

Tuckahoe Garden Club Newsletter

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THE TUCKAHOE NEWS



Summer 2018

Welcome to The Tuckahoe News, our revamped newsletter for The Tuckahoe Garden Club. It's filled with club updates, exciting plans for this year and other important information. Pull out your calendars, grab a cup of coffee, settle in and enjoy!





A bee pollinates *Rudbeckia trilobis*, a mid-summer Virginia native with blooms that last through September.

THE PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

“Twenty years from now you will be more disappointed by the things that you didn’t do than by the ones you did do. So throw off the bowlines. Sail away from the safe harbor. Catch the trade winds in your sails. Explore. Dream. Discover.”

~ Mark Twain

Dear Members,

What a soggy summer it has been! Gardens are enjoying all the rain-mine is starting to look like a rain forest! As this weird and muggy summer weather begins to give way to cool, brisk fall days, I want to update you on all things TGC.

Mark Twain advises us to take risks and explore, dream, and discover. Two things I would add to his advice is to LEARN and ENJOY. This certainly has been my experience as a member of TGC and those of other members I’ve talked to this summer. They told me things like: *“I had a blast and had no idea what I was doing. I learned a lot and it was fun.”* And, even better: *“Thank you so much for asking me to do this (job). I was dubious at first but I learned so much and now I have confidence to do it again.”*

As our new year begins, **I challenge all of us to reach beyond what we think we are capable of and just go for it...**you and our club will reap the benefits!

Welcome to the The Tuckahoe News, our newly designed newsletter with appreciation to our designer and editor, Jill Mountcastle. We encourage all to submit articles and news. Read here all the summer news and a few announcements for September. I hope your summer has been fun and memorable. Time to get ready for the year ahead!

Betty Jenkins
President, The Tuckahoe Garden Club of Westhampton



TGC NEWS & INFORMATION

Tuckahoe Garden Club of Westhampton Awards
Weyanoke on May 23, 2018

Martha Whitehead Michaux Bowl

Peyton Wells

Marion Boatwright Dudley Bowl

Sue Thompson

Elizabeth Wingo Knowles Bowl

Anne Page

Janet Patton Lewis Bowl

Kelly Armstrong

Preston Purcell Horticulture Award

April Greenwood

Charlotte Taylor Massie Award

Freddie Gray

Hylah Boyd Conservation Bowl

Fraser Davis

The President's Award

Sara Cann, Joanie Robins, Catherine Salt

The Ann Arey Mason Bowl

Cabell West

GCA Awards

Medal of Merit

Helen Pinckney

Club Appreciation Award

Kathy Watson

Club communications Award

Jennifer Sisk

Club Historic Preservation Award

Sue Thompson

GCA Membership Awards

Betsy Parrish – 60 years

Ruth Hill – 60 years

Camilla Moffatt – 55 years

Emma Oppenheimer – 55 years

Anne Page – 50 years

Peggy Guy – (Posthumously) 65 years





TGC MEETINGS & PROGRAMS FOR 2018-2019

Mark your calendar!

mark your calendars:

Wednesday, September 19, 10:00 am

Peyton Wells, Short introduction to our October Workshop, “The Secrets of Feathering Your Nest” and Business Meeting

Jennifer Sisk’s home: 400 Harlan Circle (23226)

Wednesday, October 24, 10:00 am

Peyton Wells, Botanical Arts Hands-On Workshop, “The Secrets of Feathering Your Nest”

Grace Baptist Church: 4200 Dover Road (23221)

Wednesday, November 14, 10:00 am

Joint Meeting with James River Garden Club with Short Business Meeting for Voting. Presentation of the Native Habitat Restoration Project (as part of our GCA ‘Partners 4 Plants’ initiative). Botanist, Chris Senfield and Invasive Task Force Member, Meg Turner.

Kent-Valentine House: 12 East Franklin Street (23219)

Tuesday, December 4, 9:30 am -12:30 pm

Holiday Greens Workshop

Betsy Fauntleroy’s home: 755 Merry Go Round Road, Manakin-Sabot

Wednesday, December 5, 11:00 am

Holiday Party & Sale

Betsy Fauntleroy’s home: 755 Merry Go Round Road, Manakin-Sabot

Wednesday, January 16, 9:30 am Refreshments & 10:00am Speaker

C-Change Conversation, Kathleen Biggins, “A Primer on the Science of Climate Change”

Joint Meeting with Boxwood, James River, Three Chopt and Tuckahoe Garden Clubs

Lewis Ginter Botanical Garden: 1800 Lakeside Avenue (23228)

Wednesday, February 20, 12:30 pm Refreshments & 1:00 pm Speaker

James Brunkow, Highlights and Indicators from the “The State of James Report”

First Presbyterian Church: 4602 Cary Street Road (23226)

Wednesday, March 20, 11:00 am Short Business Meeting, 11:30 am Speaker

Walter Bundy, “Farm to Table” Cooking Through Different Lunch Courses. Cost: \$25 per person.

