

First Slide:

Hello. I'm Deborah, President of the Grafton Garden Club. Welcome to our first meeting of the 2007-2008 year. We have a short presentation on the Club's past year activities, a look to this year's activities, and a peek at our new website. then we'll introduce our guest speaker for the night.

Second Slide:

One of the major undertakings we did for the 2006-2007 year to increase the money available for the Scholarship & Grant committee was a calendar raffle. In the month of June, 2007, 30 people won amounts of money from \$25 to \$100. One member, saw a need, had a vision, researched, and followed through. Because of Brenda, the Scholarship & Grant committee has some extra money to hand out to help more people with higher grants.

Third Slide:

The Executive Board for 2007-2008 consist of the elected officials:

President: Deborah

Vice President: Chrystal

Secretary: Helen

Treasurer: Edie

and the appointed positions:

Scholarship Chair: Donna

Telephone Co-chairs: Jo & Sandra

Membership Chair: Dorothy

Annual Tea Chair:

We have one open position:

Hospitality: this person is responsible for organizing food & beverages at meetings as appropriate

Past President: Jo

Fourth Slide:

In 2007, the Grafton Garden Club, with postage help from the Grafton Suburban Credit Union, send out Welcome to Grafton letters to new home (or condo) owners as reported in the Worcester Telegram & Gazette. Letters went out in May, right before the Plant Sale and in September.

Fifth Slide:

One of the major undertaking for the Club over the Summer was the moving of our website from a very long name to our very own domain. You can now easily find us at www.graftongardenclub.org. With the domain space comes email access If you want your own email, please contact the web-master and he'll tell you your username<--login information.

There are also generic email addresses available to make it easier to contact people.

president@graftongardenclub.org will be forwarded to the current president. Vice President, Treasurer, Secretary all have their own email through the club. So, if you want to send someone email, but you can't remember my name, just send it to president@graftongardenclub.org and I'll get it.

Sixth Slide:

For this year, we have a lot planned. You know about tonight's meeting & presentation.

In November, we have two things planned for the same day. or should i say, day and night. The same day we decorate the Willard House, we'll be having a Holiday Mantel Workshop in preparation for the contest during Grafton Celebrates the Holidays where the Club will be displaying mantel decorations at the Library and we'll have the pine-cone bird-feeders again at the barn.

In December, we'll also have a meeting about decorating your home for the holidays.

Jumping to February, there will be aromatherapy.(?)

In March, we learn all about Daylilies with.(?)

April brings us to Grafton Community Day.

May is the Plant Sale & Raffle and our year ends in June with the Annual Tea...but wait... there's more! Also in June, there will be a trip to Newport Mansions and...