



# Member Application Form

The Garden Club of Brookfield welcomes new members throughout the year. Applicants for Active Membership are asked to attend three meetings of the club before an application for membership will be brought before the Board of Directors for a vote. Meetings are held the third Thursday of each scheduled month at 10:00 a.m. in the Newbury Congregational Church Community Room, located at the corner of Route 133 and Tower Road, unless otherwise indicated.

Active members are encouraged to

- attend at least six meetings each year
- enter a minimum of six artistic and/or horticultural exhibits each year
- act as hostess or co-hostess of hospitality at least once during the year
- help maintain and weed the Museum Garden as scheduled
- work on civic beautification projects, including other club gardens
- work on the plant sale and contribute items for sale
- support other club-sponsored activities when asked.

Active members are also asked to serve on at least one standing committee.

Birds: The chairman will teach us about our native birds and their habitats.	Horticulture: The chairman will educate us about varieties of plants, their culture and usefulness in our gardens.
Civic Development: The chairman will represent our club at all meetings with the Town. They will direct the seasonal plantings and decorations that beautify Brookfield.	Membership: The chairman will encourage new members participation and keep attendance records.
Conservation and Environment: The chairman will instruct us on improving our environment and conserving our natural resources through organic gardening and lawn care maintenance. Our objective is to share this information with the community.	Program: The chairman will bring us a varied calendar of programs for our enjoyment and education in gardening and environmental issues.
Constitution and By-Laws: The chairman will keep abreast of requirements and the possible need for changes to the Constitution and/or By-Laws.	Publicity and Facebook: The chairman will keep appropriate print and social media outlets informed of activities.
Exhibits and Properties: The chairman will guide us each month to exhibit the skills we have learned in both artistic arranging and horticulture. Properties are stored in the barn at St. Paul's Church.	Sunshine and Cheer: The chairman will send cards to members needing our cheer. An appropriate plant will be delivered when a member has been hospitalized, or when a death in the immediate family has occurred.
Garden Therapy: Volunteers will work with the seniors at the Community Center. They will introduce a variety of programs on gardening to aid the physical, emotional and mental health of those involved.	Ways and Means: The chairman will organize raffles for our meetings, order and sell sweatshirts, tee-shirts, and Handbook for Flower Shows.
Historian: The chairman will document all of our activities.	Wildflowers: The chairman will teach us about local wildflowers through the use of live plants or sample cuttings.

Dues are \$30 for active members payable at the annual meeting in October. Members joining after April 1 will pay \$15 for that year.

If, after attending three meetings, you feel reasonably sure that you can fulfill the above expectations, we invite you to submit an application for membership (see attached). Upon becoming a member, you will receive the club Yearbook detailing the Club's constitution, monthly programs, members directory, etc.



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Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Mobile Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Home Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

eMail Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Birthday Month/Day: \_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_ Spouse/Partner Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Proposed by (if applicable): \_\_\_\_\_

I am interested in following committees (circle all of interest):

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| <i>Birds</i>        | <i>Civic<br/>Development</i> | <i>Conservation<br/>and<br/>Environment</i> | <i>Constitution<br/>and By-Laws</i> | <i>Exhibits and<br/>Properties</i> | <i>Garden<br/>Therapy</i> | <i>Historian</i>   |
| <i>Horticulture</i> | <i>Membership</i>            | <i>Programs</i>                             | <i>Publicity and<br/>Facebook</i>   | <i>Sunshine and<br/>Cheer</i>      | <i>Ways and<br/>Means</i> | <i>Wildflowers</i> |

I have read and understanding the Garden Club of Brookfield’s expectations for Active Members and request to be admitted to the Club:

Signed: \_\_\_\_\_



### For club use only:

Meeting dates attended: 1. \_\_\_\_\_ 2. \_\_\_\_\_ 3. \_\_\_\_\_

Endorsement 1: \_\_\_\_\_

Endorsement 2: \_\_\_\_\_

Voted in to membership on: \_\_\_\_\_

