# Petals Newsletter, August, 2021

Dear Garden Club members,

This newsletter has a lot of reminders in it about upcoming meetings and things you need to do.  I would like to remind you that registration is due August 26 for the **Annual Convention of MFGC to be held in Great Falls, September 10-11.** Attached is a form you can print and use and return it to Myrna McCollum by August 27.  Her address is on the form.

  I am also attaching the **delegate form** we need someone from your club to fill out and return to Lilla Flesjer by August 27 also.  Details of who can be a voting member are on the form.

   Another date is the **Landscape Design School** that is coming up in Whitehall on September 17-18.  I am attaching the registration form and it has details on the school along with suggested places to stay.

            I still need a few more club reports so I can print a booklet for convention.  Attached is a form you can use.  **I need reports from Missoula, Anaconda, Butte, Gallatin Empire, Hoe and Hope, Sow and Grow and Miles City.**  The rest of the clubs gave me their report at the District meetings or sent it to me since then.  Thank you for those who have done so.

            The **Circle of Green Thumb** nominees still needed are **Anaconda, Butte, Dillon, Belgrade, Gallatin, Townsend, Chester, Conrad, Toole County, Gumbo Gals, Saco, Hoe & Hope, Sow & Grow and Thumb R Green**.  Even if you have given this award to all your members, recycle them.  Send me their names and a short paragraph of what they do in your club.

            Here is a reminder from Phyllis White about the NGC website that may need some updating if you are electing new officers, etc.

As NGC Media Coordinator, we are asking each club to check and update their information listing on the NGC Club Finder.  This area of the NGC website helps people find a club near them, especially if they are new to the community.  To find the digital form to register a club or make changes, follow these instructions:

* At the bottom of the NGC homepage, <https://gardenclub.org/>, is a menu item called "Member Resources"
* Click on Member Resources, and at the bottom of that listing is a section called "Club Finder Update Requests"
* Click on "Club Finder" to view what information is already on the website.
* If the information needs updates, click on "this form" <https://gardenclubwebsite.wufoo.com/forms/r30j5yl0xnfp98/>
* Fill out the information you wish to publish (viewable by the public).  Click submit and the form will automatically be sent to NGC Headquarters for publication.
* Good Idea!  Each club should open an email account to be accessed by several people in the club, such as DearbornGardenClub@gmail.com.  When the email account is created, please give the password to the club president, vice president and membership chairman.  Write the information/password in several places so the account can be used in future terms.  If this is done, no member's personal email is published, and it prevents spam.

Thank you, Phyllis

I hope you are having a great summer and hope to see many of you at convention in Great Falls.

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