Member Application Form

The Garden Club of Brookfield welcomes new members throughout the year. <u>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.</u> Meetings are held the third Thursday of each scheduled month at 10:00 a.m. in the Newbury Congregational Church Community Room, located at 126 Tower Road, Brookfield, 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 and Flagpole Triangle Gardens as scheduled
- work on civic beautification projects, including other club gardens
- work on fundraising activities
- support other club-sponsored activities when asked.

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

Birds: This committee teaches us about our native birds and their habitats.	Horticulture: This committee educates us about varieties of plants, their culture and usefulness in our gardens.
Civic Decorations: This committee coordinates the annual wreath-making activities.	Hospitality: This committee keeps an inventory of supplies, assists hostesses, and organizes the holiday party and special luncheons.
Civic Gardens: This committee directs and guides the seasonal plantings of our seven garden areas.	Membership: This committee encourages new members participation and keeps attendance records.
Conservation and Environment: This committee guides us on improving our environment and conserving our natural resources through organic gardening and lawn care maintenance.	Sunshine and Cheer: This committee sends cards to members needing our cheer. A suitable plant will be delivered when a member has been hospitalized, or when a death in the immediate family has occurred.
Exhibits: This committee guides us each month to exhibit the skills we have learned in both artistic arranging and horticulture.	Ways and Means: This committee organizes raffles for our meetings, orders and sells logo merchandise, and the Handbook for Flower Shows.
Fundraising: This committee recommends and coordinates annual fundraising activities.	Website and Facebook: This committee keeps appropriate print and social media outlets informed of activities and maintains the club's website.
Garden Therapy: This committee introduces a variety of programs at the Senior Center on gardening to aid the physical, emotional and mental health of those involved.	Wildflowers: This committee teaches us about local wildflowers through the use of live plants or sample cuttings.

Dues are $40 for active members payable at the September General Meeting. Members joining after April 1 will pay $20 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 and have skills that would benefit the following committees:

Birds	*Civic Decorations*	*Civic Gardens*	*Conservation and Environment*	*Exhibits*	*Fundraising*	*Garden Therapy*
Horticulture	*Hospitality*	*Membership*	*Sunshine and Cheer*	*Ways and Means*	*Website and Facebook*	*Wildflowers*

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

Signed: _____

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For club use only:

Meeting dates attended: 1. _____ 2. _____ 3. _____

Endorsement 1: _____

Endorsement 2: _____

Voted into membership on: _____

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