

FEDERATED GARDEN CLUBS OF NEW YORK STATE, INC.  
FIRST DISTRICT ([sigardenclubs.org](http://sigardenclubs.org))  
Staten Island, New York  
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**CASTLE MANOR GARDEN CLUB** - founded in 1939. Meetings are held at All Saints Episcopal Church at 2329 Victory Blvd., Staten Island, NY on the second Wednesday of the month at 12:30PM. Refreshments prepared and served by the members. Our monthly meetings include guest speakers, workshops, horticulture and designs in-club and club trips. We are involved in many community projects including maintaining the All Saints Episcopal Church 9/11 Garden, the Blue Star By-Way Memorial Garden at Ft. Wadsworth, the Manresa Council 9/11 Garden, participating at the Richmond County Fair, the Clubs' awarding winning Annual Photo Contest open to the community, St. Paul's Flower Festival, celebrating "Its Your Park Day" at Annadale Park, and working with local boy and girl scout troops. We participate and support the First District activities including the annual District Flower Show and attending the Philadelphia Flower Show. Our club looks forward to new members who love gardening and protecting our environment.

**Lucille Bauer, President** (718-967-3842) and **Evelia Foster, Co-President** (718-983-1972).

**GREAT KILLS GARDEN CLUB** - founded in 1954, joined the Federated Garden Clubs of NYS in 1956. Our meetings are held on the third Wednesday of each month (except January) at 7:00PM at the Great Kills Moravian Church, 74 Hillside Terrace, Staten Island. We participate in civic beautification and maintain two gardens - Bloomingdale Park and Seaside Nature Park. We participate in numerous events around Staten Island and have fund raiser bus trips which include our annual trip to the Philadelphia Flower Show. Our monthly meetings always include an entertaining program about gardening, nature, flower design or a hands-on-make it and take it workshop. Coffee and cake is always served. New members interested in having fun and making friends are always welcome to join us. **Marilyn Curcio, President** (718-317-8632).

**RICHMOND EVER-GREEN GARDEN CLUB** - federated 1985. Our club meets the third Monday of each month (except January and February) at All Saints Episcopal Church, 2329 Victory Blvd., Staten Island, NY at 7PM. During the year, the club participates in all First District events such as "The Healing Garden Living Memorial" and Blue Star Memorial. Besides our Annual Tea fund raiser, we participate in other activities such as flower arranging, flower shows, workshops and trips. We are involved with community beautification projects with plantings at Engine 165/Ladder 85 firehouse, Garibaldi-Meucci Museum, Fr. Capodanno Chapel at Fort Wadsworth as well as an Historic Preservation project and garden restoration at Silver Mount Cemetery. Our members share their knowledge and creativity doing floral arrangements for our club's projects at Amethyst House and St. Paul's Flower Festival too. **Lenora D. Mauch, President** (917-459-4525).

**SOUTH SHORE GARDEN CLUB** – founded and federated in 1952. Club meets the second Tuesday of each month in the Pastor Kroon Center at Messiah Lutheran Church, 195 Jefferson Boulevard, Staten Island, NY. Our meetings start at 11AM with lunch, followed by a business meeting. Programs are held on flower arranging, gardening, garden therapy and horticulture. Our Club's continuing projects include The Blessed Mother Grotto at St. Joseph's Church in Rossville, The Tommy Monahan Tree and Memorial Garden at the Conference House Park in Tottenville and the Flower and Herb Window Boxes at the Paul Kroon Center at Messiah Lutheran Church. The group is comprised of men and women who have been serving the community in civic concern and improvement, garden therapy and historic preservation for 62 years.

**Gertrude Sokolowsky, President** (718-966-8164).

**STATEN ISLAND GARDEN CLUB** - meetings are held at All Saints Episcopal Church, 2329 Victory Blvd., Staten Island, NY at 12:30PM on the fourth Wednesday of the month (except January, July, August, and November). We have 45 members. Our club projects include maintaining the Alice Austen House Museum grounds and Austen Family Grave, Anthony R. Gaeta Park at Wyona Avenue and Victory Blvd. Other projects include volunteering at Snug Harbor Cultural Center and Botanical Garden, Arbor Day Tree Planting and New Yorkers for Parks Daffodil Project and supporting the District One Projects and activities. We encourage novice gardeners with our "moments" and non-competitive flower arrangement workshops. The only membership requirement is an interest in gardening, a love of flowers and an appreciation of natural beauty.

**Teresa Torsney, Co-President** (917-330-8780) and **Carolyn M. Brown-Rhodes, Co-President** (718-761-5564).