Shagbark: 4901 Libbie Mill Blvd, E #174 (23230)

Wednesday, April 3, 10 am

Optional event, Limited Space! ‘Mindful Meditation’ with Lynn Brooke. “Clear your Mind of

TOO MUCH COMING FROM THE PAST”

TGC, HGW, GCV, GCA... and Anything Else”
Lynn Brooke's home: 307 Stockton Lane (23221)

Wednesday, May 22, 11:00 am

Annual Meeting

Patricia Hunter's home: 9624 Gaslight Place (23229)

TGC Special Events 2018-2019

- December 4: Holiday Greens Workshop
- December 5: Holiday Party
- April 3: 'Mindful Meditation' with Lynn Brooke
- April 24 9:00 am – 4:00 pm: Spring Sale, Liz Carden's home: 3904 Exeter Rd.

The TGC Board will meet at 8:30 a.m. at 4228 Kingcrest Parkway on these dates:

- Monday, September 10
- Monday, October 8
- Monday, November 5
- No December Meeting
- Monday, January 7
- Monday, February 11
- Monday, March 11
- Monday, April 8
- Monday, May 13

OTHER IMPORTANT DATES

THE GARDEN CLUB OF VIRGINIA

Virginia Conservation Network Annual Environmental Assembly, September 7-8,
Williamsburg

GCV Symposium September 25-26, Richmond

GCV Conservation Forum October 25, Charlottesville

GCV Horticulture Field Day May 22-23. Orange VA

GCV Daffodil Day March 27 at Lewis Ginter Botanical Garden

GCV Annual Meeting May 7-9 Portsmouth

GCV Lily Show June 17-18 at Saint Mary's Episcopal Church, Goochland

THE GARDEN CLUB OF AMERICA

GCA Shirlev Meneice Horticulture Conference September 13-15. Kennet Square. PA

Spring Meeting November 15-18, 2018, Roanoke Square, VA
GCA Zone VII meeting October 8-11, Roanoke
Annual NAL Conference February 24-27, Washington DC
GCA Annual Meeting May 16-19, Boston MA

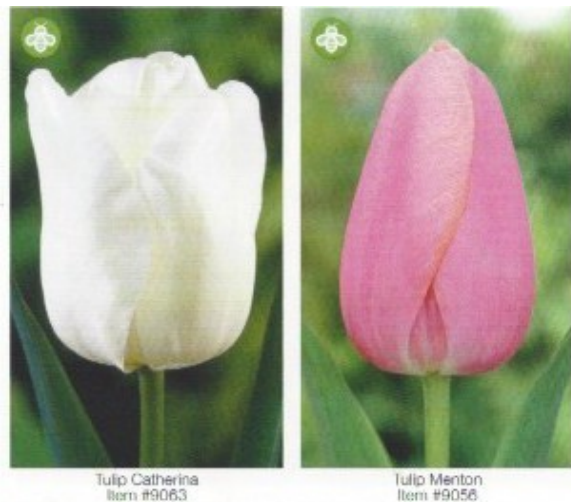
ORDER FALL BULBS

THE BULBS ARE COMING!

...for Fall Planting and Spring 2019 Blooms!

The Spring Sale Committee is enticing us to add some color to our Gardens for Historic Garden week and beyond with bulbs, beautiful bulbs! These bulbs are from a tested source from the Netherlands and you will NOT be disappointed! Some of the Menton tulips from this source were a show stopper during Historic Garden Week this year in our arrangements. Add some color to your garden! Add some fun to your life! Order forms will be emailed in early September and you will receive your bulbs at the October meeting.

PLANT! GROW! ENJOY!





