational Webinar for All Interested Clubs**

GCFM is offering an informational webinar for all Club Presidents and Treasurers regarding Directors and Officers Insurance **with Jeffrey Helm, Risk Management Advisor for Alera Group**. [Register here](#).

**-January 10th Deadline** - Another reminder from NGC about the "**Smokey and Woodsy Poster Contest**". The months of November and December start to get busy and the holiday school breaks impact the amount of time that is left for children to enter these contests. Please try to participate sooner than later. Our Youth Contest Chair, [Mary Bandouveres](#) will be able to answer any questions you may have. Please reach out to her. [Click here](#) and [here](#) for more detailed info.

**-Tower Hill Flower Show "Moments of Joy"** (revisited) Shannon Fitzpatrick, Show Photography Chair, was able to capture and beautifully photograph so many of the entries at the New England Botanical Garden (Tower Hill) and place them in a [slideshow](#). Please take a moment to carry yourself into the floral world of this show which was beautifully executed by Jill Malcom and Vana Nespor with Ruth Evans as Consultant. A job very, very well done. I am so proud of all of the entries and very happy for the winners. It was a high quality show. Thank you to all of the people it took to make this happen and the many volunteer hours they put in to set up, manage the desk, and take down/clean up.

Thank you to the brave men and women who have made the ultimate sacrifice for our freedom on this Memorial Day.

Enjoy each day.

Marjorie Dienhart  
GCFM President

Appropriate word for the season

**Psithurism (n.) The sound of the wind in the trees and rustling of leaves**