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CLUB *Rake and Hoe - Westf*

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The
Rake and Hoe
Garden
Club, Inc.



Westfield
New Jersey

Honorable
Mention

June 10

Wednesday

Rake and Hoe Eighteenth
Annual Luncheon

Plainfield Country Club
Plainfield, New Jersey

INSTALLATION
OF
OFFICERS

Hostess of the Day: Hospitality
Chairman and
Committee

Music maker and poet a friend of June
And so too growers of flowers
We cut them always long before noon
Relax then in our bowers.

HISTORY OF JUNIOR GARDENERS

January 1969 -

Received official recognition
from Garden Club of N.J.

Co-leaders -

Joyce Christianson and Alice Ryan

Members and Meetings -

Children of Rake and Hoe
members ages 7-14 to meet
five times a year.

First Meeting -

February 27th at Joyce
Christianson's home. Shown how
to plant and force bulbs, etc. by
Wilma Loewel, Grace Demarest and
Blanche Westrich.

Charter Members -

Priscilla, Kathy and John Carroll,
Betsy, Janie and Tricia Ryan,
Robert Grecco, Barbara Engel,
Rich and Marion van de Sande,
Carol Hays and Carol Christianson.



Dear mom help Stephanie
clean out the garden

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ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS

It is hoped that this revised edition of the Junior Gardeners Manual will enable more garden clubs to become involved with young children. If garden club members will share their gardening expertise and knowledge with these children, they will impart their joy of gardening to them. By working with interested adults, children will soon learn how plants grow, what their needs are and how important plants are to life on earth.

Special appreciation is expressed to Mrs. James C. Dawson, N.C.S.G.C. President, Mrs. Robert E. Hannon, Publications Chairman, members of the Youth Activities Committee for their valuable help and to Mrs. Judson Case for the cover design.

Mrs. Robert E. Hoyt
Junior Gardener Chairman

JUNIOR GARDENERS MANUAL

FOR THE JUNIOR LEADER AND SPONSORING GARDEN CLUB

In the past the majority of the population was engaged in agriculture. Children grew up having participated in the growing of plants and the raising of animals and had learned first hand the interrelationship of all living things.

As we approach the twenty-first century only a very small percentage of the population is actively engaged in agriculture and few children have an intimate knowledge of plants and their importance in their lives.

To understand the importance of plants and animals and how they contribute to the well being of people, it is necessary for children to have first hand experiences with the growing of plants. They need to learn their needs and what they contribute to the world. They need to be aware of the interrelationship of all parts to the earth. As Chief Seattle, a North American Indian chief said, "The earth does not belong to us; we belong to the earth. All things are connected, like the blood which unites one family. Mankind did not weave the web of life. We are but one strand within it. Whatever we do to the web, we do to ourselves. All things are bound together."

It is important that opportunities are provided for our children to grow plants whether in a garden or in a container. Many members of garden clubs have the expertise and time to share this knowledge with young children.

In these busy times when both parents work, leadership for Junior Gardeners is difficult to obtain. However, it is possible for many members within a club to give some time — to give a demonstration on preparing the soil and the planting of seeds, how to transplant seedlings, providing the proper environment for plants (enough sunlight, turning of container-grown plants to ensure a well rounded plant, proper watering techniques and proper fertilizing procedures, which are to be used with adult supervision). It has been said that the love of gardening is a shared rather than a self-acquired experience.

JUNIOR GARDENERS NEED LEADERS WHO CARE.

THEY NEED YOU.

NATIONAL MEMBERSHIP REQUIREMENTS

Requirements for a Junior Garden Club or Unit:

1. Be sponsored by a senior club federated with the National Council of State Garden Clubs, Inc.

2. Age Preschool through Sixth grade
If 6th grade students attend a middle school and would be more comfortable with seventh and eighth graders, they should be included with Intermediate Gardeners. Leaders should use their own judgement as to how to form their youth groups. It is important that the children enjoy working with the group and age divisions should be determined by the leader. School systems across the country differ as to how the children are grouped together which makes it difficult to set standards.

3. Meet at least FIVE TIMES during a school or club year. These do not all have to be organized meetings. They may also consist of trips, Arbor Day celebrations, visits to nursing homes, participation in flower shows, sharing a meeting with the sponsoring garden club, etc.

4. Have a minimum of FOUR members.

5. Complete and mail the Annual Registration Form to the State Junior or Youth Activities Chairman by December First or designated State deadline. A copy of the Annual Registration Form is included in this Manual.

6. Each State Garden Club sends ten dollars (\$10.00) annually to N.C.S.G.C. to register all Youth groups within the State. (Some State Garden Clubs require Junior Gardener dues — check deadline to insure eligibility for awards.)

7. Awards are listed in the September-October issue of The National Gardener in odd numbered years with corrections and additions listed in the even numbered years. Watch for contests for Juniors in The National Gardener in other issues. It is important to keep up to date by reading The National Gardener carefully since this is the way the Junior Chairman keeps in touch with youth leaders and sponsoring clubs.

SOURCE MATERIAL AVAILABLE TO MEMBERS

Books, videos, program helps, flower show materials, and N.C.S.G.C. publications are available from the Member Services Catalog.

The Catalog is obtained from: N.C.S.G.C. Headquarters.

ANNUAL REGISTRATION FORM

JUNIOR GARDEN CLUB

The following information should be sent to your State Junior Gardener or Youth Activities Chairman each year by December first or the State deadline, if earlier. In order to be eligible for Junior Gardener Awards, State dues, if required, should be paid before the deadline, to insure that the Junior club is registered.

Name of Club or group _____ Number of Members _____

Location of club — City _____ State _____

Name of sponsoring garden club _____

Name and address of President of sponsoring club _____

Name of leader _____

Type of club: club outside of school, club in school, club working with established group (Scouts, 4-H, FFA, etc.) _____

Number of meetings _____

Subjects covered (May be in only one area or many different interest areas)

Did you participate in: Arbor Day _____ Gardening _____

Growing plants _____ Civic project _____ Recycling _____

Litter control _____ Garden Week _____ Flower show _____

Flower arranging _____ Conservation _____ Bird study _____

Study of Insects _____ Field trips _____ Posters _____

Service—to Seniors—made favors or gifts _____

to Handicapped—made gifts _____

Visited—Nursing homes—gave skit, shared experiences _____

Made gifts for parents _____

Did you make a yearbook? _____

IMPORTANT: To be registered with the State and eligible for any JUNIOR GARDENER AWARDS, this Form must be completed and sent to the State Chairman BEFORE the deadline.

NOTE: State Garden Clubs may have their individual forms.

HOW TO ORGANIZE A JUNIOR GARDEN CLUB

N.C.S.G.C. encourages the formation of all types of Junior Garden Clubs or Units

HOW TO ORGANIZE:

1. CLUB OUTSIDE OF SCHOOL—

A club may be formed when a group of children show interest in being together to learn about their world — growing plants, preparing their own gardens, or learning about the environment — litter control, recycling and conservation of water, trees, and clean air. The sponsoring club should interest someone to lead the group. Although one enthusiastic leader works well, leadership responsibilities may be shared by all of the members of the club. Parents who garden can also share their expertise. The older children can learn to form their own club with adult help. These children can learn how to conduct meetings and learn the duties of club officers and also the responsibilities of club members. Rules should be kept simple.

2. CLUB IN SCHOOL

A club may meet during school hours or after school. This type of club is established with school cooperation with the teacher or teacher's assistant acting as the leader. A club may sponsor such a group when the teacher includes the study of horticulture and related subjects or other National Council areas of interest. The club could provide materials for projects which the teacher feels will enhance her objectives. Members may also help arrange field trips or provide specialists in areas which the teacher feels will enrich the program.

3. ESTABLISHED YOUTH ORGANIZATIONS AND SCHOOL CLUBS

A club may work with established groups (Scouts, 4-H, FFA, etc.) and need not be organized into clubs as long as the National membership requirements, as outlined, are fulfilled. At least five meetings or activities during the club or school year should include some National Council objectives, ex. Arbor Day observances, garden therapy, gardening, conservation, flower shows, trips to historic homes and gardens etc. Workshops on a variety of subjects may be offered.

PROGRAM SUGGESTIONS

Club programs should include at least two areas which are promoted by N.C.S.G.C.

PROGRAM SUGGESTIONS

Program material will vary with the type of Junior garden club you are working with. Several examples follow.

I. SOME CLUBS HOLD THEIR MEETINGS DURING THE LATE SPRING AND SUMMER MONTHS SINCE THEIR PROGRAM IS THE CULTIVATION OF A GARDEN.

Seeds are made available to students at the correct time for planting and the proper instructions are given for:

1. Preparation of soil.
2. Correct planting of seeds—depth and spacing of seeds—thinning of seedlings.
3. Correct procedures for cultivating, fertilizing and watering.
4. Harvesting flowers and vegetables and how to prepare them for a Flower Show.
5. Encouraging them to harvest and eat their vegetables and to realize the importance of this contribution to the family budget.
6. Flower arranging classes are given to teach the children how to make designs. Table setting classes have great appeal as well as constructing fun characters and animals from unusual vegetables.
7. Children should help with planning the Flower Show, make their own entry cards and place their entries in the proper classes. They should also learn to act as clerks.

In this type of program, the help of parents should be enlisted to encourage children to care for their gardens.

II. CLUBS WHICH MEET YEAR ROUND would have a more varied program which could begin in the fall with the:

1. Gathering of dried materials for crafts
2. Collecting fall leaves and seed pods for identification
3. Flower arranging, using roadside materials
4. Making favors for Thanksgiving, Christmas and other holidays—study evergreens which are used in swags and wreathes at this time of year
5. Study of birds—make a simple bird house
6. In the spring—plant seeds and care for them
7. Study wildflowers
8. Take trips to historic places
9. Visit shut-ins

III. CLUBS WHICH ARE FORMED TO STUDY ONE SUBJECT such as the ENVIRONMENT could limit their programs to the study of trees and learn how they contribute to the well-being of the planet.

1. Field trips to tree farms to learn how to plant trees and care for them
2. Talks with foresters to learn of the different kinds of forests and how they are managed
3. Study the products which come from trees
4. Take part in an Arbor Day observance
5. Plant a tree

DOES YOUR COMMUNITY OBSERVE ARBOR DAY?

If not, perhaps your club could initiate the observance of this important day.

HISTORY OF ARBOR DAY

Arbor Day was observed on April 10, 1872 in the state of Nebraska. Julius Sterling Morton, founder of the Arbor Day movement, was one of the earliest advocates of tree planting. When the early settlers arrived in Nebraska, they found no trees on the plains as they had known them in their Eastern homelands, and they suffered from the lack of shade trees.

Mr. Morton, born in New York and reared in Michigan, was a settler on the treeless prairie of Nebraska when it was still a territory. Mr. Morton was a journalist and a member of the Nebraska State Board of Agriculture. It was here that he introduced a resolution to set aside a day for tree planting, to be known as Arbor Day. In 1885 the Nebraska State Legislature made Arbor Day a legal holiday and designated April 22 for the continued annual observance in Nebraska.

These early settlers had a knowledge of how plants reduce soil erosion. This coupled with a longing for the shade trees they had known, prompted them to plant millions of trees. The idea spread and today every state recognizes Arbor Day. Dates for its observance range from November to April. Arbor Day is the only commemorative day we celebrate that looks to the future. Those who follow us will enjoy the benefits of the trees we plant.

WHY PLANT TREES?

TREES, the renewable resource, provide shade and sound barriers for our homes, food, energy, medicine, wood and paper products. They collect pollution from the air, provide homes for people, give shelter for birds and small animals, build up the soil and hold it with their roots and prevent erosion.

SAMPLE ARBOR DAY PROGRAM

Musical Selection (Trees—God Bless America, etc.)
Presentation of the colors, and Pledge of Allegiance
Invocation
Reading of Arbor Day Proclamation
Poem or essay about Arbor Day
Speaker
Concluding musical selections
Benediction and dedication of tree
Tree planting

OUTLINE OF SAMPLE JUNIOR YEARBOOK

Format of book:

May be a single sheet folded in half or may be several sheets.

Should include:

1. Name of sponsoring garden club
2. Club name
3. Names, addresses and telephone numbers of members
4. Time and place of meetings
5. Leader's name, address and telephone number
6. Meeting dates: programs could be filled in later if not known at the beginning

For younger children:

1. Name of sponsoring member garden club
2. Name of club
3. Name, address and telephone number of leader
4. Names, addresses and telephone numbers of members
5. Times and place of meetings

Each child may decorate the cover of his own yearbook.

IT IS IMPORTANT THAT PARENTS RECEIVE A COPY AND THAT PERMISSION SLIPS BE OBTAINED FOR TRIPS AND SPECIAL EVENTS.

Parents should be encouraged to participate in meaningful ways. The leader should not be expected to act as a baby sitter.

HOW THE JUNIOR PROGRAM FUNCTIONS.

The N.C.S.G.C., Inc. is a service and educational organization dedicated to the development of gardening, the betterment and beautification of the community and the exchange of ideas. It was founded in 1929 and is now the largest organization of its kind in the world, with members in all of the states and throughout the world.

The Junior program was begun in 1932 and has been an important part of the N.C.S.G.C. program ever since. Dedicated garden club members have acted as leaders and have shared their knowledge and expertise with many different generations.

As the time has passed many changes in lifestyles have taken place but children still need the attention of caring adults to help them become responsible and happy adults.

WHY SHOULD WE REGISTER OUR JUNIOR CLUBS?

The registration form gives the information which enables the various chairmen at state, regional and the national levels to learn of the interests and activities of each individual Junior club. With the information which is gleaned from the forms the Junior chairmen are able to organize programs which are meaningful for each age group.

The key to any successful organization is communication. It is important that Junior leaders keep in touch with the various Junior chairmen and communicate their successful projects and also their concerns.

The chairmen need the input from the leaders who are working with the children. Problems are different in different parts of the country. If the chairmen learn of problems which the leaders are encountering, the program may be adjusted to meet the needs of the Junior clubs.

EVERYONE plays an Important Part in this Organization.

Help is available to YOU from every level

Let's all communicate.

NATIONAL COUNCIL OF STATE GARDEN CLUBS, INC.