Lycoris radiata (Red Spider Lily)
Item #9287



Leucojum aestivum (Giant Snowdrop)
Item #9080

Bloom Time	Height	Bulb Size
Late Spring	14-16"	10/12 cm



TGC MEMBERSHIP REPORT

The TGC Membership Committee Report reports the following changes in membership status effective June 2018

Newly Elected Members

RoseMarie Bundy
Betsy Carney
Lauren Neal
Taylor Raquet
Rita Ryan
Carey Viego

Active to Sustainer

Valerie Coleman
Jenny Evans
Dee Ferguson
Leila Jones

Lera Jones
Joanie Robins

Sustainer to Sustainer Emeritus

Brantley Knowles
Nan McVey
Anne Page
Pattie Williams

Sustainer to Honorary

Hylah Boyd

Daffodil Society

Susan Blackwell
Jenny Evans
Susan Jones
Ann Scott

Resignation

Taylor Raquet

Deceased

Peggy Christian
Peggy Guy
Alice Smith

We will have six openings for active membership in the fall. Please be thinking if you would like to nominate someone for membership. Remember that one member must propose a nominee with two endorsers. If you have proposed or endorsed a candidate within the past two years, you are not eligible to nominate this year, No member of the executive committee or a member of a candidate's family may sign as a proposer or endorser, The deadline for all nominations is October 4th by 5:00 p.m.

Elizabeth McGill and Janie Pinney





Hydrangea quercifolia 'Alice' blooms turn from white to pink as summer progresses.



GARDEN CLUB

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GARDEN CLUB OF VIRGINIA NEWS &
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GCV LILY SHOW AWARDS





Lilies in Bloom

On June 19th, 2018, The Garden Club of Virginia [GCV] hosted 'Lilies in Bloom' with the North American Lily Society [NALS], at Saint Mary's Episcopal Church, in Goochland, Virginia. There was horticulture only; and, The Tuckahoe Garden Club of Westhampton [TGC] had two members enter; both winning major GCV Awards.

Our two "Roses" in the TGC, 'Rose' Marie Bundy and Julia Borden 'Rose', represented the Club for this Show. RoseMarie Bundy entered a Collection of 'Satisfaction', and an individual specimen of 'Satisfaction', for which she won 1st Place and 'Best Stem Grown by a Novice Award'. RoseMarie said that having left a 20-year garden when they moved this year, she was pleasantly astonished by this beautiful lily, 'Satisfaction,' when it appeared in her new backyard just in time for the show. What a delightful surprise she had when she showed up to the show with friends and family to find, that one of her new lilies was a show stopper. Julia Borden Rose entered two blooms; 'Lady Luck' for which she received a second place, and 'Salmon Pinwheel' for which she received a first place. Her third entry, a gorgeous specimen of 'Pedara', with creamy white blossoms as large as our heads, not only won a first place, but the 'James A. McKenney Award'.

Congratulations to both of you for your beautiful Lilies!!! TGC is thankful and grateful that you made us shine.

While Julia Borden Rose worked the show, with other GCV members and GCV and NALS judges, Sue Thompson graciously invited 'Lilies in Bloom' attendees to peruse the gardens at 'Tuckahoe'. It was a beautiful day for such spoiling, and a memorable one for TGC members. Ruth Hill, celebrating her birthday, attended the show with three friends, who were very pleased by the outstanding display of lilies from all over Virginia.

Peyton Wells

GCV HORTICULTURE FIELD DAY

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Betty Jenkins, Sandra Borden Rose and I enjoyed a glorious June day in Lynchburg for the GCV Horticulture Field Day. The day was organized like a tour during Historic Garden Week, with four fabulous gardens open for visiting. The homeowners were all passionate gardeners as revealed in the amazing display of variety, composition and years of devotion to maintaining these lovely gardens.

The most interesting one was a 2.3 acre garden in the heart of the city where the homeowners have spent 17 years modifying the landscape to work with Mother Nature and creating an amazing oasis. The garden is on a hill and the storm runoff is managed by several small creeks running through the garden along with 26 charming wooden bridges. Filled with wonderful natives, spring ephemerals and rare trees, this garden was truly special. In the photo below you will see an area where the homeowner has created a representation of her birthplace on the island of Negros in the Philippines. The three yuccas represent the birthplaces of her family and the white stones are reminiscent of the ocean. It was indeed a real privilege to share in the experience of this unusual garden.

Don't miss Horticulture Field Day next year—it's a gem of a day.

