

JULY
NEWSLETTER FROM THERESE



So here we are – it's July already! What a crazy summer we are having. I am sure you are all feeling the angst from all the rain we are having. Between the beautiful potentilla and the azalea bush near my house, I discovered a huge new plant that I have never seen before. A WEED!!! How did it get there I say? It



wasn't there the other day!! Well the positive about the rain is that the flowers are flourishing and looking beautiful. We have that!

June was actually a pretty great month for us. On June 4, there were eight of the SGC members who traveled to Charlotte Vermont for the FGCV Annual Meeting. We received many awards thanks to Karen Vatne's dedication and hard work for submitting them to the Awards Chairperson.

2022-23 Awards

COMMITTEE CHAIR(S)
FGCV (The Federated Garden Clubs of VT)
I. PUBLICATIONS
I.A.d. Yearbooks (45-69 members)
I.B.2. Newsletters (3-12 pgs)
II. GARDEN CLUB'S WORK
II.A. Civic Beautification
II.B. Gardens
II.C. Window Boxes and Containers
II.D. Anti-Litter/Pollution
II.E. Youth (specific FGCVT-sponsored)
II.F. Conservation (green spaces or natural resources)
II.G.1. Environmental Education: News Media

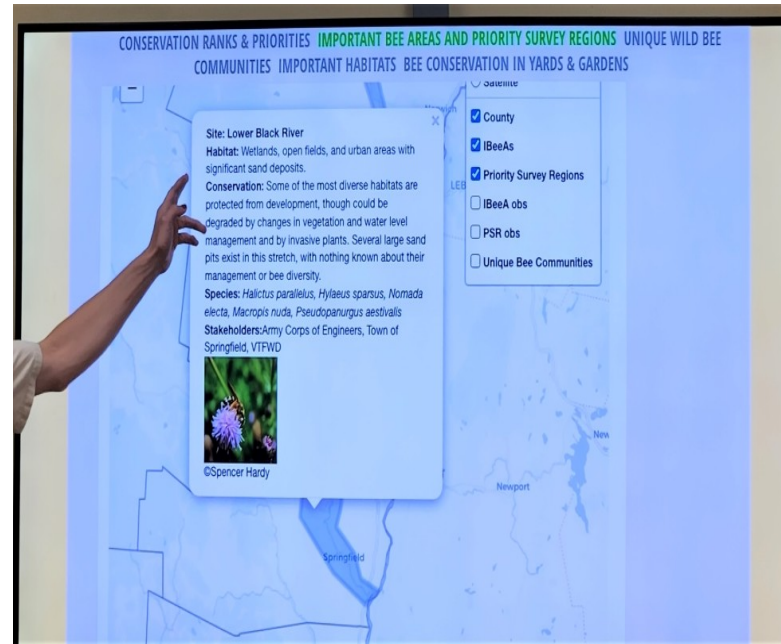
II.G.2. Environmental Education: Club Programs	
II.G.3. Environmental Education: Projects	
II.G.4. Environmental Education: Public meetings	
II.G.5. Environmental Education: Public Exhibits of Garden Club Interests and concerns	
II.G.6. Environmental Education: Assistance to Schools	
II.H. Roadside Development	
II.I. Individual member's garden	
II.J. Best ongoing project that has merit	
II.K. Sponsoring indiv/groups other than garden club	
II.M. Project of Merit that doesn't fit into any other category	
III. SPONSORED GROUP AWARDS OR SCHOLARSHIPS	
IV. CLUB AND COMMUNITY AWARDS	
IV.A. Golden Trowel Award (single page)	
IV.B. Businesses (one per year, single page)	
VI. GARDEN THERAPY GRANT	

David King received the Golden Trowel, for his role as our web master. David has generously created our website and maintains it without charge. He has been providing us with this service for many years. We are so grateful to him for this contribution. I have received many compliments from the FGCV on our website.





hostesses, Linda Jones, Katherine Parker and Lynn Likus, Adrienne Faulhaber who provided us with the most delectable deserts you can imagine. I hope I didn't leave anyone out!



Also three of the Springfield Garden Club Members were installed to the FGCV Board of Directors. Therese Burton, Treasurer, Cheryl Pierce, Secretary and Barbara Riotte, Assistant Treasurer. Also pictured left to right are Martha Dale, First Vice President, Doris McMullen, President, Cheryl, Judy Reed, Second Vice President, me, Barb, and Jo Fretz, outgoing Co-President.



Program Committee: Alicia Jenks, Therese Burton, Patrick Kitchen, Lynn Likus

Our June 10 program "Bee the Change" although not very well attended 🙄 was great. We had a delightful young man, Patrick Kitchen, who traveled from Burlington down to call our attention to why a pollinator habitat is so important. Thank you to our

And.....to top off the month, the very impromptu garden tour Lynn and Bonny cooked up, we had an exhilarating day visiting the beautiful gardens of Judi Martin, Bonny Andrews, Carol Eramo and ending at Lynn Likus's house. The gardens were extraordinary and a sight to behold. The rain held off until we got to Lynn's where it was just a drizzle. Due to the generosity of Lynn and Paul we were able to eat our lunches in their sun room. Lynn provided us with a delicious mint tea and cookies



Karen submitted Bonny Andrews for an Award highlighting a member's garden.



***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.*

Publicity Report: Karen Vatne: Our Facebook page has 258 followers 291 likes



COMING SOON

WEDNESDAY, JULY 19, 2023

LUDLOW GARDEN TOUR AND POTLUCK

Program: Summer fun at Lake Rescue

Time: 9:30 Meet at Ollie's to carpool

Bring: Picnic food to share

Hostesses: Lynn Likus and Carol Eramo

Contact: Lynn Likus 299-0772

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RSVP BY WEDNESDAY, JULY 12 TO LYNN

Rain Date: Thursday, July 20. Check your email for information