NATIONAL JUNIOR GARDENER CHAIRMAN

EIGHT REGIONAL JUNIOR REPRESENTATIVES

STATE GARDEN CLUB JUNIOR CHAIRMAN

STATE DISTRICT CHAIRMAN

SPONSORING GARDEN CLUB

JUNIOR LEADER

JUNIOR GARDENER

The state registers all Youth groups with N.C.S.G.C. by sending \$10.00 each year when National dues are paid by the state.

SERVICE TO HOME AND COMMUNITY

It is never too early to introduce children to their responsibilities to others. For the younger children: their responsibilities in their homes. In the older groups this may be extended to the larger community.

SERVICE TO THEIR HOMES

Young Junior Gardeners love to take home a gift to their parents to express their appreciation.

SPECIAL HOLIDAYS like Mother's Day and Father's Day in addition to general holidays are fun times for children to show what they have accomplished.

1. Construct a pine cone bird feeder.
2. Design a dish garden or terrarium.
3. Make an environmental poster to show their concern for their community.
4. Force a bulb to bring into flower for a late winter project.
5. Bring home seed pods and pine cones to make winter designs on a wooden plaque.

JOINING HANDS WITH SENIOR CITIZENS

Large numbers of older citizens welcome association with young gardeners. Such an arrangement is very meaningful to both groups. Many older people are lonely and yearn for companionship. Sharing their experience and knowledge can mean much to them. In turn, Junior Gardeners can bring joy and happiness as these groups join hands in the wonderful adventure of gardening.

SUGGESTIONS FOR PROJECTS TO INITIATE THIS SERVICE:

1. Start cuttings to pot up to take to nursing homes and hospitals.
2. Make tray favors and decorations of natural materials to take as gifts.
3. Individual handmade wreaths for patients' rooms would also make appropriate gifts.
4. Special holidays offer perfect occasions for this interchange between generations.

ARRANGEMENTS SHOULD BE MADE IN ADVANCE WITH NURSING HOMES SO THAT THE VISITS COORDINATE WITH THEIR PLANS FOR THE RESIDENTS.

SAMPLE INSTALLATION CEREMONY FOR OLDER GROUPS

NOTE: This ceremony for older groups may be adapted as needed. Installation for preschool through second grade unnecessary, as younger groups do not usually have officers.

"Let us think of this Junior Gardeners Club as a TREE.

"Each of you represents a leaf of this stately TREE.

"As President, _____, you are the trunk or center. It is your duty to preside at all meetings; keeping the TREE in balance.

"_____, as vice-president, you are one of the branches of this TREE. You will assist the president whenever possible, and preside at meetings during the president's absence.

"As secretary, _____, you are another branch stemming from this stately trunk, keeping this TREE in perfect balance. You will keep the minutes and records of the meetings and take the roll call.

"As treasurer, _____, you are another branch of this beautiful TREE, guarding the treasury and collecting dues, in order to help keep this growing TREE in balance.

"Do all of you accept these respective duties? If so, answer 'Yes.'

"I now declare the officers duly installed."

"Will the committee chairmen please stand as I call your names?"

"You are the roots of this TREE, whose center trunk and strong branches go out in every direction. It will be up to you to see that this magnificent TREE is well cared for, fed through your roots with love and activity, and watered with understanding and loyalty."

"Do all of you accept these duties? If so, then answer 'Yes.'"

"Will the entire club membership please stand?"

"You represent the leaves of this lovely TREE with your radiant smiles. Will you give of your time and talents to keep this TREE growing? If so, then answer 'Yes.'"

"I now declare all of you as one lovely TREE."

(Tree seedlings are then given to each member.)

Additional Information which may be used at meetings.

N.C.S.G.C. JUNIOR GARDEN CLUB PLEDGE

"As a Junior Gardener, I promise to do all in my power to take care of our trees, flowers and birds; and watch for opportunities to make and to keep my community clean and beautiful."

Audubon Junior Pledge:

"As a citizen of my country, I pledge myself to try in every way I can to conserve its natural resources; its soil, water, plants, and wildlife; and to protect them from harm and waste."

Conservation Pledge:

"I give my pledge as an American to save and faithfully to defend from waste the natural resources of my country; its soil and minerals; its forests, water and wildlife."

Bird Pledge:

"To my bird friends, I pledge my word that I will share my garden with them as my most welcome guest; for them I will provide food, water and shelter for nests and nesting that birds may always find my garden a sure and welcome sanctuary and me its faithful keeper." *Author unknown.*

NATIONAL BIRD BALD EAGLE
NATIONAL TREE OAK
NATIONAL FLOWER ROSE

SOURCE MATERIAL FOR PROGRAMS:

SOURCE

- Junior Gardening Books
1. Bending the Twig — Gaertner
2. Kid's Gardening — Ocone & Pranis
3. Let's Grow — Tilgner
4. Let's Teach Flora — Blanchard
5. Reasons For A Flower, The — Heller

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Children's Book — Tanck

Minnesota Landscape
Arboretum, University of Minnesota
3675 Arboretum Drive
Chanhassen, MN 55317

AWARDS FOR JUNIOR GARDENERS

It is exciting to win an award because it means recognition of work accomplished. There are National, Regional and State awards offered, but all requirements must be met. Study awards; follow rules. National awards appear in full in the September-October issue of The National Gardener in odd number years. Any changes or additions will appear in the September-October issue of The National Gardener in the even numbered years.

Additional contests and their rules will appear in The National Gardener from time to time.

Remember the Smokey Bear Poster contests. Juniors are eligible to compete in these contests. The rules will appear in The National Gardener, usually in the November-December issue.

The National Gardener is the official publication of The National Council of State Garden Clubs, Inc. and contains valuable information for all garden clubs. It helps everyone keep in touch. It would be helpful if the sponsoring garden club would supply the Junior leader with her own copy so that she could keep abreast of any changes which relate to the Junior program.

YOUTH AWARDS

10. The Augusta H. Brewer Certificates of Merit for Junior and/or Intermediate Garden Clubs.
14. The Hessie Thomson Morrah Award for Horticultural Achievement by a Junior and/or Intermediate Garden Club.
32. Conservation Award for Junior and/or Intermediate Garden Club Achievement.
47. Flower Show Achievement Award for High School Gardeners, Intermediates and/or Junior Garden Clubs.
(Non-competitive with other states)
55. The Winifred F. Fink Youth Environmental Concern Award.
60. The Mary Louise Michie Junior Leadership Award.

AWARD FOR SENIOR MEMBER GARDEN CLUB (SPONSOR)

8. The Helen Hussey Champlin Award.

FLOWER SHOW AWARDS FOR JUNIORS

Junior Achievement Awards may be awarded to outstanding horticulture, design and/or educational exhibits in a Junior Standard Flower Show or the Junior section of an adult Standard Flower Show. Winning exhibit/s must score 90 or more. There is no minimum number of exhibits required in the Junior section of an adult Standard Flower Show; in a Junior Standard Flower Show all requirements of a Standard Flower show must be met. (Consult Handbook for Flower Shows)

One (1) award may be given in each of the above categories for a total of three (3) in a Standard Flower Show.

The Junior Achievement Award shall be represented by a rosette of red, white and blue ribbons.

Judges, who are chosen for Junior Flower Shows, should be familiar with the work of Juniors.

JUNIOR NATURE CAMP

Some State Federations have established permanent Nature Camps in buildings owned by the respective Federations. A number of other State Garden Clubs have Nature Camps in state parks and similar locations. Information concerning these may be requested.

HELPFUL INFORMATION is available from many sources, such as U.S. Forest Service, Boy and/or Girl Scouts, etc.

REFERENCE AND SOURCE MATERIAL

School, garden center and public libraries have helpful books and magazines on crafts, nature study, horticulture, etc. Seed and bulb catalogs should be ordered for additional information.

Books, videos, program helps, flower show materials and National Council publications are available from the Member Services Catalog. The Catalog is obtained from:

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Keep in touch with state activities through your state publication.

Keep in touch with national activities through The National Gardener.

STATE JUNIOR GARDENERS CHAIRMAN

1. Use creative efforts to promote organization of Junior Garden Clubs.
2. Obtain information from local Leaders of Junior Garden Clubs.
3. Keep a file of all Junior Garden Clubs in state, with information on the sponsoring club (Senior Club).
4. Encourage Junior clubs to have yearbooks.
5. Urge all Junior leaders to send in Annual Registration Forms.
6. Write articles for state publication about current Junior projects, deadlines for registration and dues and other information of value to sponsoring club and leaders.
7. Send reports to State President, and Regional Junior Representative when due.
8. Work with District and/or State Awards Chairman in applying for Youth awards.
9. Coordinate exhibits for state and district meetings.
10. Sponsor a Youth Leaders Training Workshop, if possible.
11. Answer all mail promptly giving information, encouragement and suggestions.
12. At close of term, send all records to successor.

REGIONAL REPRESENTATIVES

1. Promote and support vigorously the Junior Gardeners program.
2. Send pertinent information to all states in Region.
3. Urge organization of Junior Garden Clubs in States of the Region.
4. Plan exhibit for regional convention.
5. Secure reports from each state in region.
6. Send comprehensive report to National Junior Garden Club Chairman.

The Garden Club of New Jersey, Inc.

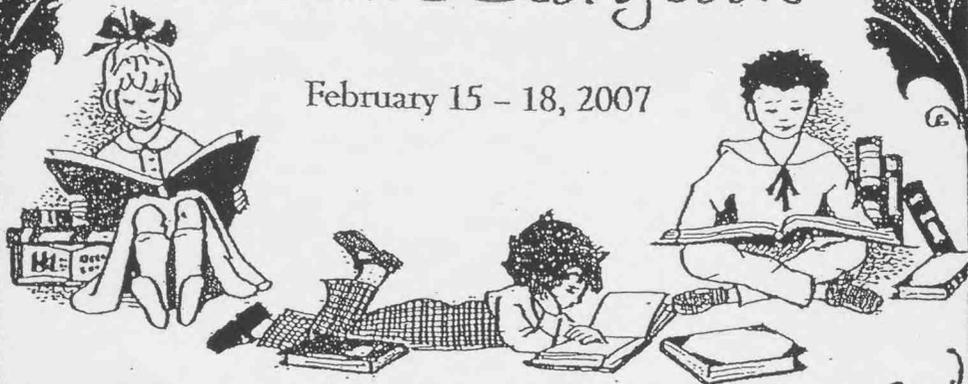
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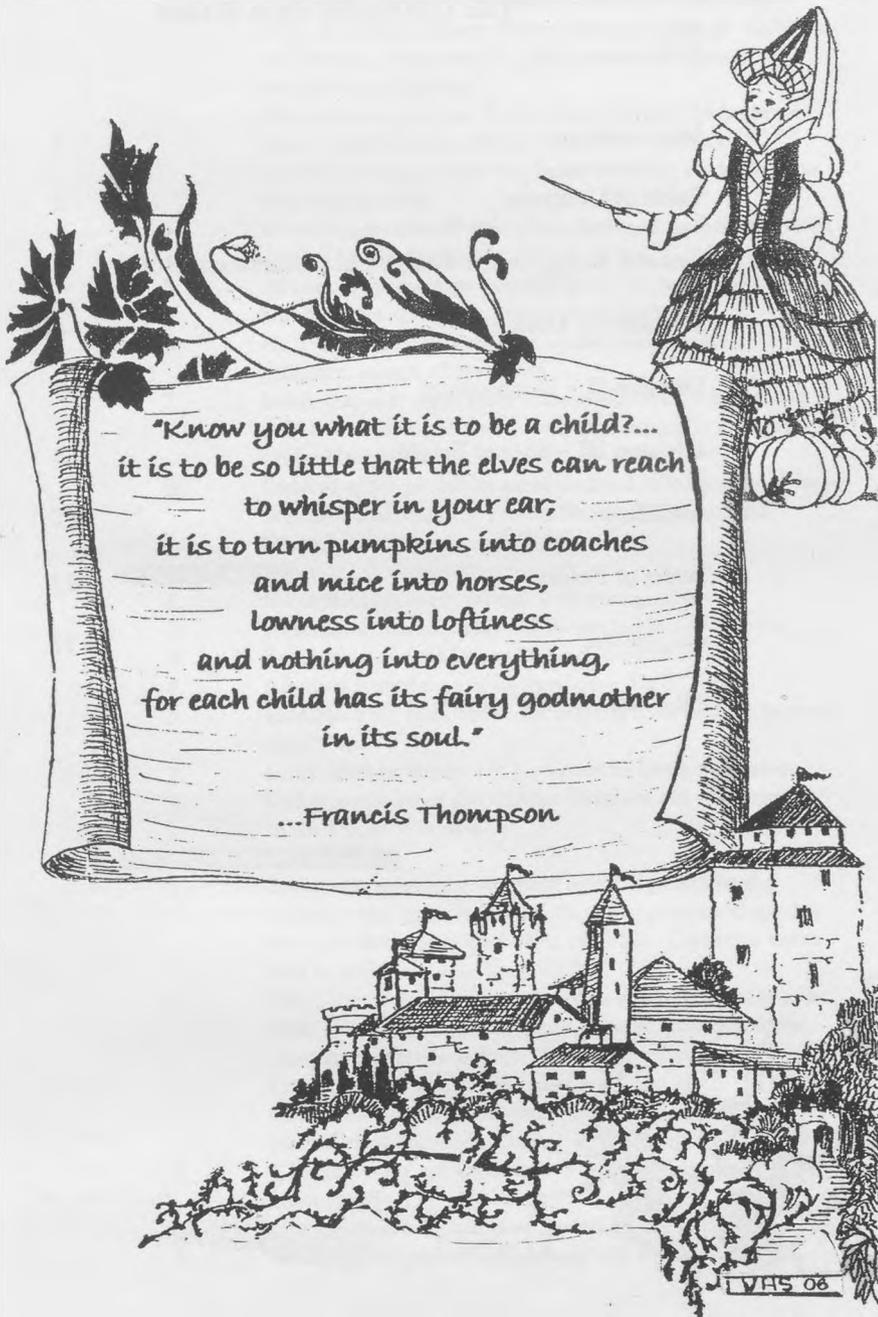
The New Jersey Flower & Garden Show
The NJ Convention & Expo Center
Edison, New Jersey
MacEvents - www.macevents.com

Show Dates and Times:

February 15 th	11AM-9PM
February 16 th	10AM-9PM
February 17 th	10AM-9PM
February 18 th	10AM-6PM

GCNJ website: www.gardencentral.org/gcnj - gcnj@hotmail.com





"Know you what it is to be a child?...
it is to be so little that the elves can reach
to whisper in your ear;
it is to turn pumpkins into coaches
and mice into horses,
lowness into loftiness
and nothing into everything,
for each child has its fairy godmother
in its soul."