Liza Cabell






GCV SYMPOSIUM







Fall Symposium


GARDEN CLUB OF VIRGINIA
RICHMOND 2018

<p>GCV 09.25.26.18</p> <p style="font-size: 2em; color: blue; font-weight: bold;">Sy</p> <p>Symposium 2018</p>	<p>Join Garden Club of Virginia members and fellow flower lovers at the Science Museum of Virginia and examine the basic elements of beauty from a number of perspectives.</p>
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- ☐ Enjoy the main event, an integrated Flower Show featuring Horticulture, Artistic Design and Photography.
- ☐ Learn at Flower Arranging School with Holly Heider Chappel, a renowned floral designer and educator.
- ☐ Participate in hands-on Flower Arranging Workshops for all levels of experience and interest.
- ☐ Discover something new in the world of Horticulture with Chip Calloway, a landscape architect.
- ☐ Be informed on pressing issues and news with Conservation and Restoration speakers.
- ☐ Sip & Shop at a garden-themed café and browse an inspiring vendor area.

All events are open to the public. Registration for ticketed events and more information will be available in mid-June.

GCVSymposium.org



GCV HORTICULTURE SHOW IN RVA

Grow it and show it: “Elements of Beauty”

September 25 and 26th at the Science Museum of Virginia

Make plans to exhibit!

Find the schedule on the GCV website at www.gcv.symposium.org/horticulture/ for all the details

including this year's classes:

- Terrariums (limited, with advanced registration required)
- Blooming Perennials
- Foliage Perennials
- Annuals
- Dahlias
- Branches with blooms, berries or fruits
- Miscellaneous Collections
- Roses

Plan to drop your exhibits off at Betty Jenkins' house at 4228 Kingcrest Parkway on Monday, September 24, 2018 between 11am-12pm if you are not planning to attend the show.

A sign up sheet will be circulated at the September 19th TGC meeting and all are encouraged to submit something beautiful from their gardens!

For more information, please contact either:

Susan Meyer contention736@gmail.com 804-909-2226 or

Ann Ramsey Ramsey.ann@gmail.com 804-363-1953

(While a number of classes will be exhibited in test tubes provided by the GCV, please save any green or clear glass bottles you may have for use at the show. Each exhibitor should plan to bring her own bottles, but extras are always welcome for other exhibitors to use.)





Calling all flower arrangers! The Symposium is right here in Richmond and Tuckahoe needs great participation—no excuses...no travel...easy! The artistic class has 4 classes from which to choose-check them out below and then register at www.gcvsymposium.org/artistic. We would like to submit an entry for Class 4 and plans are to brainstorm ideas on September 20th at Susan Ewing's house and assemble the arrangement close to the Symposium, but first, we must register soon.

Let Mary Horton or Susan Ewing know if you can help AND we will be calling for assistance soon! Thanks!

Mary Horton marymack1123@gmail.com 804-389-2050
and Susan Ewing mail is ewingsusan04@gmail.com 804-426-4200

Class 1 Scientific Inspiration

Choose from Synergistic (6 entries) or Parallel (6 entries).

Class 2 Elements in Motion

Choose from Mobile Kinetic (6 entries) or Stabile Kinetic (6 entries).

Class 3 Beauty in Beakers

Choose from Stretch (4 entries) or Echo (4 entries).

Class 4 Flowers and the Periodic Table (Inter Club)

Choose from Illuminary (7 entries) or Reflective (7 entries). Reflective is filled.

Classes 1-3 are open to individuals or groups. Inter Club Class 4 is open to GCV member clubs only. Arrangements in classes 1, 2 and 4 will be displayed on a 12" square, 42" high gray pedestal. Arrangements may not extend more than 6 inches on either side. Class 3 arrangements, not to exceed 24" width, will be displayed on a table. No height limitations

And don't forget the photography classes! Black-and-white, landscape, sunrises, sunsets. Registration is open until September 4 or until the class is filled. Check it out at <https://www.gcvsymposium.org/photography/> and participate! We need your photos!

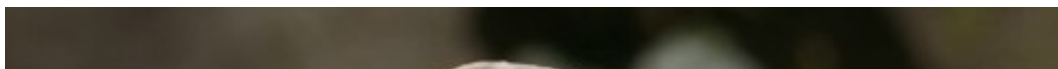
GCV OPPORTUNITIES

The newly revised online edition of **Traditional Floral Styles and Designs** is now available! The GCV Artistic Committee, including our very own Meredith Lauter, has compiled a volume of seventeen styles - flower arrangers and new club members should not miss this valuable, updated resource. Head to the GCV website <https://www.gcvirginia.org/main/flower-shows> and take a look!

