



# The Federated Garden Clubs of Connecticut, Inc.

## *What The Federation did this past year-04/2010-03/2011*



### MEETINGS

- 81<sup>th</sup> **Annual Meeting** April, 2010  
Aqua Turf, Plantsville – Ellen Avellino, speaker
- 81<sup>th</sup> **Annual Awards Meeting** October 2010  
Aqua Turf, Plantsville – Autumn Visions-Four designers each created a design in thirty minutes using individual buckets each containing the same Design material. Designs were raffled.
- The Federation was represented at:  
The **NGC Convention** in Atlanta, GA  
**New England Region Meeting** and Standard Flower Show “Recycle” in Stratton, VT  
**NGC Fall Board Meeting** in Great Falls, MT where Renee Blaschke presented CT with a Presidential Citation for work on the Children’s Rooftop Garden at The CT Science Center.

### NGC AWARDS

- 29 **NGC Certificates of Commendation and Appreciation**
- **NGC Award of Excellence** to Sydney Eddison
- **Member Award of Honor** to Nancy Shipman

### NER AWARDS

- 5 **New England Region Awards**

### THE FEDERATED GARDEN CLUBS OF CT, INC.

- FGCCT Bronze Medal awarded to Bill Duesing, President of NOFA
- 8 CT Tribute Awards
- 3 Federation Scholarships awarded to college students
- 24 State Silver and Pewter Awards received by clubs and individuals
- 53 Certificates of Achievement, Merit, Appreciation & Citations

### MEMBERSHIP

- 137 Clubs totaling 7,133 members
- 13 Affiliates
- 15 New Life Members
- Local clubs are members of The Federation, New England Region & National Garden Clubs, Inc.

### ENVIRONMENTAL STUDIES SCHOOL

- Course IV – May 11-13, 2010

### FLOWER SHOW SCHOOL

- Course II – Oct. 4-6, 2010

### JUDGES COUNCIL

- Meets 5 times a year, 68 judges
- 12 Clubs staged Standard Flower Shows each receiving \$100 from Marita Wezowic Council Fund

### GARDENING STUDY SCHOOL

- Course I – Nov 8-10, 2010

### GARDENING CONSULTANTS COUNCIL

- 57 members
- Love-ly Garden Award presented to Valerie Traumer
- Scholarship to GSS students- Awarded for 5th time

### LANDSCAPE DESIGN STUDY SCHOOL

- Course I, March 22 – 24, 2011

### LANDSCAPE DESIGN COUNCIL

- Award for Excellence in Design presented to Ricki and Alex Miller for a fall landscape featuring color.

### SPECIAL EVENTS

- Plant Science Day at Lockwood Farm
- Sept. 15, 2010- Dedication ceremony for the Children’s Rooftop Garden.
- CT Flower and Garden Show, “Capture the Magic” February 2011 at the CT Convention Center-Design & Hort entries from clubs around the state

### SPECIAL PROJECTS

- “Mother Nature’s Book Club” ~ 9 books reviewed
- Golden Days-2 year total of planted daffodils-17,000
- LOCKWOOD FARM-\$1,500 donation to The CT Agricultural Experiment Station Research Foundation, Inc. to be used for upkeep on the Bird and Butterfly Garden
- YOUTH- NGC Poetry Contest winner, Madison Ramsby
- WORLD ASSOCIATION OF FLORAL ARRANGERS-\$1,000 donation
- WORLD GARDENING-\$2,000 donation to Delaware Federation of Garden Clubs for the Memorial Garden for the Fallen at Dover, AFB

### COMMUNICATION

- The Federation maintains an office in Branford, CT with a Part-time Secretary, Barbara Romblad
- Newly renamed and reformatted, the “CT Federation NEWS” is published 10 times / year & now posted to the website in a new protected link “For Clubs Only.”
- The Federation Website - [www.ctgardenclubs.org](http://www.ctgardenclubs.org)
- Links include NGC, NER & local clubs
- ANNUAL REPORTS-on the website - direct typing on the forms with a printable copy
- SCHOLARSHIP-application on the website – direct typing on the form with a printable copy

### FINANCES

- The Federation has a Treasurer, Asst. Treasurer & Finance Committee to oversee the finances.
- NEWS advertising revenue ~approximately \$4,555
- BOOKS-4/10-3/11 earned ~approximately \$2,427
- Clubs generously donated to Scholarships, World Gardening and Garden Therapy