...Francis Thompson

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GENERAL RULES:

1. All classes open to public.
2. Judging based on NGC Standard System of Awarding by NGC Accredited Flower Show Judges; to begin at 10:00 am on Thursday, February 15, 2007. Show will open at completion of judging.
3. All entries received on Wednesday, February 14 between 9am - 3 pm; designs only on Thursday, February 15 between 8:00 am - 9:30 am. **Enter building through door with blue awning.**
4. All tabletops covered with white cloth and to the floor with skirting by MacEvents.
5. All properties must be removed at the show closing on Sunday, February 18 at 6 pm but **not before.**
6. Each entry to be judged must be the work of one exhibitor, except where noted.
7. Exhibitors may enter more than one class or subclass, but only one exhibit per class or sub-class. Exception: See rule #2 under Horticulture.
8. **Limited space prohibits more detailed information. Please consult Handbook for Flower Shows, 2005 or Class Consultant.**

DESIGN RULES:

1. No artificial flowers, foliage, fruit or vegetables.
2. Fresh plant material may not be treated in any manner.
3. Some plant material must be used in every exhibit
4. All plant material must be listed on a 3"x 5" card.
5. Exhibitors are responsible for keeping their designs in good condition.
6. Landscapes or scenes not permitted in Design Division.
7. Living members of the Animal Kingdom are not permitted in the Design Division.

HORTICULTURE RULES:

1. Specimens must be fresh plant material grown by the exhibitor and **must** be NAMED, giving genus and species; variety/cultivar provided when available. Common name may be added.
2. Exhibitor may make more than one entry per class or subclass, if each is a different genus, species, variety, cultivar, type, form, size, or color.
3. Committee may subdivide classes.
4. Container-grown plants must be in exhibitor's possession at least 90 days; multiple planting growing together for 6 weeks.
5. Containers for cut specimens to be provided by the committee.
6. Cut specimens should have no foliage below the water line.
7. Wedging material of bubble wrap will be used.

DIVISION I
DESIGN
“ONCE UPON A TIME”

*“Thy lovely smile will surely hail the love-gift of a
fairy tale.” – Lewis Carroll*

SECTION A **“THE FAIRY GODMOTHER’S INVITATIONS”**
 *(“Where all the children dine at five, And all the playthings
come alive.” – Robert Louis Stevenson)*

Consultant: Mary Anne Finch - (732) 899 - 1498

Eligible for TABLE ARTISTRY AWARD

CLASS 1 **“Tea in the Secret Garden”** (4 entries)

A Functional Table set for tea for two. 30” round table provided by the committee. A 90” underlay to be provided by the designer. Designer’s choice of plant material.

CLASS 2 **“The Teddy Bears’ Picnic”** (4 entries)

A Picnic on a grassy area to be staged on pallets 4’ x 4’ x 12” H covered with artificial turf and provided by the committee. Overlay provided by designer. Viewed from all sides. Designer’s choice of plant material and number of guests.

CLASS 3 **“The Mad Hatter’s Unbirthday* Party”** (4 entries)

* (a Disney adaptation)

An Exhibition Table (Type II) using interlocking black frames 32”x15” and 34”x18” with total overall 50 ½” H x24”W provided by the committee. Staged on a table. Designer’s choice of plant material.

SECTION B **“CINDERELLA”**

Consultant: Sara Rhodes - (973) 887 - 8266

Eligible for DESIGNER’S CHOICE AWARD

CLASS 4 **“The Golden Coach”** (4 entries)

A Stretch Design using 2 black pedestals, (#1 measuring 42”H x 14” square top and #2 measuring 24”H x 16” square top) staged on a black platform measuring 4’ x 4’ x 6”H provided by the committee. Viewed from all sides. Designer’s choice of plant material.

- CLASS 5 **"Cinderella at the Hearth"** (4 entries)
 A Duo Design (side one) staged on a black pedestal
 41" H with a 16" square top provided by the
 committee. Designer's choice of plant material.
- CLASS 6 **"Cinderella at the Ball"** (4 entries)
 A Duo Design (side two) staged on a black pedestal
 41"H with a 16" square top provided by the
 committee. Designer's choice of plant material.

SECTION C "RAPUNZEL"

Consultant: Joyce Chappell - (732) 671 - 3484

Eligible for DESIGNER'S CHOICE AWARD

- CLASS 7 **"Rapunzel in the Tower"** (4 entries)
 A Construction Design staged on a 4' x 4' x 6"H
 black platform supplied by the committee. Viewed
 from all sides. Designer's choice of plant material.
- CLASS 8 **"Let Down Your Golden Hair"** (4 entries)
 A Hanging Design (Type II) using a black frame 44"H x
 28"W x 3 1/2" D provided by the committee. Designer's
 choice of plant material.
- CLASS 9 **"The Handsome Prince"** (4 entries)
 A Traditional Design staged on a black pedestal
 measuring 41"H with a 16" square top provided by the
 committee. Designer's choice of plant material.

SECTION D "THE LITTLE MERMAID"

Consultant: Anna Godwin - (732) 270 - 0568

Eligible for PETITE AWARD

- CLASS 10 **"Garden of the Deep"** (4 entries)
 A Small Underwater Design staged in a 16" square space
 in front of a 12"H 3 panel niche provided by the
 committee on a black shelf 49"H. Design may be no
 more than 8" in height, width or depth. Designer's
 choice of plant material.
- CLASS 11 **"Dance of the Little Mermaid"** (4 entries)
 A Miniature Design staged in a lighted niche provided
 by the committee. Contact consultant for precise
 measurements. Interior of niche to be covered by
 exhibitor. Design may be no more than 5" in height,
 width or depth. Designer's choice of plant material.

CLASS 12 **"The Castle of the Sea King"** (4 entries)
A Miniature Design staged in a lighted niche provided by the committee. Contact consultant for precise measurements. Interior of niche to be covered by exhibitor. Design may be no more than 5" in height, width or depth. Designer's choice of plant material.

SECTION E "O' FOR A BOOK AND A SHADY NOOK"

Consultant: Betty Markendorf - (732) 918 - 6321

Eligible for CLUB COMPETITION AWARD

CLASS 13 **"Tell Me a Story"** (4 entries)

A Vignette staged by a club in a space 6' W x 10' D. Must include a floral design. Designer to name story being told.

**DIVISION II
HORTICULTURE**

"ONCE UPON A GARDEN"

"There is a garden in every childhood, an enchanted place where colors are brighter, the air softer, and the morning more fragrant than ever again." Elizabeth Lawrence

All Horticulture sections are eligible for AWARD OF HORTICULTURAL EXCELLENCE.

Consultant: Clare Minick - (908) 232 - 9218

SECTION A - "INTO THE WOODS"

Needled Evergreens. One branch 10" to 30" in length.

Eligible for ARBOREAL AWARD.

CLASS 14 *Pinus* - Pine

CLASS 15 *Juniperus* - Juniper

CLASS 16 *Picea* - Spruce

CLASS 17 Any Other Needled Evergreen

SECTION B - "OVER THE GARDEN WALL"

Broadleaf Evergreens. One branch 10" to 30" in length.

Eligible for AWARD OF MERIT

CLASS 18 *Ilex* - Holly

CLASS 19 *Euonymus*

CLASS 20 *Aucuba*

CLASS 21 Any Other Broadleaf Evergreen

SECTION C - "IN THE BLUSH OF SPRING"

Forced Branches. One branch 10" to 30" in length

Eligible for AWARD OF MERIT.

- CLASS 22 *Forsythia* - Forsythia
CLASS 23 *Chaenomele* - Flowering Quince
CLASS 24 *Salix* - Pussy Willow
CLASS 25 Any Other Forced Branch

SECTION D - "OUT IN THE DESERT"

Cacti/Succulents. Eligible for AWARD OF MERIT

- CLASS 26 Pot 4" and under
CLASS 27 Pot 5" - 8"
CLASS 28 Pot 9" and over. **Must pre-register.**

SECTION E - "ON THE COTTAGE WINDOWSILL"

Container-grown Flowering Plants.

Eligible for AWARD OF MERIT

- CLASS 29 Orchid
CLASS 30 *Saintpaulia* - African violet
CLASS 31 Any Other

SECTION F - "IN MY GREEN HAVEN"

Container-grown Foliage Plants.

Eligible for AWARD OF MERIT

- CLASS 32 *Hedera* - Ivy
CLASS 33 Fern
CLASS 34 Any Other

SECTION G - "THE FAIRIES AT THE BOTTOM OF THE GARDEN"

Combination Plantings. **Pre-registration required.**

Eligible for GCNJ GROWING TOGETHER AWARD

- CLASS 35 Dish Garden of Cacti/Succulents. Minimum of three
different plants. Accessories are permitted.
Diagram of planting with names required.
- CLASS 36 Dish Garden of Foliage and/or Flowering Plants.
Minimum of three different plants. Accessories are
permitted. Diagram of plantings with names required.
- CLASS 37 Window Box Planter of Combination Plantings (4
entries) staged in front of a glass window 30"W x
26"H. Planter provided by committee. Diagram of
plantings with names required.

SECTION H - "THE FAIREST OF THEM ALL"

Challenge Classes. Bulbs and plants MUST be purchased from the

Consultant: Anna Godwin (732) 270 - 0568

Eligible for GCNJ CHALLENGE TROPHY

CLASS 38 Forced *Hippeastrum* - Amaryllis

CLASS 39 *Begonis* - Begonia - 'Sophie Cecile'

DIVISION III SPECIAL EXHIBITS "HAPPILY EVER AFTER"

*"When the voices of children are heard on the green and
laughing is heard on the hill..." -Wm. Blake*

SECTION A ARTISTIC CRAFTS - "JUST IMAGINE!"

Consultant: Diane Primavera - (732) 643 - 8546

Eligible for ARTISTIC CRAFT AWARD

CLASS 1 **"The Queen's Croquet Game" from Alice in
Wonderland** (4 entries)

A Pink Flamingo, provided by the committee, creatively enhanced by dried plant material. Staged on floor on artificial turf supplied by the committee.

CLASS 2 **"Crown for a Queen"** (4 entries)

A Head Covering using dried plant material for a black mannequin head provided by the committee and staged on a 40" H black pedestal with a 14" square top.

Designer may change the color of the head. Designer must specify which story- queen being portrayed.

CLASS 3 **"Mirror, Mirror on the Wall"** (4 entries)

A Mirror, not to exceed 15"H x 12"W, creatively enhanced with dried plant material. Designer to provide mirror and staging device. Staged on a table.

CLASS 4 **"Little Red Riding Hood's Basket for Grandma"**
(4 entries)

A Basket, supplied by the committee, decorated with fresh and /or dried plant material. Staged on a 17" black cube.

SECTION B EDUCATIONAL EXHIBITS - "DISCOVER!"

Consultant: Wini Applegate

Eligible for EDUCATIONAL AWARD

EXHIBIT 1 "Think Small"

Discover the very few things you will need to begin designing in miniature.

EXHIBIT 2 "STOP People Pollution"

Discover how your daily activities may pollute land, air, and water and what should be done to curtail this lasting environmental impact.

EXHIBIT 3 "Operation Wildflower"

Discover the beauty of the wildflowers of New Jersey.

SECTION C GARDEN PHOTOGRAPHY - "PICTURE IT" IN THE GARDEN OF MY DREAMS

("Any book about gardens...must have its sources in dreams." - Lena May McCauley)

Consultant: Helen Luecke - (908) 654 - 3097

Eligible for NGC SPECIAL AWARD(S)

An exhibit of 8" x 10" photographs each in an 11" x 14" mat with hanger to be hung by the committee. **Must pre-register** with the consultant by **January 15, 2007**. Only one entry per person per category.

CLASS 5 Film

- a. black and white
- b. color
- c. hand colored

CLASS 6 Digital

- a. black and white
- b. color
- c. manipulated

CLASS 7 Alternative Processes

NATIONAL GARDEN CLUB AWARDS

Table Artistry Award may be awarded to a blue ribbon winner scoring 95 or above in Division I, Section A - Classes 1, 2, and 3. Only one may be awarded.

Designer's Choice Award may be awarded to a blue ribbon winner scoring 95 or above in Division I, Sections B and C. One may be awarded in Section B - Classes 4, 5 and 6, and one in Section C - Classes 7, 8 and 9. Designer's choice of plant material and components.

The Petite Award may be awarded to a blue ribbon winner scoring 95 or above in Division I, Section D - Classes 10, 11, and 12. Only one may be awarded.

Club Competition Award may be awarded to a blue ribbon winner scoring 95 or above in Division I, Section E - Class 13. Only one may be awarded.

Horticultural Excellence may be awarded to a NAMED blue ribbon winner scoring 95 or above, judged to be the finest in the entire Horticulture Division. Only one may be awarded.

Arboreal Award may be awarded to a NAMED blue ribbon winner scoring 95 or above in Division II, Section A. Only one may be awarded.

Award of Merit may be awarded to a NAMED blue ribbon winner scoring 95 or above in Division II, Sections B, C, D, E, and F. Five may be awarded - only one in each Section.

Artistic Craft Award may be awarded to a blue ribbon winner scoring 95 or above in Division III, Section A - Classes 1, 2, 3, and 4. Only one may be awarded. Exhibit must contain plant material.

Educational Award may be awarded to a blue ribbon winner scoring 95 or above with the exhibit a minimum of 18 sq. ft. in Division III, Section B - Exhibits 1, 2 and 3. Only one may be awarded.

NGC SPECIAL AWARD(S)

These may be awarded to a meritorious exhibit(s) in Garden Photography, Division III, Section C - Classes 5, 6, and 7.

One may be awarded in each category.

GCNJ AWARDS

The Lenore Pletcher Trophy may be awarded to the highest rated blue ribbon winner in the Design Division.

