## September 2022



Newsletter

## **Therese**

It seems impossible that summer is almost over and September is looming over us. The cooler weather seems to be in the air. The fog lifting from the early morning rise lifting the heat from our very scorched earth is a sure sign of what's to come. People are struggling to keep their plants alive in this unwelcoming heat. Flowers are trying to resist the heat as well, like those wonderful black eyed Susan's. I love them when they become overwhelming. I was noticing them at the plaza the other day, and thought they looked just beautiful

So it looks like we have to pull up our boot straps and forge ahead. It will seem strange to be able to gather at meeting in person. We have a lot to get done this year.

Let's reflect on what's been happening.

On Thursday August 14 at Bonny's Lake House on Lake Rescue we had our summer picnic. It was a beautiful day. We basked in the sun and ate the delicious food everyone brought. It was also "show and tell" time and most of us either showed us something or told a story. Bonny generously brought out a box of beautiful handmade socks by her and sent the box around for us to choose a pair.

Here's mine



The highlight of the picnic was to be able to present the Golden Trowel Award to three very worthy recipients.



Peter MacGillivrary, Bill Eramo, Wes Marshall

Also: Some pictures from Show and Tell

All pictures are to the credit of KAREN VATNE!



Carol showing the beautiful afghan she is making



Lynn showing her early days working with horses



Barb Riotte displaying the beautiful cards she makes with pressed flowers



**COMING UP!** 



I thought it would be fun if I could get members to send me photos of their flower gardens. I only got two and here they are



**Bonny's Garden** 



From Bonny's gardens



This is just a gentle reminder. You know what



Well it didn't end that day! Because of Bonny's thoughtfulness and generosity she offered a second picnic for those who could not attend the first one.



The second picnic – and a boat ride with Peter Andrews the driver!





From Barb Riotte's gardens

\*\*NOTE: The flowers downtown and in the circle look beautiful in spite of the hot weather. Bonny asks that we keep on watering. Plant It Pink garden is especially need of help. So if you are down by the iron bridge, stop and take a few minutes to pull weeds and water if you can.

## WHAT'S AHEAD

TRIP TO THE FELLS HISTORIC ESTATE AND GARDENS AND JOHN JAY NATIONAL WILDLIFE REFUGE

PLEASE RSVP BY WEDNESDAY, SEPT. 7 TO DEB
SMITH
9:00 AM CARPOOL AT OLLIE'S
LOCATION 456 RT. 103A, NEWBURY, NH
FEE: \$8.00 PER PERSON

## WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 21, 2022 FALL BOARD MEETING

Agenda: Committee Reports and Festival of Trees discussion

Please come! Everyone is welcome 9:30 a.m.

Nolin Murray Ctr., Apple Suite, Pleasant Street,
Springfield

TUESDAY OCTOBER 4, 2022
FEDERATED GARDEN CLUBS OF VT. FALL MEETING
Location: MANCHESTER COUNTRY CLUB
TIME: 9:30 REGISTRATION BEGINS
REGISTRATION FORM WILL BE GOING OUT SOON

SPECIAL NOTICE REGARDING THE FELLS TRIP:
THERE WILL BE TWO TOURS. One of the
houses and one in the gardens. It's bag
lunch. There's a group meeting at Exit 8 if
anyone wants to carpool Maybe the
Springfield Group could meet us there before
proceeding to Fells

\*\*A reminder from Barb Lacey: please let her know if you know of anyone in the Garden Club that could use a little bit of sunshine.

I thought I'd share with you a poem one of my Aunts learned in kindergarten probably in the late 1800's

SUMMER IS GONE AUTUMN IS HERE



THIS IS THE HARVEST OF ALL THE YEAR

CORN IN THE CRIB

OATS IN THE BIN

WHEAT IS ALL THRASHED

AND BARLEY DRAWN IN

APPLES IN THE BARRELL

NUTS LAID TO DRY

FROST IS IN THE GARDEN

WINTER IS NIGH





FATHER IN HEAVEN WE THANK THEE FOR ALLWINTER, SPRINGTIME – SUMMER AND FALL

