

# Shoreham Garden Club Newsletter

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## President's Message

*Diana Fuchs*

**Spring** is FINALLY here!!!!

Although, being outside is a bit of a challenge with it raining yellow pollen. Hopefully, the pollen tumbleweeds in the streets will be gone soon, too.

Thank you to everyone who participated in our Earth Day celebration. It was a smashing success and we had great attendance for our morning speaker, Lynn Thompson. Per the suggestion of Lynn, I tried using straight vinegar to kill some of those pesky weeds in my front walk way and they were miraculously dead the next day. Who knew that bottle of vinegar sitting in my cabinet for years would finally come in handy.

June will be filled with some fun activities. We have our Annual Plant Sale at Youwen's on June 5<sup>th</sup> with the proceeds going to the Scholarship Fund, and the Mid-Summer Night's Garden Party on Friday, June 18<sup>th</sup> at Pat and Charlie Thompson's.

Regarding the Scholarship Fund, at the last Board Meeting we made the suggestion to rename the Scholarship Fund from the Agnes R. Allen Award to the Shoreham Garden Club Scholarship Fund. Since it is all the members of the club and people in our community working to raise this money, we thought it would be more appropriate. However, we would like to hear your thoughts and we will be voting on this at our September meeting.

*Diana*

## FGCNY Luncheon

*Pat Thompson*

Ronnie Schiavo and I attended the Second District Federated Garden Clubs of New York State's annual luncheon on Monday, April 26<sup>th</sup> at the Crest Hollow Country Club. As usual, it was well planned and organized. Our club received a World Gardening Citation for our contribution and support of the FGCNYS, and recognition for our contribution to the Scholarship Campaign.

Their guest flower designer did five very beautiful arrangements using techniques that were new to the flower judging world. She had a very dry sense of humor and was entertaining as well as talented.

Ronnie won one of the arrangements and I won the table arrangement. Lucky us! In addition to the prizes, we came away with ideas for the Street Garden Project, if SGC wants to take this on, and other beautification projects to consider



## Hallockville Farm Museum Tea

Vicki McLane



On Friday, April 23, Vicki McLane, Barabara Amoretty, Jo Alio, Gloria Affatato, Pat Thompson and Carol Ryan put on their afternoon tea finery to partake of an Afternoon Tea at the Hallockville Museum Farm's Naugles Barn. The barn was prettied up for the tea with hanging quilts. Accompanying the great selection of teas were finger sandwiches, scones and cakes, and we ate our share and then some. The cucumber and watercress sandwiches were really good.

Again this year, the Garden Club members won some of the great raffle prizes. This year, in addition to teapots and cozies, there were knit scarves and other items added. Pat Thompson won a beautiful set of teacups; Vicki McLane won a teapot and cozy; Jo Alio won **two!** Jo, Vicki and Vicki's friend, MaryAnne Huntington, have donated their teapots to the club for our Garden Party raffle, so everyone has a chance to win one. (Many thanks, MaryAnne.)

We were entertained again this year by Barnabus and Eulalia Hallock who related some juicy family scandals involving their cousins and the preacher and his wife.



### 2010 Executive Board

President – Diana Fuchs  
Vice-President – Pat Thompson  
Secretary – Gloria Affatato  
Treasurer – Sheila Sussman  
Newsletter Editor – Lorraine Maddalena  
Program Chairs – Carol Fish & Sandy Romano  
Past President – Victoria McLane

## Shoreham Garden Club Events Schedule 2010

June 5 <sup>th</sup>		<b>Plant Sale</b> 10am-3pm Youwen Xu Circle Drive Shoreham
June 18 <sup>th</sup>		<b>Mid-Summer Night's Garden Party-</b> Pat and Charlie Thompson
July TBD		<b>Members' Garden Tour</b>
Sept 18 <sup>th</sup>		<b>General Meeting / Speaker</b> 10:30am Shoreham Village Hall
October 16 <sup>th</sup>		<b>General Meeting / Speaker</b> 10:30am Shoreham Village Hall
November 20 <sup>th</sup>		<b>Member workshop</b> (TBD)
December 5 <sup>th</sup>		<b>Holiday Party</b> 3:00pm Gloria Affatato

### Our Members' Tour Needs Your Help

*Sandy Romano*

Our upcoming Members' Garden Tour is in need of volunteers who would be willing to open up their garden for a visit from your fellow Garden Club members. We began this tradition in 2008 and are hoping to continue it again this year. Our tentative date for the tour is Saturday, July 10th. If you are interested in being a participating garden, please call me at 744-2715 or email [Sandy926@optonline.net](mailto:Sandy926@optonline.net).

### Fun Facts

**Do you know...** Through the contributions of the New York State Garden Clubs (ours included) and the District World Gardening Chairmen, two water wells have been completed with 7 more started. This means that the women and children who generally make the daily several mile trek to gather water will no longer have to. Instead, the children can attend school and the women can work to better their livelihood.

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### Upcoming Events

#### **New York Botanical Gardens**

Emily Dickinson's Garden  
"Poetry of Flowers"  
April 30<sup>th</sup>-June 13<sup>th</sup>

#### **Bayard Cutting Arboretum Horticultural Society**

2<sup>nd</sup> Annual Fall Flower & Harvest Show  
Theme: "Structure in the Garden"  
September 18<sup>th</sup>-26<sup>th</sup>  
Saturday (18<sup>th</sup>) and Sunday (19<sup>th</sup>) 10am – 5pm  
Closed Monday  
Tuesday (21<sup>st</sup>) – Friday (24<sup>th</sup>) 11am – 4pm  
Saturday (25<sup>th</sup>) and Sunday (26<sup>th</sup>) 10am – 5pm

#### **LI Native Grass Initiative**

Suffolk Community College Eastern Campus  
June 4&5, 11&12 9am-1pm  
[Polly.Weigand@suffolkcountyny.gov](mailto:Polly.Weigand@suffolkcountyny.gov)

### Committee Chairs

Hospitality- Peter Kahn & Charlie Thompson  
Publicity- Ronnie Schiavo  
Scholarship- Carol Willen  
Historian- Mimi Oberdorf  
Ways and Means – Jo Alio  
Membership - Pat Thompson, Elaine Squires,  
Carol Ryan & Vicki McLane

### New Members

***please welcome...***

Elizabeth Clarke  
Elisha May

### 2010 Board Meeting Schedule 25 Circle Drive, Shoreham

Sept 7th  
Nov 2nd