

# Sogkonate Garden Club Membership Application

## Applicant Information:

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

Spouse/Partner's Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

Home # \_\_\_\_\_ Cell # \_\_\_\_\_ Email \_\_\_\_\_

Membership in other Organizations/Groups \_\_\_\_\_

Hobbies/Interests/Skills \_\_\_\_\_

**Membership Information:** The first year of membership is a Provisional Year during which applicants demonstrate a willingness to share in the work and goals of the Club.

All Members are expected to:

- Pay membership dues of \$40 per year.
- Attend a minimum of five meetings per year. One of these meetings may be replaced by active participation in two qualified activities, such as workshops, field trips, school programs.
- Work as part of a Civic Beautification Committee team twice per year.
- Serve as a member of a Club meeting hosting group once per year.
- Serve on a Club committee.

Please check the committees that are of most interest to you. (Descriptions of these can be found on the back of this application.)

<input type="checkbox"/> Archives	<input type="checkbox"/> Awards	<input type="checkbox"/> Civic Beautification
<input type="checkbox"/> Conservation	<input type="checkbox"/> Finance	<input type="checkbox"/> Grade School
<input type="checkbox"/> Horticulture	<input type="checkbox"/> Hospitality/Telephone	<input type="checkbox"/> Membership/Nominating
<input type="checkbox"/> Program	<input type="checkbox"/> Publicity	<input type="checkbox"/> Resources/Services
<input type="checkbox"/> Ways and Means	<input type="checkbox"/> Website	

Applicant's Signature \_\_\_\_\_

Club Member Sponsor's Name \_\_\_\_\_

Please return the completed form to: Sogkonate Garden Club  
P.O. Box 141  
Little Compton, R.I. 02837

For Membership Committee Recording:

Date received by Membership \_\_\_\_\_ Date Voted on by Board \_\_\_\_\_

Date Voted on by Membership \_\_\_\_\_ Letter of Welcome Sent \_\_\_\_\_

Program Book, Name Tag and Vest Delivered \_\_\_\_\_

## Committee Descriptions

**Archives** – Keeps Club's records safe and up to date

**Awards** – Prepares applications for awards and submits them to the State and National Garden Clubs

**Civic Beautification** – Initiates, designs and maintains flower gardens and landscaping to beautify our town; leads the Club's work teams in maintenance of Brownell House Gardens, Burchard Triangle, and other Club gardens

**Conservation** – Conducts monthly litter collection along selected town roads; participates in International Coastal Cleanup and organizes Town Earth Day

**Finance** – Prepares an annual budget and submits it to the Board and Club members for approval

**Grade School** – Works with teachers to set up programs at the Wilbur & McMahon School and the LCCC After School Club to enhance students' knowledge and appreciation of nature and gardening

**Horticulture** – Develops and delivers programs to educate Club members and the Community on various aspects of gardening with an emphasis on ecological methods; also is an important part of occasional flower show planning committees

**Hospitality/Telephone** – Organizes hosting teams who provide refreshments; helps set up and clear the refreshments table at program meetings; phones members who don't have email to keep them posted on events

**Membership/Nominating** – Processes applications for membership; presents qualified applicants' names to the Board/full membership for approval; assists with new member orientation; recommends candidates for executive positions

**Programs** – Develops the yearly program schedule; contacts speakers and makes arrangements for projects and field trips; updates and publishes the Club's Program and Yearbook

**Publicity** – Publicizes Club programs/events by submitting articles to news outlets and distributing flyers at specific locations in town

**Resources/Services** – Finds products, e.g. hats, shirts, floral oasis, for members at cost; maintains a list of local service providers/resources for members' use

**Ways and Means** – Organizes fundraising projects/events to provide funds that support the Club's community work/expenses; examples include the Blossoms and Sweets sale, gardening gloves, bulbs and plants

**Web Site** – Updates the member database; maintains accurate official Club information/announcements/programs/events for members and the public; publishes gardening articles and provides links to associations and information of interest to members and the public.