GCNJ Growing Together Award may be awarded to the highest rated blue ribbon winner in Division II, Section G - Classes 35, 36, and 37. Only one may be awarded.

GCNJ Challenge Trophy may be awarded to the highest rated blue ribbon winner in Division II, Section H - Classes 38 and 39.

SCALES OF POINTS

DESIGN

CONFORMANCE	20
DESIGN	42
ARTISTIC CONCEPT	12
EXPRESSION	10
DISTINCTION	<u>16</u>
TOTAL	100

TABLES AND VIGNETTES

CONFORMANCE	20
DESIGN	48
ARTISTIC CONCEPT	12
EXPRESSION	5
DISTINCTION	<u>15</u>
TOTAL	100

HORTICULTURE

CULTURAL PERFECTION	60
CONDITIONING & GROOMING	25
DISTINCTION	10
CORRECT, COMPLETE NAME	<u>5</u>
TOTAL	100

COMBINATION PLANTINGS

OVERALL EFFECT	25
ENVIRONMENTAL SUITABILITY	5
CULTURAL PERFECTION	35
CONDITION AND GROOMING	10
CONTAINER	10
PLANT IDENTIFICATION	5
DISTINCTION	<u>10</u>
TOTAL	100

ARTISTIC CRAFTS

CONFORMANCE	25
DESIGN	30
CRAFTSMANSHIP AND TECHNIQUE	25
DISTINCTION	<u>20</u>
TOTAL	100

EDUCATIONAL

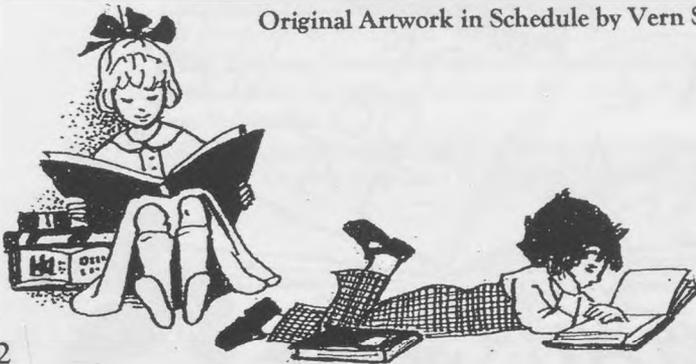
EDUCATIONAL VALUE	60
STAGING	20
CREATIVITY & EXPRESSION	<u>20</u>
TOTAL	100



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OBJECTIVES:

** To coordinate the interest of the garden clubs within the state and to bring them into closer relationship by association, conference and correspondence.

** To aid in the protection and conservation of our natural resources.

** To cooperate with other groups furthering the interests of conservation and horticulture.

** To encourage civic beauty and roadside development.

** To study and teach the arts of flower arranging and horticulture.

** To raise funds to support educational, charitable, and scientific causes.

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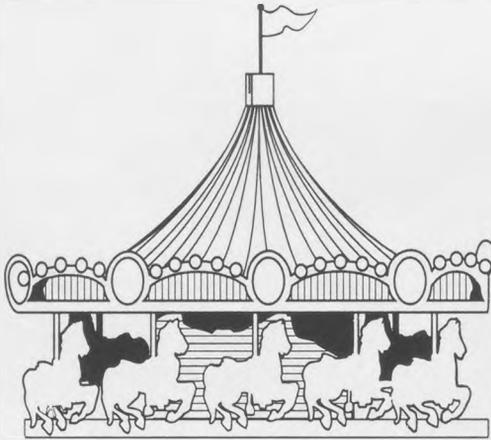
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DIVISION I – HORTICULTURE “THE JOURNEY’S HIGHLIGHTS”

*“What greater delight is there than to behold the Earth appareled with plants.”
John Gerard*

All Horticulture sections are eligible for AWARD OF HORTICULTURAL EXCELLENCE. Consultant: Elizabeth Lilleston (732) 842-4349, lillestons@att.net
SECTION A – “SUN AND SHADE”

Needled Evergreens. One branch 10” to 30” in length. Eligible for ARBOREAL AWARD.

- CLASS 1 *Pinus*-Pine
- CLASS 2 *Juniperus*-Juniper
- CLASS 3 *Picea*-Spruce
- CLASS 4 Any Other Needled Evergreen

SECTION B – “THE CUTTING EDGE”

Broadleaf evergreens. One branch 10” to 30” in length. Eligible for AWARD OF MERIT.

- CLASS 5 *Ilex*-Holly
- CLASS 6 *Euonymus*
- CLASS 7 *Aucuba*
- CLASS 8 Any other Broadleaf Evergreen

SECTION C – “DESERT DARLINGS”

Cacti/Succulents. Eligible for AWARD OF MERIT

- CLASS 9 Pot 4” and under
- CLASS 10 Pot 5” to 8”
- CLASS 11 Pot 9” and over. Must pre-register.

SECTION D – “ENCHANTED ENCLOSURES”

Combination plantings. Pre-registration required. Eligible for GCNJ AWARD

CLASS 12 Dish Garden. Minimum of three different plants. Accessories are permitted. Diagram of planting with names must appear on a 3x5 card.

- CLASS 13 Planter. Accessories are not permitted.
- CLASS 14 Terrarium. Accessories are permitted.

SECTION E – “FEATURES ALONG THE WAY”

Topiary. Exhibitor's choice of pot size. Over 10" pot must pre-register. Eligible for AWARD OF MERIT

- CLASS 15 Ivy
- CLASS 16 Jasmine
- CLASS 17 Any other

SECTION F – “TROPICAL WONDERS”

Container grown flowering plants. Eligible for AWARD OF MERIT.

- CLASS 18 Orchid
- CLASS 19 African Violet
- CLASS 20 Any other

SECTION G – “HOME BODIES”

Container grown foliage plants. Eligible for AWARD OF MERIT.

- CLASS 21 Ivy
- CLASS 22 Fern
- CLASS 23 Philodendron
- CLASS 24 Any other

SECTION H – “THE EARTH BURSTS WITH COLOR”

Forced Bulbs. Exhibitor's choice of pot size. Eligible for GCNJ AWARD

- CLASS 25 Amaryllis
- CLASS 26 Narcissus
- CLASS 27 Any other

DIVISION II – DESIGN “HIGHWAYS AND BYWAYS”

“And we came to the Isle of Flowers; their breath met us out on the seas, for the Spring and the middle Summer sat each on the lap of the breeze.” Alfred, Lord Tennyson

SECTION A – “TRAVELOGUE”

Consultant: Betty Markendorf (732) 918-6321, Bmark23@aol.com

Eligible for DESIGNER'S CHOICE AWARD

- CLASS 28 “**Magic Carpet Ride**” (4 entries) A Collage measuring 36”H x 24”W staged on an easel provided by the committee. Designer's choice of plant material.
- CLASS 29 “**View from the Bridge**” (4 entries) A Transparency Design incorporating a freestanding black mesh cylindrical pedestal 42”H with a 12” diameter top provided by the committee. Designer's choice of plant material.
- CLASS 30 “**Trip of a Lifetime**” (4 entries) A Still Life Design staged on a table 30”H in a space 30”Wx30”D using a backboard measuring 40”H x 30”W supplied by the committee. Designer's choice of plant material.

SECTION B – “FANTASY TRAVEL”

Consultant: Jan Warshauer (732) 530-9345, jwarshauer@aol.com

Eligible for DESIGNER'S CHOICE AWARD

CLASS 31 **“Climb Every Mountain”** (4 entries) A Creative Design using 2 black pedestals, (#1 measuring 42”H with 14” square top, #2 measuring 24”H with 16” square top) provided by the committee. Designer's choice of plant material.

CLASS 32 **“Fly Me to the Moon”** (4 entries) A Hanging Design (Type II) using a black frame 44”H x 28”W x 3½”D provided by the committee. Designer's choice of plant material.

CLASS 33 **“Midnight at the Oasis”** (4 entries) A design using water staged on a table 30”H in a space 30”W x 30”D using a backboard measuring 40”H x 30”W supplied by the committee. Designer's choice of plant material.

SECTION C – “RESERVATIONS REQUIRED”

Consultant: Bonnie Nichols (609) 654-5280, bonniejnichols@comcast.net

Eligible for TABLE ARTISTRY AWARD

CLASS 34 **“Chitty, Chitty, Bang, Bang”** (4 entries) Inspired tailgating. Car supplied by MacEvents/Subaru. Designer's choice of plant material and number of guests.

CLASS 35 **“Rooftop Rendezvous”** (4 entries) Functional dining on a rooftop staged on a black pallet 3½ ft. sq. x 6”H. Designer's choice of components and plant material.

CLASS 36 **“Under the Tuscan Sun”** (4 entries) A 30” round Functional Table set for two for lunch. Table provided by the committee. A 90” round underlay to be provided by the exhibitor. Designer's choice of plant material.

SECTION D – “MUNCHKIN LAND”

Consultant: Anna Godwin (732) 270-0568, annagodwin@msn.com

Eligible for PETITE AWARD.

CLASS 37 **“Stepping Out with Ruby Slippers”** (4 entries) A Small Design on an 8½” black cube provided by the committee. Design may be no more than 8” in height, width or depth. Designer's choice of plant material.

CLASS 38 **“Follow the Yellow Brick Road”** (4 entries) A Miniature Design staged in a lighted niche provided by the committee. Contact consultant for precise measurements. Interior of niche to be covered by exhibitor. Design may be no more than 5” in height, width or depth. Designer's choice of plant material.

CLASS 39 **“On to Emerald City”** (4 entries) A Miniature Design staged in lighted niche provided by the committee. Contact consultant for precise measurements. Interior of niche to be covered by exhibitor. Design may be no more than 5” in height, width or depth. Designer's choice of plant material.

DIVISION III – SPECIAL EXHIBITS

“CHARTING THE COURSE”

“An honest tale speeds best being told”

SECTION A – EDUCATIONAL EXHIBITS- “Show and Tell”

Consultant: Jean Henkel (732) 283-1796, BillJeanHenkel@aol.com

Eligible for EDUCATIONAL AWARD

EXHIBIT 1 “**The Short and Long of It**” The Evolution of Flowering Plants: A Short History of a Very Long Process.

EXHIBIT 2 “**Wanted: The Asian Longhorned Beetle**” Information to halt the spread of this devastating pest.

EXHIBIT 3 “**Invasive Plants**” 10 of the most invasive plants in our area.

EXHIBIT 4 “**GCNJ Youth Conservation Projects**” A selection of Youth Club environmental activities taking place throughout the Garden State.

SECTION B – NATIONAL OBJECTIVES

Eligible for AWARD OF APPRECIATION (Non-competitive)

EXHIBIT 5 “**Check Us Out**” Location of National Garden Clubs, Inc. in NJ and membership information

EXHIBIT 6 “**Applause, Applause**” Display of National Garden Clubs, Inc. Award Ribbons

SECTION C – GARDEN PHOTOGRAPHY

Eligible for NGC SPECIAL AWARD(S)

EXHIBIT 7 “**While the Garden Sleeps**” An exhibit of 8x10 (black and white or color) photographs in an 11” x 14” mat with hanger to be hung by the committee. Must pre-register by February 1, 2006. May be further subdivided by the committee.

SECTION D – ARTISTIC CRAFTS “The Journey Continues”

Consultant: Barbara Mullin (908) 232-5522

Eligible for ARTISTIC CRAFT AWARD

CLASS 1 “**Ready to Go**” (4 entries) A tote bag, supplied by the committee, decorated with fresh and/or dried plant material.

CLASS 2 “**Have Hat, Will Travel**” (4 entries) A head covering using dried plant material for a black mannequin head provided by the committee and staged on a 40”H black pedestal with a 14” square top.

CLASS 3 “**Pony Ride**” (4 entries) A rocking horse, provided by the committee, creatively enhanced by dried plant material.

SECTION E – YOUTH – “HOP, SKIP AND JUMP”

Consultant: Onnolee Allieri (973) 335-8249, callieri@aol.com

Classes will be subdivided by age.

E-1 HORTICULTURE

Eligible for YOUTH AWARDS

CLASS 1 “It’s Not Easy Being Green” A dish garden not to exceed 10” in diameter containing three or more plants. Plants must have been grown together and in the exhibitor’s possession for a minimum of 3 weeks.

CLASS 2 “Ivy League” An ivy plant in 4” pot. Must have been in exhibitor’s possession for a minimum of 60 days.

CLASS 3 “Sprout Sorcery” Grow new “sprouts” from mature fruits and vegetables: celery, onion, beet, sweet or white potato, pineapple top, carrot top, avocado pit etc. Consultant may offer other suggestions.

E-2 DESIGN

Eligible for YOUTH AWARDS

CLASS 4 “Blow Out Blooms” A design staged on a table in a space 15” x 15”. Fresh and / or dried plant material.

CLASS 5 “Tea with the Mad Hatter” A small design in a teacup not to exceed 8” in height, width or depth staged on a table. Fresh and / or dried plant material.

CLASS 6 “Kaleidoscope” 6” round mosaic using dried plant material.

E-3 ARTISTIC CRAFTS

Eligible for GCNJ YOUTH AWARD OF CREATIVE ACHIEVEMENT (6).

CLASS 7 “Where the Wild Things Are” Critters not to exceed 8”W x 8”D. Fresh and / or dried plant material with a minimum of non-plant material.

CLASS 8 “Elfin Hideaways” A fairy house not to exceed 10”W x 10”D created from dried plant material and found objects. A two-liter bottle, milk carton etc. may be used as a base for the structure.

E-4 EDUCATIONAL

Eligible for GCNJ AWARD(S) FOR CONSERVATION THROUGH EDUCATION (5).

Awarded by the Committee

EXHIBIT 1 “Smokey Goes to Washington” Display of National Garden Clubs, Inc. Smokey Bear poster contest winners.

