

The Harbor Island Garden Club website (www.harborislandgardenclub.com) allows our club to communicate directly with the public and to our members about our club, upcoming events, gardening tips, Yard of the Month, holiday decorating and fundraising. It also allows us to promote the mission of the National Garden Clubs (NGC), the South Atlantic Region Garden Clubs (SAR) and the North Carolina Garden Club (NCGC). The website was built and is maintained in-house by our website manager, a member of the Communications committee. Content and photos are contributed by relevant committee members. Funding is budgeted from our ongoing operating expenses. The website has an average of 600 visits per week and an average of 850 page views.

Costs: Approx. \$400/year for website hosting; Approx. \$25/year for our URL; design and maintenance fees are provided at no cost by club members.

Home Page & About Us Section

From the Home Page, visitors can easily access one of eight main topics: About Us, Harbor Way Gardens, Beach Plants, Fundraising, Activities, Yard of the Month, and Press. The About Us section features links to more information about our club, the NGC, SAR & GCNC.

HARBOR ISLAND GARDEN CLUB

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Fine Art & Floral Design Exhibition: Jan 7-9 @ Blockade Runner Resort



Harbor Way Gardens

This section of the website allows us to showcase our feature garden at Wrightsville Beach - Harbor Way Gardens, one of only three public gardens in New Hanover County. The page includes information about our club flower, awards, and a map of our garden.

HARBOR WAY GARDENS & CHILDREN'S FOUNTAIN

Harbor Way Gardens, located on the west end of Wrightsville Beach Park, is one of only three public gardens in New Hanover County (the Anderson and Keith Gardens on the other end). The site is a garden that has become an oasis from our island heat and a quiet place to reflect and enjoy nature's colors and flowers. Harbor Way Gardens is also the only public garden in North Carolina to have **Wilhelmsen Roses** thanks to a generous donation from an island resident. The other building in the garden is often decorated for holidays and special events, and guests visitors coming over the drawbridge. The garden also hosts our **Plant & Pink Garden**, a reflective retreat filled with plants that start with pink blossoms to celebrate and honor breast cancer survivors. Club members maintain the garden and provide new plantings throughout the year. We invite you to stop by anytime you are in town.

Check out our official club flower: The **Gallardia**. We've planted a bounty in the garden. Come take a look!



Keeping Our Blooms Beautiful

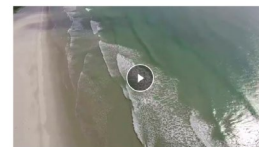
It takes an army of garden club members (and spouses), Town of Wrightsville Beach employees, community donors, and volunteers to keep Harbor Way Gardens and the Children's Fountain looking and beautiful. You can add your support by helping a bird or gazer engraved with a special saying or in honor of a friend or family member. All proceeds support the Harbor Island Garden Club.

Map of Harborway Gardens



Bird's Eye View: Harbor Way Gardens

Now you can visit the garden anytime, anywhere! Aerial Image 3M created this amazing video for Harbor Island Garden Club. We hope you enjoy this aerial view of the gorgeous Beach Park, Harbor Way Gardens and Wrightsville Beach.



Fundraising

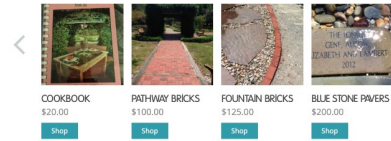
This page allows us to supplement our overall fundraising efforts, selling bricks and pavers for our garden, our cookbooks and continues to bring in donations for our projects.

We need your help to clean up Harbor Way Gardens after Hurricane Florence. Please consider making a donation to your local community. All proceeds will go directly to the garden. Thank you!



The Harbor Island Garden Club is dedicated to beautifying Wrightsville Beach. Some of our projects include:

- Plant and maintain 36,400 square feet of Harbor Way Gardens
- Installed the Children's Fountain at Harbor Way Gardens
- Purchased new Christmas lights for telephone poles.
- Planted trees on Pelican Drive
- Built the arbor at Harbor Way Gardens
- Decorate all town buildings, the bridgetender, and the garbage trucks with Christmas wreaths
- Support the Rooky Rascals, a junior gardening program, for all fifth graders at Wrightsville Beach Elementary.
- Started the Wrightsville Beach recycling center.



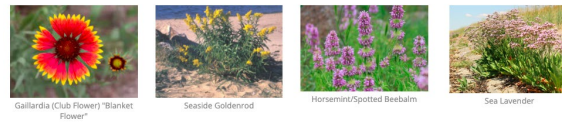
Beach Plants

We believe that educating Wrightsville Beach residents and visitors about planting at the beach - especially native plants - will build a stronger community, a stronger coastline, and promotes environmental awareness. This section gives us an opportunity to provide a snapshot of plants that do well in our climate.

Beach Plants

Choosing which trees, plants and flowers will thrive at the beach can be tricky. Below is a list of recommended (mostly native) plants for coastal North Carolina from the [National Fish and Wildlife Foundation](#). We've planted many of these plants in Harbor Way Gardens at the entrance to Wrightsville Beach - come visit us anytime.

herbs



trees



Press

In this section, we share our spotlight in the media as well as keep an historical account of our press clippings as each year is archived.

IN THE NEWS 2021

ARCHIVES: 2020, 2019, 2018, 2017, 2016, 2015, 2014



Art at the Harbor Way Gardens
Intracoastal Living
May 2021



Learn, Play & Thrive: Student Stewards of the Seas
Intracoastal Living
May 2021



Garden Club, artist team up for joint benefit this weekend
WECT-TV
May 5, 2021



Art Sale Held in Harbor Way Garden
WVAY
May 5, 2021

Activities

This section features all the hard work we put into beautifying and appreciating Wrightsville Beach. It highlights our work with the junior gardeners, Arbor Day, holiday decorating, garden therapy, and more. Our most visited page - News & Events - is updated often with event dates and times and links to outside websites.

NEWS & EVENTS

Autumn Gatherings: Nov. 19-20, 2021



Join the Harbor Island Garden Club and New Hanover Garden Club for a NGC Flower Show. Free and open to the public.

Blockade Runner Beach Resort
275 Wayne Boulevard
Wrightsville Beach, NC 28480

Nov. 19 1p-5p
Nov. 20 10a-2p

Click for rules and more info