Centennial Daffodil 'Green Arrow'

Developed by Brent and Becky Heath to celebrate the Centennial of GCV, this gorgeous new daffodil is a GCV exclusive. Order now while bulbs are offered to GCV members only!

Order now: <https://www.gcvirginia.org/members/centennial-mementos>





The Big Easy – Conquer the Holiday Season!

Thursday, November 1, 9:30am to 2:30pm

The Garden Club of Alexandria invites you to a fun and idea-packed morning to help you conquer the holiday season with minimum effort for maximum impact! We'll start off in true Big Easy style with coffee and beignets as we mingle. Then we will gather for a presentation by noted New Orleans author, designer, and magazine editor, Beverly Reese Church. She will demonstrate clever tablescapes and inventive arrangements as well as share ideas for unique holiday entertaining. Her presentation is followed by amazing boutique shopping with light refreshments.

Get more information and register to attend at: <https://bigeasyalexandria.eventbrite.com>

Fall into Entertaining – A Floral Design Symposium

Tuesday, September 18, 9:00am to 4:00pm

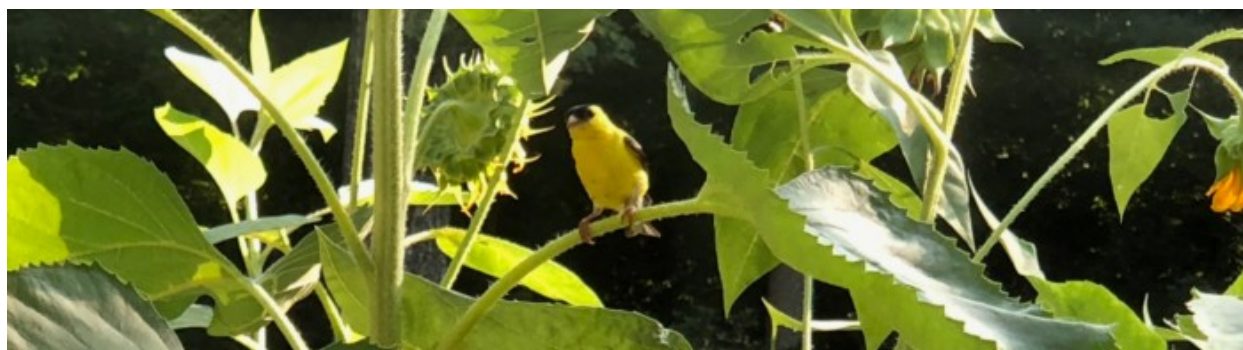
The Leesburg Garden Club invites you to come and discover an exciting way of approaching floral design. Join us as we present Jane Godshalk, AIFD, author, lecturer, teacher will guide you through unbelievable, cutting edge floral design. Next, the women behind Grit & Grace will walk you through the use of spectacular floral designs by creating “tablescapes”. Presentations will wrap up with the husband-wife partnership of LynnVale Studios, LLC. Lou Gagnon, fine artist, will present on the artist interpretation of a “floral color wheel”. Andrea Gagnon, a leader in the American Grown Flower movement, will talk about her passion for growing and designing with her beautiful farm-grown flowers. There is an entertaining presentation in store – “Cooking with the Caterers” features local chefs who will demonstrate their skill of preparing special event cuisine. And time is provided for you to visit the boutique tent to find a gift for someone special and for yourself! Breakfast coffee and sweets and a scrumptious box lunch are provided in your registration fee. To finish off the amazing day be our guest for a wine and hors d’oeuvres reception.

This is a fundraising event. Proceeds will be used to further our mission “...to promote active interest in gardening and to assist in the protection and development of the natural beauties of the State”. Fee is \$150. Includes Morning coffee and sweets, box lunch, ice tea or water and cocktail party at close of event. Register online by going to our website www.leesburggardenclub.org. Preregistration is required. Registration closes September 12. No Refunds. For further information email leesburggardenclub1@gmail.com

GCV Conservation Forum

Thursday, October 25, 9:00am to 4:00pm

Online registration is coming soon! Watch the GCV website (<https://www.gcvirginia.org/>) for registration information updates!





An American goldfinch enjoys sunflower seeds for breakfast.



THE GARDEN CLUB *of* AMERICA

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GCA SEED SHARE

For Shirley Meneice Horticulture Conference

GOT SEEDS?

Calling all Horticulture Experts...we need your help!

The annual Shirley Meneice Horticulture Conference takes place BEFORE our first TGC Meeting in September. Betty needs to take seeds for exchange with other GCA clubs at the conference. Please search your gardens for seeds and bring them to us on or before Sept 10, 2018.