General Rules:

1. All classes open to public.
2. Judging based on NGC Standard System of Awarding by NGC Accredited Flower Show Judges; to begin at 10:00 am on Thursday, February 16, 2006. Show will open at completion of judging.
3. All entries received on Wednesday, February 15 between 9 am – 3 pm; designs only on Thursday, February 16 between 7:30 – 9:30 am.
4. All tabletops covered with white cloth and to the floor with black skirting by MacEvents.
5. All properties must be removed at the show closing on Sunday, February 19 at 6 pm but not before.
6. Each entry to be judged must be the work of one exhibitor, except where noted.
7. Exhibitors may enter more than one class or sub-class, but only one exhibit per class or sub-class. Exception: See rule #2 under Horticulture.
8. All classes may be subdivided at the discretion of the committee.

Design Rules:

1. No artificial flowers, foliage, fruit or vegetables.
2. Fresh plant material may not be treated in any manner.
3. Some plant material must be used in every exhibit.
4. Applicable to Youth only: each designer must create own design but adult may transport design and place it in the show.
5. Exhibitors are responsible for keeping their designs in good condition.
6. Landscapes or scenes not permitted in Design Division.
7. Living members of the Animal Kingdom are not permitted in the Design Division.
8. Limited space prohibits more detailed information. Please consult Handbook for Flower Shows, 2003 or Class Consultant.

<u>DESIGN SCALE OF POINTS</u>		<u>ARTISTIC CRAFTS SCALE OF POINTS</u>	
CONFORMANCE	20	CONFORMANCE	25
DESIGN	42	DESIGN	30
ARTISTIC CONCEPT	12	CRAFTSMANSHIP AND	
EXPRESSION	10	TECHNIQUE	25
DISTINCTION	<u>16</u>	DISTINCTION	<u>20</u>
TOTAL	100	TOTAL	100

FUNCTIONAL TABLES SCALE OF POINTS

CONFORMANCE	20
DESIGN	48
ARTISTIC CONCEPT	12
EXPRESSION	5
DISTINCTION	<u>15</u>
TOTAL	100

Horticulture Rules:

1. Specimens must be fresh plant material grown by the exhibitor and must be NAMED, giving genus and species; variety/cultivar provided when available. Common name may be added.
2. Exhibitor may make more than one entry per class or sub-class, if each is a different genus, species, variety, cultivar, type, form, size, or color.
3. Committee may subdivide classes.
4. Container grown plants must be in exhibitor's possession at least 90 days; multiple plantings growing together for six weeks.
5. Containers for cut specimens to be provided by the committee.
6. Cut specimens should not have foliage below water line.
7. Wedging material of bubble wrap will be used.
8. Horticulture tables to be covered with a water repellent overlay.

<u>HORTICULTURE SCALE OF POINTS</u>		<u>EDUCATIONAL SCALE OF POINTS</u>	
CULTURAL PERFECTION	60	EDUCATIONAL VALUE	60
CONDITIONING & GROOMING	25	STAGING	20
DISTINCTION	10	CREATIVITY/EXPRESSION	<u>20</u>
CORRECT, COMPLETE NAME	<u>5</u>		
TOTAL	100	TOTAL	100

COMBINATION PLANTINGS SCALE OF POINTS

OVERALL EFFECT	25
ENVIRONMENTAL SUITABILITY	5
CULTURAL PERFECTION	35
CONDITIONING & GROOMING	10
CONTAINER	10
PLANT IDENTIFICATION	5
DISTINCTION	<u>10</u>
TOTAL	100

NATIONAL GARDEN CLUB AWARDS

Horticultural Excellence may be awarded to a NAMED blue ribbon winner scoring 95 or above, judged to be the finest in the entire Horticulture Division. Only one may be awarded.

Arboreal Award may be awarded to a NAMED blue ribbon winner scoring 95 or above in Division I, Section A. Only one may be awarded.

Award of Merit may be awarded to a NAMED blue ribbon winner scoring 95 or above in Division I, Sections B, C, E, F and G. Five may be awarded.

Designer's Choice Award may be awarded to a blue ribbon winner scoring 95 or above in Division II, Sections A and B. One may be awarded in Section A, Classes 28, 29 and 30, and one in Section B, Classes 31, 32 and 33. Designer's choice of plant material and components.

Table Artistry Award may be awarded to a blue ribbon winner scoring 95 or above in Classes 34, 35 and 36. Only one may be awarded.

The Petite Award may be awarded to a blue ribbon winner scoring 95 or above in Classes 37, 38 and 39. Only one may be awarded.

Artistic Craft Award may be awarded to a blue ribbon winner scoring 95 or above in Division III, Section D, Classes 1, 2 and 3. Only one may be awarded. Exhibit must contain plant material.

Educational Award may be awarded to a blue ribbon winner scoring 95 or above with the exhibit a minimum of 18 sq. ft. in Division III, Section A, Exhibits 1, 2 and 3. Only one may be awarded.

Award(s) of Appreciation may be awarded to non-competitive exhibits deemed meritorious by the Committee.

Youth Award(s) may be awarded to a blue ribbon winner scoring 90 or above in each age category in Division III, Section E, E-1 Horticulture, Classes 1, 2, 3, and E-2, Design 4, 5 and 6. Maximum to be awarded is six. Age categories: pre-school - 7; 8 - 12; 13 - 17.

NGC SPECIAL AWARD(S)

These may be awarded by the Committee to a meritorious exhibit(s) in Garden Photography, Division III, Section A, Exhibit 6.

GCNJ AWARDS

The Lenore Pletcher Trophy may be awarded to the highest rated blue ribbon winner in the Design Division.

GCNJ Growing Together Award may be awarded to a blue ribbon winner scoring 95 or above in Section D, Classes 12, 13 and 14. Only one may be awarded.

GCNJ Spring Debut Award may be awarded to a blue ribbon winner scoring 95 or above in Section H, Classes 25, 26 and 27.

GCNJ Youth Award # 6 may be awarded to the affiliated Junior (Gardeners) Garden Club receiving the highest number of blue ribbons in the Junior (Gardeners) Division of GCNJ Flower Show

GCNJ Youth Award of Creative Achievement (6) These may be awarded to a blue ribbon winner scoring 90 or above in Division III, Section E, Classes 7 and 8. Only one may be awarded in each age category for a total of 6 awards.

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An Educational Exhibit Award. May be awarded to exhibits of highest merit in Division III, Section E-4, Exhibit 1. Five may be awarded.

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Dear Ladies,

You are commended for the work that you do to benefit the young gardeners of Westfield. Continue to reap the rewards of Youth Club leadership. You must be proud!

For the NJGC, I thank you for all you do.

Carole Kurtz
State Youth Chairman



BUDDING GARDENERS...Rake and Hoe Juniors work on their "Imaginocean" sea creature entries for the annual New Jersey Flower and Garden Show for February. Pictured, from left to right, are: Top row, Elise Morano and Pinar Pekdemir, and bottom row, Emma Phillips, Merve Pekdemir, Rachel Holt and Julia Ross.

Rake and Hoe Club Juniors Gear Up For Garden Show

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This year's theme will be "Funky Broadway." Members are preparing crafts and flower designs to compete in six categories, including *The Addams Family* jazzy table settings and *Avenue Q* flower arrangements using a favorite playbill. The competition is open to New Jersey Garden Club members. To join the Rake

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Genealogical Society Lists Meeting Topics

WESTFIELD – The Genealogical Society of the West Fields will feature Nancy Humphrey today, Thursday, February 10, at 1 p.m. at the Westfield Memorial Library.

Members of Rake and Hoe Win Garden Show Awards

WESTFIELD – The Garden Club of New Jersey's annual flower show, entitled "Regards to Broadway," was held at the New Jersey Convention Center in Edison from February 17 to 20.

More than 25,000 flower and garden enthusiasts turned out for the event, which featured display gardens and a Standard Flower Show presented by the Garden Club of New Jersey.

This year's theme was "Funky Broadway." Garden club members prepared crafts and flower designs and competed in six categories, including *The Addams Family* jazzy table settings and other Broadway show flower designs, which were displayed with their playbills.

Members of The Rake and Hoe Garden Club of Westfield won multiple awards. The Design section included diverse, creative and interesting designs. Horticulture included tree branches, flowering and foliage houseplants, and combination plantings.

Jill Sitcer received a blue ribbon, the Tricolor, and the Design Excellence Award, which is the top design in the entire flower show. Erica Fried won a blue ribbon for her Flower Design for *West Side Story*. Kay Cross, Diana Kazazis and Barbara Mullin earned blue ribbons in Horticulture.

Juniors associated with various clubs also displayed their designs and horticulture, including table arrangements and animal creatures

made of plant material. Members of the Rake and Hoe Juniors won blue or red ribbons for 22 entries in seven classes. Elise Morano won the Youth Top Exhibitor Awards for both Design and Horticulture, and Emma Phillips won the Youth GCNJ Special Award for Artistic Crafts.

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Budding junior florists

The Rake and Hoe Juniors of the Westfield Rake and Hoe Garden Club range in age from kindergarteners to 8th graders. The students meet once a month to learn flower arranging, arts and crafts with plant material, and to provide services for those in need such as Mobile Meals, which has been in existence for 40 years at the Baptist Church on Elm Street in Westfield. The young gardeners created the arrangements and sent personalized notes that will be placed on the trays of the clients. The Rake and Hoe Juniors enter two flower shows during the year, which historically has earned them many awards. They care for the historic gardens at the Miller-Cory House Museum of Westfield as well as doing many services projects such as this one and the next one planned for the Boynton Ave Seniors in April. For junior membership questions call Mrs. Cowell at 908-518-1602. Pictured from left (bottom) Celeste Loffredo, Rachel Holt, and Julia Ross.; (second row) Merve Pekdemir, Pinar Pekdemir, and Elise Morano; (top row) Mrs. Cowell, group leader, Sarah Pavlak, Stephanie Plant, Mrs. Barna and Mrs. Howlett, other members of Rake and Hoe of Westfield.



Members of the Rake and Hoe Garden Club of Westfield participated in the Flower and Garden Show this past February at the Raritan Convention Center and came away with blue ribbons and trophies. Adult and youth members prepare for months in advance of the show selecting the right flowers and composition for their designs. Some members of the youth group have been active in the club from age 6 and are now 15-years-old. With that much experience, they come home winners every-time. Pictured (from left, first row) are: Melissa Morabito, Gillian Kuyat, Mia Avni and Sarah LaMonica; (second row) Caroline Tan, Margaret Schantz, Annika Schantz, Emma Phillips and Elise Morano.

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Sleepy Hollow mansion f

Each spring residents of the Westfield area, particularly those who are aficionados of the acclaimed Westfield Symphony Orchestra, look forward to A Tour of Notable Homes produced by the fund raising auxiliary known as The Friends of Westfield Symphony Orchestra.

Friends co-presidents Lee Corcoran and Veena Sharma describe the tour, "We have selected several homes that typify the choices of architecture, design and style for which the area is renowned. A generous group of Homeowners will be throwing open the doors to their distinguished homes to the public in support of the orchestra which adds so much to the quality of life here."

Shuang Guo-Wroe, who chairs the tour, says for example, that one of the homes to be featured is located in the storied Sleepy Hollow section of Plainfield is a show place in every way. A new construction brick mansion completed in 2010, it stands majestically on a seven-acre knoll replacing a circa 1917 manse that previously occupied the site. Designed to replicate the grand houses of the Jazz Age, Guo-Wroe says, "Approaching the circular driveway we can imagine Jay Gatsby himself standing at the door to welcome visitors."

The architecture, furnishings, moldings, trimmings, artwork and artifacts emphasize the very best of the period while providing



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'Juniors' help at garden

The Junior Garden Club of The Rake and Hoe Garden Club of Westfield is busy maintaining the butterfly garden at the Shadowlawn Pocket Park.

The juniors also learn the basics of flower arranging which will help them make flower arrangements to compete in the annual New Jersey Garden Show each February. In the 2014 show, they won five of nine Top Exhibitor Awards in the Youth Division including "Best in Show" out of more than 150 entries. Call Mrs. Siano at 908-233-4150 if interested in joining.

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The Rake and Hoe Garden Club's much anticipated Holiday House Tour of four distinguished homes is scheduled for Dec. 6, 2014.

As the primary source of revenue for the group's many service projects in Westfield and Mountainside, the 2014 Holiday House Tour is sure to be an outstanding effort on the part of every creative club member.

Contact Karen Jolley-Gates, club president, at 908-233-5125 for more information. Visit on Facebook at <https://www.facebook.com/rakeandhoe> and online at rakeandhoe.org/.



The Junior Garden Club of The Rake and Hoe Garden Club of Westfield is busy maintaining the butterfly garden at the Shadowlawn Pocket Park. They are shown with Jeanie Jeremia of the Garden Club of New Jersey.

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Rake and Hoe junior members prepare for state show

WESTFIELD — The Rake and Hoe Garden Club of Westfield junior members are preparing their entries for the Garden Club of NJ's State Flower Show, which will be presented Feb. 15 to 18, Thursday through Sunday at the NJ Convention & Expo Center in Edison as part of the flower and garden show, "Once Upon a Garden."

The adult portion of the flower show, "A Child's Storybook," showcases fabulous fairy tale floral designs by masterful state designers. See what designers imagine for "Rapunzel in a Tower" construction design and "The Mad Hatter's Un-birthday Party" exhibition table. To brighten the winter doldrums, forced amaryllis bulbs of multiple colors in all their glory will add bursts of

color throughout the show. Actual life size scenes as a club competition will depict childhood stories. A photography section will include pictures from gardens.

The youth portion of the show, "Mother Goose," provides the children the chance to compete in floral design, artistic crafts and horticulture. Young floral designers will interpret nursery rhymes

such as "Jack be Nimble, Jack be Quick" using a candlestick and "There was an Old Woman Who Lived in a Shoe" using a shoe. "Pat-A-Cake" artistic craft will feature cakes made of dried flowers.

In addition, the garden show is providing seminars by experts including popular radio personality Ralph Snodsmith, a garden marketplace and full-scale display gardens. The show starts on

Thursday 11 a.m. to 9 p.m., Friday and Saturday, 10 a.m. to 9 p.m. and the final day, Sunday from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. Adult tickets \$14 (reduced if member of master gardeners or garden clubs Thursday and Friday, \$9, provide proof of membership), seniors, \$10 and youth ages 12 - 17, \$6 (children under 12 free). Check www.MacEvents.com for more details, discounts and directions to the show.

