



May 2026 Newsletter

A Note from your President...



Hello, members. I am sorry I missed the last meeting, but you were in very capable hands. Things are going well with my recovery from knee replacement, and I will be at our May 14th meeting.

We have many things going on with the Milford Garden Club Association. Debbie and Rick Kollar are busy working on the Plant sale. They are looking for locations for digs. So, let's help them out so we can have another successful plant sale. It is less than a month away, so we all need to be proactive!

Janet Kinney and Diane DeVincent along with our members who oversee duties in the Garden Walk are busy getting things organized and ready to go. The Garden Walk is on the third Friday and Saturday in June. We need to boost ticket sales this year. We are also looking for ideas and gardens for next year, along with Garden Walk Chair(s).

The Board is working on many things which will modernize our social media presence, website, and Bylaws. More information on these changes will be forthcoming in the next couple of weeks.

I want to thank Terri Hardick for being the Membership Chairperson and shouldering the burden of tracking dues payments, new members, members that have left the Club and reporting these statistics to the National and Michigan Division overlords. Terri has made the decision to step aside so she and Jerry can travel during the months of September and October when dues will be payable since we are on a calendar year now. We have also revised the membership form and will have the dues sent to the Treasurer. The treasurer will send a copy of the new member's form to each of the Board members. Either the President or 1st VP will call the new member to welcome them into the Club and to set up a date to meet with the new member. We had 4 new members join in April.

As I talk to various people in our community including our advertisers for our Garden Walk brochure, I discuss the changes we have made to the Milford Garden Club. That is my opportunity to let our supporters know that we have severed ties with National and Michigan Division and are now an independent Milford Garden Club. I also let them know that all money earned from our plant sale, garden walk and dues stays in our community to fund scholarships, grants and community garden projects. Everyone I have spoken to has been excited to hear this news and is very supportive. My takeaway from these conversations is that our Garden Club is loved by this community. We should be proud of our accomplishments and decisions to chart our own course as a Club. It has been a great deal of work, time and patience but I believe well worth all our efforts. Our independence started with our vote on December 1, 2025. We turned the page and the new book is ours to be written.

Sincerely,
Nancy

May Meeting

When: May 14 @ 6:00 pm for social time & treats, 7 pm for program and business meeting

Where: Milford Senior Center, 1050 Atlantic, Milford MI

Speaker: Dee Stoddard

Program: The Art of Flower Pounding

