



Come Grow with the Colchester Garden Club

The Colchester Garden Club is a 501(c)(3) non-profit community organization focused on horticultural education, hands-on learning, beautifying the community and offering our members many other benefits. Monthly meetings (4th Monday of month at 6 pm) most of the year include educational presentations. Community service projects benefit Colchester and provide an opportunity to learn from more experienced gardeners and certified Master Gardener members. Additional activities, garden Learn and Do sessions, garden tours and more are offered.



Individual Membership \$25.00/year
Couples Membership \$40.00/year

To request information About the Colchester Garden Club, membership materials, or gift membership, please email colchestergardenclub@yahoo.com

*Consider a gift membership for
Valentine's Day*

The Federated Garden Clubs of CT Presents

Signs of Spring

A National Garden Club's Standard Flower Show



Connecticut Flower and Garden Show®

Connecticut Convention Center
100 Columbus Boulevard, Hartford

Thursday, Feb. 20, 2025 – 10am – 7pm
Friday Feb. 21, Sat. Feb. 22, 2025 – 10am – 8pm
Sunday, Feb. 23, 2025 – 10am – 5pm

- ❖ Federated Garden Clubs of Connecticut, Inc. Standard Flower
- ❖ Show has 12,500 square feet of amazing design, horticulture, and photography exhibits
- ❖ Over 80 hours of seminars and demonstrations by respected, nationally known authors and garden experts
- ❖ Hundreds of booths filled with plants, soils, fertilizers, garden tools and other floral and garden related products and services
- ❖ Award-winning landscape exhibits in full bloom measuring
- ❖ Extensive floral and garden-related Artisan area
- ❖ Non-profit and educational exhibits

For more information and discounted tickets:

<https://ctflowershow.com/>

Start Your Vegetable, Native or Flower Seeds Early using this method



Check out the Colchester Seed Library at the Cragin Memorial Library

Need Assistance? Check out these Gardening Resources:

Have gardening questions or problems?

- Refer to UConn Home and Garden Fact Sheets <https://homegarden.cahnr.uconn.edu/factsheets/>
- Contact UConn Master Gardener County Extension office for Plant Identification, questions, or problems. For contact information: <https://mastergardener.uconn.edu/locations/>
- Our time at the Colchester Farmers Market for our garden club booth with member Master Gardens is over for the 2024 season. If you want to contact, send an email to colchestergardenclub@yahoo.com

Gardening Tips from UConn Home and Garden Center includes:

Annuals & Perennials
Houseplants
Vegetable Gardening
Fruit
Insects
Lawns
Trees & Shrubs
Wildlife
Resources

<https://homegarden.cahnr.uconn.edu/monthly-gardening-tips-for-connecticut/gardening-tips-february/>

Fact Sheets

<https://homegarden.cahnr.uconn.edu/factsheets/>

Colchester Garden Club

CGC Monthly Meeting

Monday, February 24, 2025 6:00 p.m.

Cragin Memorial Library

Norton Room A, 8 Linwood Avenue

Program Speaker: Felicia Millet, Connecticut
Agricultural Experiment Station

Topic: "Starting Annuals from Seed"



Upcoming Activities:

Around the World in 80 Gardens

Tuesday, March 4, 2025 6:00 p.m.

Cragin Memorial Library, Norton Room A

This program is presented by Dr. Richard W. Benfield. Around the world in 80 gardens is the culmination of his career in tourism to the world's great gardens. He will take attendees through the three acres of gardens in Singapore airport, the arid gardens of Australia, the tropical gardens of the Seychelles (home of the love nut!), the Canary Islands, culminating in the beautiful English country gardens of his home country, finishing with the unique and different gardens in the United States and Canada for a total of 80 gardens on seven continents! Registration is required. To register, stop in at the Adult Circulation Desk or call 860-537-5752.

This program is co-sponsored by the Colchester Garden Club and Friends of Cragin Memorial Library

THANKS TO OUR MEMBERS
who volunteer with our projects and
community service in and around
Colchester:

- Cragin Memorial Library
- Colchester Senior Center
(front/side)
- Cohen Woodlands Butterfly
Pollinator Garden
- Cohen Woodlands Children's
Garden at the Colchester
StoryWalk
- Red Twig Dogwood Gardens on
Linwood Avenue
- Airline Trail Spur Garden on
Lebanon Avenue,
- 14 downtown town planters on
Linwood Avenue, Lebanon
Avenue, town hall and Cragin
Memorial Library.
- Colchester Seed Library
- CGC Meals on Wheels florals and
crafts
- CGC Youth Activities
- Participated in the recent Celebrate
Colchester event
- Participated in the 2024 Colchester
Farmers' Market



Flowers and Crafts for Valentine's Day

A DIY Valentine's Bouquet

*Use flowers and foliage from the garden to
create a Valentine's bouquet*

<https://southernlivingplants.com/inspiration-projects/a-diy-valentines-bouquet/>

20 Valentine's Day Crafts That Beautifully Feature Flowers

<https://www.marthastewart.com/274638/valentines-day-flowers>

Create Your Own Beautiful Flower Arrangement

<https://www.whitelilacfarmhouse.com/create-your-own-beautiful-valentines-floral-arrangement/>

19 Valentine's Day Flower Arrangements for Someone Special

<https://www.southernliving.com/holidays-occasions/valentines-day/valentine-flower-arrangements>

Five DIY Valentine's Day Flower Arrangements

<https://www.hgtv.com/lifestyle/holidays/5-diy-valentines-day-flower-arrangements-pictures>