



Ringwood Garden Club Newsletter

JUNE 2026

President's Message

Dear Members,

Wow—how quickly our club year has flown by! As June arrives, I'm sure each of us carries many wonderful memories from the past months of inspiring programs and shared experiences.

I am deeply grateful for our steadfast membership, who truly define the spirit of the Ringwood Garden Club. A special thank-you to our Program Chair, Gerry Shuman, for arranging such a diverse and engaging calendar of workshops and guest speakers. I also extend heartfelt appreciation to everyone who shared their talents, chaired committees, volunteered, prepared delicious refreshments, and supported our general meetings throughout the year.

As we pause for our summer break, we hope you'll join us for a special afternoon gathering on June 28th. Dan and I warmly welcome you to our home at 3:30 PM for a delightful potluck celebration, an opportunity to relax, reconnect, and enjoy the beauty of friendship we've grown together.

We look forward to celebrating with you!

Warmly,
Pam







Please join in welcoming our newest return garden club member . Shirley attended the recent May meeting, and we are looking forward to getting to having Shirley at the upcoming club meetings and gatherings!



Planning the new Yearbook for 2026-2027

We are always eager to learn about your interests in programs and workshops. If you have an idea or would like to share your talents and expertise, please reach out to Gerry Shuman, Yearbook Programming Chair, at 973-951-1271. A Program planning meeting is scheduled for June 16th. Please send information or reach out to Gerry before the 16th of June so we can work on the upcoming programs. Gerry's email: cupsawgerry@gmail.com.



Do you have any updated information for the yearbook directory?

The club kindly asks members to update their contact information for the annual Yearbook and GCNJ Membership. If you have a preferred cell phone number for club communications, sharing it ensures quick and seamless updates, including important alerts. Please let us know if you would like to provide or update your contact details!

Questions? Reach out to:

 **Carol Wrede, Membership Chair** – (cell) 201-341-7588
Email: wredekc@aol.com

Congratulations to the club, Ringwood Garden Club received the Gold Seal of Excellence for the 2025-2026 Yearbook! Perfect score of 100 points meeting state requirements for judging.

The Garden Club of New Jersey celebrated 100-year anniversary. A commemorative book was published by the Garden Club of New Jersey. As a member of the state garden club Ringwood Garden Club is featured along with fellow garden clubs in the state. Pam purchased the book and it is available to share if interested. The book will be available on June 28th during the June gathering at Pam & Dan's.



EVERY GARDEN (CLUB) NEEDS SUNSHINE!

If you know of a club member who is facing illness, grieving a loss, or simply in need of a little sunshine, please reach out to our Sunshine Chairperson, Karen Vieth. She can be contacted at 973-800-4933 or via email at karenavieth@icloud.com. Your kindness will allow Karen to take thoughtful steps to ensure our members feel supported and reminded that their club community cares.



Lot's of good wishes filled with wonderful birthday moments !

June

Paula Evans 6/6

Betty Ward 6/18

Marsha Speed 6/27

Summer Birthday's

July

MaryJo Sichak 7/31

August

Anet Mandarano 8/29

Carol Wrede 8/19

Deb Manfredonio 8/26

Ceazonia Dyer 8/29

Van Dyk Assisted Living Volunteers An afternoon of Flowers, Frames, Photos

Many beautiful framed dried flower arrangements were created through a collaborative effort between residents and our Garden Club volunteers. Each design was thoughtfully assembled within elegant, gold-toned 8" x 10" frames, with dried flowers artfully arranged along the matting.

Residents then selected from a curated collection of flower and garden photographs, captured from Pam's personal portfolio, to complete their pieces. The project was thoroughly enjoyed by all, resulting in unique, handcrafted artwork that residents are now proud to display in their apartments.

Many thanks to our members, Gerry Shuman, Joan Dawson, Carol Wrede and Ceazonia Dyer who joined Pam to create an enjoyable time and beautiful keepsake for each resident who participated.



The previous Garden Club project and the Van Dyk planting in the ElderGro planter are thriving! During our visit on Tuesday, June 9th, we had a chance to take a closer look.



Home, Gardening and Living info and more



Ringwood Garden Members photo sharing

Renate's Garden



Itoh peony

hydrangea vine

Carol's Garden



Red Poppy



Iris from the mid-1800

Shared by Pam