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FLOWER SHOW WINNERS

The Rake and Hoe Garden Club of Westfield and their junior members devoted time to the Garden State Flower Show held at Raritan Center on Feb.12-15. Maryann Pietruszki, a member of the Rake and Hoe Garden Club of Westfield, explains some fine points of flower arranging to Sammie Nocera, a Rake and Hoe Junior, as she prepares her entry for the Garden State Flower Show. To see what other awards the club took home, see page 9.

(COURTESY PHOTO)



Club creates floral designs for Academy

The youth group from the Rake and Hoe Garden Club of Westfield, ages 5- to 15-years-old, created more than 70 floral designs to present to the hard working staff at the Jardine Academy. The girls recognize the tremendous efforts that all the staff members do for the students at the academy and cheerfully put together a holiday-themed design for each to take home with them. The garden club is dedicated to the Jardine group; adult members had recently decorated the Jardine Academy tree with festive moons and stars. Jar-

dine provides an educational program designed for students of multiple disabilities and also has additional programs in Union. The Cerebral Palsy League operates both locations for students from 3 to 21 years of age. The essential skills curriculum is uniquely developed for each student's requirements and can include student's self care, health and fitness, interpersonal skills, mobility and functional academics. If interested in joining the Rake and Hoe Club, call membership chair Karen Jolley-Gates 908-233-5125.



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Rake and Hoe Earns Awards At Garden State Flower Show

WESTFIELD — After presenting a very successful Deck the Halls Holiday House Tour on December 6 and making ornaments for the holiday tree at the Jardine Academy of the Cerebral Palsy League in Cranford, The Rake and Hoe Garden Club of Westfield and its junior members devoted their time to the Garden State Flower Show held at Raritan Center February 12 to 15.

The Garden State Flower Show, which attracts more than 25,000 flower and garden enthusiasts annually, highlighted a Standard Flower Show presented yearly by the Garden Club of New Jersey. With the theme of "A Garden of Authors," the members designed flower arrangements, brought in horticulture samples, did plant crafts and entered the photography competitions.

The artistic design awards for The Rake and Hoe Garden Club included Blue ribbons, Barbara Mullin; Third Place ribbons to Alice Cowell and Diana Kazazis, and Honorable Mention Awards to Peggy Smith and Inge Bossert. Photography ribbons included Blue ribbons to Richard and Jeannette Pellikan, Barbara Spellmeyer, Inge Bossert and Margot Partridge. Second Place awards went to Richard and Jeannette Pellikan, Bob Partridge, Barbara Spellmeyer and Inge Bossert. Third Place awards went

to Barbara Spellmeyer and Margot Partridge, and Honorable Mention went to Irene Greenstein, Richard Pellikan and Beth Hanscom.

Junior awards were plentiful in flower design for a total of nine ribbons: five Blue and four Second Places for individual entries. The Rake and Hoe Junior Garden Club also took all three age categories in the National Garden Club Youth Award for Excellence. Age 6 to 10 years went to Malissa Morabita; Age 11 to 12 years went to Emma Sylvester, and Age 13 to 18 years went to Elise Morano. In crafts, the Juniors won 15 awards: seven Blues, five Second Places, two Third Places, and one Honorable Mention. Finally, the Garden Club of New Jersey Youth Artistic Craft Award for 13- to 18-year-olds was given to Margaret Schantz.

The Rake and Hoe Garden Club of Westfield has a long-term reputation for its service to the community and donations to worthy causes. The Rake and Hoe Junior Garden Club, which meets once a month, has members between grades 1 and 8. If interested in joining the Juniors, call Beth Siano at (908) 233-4150.

For more information on The Rake and Hoe Garden Club, call Karen Jolley-Gates, club president, at (908) 233-5125. Information also is available on the club's Facebook page and its website, rakeandhoe.org.



JUNIORS EARN KUDOS... Junior members of the Rake and Hoe Grden Club of Westfield celebrate the success the Juniors enjoyed at this year's Grden Club of New Jersey Flower Show.

Rake and Hoe Club Juniors Recognized at Flower Show

WESTFIELD — The Rake and Hoe Garden Club of Westfield “juniors,” ranging from kindergarten through high school, submitted entries in their age groups at the annual Garden Club of New Jersey flower show that was held earlier this month.

Categories included: Artistic Crafts, Horticulture, Design and Photography. The “junior” members worked on kaleidoscope mosaics and colorful bird masks that must be made of fresh or dried plant materials. In addition, they were challenged to care for houseplant entries for at least two months prior

to the event and to make their own fresh flower arrangements the day before the show.

Although faced with significant competition this year from elementary-, middle- and high school participants from across the state and within Rake and Hoe in the specific categories, 11 participating Rake and Hoe youth each won one or more blue ribbons. They also picked up six of the Top Exhibitor ribbons awarded by section and age group.

The “juniors” were enthusiastically assisted with their projects by Chairwomen Alice Cwell and Beth Siano and their committee.

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RAKE AND HOE HOLIDAYS...Members of the Rake and Hoe Garden Club of Westfield Juniors display some of the ornaments they created for the club's upcoming holiday house tour. Pictured, from left to right, are: Back row, Sophia Poeschl, Arline Bound, Riley Dupuis and Malissa Morabito, and front row, Arabella Morabito, Lila Spadaro, Emilia Rud and Alissa Stumpf.

Rake and Hoe Juniors Make Decorations For House Tour

WESTFIELD — Junior members of the Rake and Hoe Garden Club of Westfield met recently and made cookie cutter applesauce-cinnamon ornaments and decorated dog biscuits. These ornaments will be used to decorate a Christmas tree in one of the houses on the club's "Deck The Halls" holiday house tour and boutique.

The tour will take place on Saturday, December 1, from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m., and will include four homes decorated for the season and a boutique that showcases many items crafted from natural materials and adorned in holiday style.

Proceeds from the tour support the club's operations and its numerous service projects for veterans, Mobile Meals and the Jardine Academy in Cranford, operated by the Cerebral

Palsy League, and the maintenance of several community sites around Westfield. The club also makes donations to local schools, libraries, arboretums and land trusts.

Tickets are \$35 in advance and \$40 at the door the day of the show. Tickets will be available at Baron's Drug Store, 243 East Broad Street, Westfield, and Williams Nursery, 524 Springfield Avenue, Westfield. They also may be ordered by mail by sending a check made payable to: Rake and Hoe Garden Club and mailed with a self-addressed, stamped envelope to Carolyn Pulliam, 648 Arlington Avenue, Westfield, N.J. 07090-2104. Information about the club and "Deck The Halls" can be found on the club's website, rakeandhoe.org, or on its Facebook page.

Rake & Hoe Garden Club 'Juniors' busy bees in the community

The Junior Garden Club of the Rake and Hoe Garden Club contributes to the

Westfield Community with many projects throughout the year. The juniors, who

range from kindergarten through high school, meet monthly during the school

year to work on projects focused on flower design, gardening and community service. They began the current school year cleaning up the garden at Shadowlawn Pocket Park.

The girls also learn the basics of flower arranging to compete in the annual New Jersey Garden show each February. This year's project for entry in the Garden Show was making "bugdominiums" taught by the Rake and Hoe members.

The girls learned about solitary bees, such as mason bees, that nest in hollow plant stems and other cavities rather than in hives like honey bees. The purpose of the "bugdominiums" is to provide nesting sites for solitary bees.

These may be located in the butterfly garden planted and maintained by the junior members of The Rake and Hoe Garden Club.

The boxes are made of plywood boxes that the girls dipped in a black walnut "bath" to color the plywood. The girls decorated the outside of the boxes as well as filled the insides with plant materials that included: Drilled logs, bamboo, hollow stems of shrubs such as forsythia and deutzia, pine cones, sections of plane tree

branches, acorn tops dyed blue to attract bees, and slices of pine branches.

The Rake and Hoe Juniors have also completed botanic jewelry made from all natural materials — a craft entry also for the Garden Show. In the 2014, they won five of the nine Top Exhibitor Awards in the Youth Division including "Best in Show" out of more than 150 entries.

Call Beth Siano at 908-233-4150 if interested in joining.

The show will take place on Feb. 11-14, at the New Jersey Convention and Expo Center, 93 Sunfield Ave., Edison.

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“JUNIORS” PREP FOR FLOWER & GARDEN SHOW

The Rake and Hoe Garden Club of Westfield “Juniors” have been busy preparing their entries for the Garden Club of New Jersey flower show where they will compete in their age groups for ribbons in Artistic Crafts, Horticulture, Design and Photography. The kindergarten through high school members have been working hard on kaleidoscope mosaics and colorful bird masks that must be made of fresh or dried plant materials. They are also challenged to care for houseplant entries for at least two months prior to the event and to make their own fresh flower arrangements the day before the show. Youth and

adult entries from across the state were on display at the New Jersey Flower and Garden Show in February at the NJ Convention & Expo Center.

The Rake & Hoe Garden Club of Westfield has a diverse membership spanning all ages, interests and occupations. Affiliated with the National Council of State Garden Clubs and the Garden Club of New Jersey, the club has between 50 and 70 members including a junior membership between first and twelfth grades. For more information, contact Pat Wilson, 908-389-9342 or check the club’s Facebook page and its website, rakeandhoe.org.



(above) Rake & Hoe Garden Club "Juniors" prepared for New Jersey Flower & Garden Show.

RAKE & HOE GARDEN CLUB “JUNIORS” BUSY BEES IN THE COMMUNITY

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The girls also learn the basics of flower arranging to compete in the annual New Jersey Garden show each February. This year’s project for entry in the Garden Show was making “bugdominiums” taught by the Rake and Hoe members. The girls learned about solitary bees, such as mason bees, that nest in hollow plant stems and other cavities rather than in hives like honey bees. The purpose of the “bugdominiums” is to provide nesting sites for solitary bees. These may be located in the butterfly garden planted and maintained by the Junior members of The Rake and Hoe Garden Club.

The boxes are made of plywood boxes that the girls dipped in a black walnut “bath” to color the plywood. The girls decorated the outside of the boxes as well as filled the insides with plant materials that included: drilled logs, bamboo, hollow stems of shrubs such as forsythia and deutzia, pine cones, sections of plane tree branches, acorn tops dyed blue to attract bees, and slices of pine branches.

The Rake and Hoe Juniors have also completed botanic jewelry made from all natural materials – a craft entry also for the Garden Show. In 2014, they won five of the nine Top Exhibitor Awards in the Youth Division including “Best in Show” out of more than 150 entries. Call Mrs. Beth Siano at 908-2334150 if interested in joining.

This year’s show was held on February 11-14, 2016 at the New Jersey Convention and Expo Center in Edison. Out of a total of 42 entries from the state, Westfield Rake & Hoe Juniors received 30 Blue Ribbons in all three grade categories: a sweepstakes win.



(above) Junior members of the Rake and Hoe Garden Club.



(above) Some of the completed “bugdominiums”.

The Rake and Hoe Garden Club of Westfield has a long-term reputation for its service to the community and donations to worthy causes by maintaining the gardens at the northside of the Westfield Train Station, the Miller Cory House Museum, the Shadowlawn Pocket Park and the Claire Brownell Wildflower Garden at the Reeve History and Cultural Resource Center of the Westfield Historical Society.

Anyone interested in joining the Rake and Hoe Garden Club is invited to call Club President, Diana Kazazis at (908)654-8783. For additional information, you can also find us on Facebook at <https://www.facebook.com/rakenadhoe> and on our website, <http://www.rakeandhoe.com.org>.

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Although faced with significant competition this year from elementary, middle and high school participants from across the state and within specific categories, 11 participating Rake and Hoe youth each won one or more blue ribbons. *Item and photo courtesy of Paula Long*

WESTFIELD

Rake & Hoe Garden Club 'Juniors' recognized at show

The Rake & Hoe Garden Club of Westfield "Juniors" ranging from kindergarten through high school submitted entries in their age groups at the annual Garden Club of New Jersey flower show held earlier this month. Categories included: Artistic Crafts, Horticulture, Design and Photography. The "Junior" members worked on kaleidoscope mosaics and colorful bird masks that must be made of fresh or dried plant materials. In addition, they were challenged to care for houseplant entries for at least two months prior to the event and to make their own fresh flower arrangements the day before the show.

Rake and Hoe Juniors Gear Up For N.J. Garden Show

WESTFIELD — The Junior Garden Club of the Rake and Hoe Garden Club of Westfield contributes to the Westfield community with many projects throughout the year, and currently is preparing to compete in the annual New Jersey Garden Show.

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This year the show will take place Thursday through Sunday, February 11 to 14, at the New Jersey Conven-

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The Westfield Leader and The Scotch Plains - Fanwood TIMES



BUSY BEES...Rake and Hoe Garden Club of Westfield Juniors display some of their work as they prepare for the annual New Jersey Garden Show, to be held February 11 to 14, at the New Jersey Convention and Expo Center in Edison. One of their projects is "Bugdominiums," which provide nesting sites for solitary bees.

Rake and Hoe Youth Membership February 2013-January 2014

Mia Avni	grade 3
Gali Avni	grade 1
Melissa Fiorentino	grade 3
Gillian Kuyat	grade 1
Sarah LaMonica	grade 3
Malissa Morabito	grade 1
Annika Schantz	grade 3
Margaret Schantz	grade 9
Caroline Tan	grade 7
Elise Morano	grade 11
Emma Phillips	grade 10
Julia Ross	grade 9



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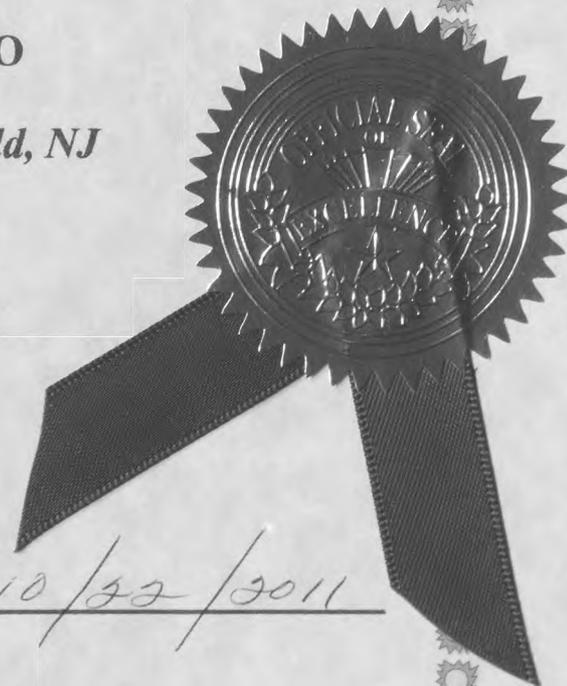
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MILLER-CORY HOUSE MUSEUM
614 Mountain Avenue
Westfield, New Jersey
(908) 232-1776

May 5, 2014

To: Rake and Hoe Garden Club - Junior Leaders – Ms. Beth Siano and Ms. Alice Cowell

Thank you so very much for weeding and cleaning the dye garden at the Miller-Cory House Museum on Wednesday, April 16. The girls worked hard and did a great job. The grounds were made ready for our annual Sheep-to-Shawl Festival on April 27. We had over 250 visitors at the Festival and the grounds looked beautiful.

