

Mountain Gardeners 2024

The Mad River Valley of Vermont

Organized & Federated 1992

42 Active Members

2 Associate Members

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Theme: *GROW GREEN, PLANT AMERICA*

Mountain Gardeners 2024 Officers



Janet Ellison, Leslie Reynolds, Becky Stark, Wendy R. McDonough, and Valerie Hale,

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President

Janet Ellison

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Wendy R. McDonough
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Club Committees

Awards	Jane Hobart
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Plant Sale	Hillary Mooney, Robin Preuss Andrea Henderson
Membership	Betsy Norman Sheila Ware
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Programs

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Pennies for Pines

Seddon Johnson

Scholarship

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Yearbook

Rita LaRocca, Valerie Hale

Moretown Gardens

Rita LaRocca
Stephanie Venema

**Waitsfield Triangle
Garden**

Leslie Reynolds

Warren Garden

Judy Reed



Club Objectives

The Mountain Gardeners support educational and civic projects for both members and community

Meetings

- Member meetings are held monthly at 1:00 pm on the second Tuesday of each month unless otherwise noted.
- Please call or email a coordinator at least one week prior to the meeting to confirm your attendance.
- If unable to fulfill assigned duties, please arrange for a substitute and inform the club president of the change.
- Executive Board meetings are held as needed.

Projects

Community plant sales and other fundraisers to support our scholarship and club projects.

Continuing Projects

- Plant and maintain the flower boxes at the Joslin Memorial Library in Waitsfield
- Plant and maintain the Triangle Garden In Waitsfield
- Plant and maintain gardens at the historical Blair Barn and Triangle Garden in Warren
- Plant and maintain gardens at the Moretown Town Hall, Moretown Office and Moretown Library
- Maintain the gardens at the Wait House

- Scholarship Program for students in the fields of horticultural or environmental sciences
- Penny Pines (Donate small change to contribute to reforestation projects)
- Provide monthly centerpieces at the Evergreen Senior Center and holiday favors for Meals-on-Wheels.



January 9th
Tuesday at 12:00 pm

**ANNUAL MEETING &
WINTER POT LUCK LUNCHEON**

Location: The Lareau Farm Country Inn
Waitsfield, VT



Coordinators: Rita LaRocca, Jane Macan, Bonnie Barnes

February 13th
Tuesday at 1:00 pm

SOULSHINE GARDENS

Led by: Tracy Badger

Location: Warren Public Library

Bring a new source of life into your winter home. Tracey will be leading this terrarium workshop! The cost is \$40/ person. This includes 5 plants, soil, and terracotta planter. Tracey spices up her workshop with trivia questions and prizes.

Coordinators: Seddon Johnson, Betsy Norman, Carol Hosford

MARCH 12th
Tuesday at 1:00 pm

Led by: Mike Lizotte, “The Seed Man””
Owner, American Meadows

Location: Warren Public Library

**MINI MEADOWS: GROW A LITTLE PATCH OF COLORFUL
FLOWERS ANYWHERE IN YOUR YARD**

A mini meadow can be any size, plus it's fun, easy to grow and good for the planet. Mike will take us through the process of creating a mini meadow that suits your climate, soil, and growing goals. He'll also raffle off a copy of his book and a bag of Mini Meadow Mix!

Coordinators: Sandra Reilly, Carla Lewis, Laura Brines

APRIL 9
Tuesday at 1:00 pm

HOW FORESTS WORK

Led by: Ethan Tapper, Chittenden County Forester

Location: Warren Public Library

Forests are beautiful, complex and vital to our lives and our quality of life. But how do forests work? And what does it mean care for them in the modern world? The answers might surprise you!

Coordinators: Wendy McDonough, Judy Phelon, Robin Preuss

Plant Sale Preparation

Potting and Grooming Sessions



May 14, 16, 21, 23, 28, 30, June 4, 6

9.00 - Noon Rain or Shine

Location: Judy Phelon's Barn, 988 West Hill Rd, Warren

**June 6th
BARN CLEANUP**

**June 7th
Friday, 2:00 - 3:00 pm**

PRE-SALE TRANSPORT

Volunteer members pick up plants for transport the following morning at 7:30 am to the site in Waitsfield and set up venue.

June 8th
Saturday 9:00 am - 1:00 pm

PLANT SALE DAY

Location: Waitsfield, across from Shaw's Market

First Shift 8:45-11:15am Second Shift 11:00am-1:30pm



**June 11th
Tuesday at 12:00 pm**

ANNUAL GARDEN PARTY LUNCHEON

Location: Hillary Mooney's home



Coordinators: Nancy Segal, Leslie Reynolds, Val Hale,

July 9th
Tuesday at 1:00 pm

Visit to Lincoln Hill Botanical Garden
Location:

2800 Lincoln Hill Road, Hinesburg, VT

Led by: Paul Wieczorek, Proprietor/Head Gardener

Lincoln Hill Botanical Garden contains roughly two acres and an adjacent “unattended arboretum” — a place to walk among a collection of unusual deciduous trees, shrubs and conifers. Other collections include over 150 species of rhododendrons, rock and alpine gardens, a stream garden and a formal garden. The American Horticultural Society calls it a must visit!

Coordinators: Patty Richards, Andrea Henderson, Martha Veselka

August 13th
Tuesday at 1:00 pm

Bill Noble's Gardens

Location: Norwich, VT

Back on to our program after cancelling last year due to the floods. Bill Noble has worked as a garden designer and Director of Preservation for the Garden Conservancy. The insights he's gained from this work are reflected in his own garden. He is currently renovating his garden and will show us why and how he is making changes.

Coordinators: Judy Reed, Loretta Menkes, Marilyn Parker

**September 10th
Tuesday at 8:00 am**



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**BIRD WALK
Led by Jeannie Ellis**

Location: Big Picture parking lot.
“Hard rain cancels but drizzles won’t keep
us away!”

Jeannie Elias, a Mad River resident, is a master Birder.
She will lead us on a guided bird walk.

Coordinators: Susan Stoehr, Nancy Mercer, Fran
Grimason

**October 8th
Tuesday at 1:00 pm**



COLOR YEAR ROUND

Led By: Charlotte Albers,
Paint Box Gardens

Location: Warren Town Hall Basement

Back by popular demand after last year's talk on Fabulous Foliage, Charlotte will inspire us with another talk on adding year round color to our gardens.

Coordinators: Trish DeMiglio, Julie Murray, Sheila Ware

November 12th
Tuesday 1:00 pm

WREATH MAKING WORKSHOP

Location: Warren Public Library

Once again a meeting filled with camaraderie and fun as we create a holiday wreaths.

Coordinators: Liz Ciappanelli, Michelle Reid, Becky Starks

December
(No meeting this month)

See you at the Potluck Luncheon in January 2025