Please contact Missy Ryan - missy.ryan@verizon.net (804) 338-6836 or
Rita Ryan - ritamryan247@gmail.com (843) 259-8407 if you can help.

We will gladly pick up the seeds from you! Thank you!

HERE'S HOW TO COLLECT SEEDS FROM YOUR GARDEN:

1. Go out into your garden on a non-windy day and with clippers and small zip lock bags or small envelopes. Take a Sharpie pen, too. Notice which seeds from your garden are ready to harvest. Dry capsule seeds should be dark in color and have a harder covering. Ignore hybrids as they are often sterile or don't produce the same plant when they reproduce. Native perennials are always preferred. Remember, fruits have seeds in them but you need to separate the seed from the fruit flesh.
2. Select your seeds to harvest. Snip the seed head or fruit head and drop it directly into the envelop or zip lock bag. Immediately write what that seed is to avoid confusion later. Seeds really do look alike.
3. Separate the fruit from the seed, if necessary, and rinse and allow to completely dry.
4. On each zip lock bag or envelope of each seed variety, we need this information:
 1. Your name
 2. Seed/plant's common name,
 3. Botanical name
 4. Plant type: perennial or annual, tree, shrub
 5. Any other information you care to add.

PLEASE KNOW HOW MUCH WE APPRECIATE YOUR HELP!

GCA ZONE VII FLOWER SHOW

What's the Buzz? Team Ryan (Missy Ryan and Rita Ryan) GCA Horticulture Chairs are seeking specimens to enter into the GCA Zone VII "What's The Buzz" Flower Show on October 8-10, 2018 in Roanoke, VA for horticulture classes 1 - 37.

We need your properly cut, conditioned specimens (not to exceed 24" in length) delivered to Rita Ryan (8904 Highfield Road) on **Sunday, October 7th at 12:00 p.m.** Contact Missy Ryan missy.ryan@verizon.net (804) 338-6836 or Rita Ryan ritamryan247@gmail.com (843) 259-8407 for details. Thank you!!

Please check your garden for some good looking horticulture from one of the following classes below:

Fall Blooming Annuals	Perennials Grown for Blooms	Calling All Pollinators	Bulbs, Corms, Tubers and Rhizomes	Roses	Trees, Shrubs, Deciduous, and Evergreen	Container Grown Plants in a pot not to exceed 14"
1) Cosmos	6) Echinacea	11) Asters	16) Dahlias - small < 4"	21) Old Garden Roses	26) Fall Color	33) Fern
2) Celosia	7) Helenium	12) Salvia	17) Dahlias - Medium 4-8" diameter	22) Hybrid Teas	27) Berried Branch	34) Hellebore
3) Verbena	8) Chrysanthemum	13) Sedum	18) Dahlias - Large > 8" diameter	23) Shrub	28) Blooming Branch	35) Hosta
4) Helianthus	9) Japanese Anemone	14) Eupatorium fistulosum	19) Tricyrtis	24) Polyantha	29) Holly	36) Epimedium
5) Other	10) Other	15) Other	20) Other	25) Other	30) Broadleaf	37) Other

					evergreens	
					31) Conifers	
					32) Other	

GCA CONSERVATION EFFORTS

Look What Our GCA Dollars Are Doing to Help Preserve Mount Vernon

We all enjoyed our January 2018 meeting with Dean Norton, Director of Horticulture at Mount Vernon. Many of us ventured there afterwards and were treated to a private tour by Dean. Read to see what our GCA dollars are doing to preserve the vista at George Washington's home and one of Virginia's historic treasures.

-Betty

News: The GCA Joins Campaign to Preserve Washington's View

June 26, 2018

In the face of threats to the viewshed of George Washington's Mount Vernon, The Garden Club of America has joined a coalition supporting [Mount Vernon's campaign](#) to preserve George Washington's view. The Mount Vernon Ladies Association, which owns and oversees this historic property, held a press conference earlier today announcing opposition to plans by Dominion Energy to build a natural gas compressor station immediately across the Potomac River. The Association announced the GCA's participation in the campaign along with the National Trust for Historic Preservation, The Cultural Landscape Foundation and others. In 2010, the GCA awarded its national Historic Preservation Medal to the Association for its visionary leadership in historic preservation. On June 26, the National Trust for Historic Preservation officially named Mount Vernon's viewshed as one of the eleven Most Endangered Historic Places for 2018.

