



Weston Garden Club

Green Sheet April 2018

UPCOMING JOINT MEETING

Dear Garden Club Friends,

Our upcoming meeting is a *joint meeting* with the [Country Garden Club](#) and the [Women's Community League Garden Club](#). I won't be able to say much to you then, so I wanted to remind you of a few things. Summer is coming up and our watering duties for the trough, Fiske Triangle and the Native Plant Garden are starting soon. If you are going to be gone during the summer please sign up to water in May or September. If you are available in the summer months, sign-up for the summer months. Remember, Everyone needs to pitch in.

I am looking for an [Art in Bloom](#) arranger and assistant. Please let me know if you are interested or just intrigued. I am also looking for people to help sort and organize our 75 years of historical data. If you are good at organization, give me a call.

Please bring your **dues to the April meeting if you can and I hope you will decide to join us for lunch at our annual meeting in May. I look forward to seeing you Thursday.**

Warmly, Queen Cynthia, your president

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Program



April 12th, 9:15 a.m. coffee, 9:45 a.m. business meeting, 10:00 a.m. program.

"Why grow that when you can grow this: Extraordinary alternatives to everyday problem plants" by Andrew Keys

Frustrated by failures of seemingly fool-proof flowers? Author and lifelong gardener, Andrew Keys, offers pithy profiles of creative alternatives to plants that have become all-too-common elements of landscape design.

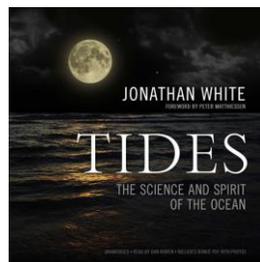
Visit timberpress.com for more information.

Budget: Please click on this [LINK](#) to see our proposed budget for 2018-2019.

Slate of Officers: Please click on this [LINK](#) to see the slate of officers we will vote into office at the annual meeting.

COMMITTEES

Conservation



On March 29th, members of our committee discussed over muffins and coffee the book **Tides by Jonathan White**. The group widely agreed that the author used colorful prose in his look at the mysterious energies that keep our planet's waters in constant motion. We highly recommend this book. It includes some photographs and graphs and touches upon the complex mathematics behind tidal chart calculations, but just when things become mind-numbing, White

reels-in his reader with fascinating stories and delves into how the threat of sea level rise is changing human cultures around the globe.



On **Tuesday, April 17th**, a group of us will tour the [Deer Island Waste Water Treatment Plant](#).

On **Wednesday, May 2nd** at 11:00am the Committee will meet at Forbes Land for our annual Spring clean-up.

Design



Please enter [Sweet Tray Competition](#) "See Through the Glass" in **May 3, 2018**. Using a glass container that shows what is inside, create an Ikebana-inspired flower arrangement that extends both in and out of the water. The glass container can be transparent, translucent, patterned and/or colored. Flowers and foliage should be fresh; branching can be dried. The arrangements will be displayed on a white tablecloth and may not exceed 24 inches horizontally. There is no height restriction. Pictures from the workshop are on the website.

All entries need to be in place on **Thursday, May 3, 2018 by 9:15 AM**. Please refer to the Green Book for restrictions and Scale of points.

Click [HERE](#) for Sweet Tray Competition Form

Landscape Design



There will be a clean-up of the Native Plant Garden at Town Hall at **10:00am** on **Wednesday, April 18th**, rain date Thursday, April 19th. Please come help and we'll get the job done quickly. We'll also be putting in plant labels.

Treasurer



Look for your **DUES RENEWAL** form for 2018-2019 in the mail—on bright green paper. Dues are unchanged \$60; Luncheon/Annual Meeting on May 3rd at Weston Golf Club (optional) \$35 - **MUST RSVP and PAY by April 26th**.

Please return via mail to Lynn Taff, Treasurer, or bring to the Joint Meeting on April 12th.

Provisionals



The Provisionals are very excited to see Dana Christensen's artistic talent on display at this year's Art in Bloom. Dana has worked hard on her arrangement for the event, and we're certain it will be a show-stopper. The Provisionals are also gearing-up for their final Wheatland Bowl competition, which will take place April 9th. Floral arrangements will incorporate plant materials grown in the yard and supplemented by materials purchased in stores. We thank Cynthia Chapra and Cheryl-Anne Lane for judging this competition.

Members



New Member: Please welcome our new member **Elizabeth Soares**. Here is her contact information, which you can put in your Green Book or you can find on our website.

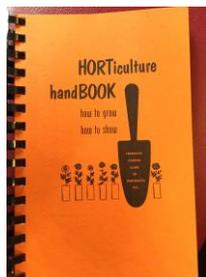
Elizabeth Soares, 39 Byron Road, phone: 617-312-1915, email: elizabethpsoares@gmail.com

Website



Please visit our website, www.westongardenclub.org to read the Spring issue of the Mayflower, the Green Sheet, find horticultural hints and see a list of upcoming events.

Of Interest



Are you using your **orange Horticultural Handbook**? If not and you are trying to make space in your bookcase, please consider donating it back to the Club. Bring it to one of the next meetings and give it to Carolyn Corbe or Cynthia Chapra.



The Garden Club Federation of Massachusetts, Inc.

Go to www.gcfm.org for all the latest on classes and workshops. On the website, click on education and you can access information on all the classes, events and meetings.



Click on the following link to Spring [Mayflower](#) 2018.

If you are interested in attending one of the GCFM schools in the coming year, you can apply for a tribute scholarship. You can find the form on page 11 of the Mayflower.

Click on the following link to Mayflower Spring [Program Section](#) 2018.

APRIL FACEBOOK HORTICULTURAL HINTS



Click [HERE](#) to view the Hints.

Places To Go and Things To Do

“A Floral Journey from Afar” with Francine Thomas



Tuesday, April 24th 2018 10:00 A.M. – award winning designer and world renowned teacher from New Zealand – presented by the GCFM Ruth Wallack Fund at Regis College Fine Arts Center, Weston. Advance tickets - \$20. Ticket information contact Helga Frazzette - email: frazz@comcast.net phone: 508-255-6664

Click [HERE](#) for more information

For other activities and events, visit <http://www.gcfm.org/Calendar-News/Calendar.aspx>