



# Join Us

As we *PLANT AMERICA* with membership

**We Want You to Gain New Members in Your Clubs!**

**You've Heard our Challenge for this Administration:  
21% by '21**

**“Why Do We Want New Members?”** you might ask.

### **New Members**

- Become new friends,
- Add diversity to our membership,
- Remind us how proud we are of our accomplishments,
- Increase our visibility to our communities,
- Share our passion,
- Increase our club's energy,
- Become our future leaders,
- Bring in more new members.

**You see how very vital new members are!**

**Without New Members, our current members will eventually**

- Get ill or pass away,
- Get tired,
- Lose interest,
- Will no longer remain involved.

**And the main reason will be that they no longer receive the same benefits that brought them to our club in the first place!**

**Garden Club Members Want to Have Fun, Learn New Things,  
Fulfill a Mission, and Make a Positive Difference in our Communities!**

Most of our garden clubs have been making that difference in our members' lives and in the communities in which they live for many years – our earliest state garden club was organized in 1924. Most likely, someone in your past was a proud member of a garden club - possibly a parent, grandparent, great-grandparent, and/or family friends.

In Fairbanks, Alaska, in the early 1960's, a member of our Fairbanks Garden Club feared that a special wild area not too far from town would be divided up into homesites. She took it upon herself to reach out to everyone she knew and petitioned the Alaska Legislature to save part of this wild area. **They couldn't help but listen!** In 1967, they designated 15,360 acres for the Chena River State Recreation Area. In 1975, they designated an additional 240,000 acres.

**Garden Club members are fearless and passionate for what they believe! There are stories just like this all over our country. We are called by many “The Conscience of America”.**

**Our numbers are dwindling and it's time to act! Is it worth it to nurture and grow your clubs?  
Are we worth saving? YOU BETCHA!**

**Do you hope today's children grow up feeling good about flowers and butterflies and birds?**

**JOIN A GARDEN CLUB**

*and*

...Learn about youth garden clubs that offer children and young people a chance to dig and plant and grow,

*and*

...Promote the garden club's activity program encouraging young people to be curious about nature's mysteries and careful about how they are used,

*and*

...Find out about scholarship programs for college students majoring in subjects related to garden club goals.

**Do you wonder what would happen if no one cared about our mountains and deserts and rivers and trees?**

**JOIN A GARDEN CLUB**

*and*

...Support its conservation projects to provide protection from pollution and misuse of natural resources,

*and*

...Participate in programs to preserve historic sites, taking care of places important in the life of your community,

*and*

...Get together with others to present a solid front of civic concern to your city, county and state representatives.



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**Do you love flowers and gardening, and would you like to get acquainted with others who feel the same way?**

**JOIN A GARDEN CLUB**

*and*

...Take advantage of programs and classes in gardening, landscape design, environmental education, and flower arranging, sponsored by the garden club,

*and*

...Discover what grows best in your kind of soil and how to fertilize and keep moisture in,

*and*

...Enjoy the thrill of showing your prize plants and floral arrangements at flower shows and exhibits,

*and*

...Profit from the experience of experts, getting new ideas for outdoor planting to complement your home and neighborhood.



**MEMBERSHIP IS THE KEY...  
TO PERSONAL ENRICHMENT.**

**MEMBERSHIP IS THE KEY...  
TO PRESERVING OUR HERITAGE.**

**MEMBERSHIP IS THE KEY...  
TO A LIFETIME OF GARDENING  
PLEASURE.**

**REMEMBER, OUR**

**MEMBERS MATTER MOST!**

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