GCA TRAVEL OPPORTUNITIES



Join us! *On the Road with the GCA*

The Garden Club of America is proud to announce its second year of educational programming available to all GCA club members – take a solo adventure, make it a club field trip, or bring your spouse! Come for the day or plan an extended stay. The GCA will take care of all details pertaining to the program; once registered you will make your own travel and hotel arrangements.

Registration for all events will open in late July 2018.

www.gcamerica.org | OnTheRoad@gcamerica.org | (212) 753-8287

ALDO LEOPOLD'S SHACK & THE INTERNATIONAL CRANE FOUNDATION

Baraboo, WI | Friday, October 26, 2018 | 9 am – 4:30 pm (optional to 6 pm) | Max: 30

Tour the International Crane Foundation to learn more about their unique work to preserve cranes of every kind. Then move just down the road for lunch and talks with the leadership of The Aldo Leopold Foundation who are preserving the life, leadership and legacy of Aldo Leopold, the great land ethicist who addressed the GCA Conservation Committee in 1947. Attendees will enjoy a tour of The Leopold Center and Leopold's famous "shack" which is the centerpiece of his most famous work, A Sand County Almanac. As an optional bonus, guests can stay from 4:30 to 6 pm to watch migrating Sandhill Cranes along the Wisconsin River. \$50

BEATRIX JONES FARRAND AND THE GCA

NYC, GCA Headquarters | Friday, November 2, 2018 | 11:30 am – 4 pm | Max: 50

Come to GCA Headquarters for a special lunch and lecture by Garden Club of New Haven member Karyl Evans, producer of the acclaimed documentary, "The Life and Gardens of BEATRIX JONES FARRAND." Karyl will zero in on GCA advisor, Beatrix Jones Farrand, and offer insights into this visionary landscape designer who was a close friend of many of the GCA's founders and recipient of the 1947 GCA Distinguished Service Award. A special exhibit on Beatrix Jones Farrand, curated by Ms. Evans, will be on display in the GCA Gallery Meeting Room during this visit. \$50

THE GCA'S RARE BOOKS COLLECTION, NEW YORK BOTANICAL GARDEN

NYC, GCA Headquarters & NYBG | Friday, December 14, 2018 | 10 am – 4 pm | Max: 30

It's the holiday season in New York City! Visit the GCA Rare Books Collection at the New York Botanical Garden and then enjoy lunch on your own. Then stop off at Headquarters at 2 pm for tea, tour and conversation and enjoy the GCA's holiday decorations. Madison Avenue and Fifth Avenue beckon just around the corner. \$50

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GOLFING AND THE GCA

Spring Island, SC | Tuesday, February 5, 2019 | 8:30 am – 3 pm | Max: 20

Here's an opportunity to hit the links and learn more about the GCA's efforts to ensure environmentally sensitive practices on golf courses around the country. Join Leslie Pierpont, president of the Late Bloomers' Garden Club and former member of the GCA Conservation Committee, for golfing, lunch and discussion at Old Tabby Links. \$50 (optional \$125 fee to golf)

LONGWOOD GARDENS AND THE PHILADELPHIA FLOWER SHOW

Longwood, Kennett Square, PA | Friday, March 8, 2019 | 10 am – 3 pm | Max: 60

Rescheduled in the hopes of no snow in 2019! Visit with Longwood CEO and GCA Honorary Member, Paul Redman, and meet the GCA Interchange Fellow. Paul will host us for lunch in the Ballroom and explain how Longwood is reaching out to new audiences. We'll hear about the Seed Your Future initiative to grow interest in horticulture and plant science careers. As an added bonus, Longwood will arrange behind the scenes tours of their current exhibits. The Philadelphia Flower Show is scheduled from March 2-10, 2019. Clubs can order tickets for the Show directly from the Pennsylvania Horticultural Society. \$50

NEBRASKA'S SANDHILL CRANES WITH THE NATIONAL AUDUBON SOCIETY

near Kearney, Nebraska | Friday, March 29, 2019 | All Day | Max: 26

Every March, over 600,000 Sandhill Cranes converge on the Platte River valley in central Nebraska to fuel up before continuing north to their nesting grounds. One of the greatest wildlife spectacles in North America, this gathering of cranes is the largest in the world. Audubon's Rowe Sanctuary is at the heart of this magnificent crane staging area. The sanctuary offers guided tours, one in the morning and one in the evening. View the cranes and learn about GCA's ongoing collaboration with the National Audubon Society to protect native habitat and birds. Nearby hotels in Kearney, NE and other suggestions will be provided for registrants. To qualify for an early group reservation (one blind), there must be 26 registrants. \$50