We truly appreciate all of the time and effort The Rake and Hoe Garden Club shares with the museum. We are grateful for your continued support of the Miller-Cory House Museum.

Sincerely,

Joan E. Barna
Services Coordinator

Please address mail to:

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Rake and Hoe Juniors ... Schedule 2009-2010



(All meetings are at Chair Mrs. Cowell's home on Thursday, except where noted.)

- September 17 Fun with Flowers: Basic Flower Design. Assisted by Mrs. Howlett & Mrs. Cross
- October 15 Planting 'Jersey Girls' Daffodil Flower Bulbs
Meet at Westfield Train Station, North Ave.
Learn about forcing bulbs, planting in our yards.
Followed by dinner at Cheeburger, Cheeburger, Family Members invited.
Bring \$5.00 for bulbs and dinner. Assisted by Mrs. Howlett & Mrs. Cross
- November 19 Making flower designs for teachers of the Jardim Academy.
Assisted by Mrs. Barna & Mrs. Schmidt
- December 13 Sunday!!! Be Santa's Helpers at Hetfield House Gingerbread Party.
Meet at Hetfield House, Mountainside, details tba
- December 17 Container Gardening Holiday Gift. Assisted by Mrs. Minick & Mrs. Brockway
- January 21 Create Bird Houses. Assisted by Mrs. Schmidt & Mrs. Schirm
- February 17 Floral Designs for GCNJ Flower Show!
Assisted by the best floral designers of Rake and Hoe
- February 18-21 GCNJ Flower Show, EXPO Center, Edison, NJ
See www.macevents.com, click on flower show for details
- March 18 Sharing our Talents with the students at the Jardim Academy.
Assisted by Mrs. D'Arecca
- April 15 Conservation at Miller-Cory House Museum, Westfield.
Meet at Miller-Cory House Museum. Assisted by Mrs. Barna & Mrs. Daley
- May 20 Meet the Wild Birds at Brightwood Park. Meet at Brightwood Park.
Assisted by Mrs. Minick & Mrs. D'Arecca

June 17

awards Party



Jardine School - bird routes

Annina Russo
908-653-9335

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Schedule
Feb 1 2010

Jan 31 2011

2) List of ~~girls~~ members

Rake and Hoe Juniors Schedule 2010-2011

3) Welcome letter

4) Diana - intermediate? how do we name?

All meetings are at Mrs. Siano's home at 624 Clark Street Westfield at 3:30 pm on Thursdays except where noted. You can contact Mrs. Siano at elizabeth.siano@gmail.com or at 908-233-4150

- September 15 Release butterflies for their fall migration, a special look at our butterflies with Mrs. Genco.
- October 21 Making Christmas Bells with Lambs Ears for the holiday house tour. Assisted by Mrs. Cowell and Mrs. Daley.
- November 18 Making Bird Trees, an artistic craft for the Holiday House Tour.
- December 4 Hostess at the Holiday House Tour and show off your designs at 634 Tremont Street.
- December 12 Volunteers wanted to hostess at Hatfield House in Mountainside. Contact Mrs. Cowell.
- January 20 Create a flower arrangement and prepare for the GCNJ Flower Show with Mrs. Cross.
- February 16 Floral Designs for GCNJ Flower Show! Assisted by the best floral designers of Rake and Hoe.
- February 17-20 GCNJ Flower Show, EXPO Center, Edison, NJ
See www.macevents.com and click on flower show for details.
- March 17 Demonstrate flower arrangements at Jardine Academy.
- April 20 A tour of Miller-Cory House with Mrs. Barna followed by Spring clean-up in the garden.
- May 18 Leaf-embossed Bird Bath Workshop with Mrs. Kazazis and members of Rake and Hoe.
- June 16 Awards Party!

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Rake and Hoe Juniors Schedule 2011-2012

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Call if you need a ride!

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| October 20 | Activities at Shadowlawn Pocket Park (corner of Shadowlawn and Rahway Ave). Meet new members with Mrs. Cowell. |
| November 17 | Thanksgiving Flower Arrangements. |
| December 14 | Jardine Academy Christmas Activity. |
| January 19 | Crafts Workshop for Garden Club of NJ Flower Show competition. |
| February 15 | Wednesday Floral Designs for GCNJ Flower Show! Assisted by the best floral designers of Rake and Hoe. |
| February 16-19 | GCNJ Flower Show, EXPO Center, Edison, NJ
See www.macevents.com and click on flower show for details. |
| March 15 | Designs for Rake and Hoe Small Standard Flower Show. |
| April 19 | Set up for R & H Flower Show . |
| April 20 | Assist with R& H Flower Show. Presbyterian Church, Westfield |
| May 17 | Miller-Cory Activity. The herb garden. Miller-Corey House Mountainside Ave. |
| June 21 | Awards Party! |

Revised Rake and Hoe Juniors Schedule 2012-2013

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| September 19 | Butterflies and flowers. |
| October 17 | Plant a new garden of daffodils at Miller Cory. |
| November 14 | Budding Flower Designers Class taught by Mrs. Sitcer. |
| December 19 | Put your new knowledge from Mrs. Sitcer's class to work making holiday flower arrangements for the teachers working with cerebral palsy students at Jardine Academy. |
| January 16 | Crafts Workshop for Garden Club of NJ Flower Show competition. |
| February 13 | Floral Designs for GCNJ Flower Show! Assisted by the best floral designers of Rake and Hoe. |
| February 14-17 | GCNJ Flower Show, EXPO Center, Edison, NJ
See http://www.gcnj.org and click on flower show for details.
We'll plan a field trip. |
| March 20 | GCNJ Awards Party and Pictures. |
| April 17 | Miller Cory--we'll check on those daffodils we planted in September and do some garden clean-up to welcome Spring. |
| May 15 | Hot Pots and Ice Cream for our last meeting of the year. |

Rake and Hoe Juniors Schedule 2013-2014

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| September 18 | Hello Dye Garden. Meet at Miller Cory |
| October 16 | Let's Feed the Butterflies. Meet at Shadowlawn. |
| November 20 | Water, Water Everywhere. Getting Ready for the Flower Show. |
| December 18 | Merry Christmas for the teachers and students at Jardine Academy, school for children with cerebral palsy . |
| January 15 | More Water. Crafts Workshop for Garden Club of NJ Flower Show competition. |
| February 12 | Let's Design with Fresh Flowers for Garden Club of NJ.
(Second Wednesday in February.) |
| February 13-16 | GCNJ Flower Show, EXPO Center, Edison, NJ
See www.macevents.com and click on flower show for details.
Great family outing. |
| March 19 | Let's Play Jeopardy. |
| April 16 | Playing with Butterflies--a Project. |
| May 21 | Nature Begins Again. |

Rake and Hoe Juniors Schedule Feb. 2013-Jan.2014

- February 13, 2013 Time to make our fresh floral designs for the GCNJ Flower Show.
- March 20 GCNJ Awards Party and Pictures. Then let's plant some parsley seeds for our new Shadowlawn Butterfly Garden.
- April 17 Miller Cory—we'll check on those daffodils we planted in September and do some garden clean-up to welcome Spring.
- May 15 Our Butterfly Garden is ready for those host parsley plants thanks to Rake and Hoe members and our USDA \$1,000 grant awarded by GCNJ. A day to plant the garden.
- September 18 Hello Dye Garden. Let's do some weeding and make hypertufa pots Meet at Miller Cory
- October 16 Let's Feed the Butterflies and see how our garden grew. Fall clean-up and planting mums in our hypertufa pots. Meet at Shadowlawn.
- November 20 Water, Water Everywhere. Getting Ready for the Flower Show—a planning session. Learn to make a flower arrangement in an apple to take home for Thanksgiving.
- December 18 Merry Christmas for the teachers and students at Jardine Academy for children with cerebral palsy . We'll make 70 arrangements with extra help from Rake and Hoe members.
- January 15, 2014 More Water. Crafts Workshop for Garden Club of NJ Flower Show competition.

August 31 Shadowlawn
9.00AM

Rake and Hoe Juniors Schedule 2016-2017

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| September 21 | Decorate a gourd to make a beautiful bird house. |
| October 19 | At Miller-Cory Museum. Fall cleanup plus a hunting and gathering tour in the gardens to get flowers and leaves for drying. |
| November 16 | Make a "painting" using pressed flowers and leaves that you've gathered over the summer and fall. |
| December 21 | Do an artistic craft for the GCNJ Flower Show competition. |
| January 18 | Learn about making large flower arrangements and take your design home to brighten those cold winter days. |
| February 22 | Floral Designs for GCNJ Flower Show! |
| February 23-26 | GCNJ Flower Show, EXPO Center, <u>Edison, NJ</u> (to be confirmed). |
| March 15 | Make flower arrangements for the Jardine Academy staff who teach and care for severely disabled youth. |
| April 19 | Plant a Victorian Mini Fairy Garden for display at the R&H flower show. (We'll start this at our March meeting.) |
| April 27 | Make Victorian floral designs for the R&H Flower Show Youth competition. |
| April 28 | Bring your family to see your designs at the R&H Flower show. |
| May 17 | <u>At Shadowlawn Pocket Park.</u> Cleanup and planting. Start your own garden stepping stones using broken pottery. |
| June 7 | Field trip to the Shakespeare Garden, Plainfield. Finish your stepping stones to take home to your own garden and enjoy an ice cream social. |





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Freeholder

February 17, 2011

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Emma Phillips
c/o Maryann Pietruszki
Rake & Hoe Garden Club of Westfield
314 Washington Street
Westfield, NJ 07090

Dear Emma,

As I write to you, I realize today marks the first day of the New Jersey Flower and Garden Show. I wanted to take a moment to wish you and the rest of the Rake and Hoe Garden Juniors the best of luck with your "Imaginocean" sea creature entry!

As a member of the Union County Board of Chosen Freeholders, I often read local newspapers to keep up to date with the various events and news within the county. I am pleased to say I recently noticed your picture in a news article in the Suburban News titled "*Rake and Hoe Club Juniors Geer Up For Garden Show*," and felt inclined to write and wish you well.

Regardless of the outcome this weekend, I am certain your hard work and countless hours of preparation have already been rewarded. I would also like to encourage you to continue participating in competitions and events that allow you to explore and refine your inner creativity.

Once again, on behalf of the Board of Chosen Freeholders, I wish you congratulations and the best of luck!

Sincerely Yours,

Bette Jane Kowalski

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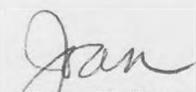
The Rake and Hoe Garden Club Juniors
Mrs. Beth Siano
624 Clark Street
Westfield, New Jersey 07090

Dear Beth,

Please extend our thanks to The Rake and Hoe Garden Club Juniors for their work at Miller-Cory House Museum on April 20. They did a nice job weeding and cleaning the dye garden. We very much appreciate all the time, hard work and effort The Rake and Hoe Garden Club Juniors give the museum.

Thank you very much for your continued support of the Miller Cory House Museum.

Sincerely,



Joan E. Barna
Services Coordinator

Please address mail to:

The Miller-Cory House Museum, P.O. Box 455, Westfield, N.J. 07091-0455



August 2008

Dear Junior Rake and Hoe Gardeners,

*log in
scrub mt Bob*

Our junior garden club is ready to start, and we want you all to be here. You will see that we will be involved in two flower shows: a petite show and then the BIG one. Our schedule includes flower arranging, community service, gardening, and two field trips.

We will touch the lives of children with special needs, senior citizens, and also continue to develop our fern garden at Miller Cory. You will further develop your flower arranging skills, use your creative juices to do artistic crafts, and work to better the Earth. And you will have a lot of fun doing it.

I have included a registration form, a permission form for our activities, a publicity release, and a sign-up for snacks. Please fill them out and return all to me by August 31st with a check for \$20.00 made out to the Rake and Hoe Garden Club Inc.

If you have a friend who you think may be interested in our club, call me with their phone number. I will make room for them. I know how much you like having friends to share experiences with you.

Enjoy the rest of your summer. !!!!

