



# Grantham Garden Club

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## 2023 MEMBERSHIP FORM

Annual membership is Jan 1 – Dec 31 with dues owed on Jan 1 and payable no later than Mar 1. Please mail your completed membership form to the address above, Attention: Membership with a check payable to the Grantham Garden Club. New members joining in the last quarter of the calendar year (Oct 1 – Dec 31) are considered paid though the upcoming calendar year.

SELECT MEMBERSHIP LEVEL:  \$30 INDIVIDUAL  \$45 HOUSEHOLD (two in same household)

If you are joining for the first time, WELCOME!  If you are renewing, WELCOME BACK!

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| INDIVIDUAL MEMBERSHIP | FIRST NAME   |  | LAST NAME  |       |          |
|                       | MAILING ADDRESS                                    |  |            | STATE | ZIP CODE |
|                       | STREET ADDRESS (if different from mailing address) |  |            |       |          |
|                       | HOME PHONE   |  | CELL PHONE |       |          |
|                       | EMAIL  |  |            |       |          |

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| 2 <sup>ND</sup> MEMBER (same household) | FIRST NAME |  | LAST NAME |  |
|   | CELL PHONE |  |           |  |
|   | EMAIL      |  |           |  |

**Participation is a critical part of our success!** We encourage you to share some of your time and talents by getting involved in activities that best fit your interests. This provides vital support to the GGC and it's a great way to get to know fellow members. Please review the description of our team approach to volunteering on the back of this form.

| 1 <sup>ST</sup> MEMBER | 2 <sup>ND</sup> MEMBER | PLEASE CHECK OFF YOUR INTERESTS   |
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|                        |                        | Help with local gardening projects such as <b>Civic Gardens</b>                                   |
|                        |                        | Write, edit, or create flyers to enhance our <b>Communications</b>                                |
|                        |                        | Work with other members to organize <b>Fundraising</b> activities                                 |
|                        |                        | Any excuse to bake and participate in <b>Hospitality</b>  |
|                        |                        | Follow up with current and potential members for <b>Membership</b>                                |
|                        |                        | Work with other members to plan <b>Programs and Activities</b>                                    |
|                        |                        | Review student <b>Scholarship</b> applications in the spring and occasional <b>Grant</b> requests |
|                        |                        | For now, I'm just looking forward to joining before getting more involved                         |
|                        |                        | In case it's helpful, I have a background in  |
|                        |                        | I'm joining because I want to learn about   |

# GRANTHAM GARDEN CLUB VOLUNTEER TEAMS

## CIVIC GARDENS

One of our most colorful contributions to Grantham is caring for garden beds and large planters located throughout town at the fire department, post office, town hall, library, historical society, and a triangle garden where routes 10 and 114 meet. In the autumn, team members plan and order the new combinations of plants and flowers we will water, fertilize, and deadhead weekly throughout the following summer. About 30 members participate each year. This autumn we added 380 daffodil bulbs to brighten everyone's drive along route 10 through town next spring!

## COMMUNICATIONS

The communications team is active throughout the year, keeping our members and the local Grantham community up-to-date on the club's educational programs, as well as our social and fundraising activities. We maintain an informative website and members-only Facebook page, and we create colorful flyers describing our programs and activities that we email to various community resources for promotion. If you love to write, edit, take pictures at gatherings, or enjoy the artistic side of creating flyers, *let's talk!*

## FUNDRAISING

This team is always looking for new fundraising adventures and will welcome your ideas! In the past, one member wrote a book about local wildflowers, while another created note cards highlighting photographs of flowers taken in our members' gardens. A Secret Garden Tea Party and a Mystery Garden Tour have offered peeks into some of our most beautiful, local, private gardens, and illustrate the activities we enjoy organizing. We've participated in our town yard sale, selling gently used plant containers and garden tools, and in a multi-week summer music event where we sold delicious "*member-made*" cookies. This team organizes our "*members-only*" sales of spring bulbs, annuals, hanging baskets, herbs, and perennials. Our most recent bulb sale successfully sold over 1,200 daffodil bulbs!

## HOSPITALITY

Are you a party animal and like planning events? Do you enjoy baking or make great coffee? If you're also a setup and cleanup whiz, *have we got some opportunities for you!* Whenever possible, we include a potluck brunch with our January program, host a coffee hour before our in-person program meetings, and we wrap up the gardening season with a festive gathering for members and guests. This team finds tasty ways for us to combine hospitality with fundraising and spreading the word about our programs and activities!

## MEMBERSHIP

Our Membership Team enjoys sharing their enthusiasm by welcoming members and visitors to our meetings. They maintain the member roster and nametags, follow up with visitors, and arrange for new members to receive a welcome gift. This team also conducts a semi-annual member satisfaction survey to help ensure we're staying on track with our member's interests.

## PROGRAMS & ACTIVITIES

Do you like to take an idea and run with it? Is there a program or activity you'd like to see offered? Each year this team plans and makes the arrangements for our educational and informative programs and activities based on member suggestions. Our meetings typically include presentations by local and state-wide experts and authors on a variety of gardening "*how-tos*" and environmental topics. This team strives to blend a hybrid of in-person and Zoom meetings with interesting and fun off-site outdoor activities.

## SCHOLARSHIPS & GRANTS

Each year we offer financial scholarships to New Hampshire high school and college students preparing for a career in horticulture, landscaping, forestry, agriculture, plant sciences or environmental sciences at a post-secondary institution. This team distributes our application form to local schools, reviews and ranks the submitted applications, and makes recipient recommendations to the GGC Steering Committee. This team also reviews applications for the small grants we offer to fund projects of significant benefit to the Grantham community.