

# The Community Garden Club of Cohasset

September 2019 Edition

## President's Message



It's hard to believe that Labor Day is already here. What a magnificent summer it has been! I find that it always goes by too quickly for my liking but then fall comes upon us and brings so much beauty here in New England. I can't imagine living somewhere without these four magnificent seasons....

Our fall schedule is full. I hope you will all take the opportunity to help out with any of our several programs that make us such a special, community club. Each month our newsletter highlights the monthly Calendar for you to review.

- Kate Farrington and Marlene Tabor, her co-chair, have a wonderful schedule of crafting to prepare for the Yuletide House Tour in December. Come and learn from the masters how to make beautiful Christmas creations.
- Cynthia Chace will lead our design workshops to teach us the art of floral design.
- You're always welcome at the Willcutt Center to help Dolores Roy create floral arrangements with the seniors.
- We have also just begun a floral program with the residents at Sunrise Assisted Living, too.
- You can also join us at the Deer Hill School for design with our Junior Gardeners 

 Mark your calendars for December 5, 2019, our biennial Yuletide House Tour celebration . We have five magnificent homes and five lead designers... join a team!!! You will learn and grow from this wonderful holiday celebration. We will need you all to be hostesses. In addition, please join the baking team, the marketplace sales team, and/or the design team. Sign up at our monthly General Meetings, the fourth Tuesday of every month.

You will meet so many new friends and have so much fun. 

I look forward to working with you all to make this another successful Yuletide celebration!

*Sue Reagan*, President

## September Calendar of Events

- 5 Senior Center Flower Arranging :** Wilcutt Commons, 91 Sohier St., 1:30-2:30 p.m. **"A Touch of Autumn"**
- 10 Executive Board Meeting: Lightkeeper's Cottage.** Please bring your own coffee. Meeting at 9:30 a.m.  
Hostesses: Sue Reagan, Vera Hough, Susan Sardina
- 11 Garden Therapy:** Sunrise Assisted Living of Cohasset, 2:00-3:00 p.m. **"Indian Summer Bouquets"**
- 17 Craft Workshop:** Lightkeeper's Cottage, 9:30-11:30 a.m. **"Yuletide Crafts"**
- 19 Junior Gardeners:** Deer Hill School Cafeteria, 2:40 - 3:40 p.m. **"Fall Planting"**
- 24 Monthly Meeting:** Second Congregational Church, 43 Highland Ave., Coffee 9:00 a.m. Meeting: 9:30 a.m.  
**Flower Arrangement:** Carol Geyer. **Hostesses:** (Food, Set-up and Clean-up) E. Buckley, B. Crumley, D. Grafton, D. Guiney, S. Hernon, T. Littauer, J. Pecca, J. Hefner  
**Program: "Survival of the Fittest: Native Plants, Natural Selection"** Master Gardener Michele Fronk Schuckel will lead a discussion on garden design with the focus on integrating plant material native to New England.
- 26 Craft Workshop:** Lightkeeper's Cottage, 9:30 - 11:30 a.m. **"Yuletide Crafts"**

Mark your calendars for our **Yuletide House Tour, Thursday, December 5, 10 a.m. - 4 p.m.** Preparations are beginning to take shape, thanks to several members who have agreed to take on important assignments. Yuletide is our major fundraiser. It requires a commitment from the entire membership. **We need everyone's time and talent.**

Craft workshops have already begun. Sign-up sheets will be available at the September General Meeting for hosting, decorating teams and hospitality as well as working at the marketplace.

Spread the word to family and friends to purchase tickets early. If there is a particular area in which you feel you would like to share your talent, **please contact Kelly Conetta by phone at 781-923-1526 or by email at [mkellyconetta@yahoo.com](mailto:mkellyconetta@yahoo.com).**

Thank you, *Kelly Conetta*



# Yuletide House Tour

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 5, 2019  
FROM 10:00 AM - 4:00 PM

**TOUR**  
5 DECORATED HOMES  
IN THE COASTAL TOWN OF COHASSET

**SHOP**  
THE MARKETPLACE AT WILLCUTT COMMONS  
FOR HANDMADE GOODS  
COMPLIMENTARY COFFEE, TEA AND DESSERT

**DINE**  
\$25 BUFFET LUNCH WITH OUR  
HOSPITALITY PARTNERS  
ATLANTICA & RED LION INN



**THE COMMUNITY GARDEN CLUB OF COHASSET**

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**Online at [communitygardenclubofcohasset.org](http://communitygardenclubofcohasset.org)**

**\$50 DAY OF TOUR if available**  
Willcutt Commons, 91 Sohler St, Cohasset, MA

## CGCC Landscape Design Lightkeeper's Cottage Maintenance



Members are needed to tend the gardens at the Lightkeeper's Cottage on Government Island above the Sailing Club) . Come get to know your garden club friends.

We'll be in the garden from **9:00 to 11:00 a.m. on the following Wednesdays:**

September 11, 25

October 9

Bring garden gloves, pruning shears, a weeding tool, and a container for weeds. Don't forget a hat and sunscreen. No experience necessary.

See you in the gardens.

Thank you! Terese DUrso [tdurso15@gmail.com](mailto:tdurso15@gmail.com)



### Conservation Corner by Susan Sardina

As I write this, summer is drawing to a close and our heat waves seem to be abating. Whew! What's not abating, unfortunately, are the wildfires spreading across the Amazon, devastating a record-setting number of acres and producing smoke that covers almost half the enormous country of Brazil and spilling over into neighboring Peru, Bolivia and Paraguay. The Amazon is one of the most important ecosystems on earth, producing 20% of the world's oxygen, and is often referred to as "the planet's lungs." It plays a critical part in the planet's ability to stave off the worst of the climate crisis. According to World Wildlife Fund, "If it is irrevocably damaged, it could start emitting carbon instead, the major driver of climate change." This is an international crisis and we can all play a role in helping to stop the deforestation of the Amazon. Here are a few ways to help that I found in an article by the Eco Mamas! Shouldn't we ALL be Eco Mamas???

1. Eat less meat and, if you do eat some meat, choose local and grass-fed if possible.
2. Avoid palm oil, which is harvested in rainforests and is contained in many packaged foods. Read labels to see if it's listed.
3. Choose reusable over plastic or paper, which has replaced plastics in many situations. Paper is creating deforestation.
4. Use recycled paper products whenever possible, like toilet paper, paper towels and printing paper.
5. Donate to organizations that are helping the Amazon rainforests.
6. Spread the word. Most people are not aware of how we are contributing to the destruction of the Amazon and other crucial forests.

See you next month at the Conservation Corner!

*Susan Sardina*



## Our Sister Club The Garden Club of Nagoya, Japan

For our general meeting in June, we visited "Garden Plaza at Arakogawa Park" in Nagoya, which is now exhibiting a gorgeous Lavender Fair. It is one of fourteen municipal gardens.

Best regards,

*Takako Kohri*  
Recording Secretary



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