



Garden Club of Mountain Lakes: Requirements for Active Membership

Welcome to the Garden Club of Mountain Lakes! We want you to enjoy the many opportunities we offer to participate in club activities and to learn about gardening, floral design, and environmental topics.

- You will be paired with a membership mentor who will provide guidance and support through your provisional year.
- Please register for a member account on the club website. Go to gardenclubofmountainlakes.org; click on 'Member Login' in the upper right corner and choose 'Sign Up.' The site admin will approve your account shortly after you submit your request. You will need this account to register for member events and to access members-only content.
- New provisional members are expected and encouraged to actively participate in club activities, and to complete all their provisional requirements during their first membership year. If circumstances don't permit that, they may carry over until the following year. Please plan to attend or participate at least once *in each of the following activities*:

Club Meetings

date(s) attended: _____

- Attend club meetings. All members are expected to attend regular club meetings, as possible.
- Meetings are held in the downstairs community room of the Mountain Lakes library, unless otherwise noted. Some meetings may be accessible via Zoom (as noted in the Yearbook).
- Club meetings start at 9am or 7pm, and all dates are listed in the Yearbook.

Flower Arranging Workshops

date(s) attended: _____

- Attend at least one club-sponsored flower arranging workshop.
- Club flower arranging workshops charge a fee and require advance registration. Dates and times are listed in the Yearbook.
- Workshops are held in Mountain Lakes library downstairs community room, unless otherwise indicated.
- Please register online in the Member Events section of the website or with the Floral Committee chair/co-chair.

Civic Projects: Borough Gardens

date(s) attended: _____

- Assist at least once with one of the club's borough gardens.
- Please sign-up with the Borough Gardens chair, who will direct you to the lead gardener of a garden where your help is needed.



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Hospitality

date(s) attended: _____

- Serve at least once as a Hospitality Hostess. Hostesses bring a snack or appetizer to share at a club meeting and set-up and clean-up the meeting space.
- Please sign-up using the club's [SignUpGenius](#).

Junior Nature Club or Garden Therapy

date(s) attended: _____

- Assist at least once with this program for third graders at Wildwood School or with our Garden Therapy program for memory-care residents at Victoria Mews Assisted Living in Boonton Township.
- Junior Nature Club meets once monthly on Wednesday from 3 til 4pm. The dates are listed in the Yearbook.
- Garden Therapy meets several times per year on Thursdays from 115 til 245pm. The dates are listed in the Yearbook.
- Please sign-up using the club's [SignUpGenius](#) to volunteer at a session of either of these programs.
- If your schedule does not permit attending a daytime session of either of these programs, you may choose instead to write a brief article for the club newsletter *Spotlight*, which publishes quarterly in October, January, March, and June. If you'd like to exercise this option, contact mlgardenclub@gmail.com and the Spotlight editor will work out the details with you.

Annual Fundraiser: Plant Sale

date(s) attended: _____

- Assist as requested for the annual Plant Sale, held on the second Saturday in May.
- Provisional members must work at the sale. (If you are unable to work at the sale, you may satisfy this requirement by participating in a 'dig & divide' session prior to the sale.)
- Please sign-up on the club's [SignUpGenius](#) or with the Plant Sale chair.
- In addition, all provisional and active members must donate a minimum of 12 garden plants to the sale.

- As you go through the year, use this checklist to make a note of the dates of meetings and workshop(s) that you attended and the activities in which you participated.
- When you have completed your provisional requirements, please let the Membership team know, sharing with them your notes on your dates of participation.
- Membership will then present your name to the Board for active membership!

Again, welcome to the Garden Club and we look forward to getting to know you!