

## FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS (F.A.Q.)

### 1. What is the club objective / mission for Plantation Lakes Garden Club?

To support the interests of our members through activities in our club and community that promote home gardening, community beautification, floral design, horticulture, and conservation.

### 2. How often does the club meet?

A general meeting of Plantation Lakes Garden Club (PLGC), consisting of a brief business meeting and a program or activity, takes place on the first Thursday of every month during the September-June garden club year. Exceptions will be noted in the member handbook and/or on the meeting agenda that is emailed to members prior to each meeting. The Board of Directors (Executive Officers and Committee Chairs) meet monthly during the week that precedes any general meeting.

### 3. Where does the club meet?

PLGC general meetings are held in the Flex Room on the lower level of The Landing, 20301 Charlotte Boulevard, Millsboro, Delaware 19966, unless otherwise specified in the Member Handbook. The location, date and time for board meetings is designated monthly by the PLGC President.

### 4. Is membership limited to residents of the Plantation Lakes community?

We invite and welcome anyone who is interested in our club objective, without regard to age, race, color, religion, sex, handicap, familial status, or national origin. Membership is not limited to residents of the Plantation Lakes community.

### 5. How much are the dues?

The dues amount is \$40, payable upon installation as a new member and annually thereafter by May 1 for the upcoming garden club year. Dues are not pro-rated or refundable. PLGC dues are the primary source of funding for club operating costs.

### 6. How do you fund garden club projects?

Funds for garden club projects are raised primarily through activities of our Ways and Means Committee.

### 8. Is PLGC affiliated with any business or organization?

PLGC is a member of National Garden Clubs, Inc. (NGC), Delaware Federation of Garden Clubs, Inc.(DFGC) and Central Atlantic Region of State Garden Clubs, Inc. (CAR-SGC). We are not affiliated with Plantation Lakes Homeowners Association or any other entity.

### 9. Why Join a Garden Club affiliated with National Garden Clubs Inc.?

PLGC members enjoy access to unlimited resources and opportunities provided to local garden clubs by NGC, CAR-SGC and DFGC while retaining our autonomy and focus on local projects and activities.

**10. How do I become a member?**

Before you make a decision to join Plantation Lakes Garden Club, we recommend that you explore our website to learn about our history, members, activities and affiliates. The process for becoming a member is very simple: submit to the PLGC membership chair a completed Application for Membership and dues in the amount of \$40. You will be installed as a member at the next scheduled meeting. At that time, you will receive an updated handbook and a membership card that can be used to obtain a discount at some local nurseries.

**11. Does a current PLGC member have to sponsor me for membership?**

No sponsor is required to join Plantation Lakes Garden Clubs, but some members have offered to mentor new members.

**12. Can I join PLGC if I belong to another NGC garden club?**

Yes, we welcome anyone that is interested in our club objective.

**13. Is the contact information of members shared with anyone?**

Members' contact information is considered privileged information and is shared only with PLGC members and the Membership Chairs of NGC, DFGC, and CAR-SGC.

**14. Are there any minimal requirements for participation by PLGC members?**

Members are encouraged to attend meetings, participate in club activities, join a committee and serve in a leadership role — but there are no specific requirements for minimum participation at this time.

**15. Will I have an opportunity to read the PLGC Bylaws before joining?**

PLGC Bylaws and Committee Descriptions are available on our website under the [HOW TO JOIN](#) tab.

If you still have any questions about Plantation Lakes Garden Club, please use the [CONTACT](#) tab at the top of our website to contact the PLGC membership chair.

**Learn more about our affiliates:**

Visit their websites at your convenience:

(DFGC: [DelawareGardenClubs.org](http://DelawareGardenClubs.org) / NGC: [GardenClub.org](http://GardenClub.org) / CAR-SGC: [CAR-SGC.org](http://CAR-SGC.org))