Yours in gardening
Mrs. Cowell

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The Garden Club of New Jersey

Awards To

Rake and Hoe Garden Club of Westfield - Rake and Hoe Junior GC

Certificate of Merit

for

2012-2013 Youth Honor Roll

Date

April 1, 2013

Vivian Morrison
President

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The Garden Club of New Jersey

Awards To

Rake and Hoe Garden Club

Certificate of Merit

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2010-2011 Youth Honor Roll

Date

April 1, 2011

Mary Warkhauer

President



The Garden Club of New Jersey

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Rake & Hoe Garden Club - Rake & Hoe Junior Garden Club

Garden Club of Toms River Intermediate School Gardener's Award

Date June 6, 2013

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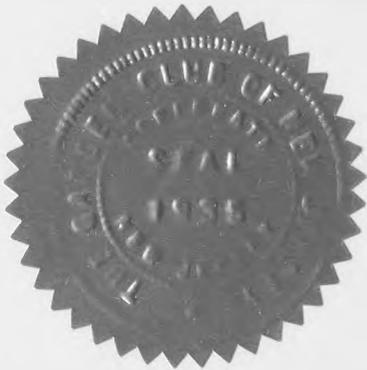
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Date June 7, 2012

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Rake and Hoe Junior Garden Club

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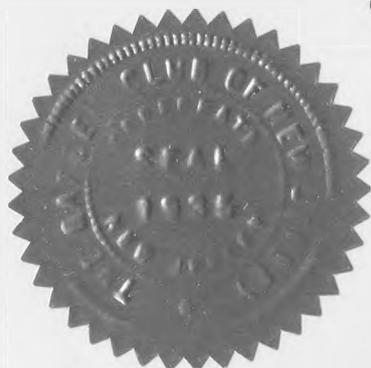
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Date June 6, 2013

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The Garden Club of New Jersey

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Emma Phillips

Rake and Hoe Garden Club of Westfield

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The Garden Club of New Jersey

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Rake and Hoe Garden Club

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to the affiliated Intermediate (Gardeners) School Garden Club winning most blue

ribbons in the Youth Section, grades 6 - 8,

of the G.C.N.J. Standard Flower Show

'Regards to Broadway'



Date

June 8, 2011

Mary Wabshaw

President



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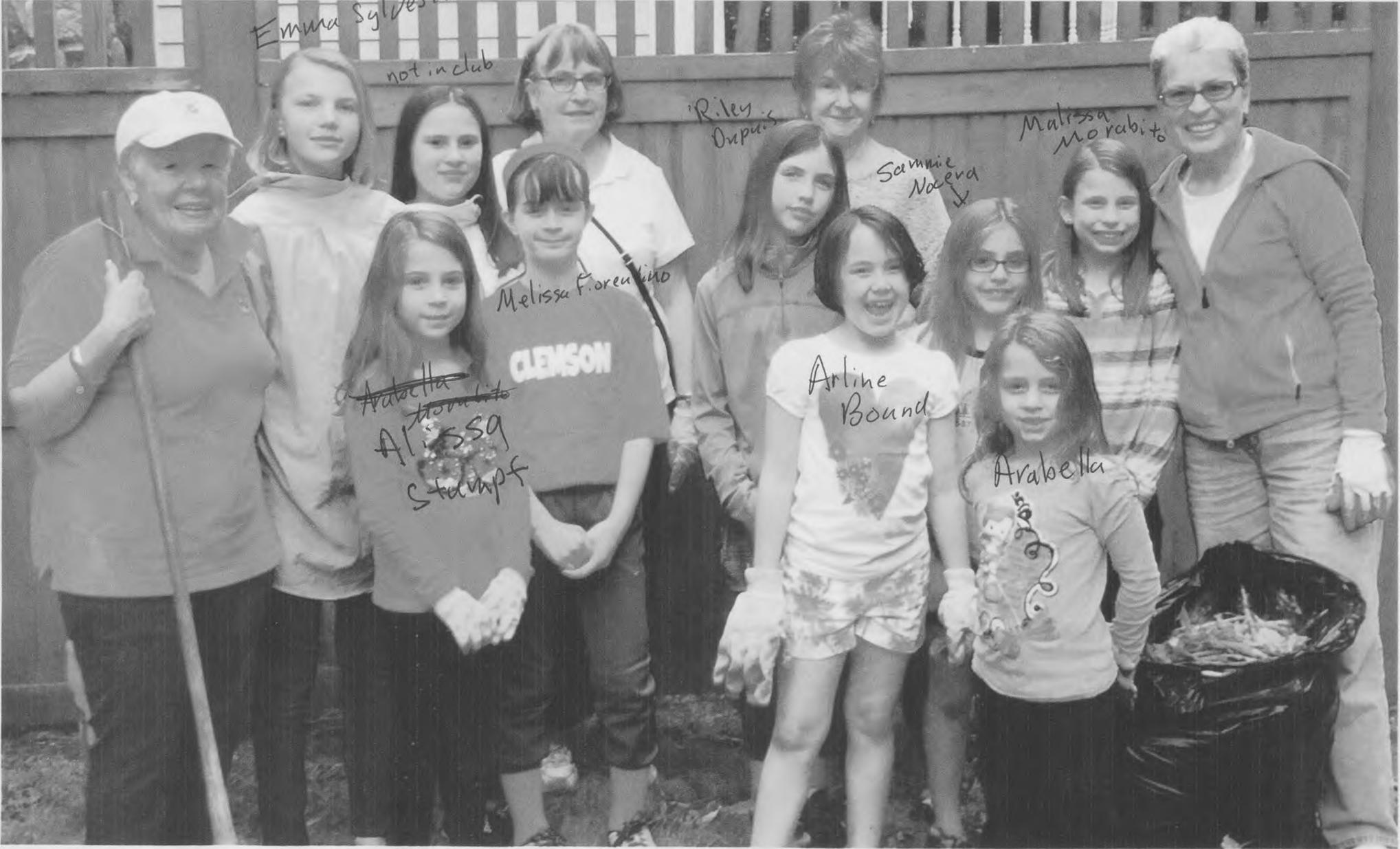
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“A Floral Odyssey” State Flower Show, 2006

Class	Designer	Ribbon
KALEIDOSCOPE	Jillian Stock	Yellow (3 rd)
“	Elise Morano	Red (2 nd)
“	Rachel Holt	Yellow
“	Emily Kirschner	Red
“	Naomi Tortorello	Red
“	Amanda Womelsdorf	Yellow
“	Julia Ross	Blue (1 st)
BLOW OUT BLOOMS	Jillian Stock	Blue/ YOUTH AWARD
“	Elise Morano	Blue
“	Courtney Han	Red
“	Amanda Womelsdorf	Blue
“	Kayla Garguilo	Yellow
“	Naomi Tortorello	White
TEA WITH A MAD HATTER	Rachel Holt	Blue
“	Julia Ross	Red
ELFIN HIDEAWAYS	Julia Ross	Yellow
“	Emily Kirschner	Red
“	Elise Morano	Red
“	Kayla Garguilo	White
“	Rachel Holt	White
“	Courtney Han	White
“	Amanda Womelsdorf	White
“	Naomi Tortorello	White
ITS NOT EASY BEING GREEN	Amanda Womelsdorf	White (Honorable Mention)
“	Elise Morano	Yellow
“	Naomi Tortorello	Blue
“	Julia Ross	Red
“	Jillian Stock	Red

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2007 Central Atlantic Regional Unified Project "Kids and Plants, Naturally...."

Participants: Rake and Hoe Junior Garden Club of Westfield, NJ
A group which began this school year with 4 children, ages 10-12, grades 4-6. After the first clean-up session, members asked if they could bring a friend. All the friends decided to join, so the group is now at 9 children.

Sponsoring Club: The Rake and Hoe Garden Club, Inc. of Westfield, NJ
Youth Chair: Alice Cowell, 1417 Orchard Rd, Mountainside, NJ 07092

Project: Create a new shade garden by planting native fern varieties to be designated as The Fern Garden at The Miller-Cory House Museum, Westfield, NJ.

All plants on the Museum grounds must be researched for authenticity of what was actually grown in New Jersey in 1740. Knowing they needed shade plants, the Juniors went to the Native Plant Society of N.J.'s web site: <http://www.npsnj.org/references/Ferns.pdf>. Clicking on ferns brought us the following quote from Herbert Durand in "The Field Book of Common Ferns", 1928:

"...knowing nothing of the ferns is like visiting an art gallery in which the finest paintings are turned to the wall."

The Juniors thought it would be fun and a challenge to learn more about ferns. The Internet was used by the children to choose and identify native ferns. Google-ing "ferns + nj" took us to web site:

www.fhwa.dot.gov/environment/rdsduse/nj.htm. The fern varieties we chose include: *Matteuccia struthiopteris* (Ostrich ferns), *Osmunda cinnamomea* (Cinnamon ferns), *Onoclea sensibilis* (Bead or Sensitive ferns) and *Polystichum acrostichoides* (Christmas ferns). We chose these varieties due to their heights. Our 40'x20' garden plan: Ostrich is tall so it will be in back, Christmas is low so it goes in the front and Cinnamon and Bead are planned for the middle. (See our plot plan to right.)



The area was overgrown with huge raspberry bushes and invasive, non native weeds. The only plant we left is a *Hamamelis virginiana* (Witch Hazel) which was planted by the adult club in honor of a founding garden club member. It is the tall plant pictured. (See "before garden picture" left.)

The Juniors, with the help of Boy Scouts from 3 local troops (ages 10-15), parents and adult members of Rake and Hoe GC spent a couple of sessions weeding. (See Juniors, Scouts and adults right and original 4 Juniors below.)



On subsequent sessions, the Juniors enriched the soil with composted manure, planted the ferns, added crystals to insure moisture, put down wet newspapers ("lasagna gardening"), thoroughly mulched and watered the garden. (See below.)

Comments by the Juniors when planting:

"Can we come back tomorrow?"

"My Mother said I can stay until 6:30 or 7 pm."

"This is so much fun."

"Any more plants?"

"I get to rake next."

"Yay, I found some more mulch."

"I love planting things!"



This is our Fern Garden. It is actually more beautiful than it looks in the picture. Next year all the ferns will really fill out. We plan to make our Fern Garden an ongoing project. We will add more ferns next year. Relative to the drawing of the Miller-Cory House below, our garden is in the back yard, behind the house. (See "after planting garden picture" left.)

Historic Miller-Cory House Museum:

Built in 1740, the Miller-Cory House stands on the "road to the mountains" in Westfield, New Jersey. The Millers and the Corys were rural farmers. The "West Fields" were at the crossroads of colonial America, the main route from New York to Philadelphia. www.westfieldnj.com/history/m-c.htm



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THE RAKE AND HOE JUNIOR GARDEN CLUB

2006-2007

We would like to start the meetings PROMPTLY at 3:30 pm

DATE	ACTIVITY	PLACE	REFRESHMENTS
Sept. 19 Tuesday	Making Hypertufa Flower Pots	Diana Kazazis 112 Effingham Pl. Westfield 654-8783 Directions: Prospect St. to Effingham Pl.	Elise Morano
Sept. 22 FRIDAY	Clean up Dye Garden. Bring Tools.& Gloves	Miller Cory House Mountain Ave. Westfield	Courtney Han
October 15 SUNDAY 2:00	FIELD TRIP Crazy Colors & Natural Dyes	Miller Cory House Mountain Ave. Westfield	
October 19 Thursday	COMMUNITY SERVICE Christmas Tree Decorations for CP Center	Susan D'Arecca 24 Cowperthwaite Sq. Westfield 233-0019 Directions: Cowperthwaite Pl. to Cowperthwaite Sq. between Clark and Prospect	Julia Ross
November 30 Thursday	Artistic Crafts for Flower Show Competition; Dried Flowers	Alice Cowell 1417 Orchard Rd. Mountainside 518-1602 Directions: New Providence Rd. to Orchard Rd.	
January 4, 2007 Thursday	Artistic Crafts for Flower Show Competition; Hypertufa Pots & Bulbs. Create educational exhibit(Bird Baths)	Kay Cross Hetfield House Constitution Plaza Mountainside Directions: New Providence Rd. to Birch Hill Rd. to Constitution Plaza	Kyla Gargiulo
February 7 Wednesday	Workshop on flower arranging for Flower Show	Alice Cowell 1417 Orchard Rd. Mountainside 518-1602	

February 14 Wednesday	Make Flower Arrangements, Nursery Rhyme theme for Flower Show	Alice Cowell 1417 Orchard Rd. Mountainside 518-1602	Naomi Tostorello
February 15 Thursday	FLOWER SHOW Clerks will need permission to take day off from school	Meet at Alice Cowell 1417 Orchard Rd. Mountainside 518-1602 Exhibition Center Edison, NJ	
March 20 Tuesday	Speaker on Butterfly Gardens and insects	Trailside Museum New Providence Rd. Mountainside	
April 19 Thursday	Plant Propagation & Cuttings	Helen Luecke 831 Nancy Way Westfield 654-3097 Directions: Lamberts Mill Rd. to Nancy Way	Amanda Womelsdorf
May 5 Saturday 10:00	Parent/Daughter Outing to Secret Gardens Short Hills	Meet at Alice Cowell 1417 Orchard Rd. Mountainside 518-1602	Picnic lunch provided
June 21 Thursday	End of Year Party and Awards	Alice Cowell 1417 Orchard Rd. Mountainside 518-1602	

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Rake & Hoe Garden Club of Westfield

<http://rakeandhoe.org>

Junior Gardeners' Schedule

2008-09

Dear Junior Gardeners,

Here is the new schedule. All meetings are at 3:30 at Mrs. Cowell's home at 1417 Orchard Rd. Mountainside, NJ, unless a different location is indicated in the schedule by an *. Her phone number is 908-518-1602 and her email is alicecowell@msn.com.

Please call if you are not able to attend. You are all valuable to the club and missed when you are not there. Please mark your calendars today for all of our events!!!

*** Sept 17 – WEDNESDAY- SO EXCITING !!**

RAKE AND HOE HAS AN IN-HOUSE FLOWER SHOW AND WE ARE A PART OF IT. SAMPLE FLOWER DESIGNS IDEAS FOR THE SHOW OCT . 8 MEET AT MILLER CORY. OUR FERN GARDEN IS MISSING US .

OCT. 7 TUESDAY- MAKE FLOWER ARRANGEMENTS FOR THE FLOWER SHOW CALLED "TITLES, TINTS, AND TREASURES."

OCT 8 WEDNESDAY- COME VIEW THE SHOW AND YOUR AWARDS AT HETFIELD HOUSE IN MOUNTAINSIDE [NEXT TO THE LIBRARY] FIRST RIGHT AFTER RT.22 RIGHT TURN ON CONSTITUTION PLAZA.

NOV. 19 WEDNESDAY- DECISIONS, DECISIONS, DECISIONS CHOOSE AND START YOUR ARTISTIC CRAFT FOR THE FLOWER SHOW FEBRUARY 12 IN EDISON. THE FUN BEGINS!!!!!!!

DEC. 17 WEDNESDAY TENDER LOVING CARE FOR OUR FLOWER SHOW PLANTS "LUDACRIS LIME" CREATE WINTER ARRANGEMENTS FOR MOBIL MEALS. BRING GREENS.

JAN. 21 WEDNESDAY CHOOSE AND PRACTICE FLOWER DESIGN FOR SHOW. BRING FLOWERS AND GREENS

**FEB.11 WEDNESDAY CREATE YOUR DESIGNS
[GOOD LUCK TO ALL OF YOU!!]**