MOUNT VERNON BEHIND THE SCENES

Mount Vernon, Virginia | Wednesday, April 17, 2019 | 9:30 am – 4:30 pm | Max: 50

Not only was George Washington the First President, he was also the first environmentalist. Register for this behind-the-scenes tour of Mount Vernon's gardens and grounds with Mount Vernon's famed Director of Horticulture Dean Norton and learn more as well about the Mount Vernon Ladies' Association, past recipient of the GCA's National Historic Preservation Medal. You'll receive a private tour of the Mansion, and visit the Pioneer Farm, Gristmill and Distillery. Lunch will be served, with a special taste of Washington's signature whiskey! \$50

VISIT THE BIRTHPLACE OF THE GCA, A FOUNDERS FUND WINNER

Stenton, Philadelphia, PA | Thursday, May 9, 2019 | 10 am – 2 pm | Max: 25

Join GCA Zone V Chairman and Stenton Garden Tender Susan Yeager to learn more about this fantastic home and garden. The garden was installed in 1912 and, in 1913, The GCA was born - in the garden! In 2015, it was the recipient of the GCA's Founders Fund Award for the Urban Meadow Project, to create a meadow to frame the newly restored entry drive and represent the expansive agricultural fields that historically surrounded the house. After touring Stenton, attendees coming by car may also wish to tour the Biddle Family Andalusia Estate for an additional fee. \$50

GCA ANNUAL MEETING IN 2020

The Garden Club of America Annual Meeting 2020

MOVING MOUNTAINS





The Garden Club of America Annual Meeting in 2020 will be hosted by our Zone VII on May 3-May 6, 2020. Its theme is **Moving Mountains Together**. The Annual Meeting is hosted by our Zone VII every 12 years, and the last Annual meeting we helped with was in Norfolk.

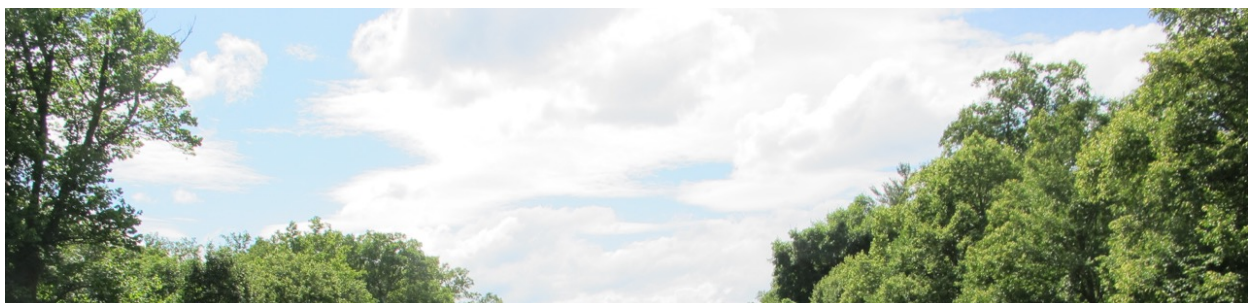
The 2020 meeting will be held in Asheville at the beautiful Grove Park Inn. Our club is tasked with supporting the Registration and the Public Relations and Communication for the meeting. Peyton is assisting with planning the festive invitation for the event which we will give at the Annual Meeting in Boston in May of 2019. Joanie Robins and Kathy Watson will lead the team heading down for the registration and TGC will be sending at least ten other volunteers. Our club will also be helping with public relations and communications before and after the meeting. There will be a flower show entitled "2020 Vision" which we will support, too!

Getting involved is a fun way to see how GCA works, and to get to know some of the other clubs in Zone VII. Over 600 people attend the meeting, including Presidents and Delegates from the 200 Garden Club of America Clubs. We are excited to help host this meeting and it will be fun for our club to play a role. It takes a village!

GCA is an effective, excellent organization creating lasting impacts on conservation, garden preservation , etc. We are so privileged to be a part of it. Think about it: 2020 is not too far away! Step up to the plate! Let Kathy, Joanie, or Martha know if you would like to volunteer.

-Martha Moore

Pictured below: GCA 2020 Annual Meeting Co-chairs Blair Matthews Louis, Sandy Thomas and Elizabeth Brown





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