

The Federated Garden Clubs of Connecticut, Inc.

89th Annual Meeting and Luncheon

Wednesday, April 18, 2018

Aqua Turf Country Club, 556 Mulberry Street, Plantsville, CT

Karen Bussolini, nationally renowned garden photographer, writer, speaker, and eco-friendly garden coach, will present *"Naturescape Your Yard."* Naturescaping is landscaping with nature – attracting and sustaining wildlife, using native and well-adapted plants, using resources wisely and avoiding environmental pollution. It also means landscaping like nature. Nobody plants, waters or fertilizes the forest or the prairie, yet they survive – beautifully – on their own.

Karen's extensive art background and focus on environmental topics – ecological landscaping, native plants, biodiversity, xeriscaping, organic gardening, planting for wildlife, pollinators and other beneficial insects – inform every aspect of her work. She is a NOFA-Accredited Organic Land Care Professional and active member of GWA, The Association of Garden Communicators.

Karen greatly enjoys teaching homeowners how to garden in a more environmentally sustainable way, to create healthy yards that are full of life, diversity and delight. (www.karenbussolini.com)



Registration begins at 9 am. Meeting commences at 10 am.

Come early and enjoy Coffee & Tea ~ Browse Vendor Booths ~ Purchase Drawings Tickets Plus ~ View New Techniques for Floral Design



"Better than YouTube!" From 9-10 am watch blue ribbon FGCT designers demonstrate how to create easy-to-do new techniques from the 2017 NGC Flower Show Handbook. You'll see exactly what to do, step-by-step, up close and personal, for "Flower Abstraction," "Fiber Wrapping," "Leaf Manipulation," and more!



~ \$34.00 per person ~

Luncheon includes:

- Fresh Fruit Salad
- Bread Basket
- Choice of Entrée -
 - *Roasted New York Strip Sirloin, served with a Red Wine Reduction*
 - *Pan Seared Salmon, served with a Honey, Mustard and Ginger Sauce*
 - *Grilled Chicken Caesar Salad*
 - *Savory Garden Vegetable Lasagna*
- Dessert, Coffee and Tea
- Cash Bar available

Register and pay online at
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or

Send a check, payable to *FGCT*, with
your choice of
Luncheon Entrée, to:

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**Reservations must be received
by Friday, April 13, 2018**