



Weymouth Garden Club

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WEYMOUTH GARDEN CLUB ("WGC") MEMBER MEETING

January 10, 2026

The January Member Meeting was called to order at 9:32am by Lisa K., WGC President

Invocation:

Prepared by Laura B., Vice President

*Our gardens seem to sleep under the snow
Our cats curl up, purring by the fire
Our pups lie by our feet, content to be inside
But we gardeners are busy as summer bees
Planning our spring gardens
Starting the seeds we carefully collected
Winter sowing for our first harvest
Reading and scrolling for inspiration
We are learning, observing
We gardeners are always growing
Even as the snow falls.*

Officer Updates:

Welcome from President (Lisa K.)

- We are now at 112 members!
- Since our last meeting...
 - Town Hall Decorating
 - Wreath Sale
 - \$4k gross profits
 - Sold even more wreaths than last year
 - Saved 30% on cost of raw materials by buying wreaths through Market Basket
 - Fast set-up: Next year we may not need to set up so early
 - Small swags made from leftover greens: Surprise success
 - Bake sale: Accounted for ~1/3 of our proceeds
 - Holiday Luncheon
 - 65 members attended, 75 people total including guests
 - Buffet lunch was delicious and cost-efficient
 - Raffle: "Teams" made impressive baskets resulting in 60% increase in raffle profits
 - Toy Drive: Another huge success. Thank you to our generous members!

Treasurer's Report (Carole J.)

- Reviewed current balances in the General, Project, and Education Funds

Recording Secretary (Allie D.)

- **Approved** – November General Meeting Minutes

Corresponding Secretary (Tara B.)

- **Action** – If you aren't getting the newsletter or regular club emails, please reach out to Tara B. directly

New Business Updates:

Library Programs

- "Winter Sowing"
 - **Tuesday, January 27th 7pm**
 - Speakers: Katherine P. and Anne N.
 - Registration is full!

Evening Programs

- "Dandelions: Not Just a Weed"
 - **Tuesday, February 3rd 6:15pm (6:30pm start)**
 - Speaker: Meaghan Hayden of Little Sunflower Herbal Co.
 - **Action** – Register on the Sign-up Genius to make sure you have a spot

Field Trips

- Briggs Nursery in North Attleboro
 - **Saturday, February 21st**
 - Andrew will lead a tour of the greenhouses
 - They also have a gift shop and a small café
 - **Action** – RSVP to Mayre H. before the February Member Meeting

Library Flowers

- Club members create floral arrangements for the Tufts Library every week
 - **Action** – Sign-ups are on the website (weymouthgardenclub.com)
 - **Action** – Reach out to Michelle C. with any questions

Books in Bloom

- **Thursday, February 26th – Saturday, February 28th** at the Tufts Library
 - A WGC-led community event, since 2007, where you choose a book and interpret the storyline or the cover art with a floral display
 - Must use real flowers or plants, can be fresh or dried, props are allowed
 - This year the library is also considering organizing a "scavenger hunt" for families to do during the event
 - Michelle C. will share more information at the February Member Meeting and via emails to come

2026 Spring Elections

- Positions on the ballot:
 - Treasurer
 - Recording Secretary

- 1 Committee Chair appointed by the President:
 - Nick M.
- 2 Election Committee members appointed by the Executive Board:
 - Johannah C. and Betty Ann L.
- 2 Election Committee members appointed by the Club:
 - Kari P. and Erica W.

Library Appreciation Lunch:

- Library Appreciation week is **April 19th – 25th**; *date of lunch is TBD*
 - Charlotte C. volunteered to be the chair this year
 - There will be a quick committee meeting after the February Member Meeting
 - **Action – Reach out to Charlotte C. to join the committee**

95th WGC Anniversary Garden Party

- **Saturday, April 11th 2-4pm**
 - This party will be in place of the April Member Meeting
 - Lisa K. and Anne N. are organizing, along with their committee

Art in Bloom

- **Friday, May 1st – Sunday, May 3rd** at the Boston MFA
 - Michelle C. and Kari P. will be our designers!

Announcements adjourned at 10:10am

Program Speakers

“Floral Arranging” by Kari P., WGC member and owner of Fore River Floral, presented an interactive overview of floral arranging, flower processing, color theory, and fun tips to help with Books in Bloom. This included a live demo in addition to flowers and vases for club members to participate with.

Next Board Meeting

The next board meeting is **Wednesday, January 28th 6:30pm** at the Tufts Library

🌻 Minutes submitted by Allie DeCastro 🌻