

# THE AUGUSTA GARDEN CLUB

## Established in 1919

Charter Member of the Garden Club of Virginia

Member of the Garden Club of America since 1927

#### October 2018

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#### 2018-2019

CLUB YEARBOOK

has been updated to include:

- Calendar with dates and programs for the year
- Committee lists
- Membership roster

You can <u>access the</u> <u>yearbook</u> anytime on our website, or print out a copy for reference.

### Dear Ladies of the Club,

We finally have a little nip in the air and a few leaves starting to color, and everywhere you look, there's something flavored with pumpkin spice- it must be fall! Not only does that mean our club duties are in full swing, but our affiliated organizations are in high gear as well.

Last week, I attended the Garden Club of America Zone VII meeting, hosted by the Mill Mountain Garden Club in Roanoke. Despite cloudy skies and downpours, it was a most informative and fun meeting. Please read the meeting report and see photos on pages 3-4 of this newsletter– you will be proud of the recognition our club and members received!

This week, Virginia Gillock represented us at the Garden Club of Virginia Board of Governors meeting in Alexandria, along with former GCV president Deedy Bumgardner. This is always a great way to connect with other club presidents, catch up on GCV work across the state, and hear the recipient of the Common Wealth Award– Virginia will fill you in at the meeting on Wednesday! These meetings offer us a way to share information on club activities and gain inspiration for broadening and strengthening our mission as a garden club.



Look forward to seeing you at the meeting on the 24th, and don't forget....





#### ENJOY TEA & LEARN ABOUT THE ALLEGHENY MOUNTAIN INSTITUTE'S SUSTAINABLE COMMUNITY GARDEN AT AUGUSTA HEALTH

THE AUGUSTA GARDEN CLUB October 24th, 3:30 TINKLING SPRING PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH, FISHERSVILLE



Tours of the Farm 2:30-3:30 315 Mule Academy Road, Fishersville

The AMI Farm at Augusta Health is a joint venture of AMI and Augusta Health to raise awareness about the importance of healthy eating and sustainable growing practices. AMI and Augusta Health share the vision that access to excellent health care includes access to healthy food. The project is rooted in the missions of both organizations to promote health and wellbeing in the community.

#### October 2018

#### COMMITTEE UPDATES:

#### CIVIC & COMMUNITY PROJECTS: (Dana Krusz & Carol Shannon)

The Garden Club of America approved the design for our Project Dogwood signs to be installed at Gypsy Hill and Montgomery Hall Parks.

These signs are being funded through the remaining GCA Founders Fund Grant received by our club in 2017.



#### PHOTOGRAPHY: (Susie Lendermon & Karen Santos)

Plan to enter the Photography Show at this month's meeting. The theme is **"Fall Fun on the Farm";** the schedule and more information about upcoming photography shows and the November workshop are available on our website under the Members <u>Photography section</u>.

#### **CONSERVATION:** (Joanie Laird & Bev Coffman)

The Conservation Committee has secured two locations for cigarette receptacles, one at Terry Court and the other at the Laundromat at Williamsburg Square. The owner, Mr. Eavers' enthusiasm for this project is greatly appreciated. He will install them as soon as we provide him with posters, which are in progress.

#### FUND RAISING (Joie Tankard & Laura Nordstrom

Thanks to all who signed up for the White House Christmas trip– our request has been submitted and we will notify you as soon as we have further details. Please be thinking of items to donate for our Club Auction in November– details will follow!

#### Woodrow Wilson Presidential Library- Garden Update (Robin von Seldeneck)

The WWPL recently completed an archaeological dig behind the Birthplace Manse. Thirteen shovel tests were completed and artifacts were found in each test section. A preliminary report of the findings will be coming soon. The WWPL is working closely with both the Restoration Committee of the GCV and the Department of Historic Resources as they plan for the next phase of the archaeological research.



#### October 2018

#### **Events & Items of Interest:** (Click on the highlighted links for more information!)

- Wednesday, October 24th, 3:30 p.m. Club meeting, Tinkling Spring Church, Fishersville. Program: Allegheny Mountain Institute's Sustainable Community Garden & Food Farmacy at Augusta Health; Tour of garden at 2:30.
- October 24-28th, Fine Arts & Flowers at the Virginia Museum of Fine Arts, Richmond
- October 25th, Garden Club of Virginia 60th Annual Conservation Forum <u>"The Real</u> <u>Dirt on Pesticides: Pollinators,</u> <u>Food and our Health"</u>, Charlottesville



- November 1st, 6:30 p.m. Staunton Public Library, Photography 101: The basics of taking great photos, led by Susie Lendermon
- November 7th, 4 p.m.- AGC Board meeting, WWPL Lark Building
- November 14th, 10 a.m.– Club meeting, Club at Ironwood, Staunton. 10-10:30
  Social & Silent Auction; 10:30 Program: Healing Herbs w/ Ted Buchart. Watch for details on the auction!
- December 3rd, 8:30 a.m.-6 p.m. Ringing the bell for the Salvation Army, Staunton Kroger. Let Dana Flanders know if you can help! 2d4a4n0a1@gmail.com





It's not too late to order tulips to plant for Historic Garden Week. Remember, the Augusta Garden Club receives a percentage from every sale!

#### **INSTRUCTIONS TO ORDER:**

- Go to <u>www.bloominbucks.com</u>
- Select The Augusta Gartden Club in the drop down box (Note, we are listed as *The* Augusta Garden Club.)
- Click "Go" and continue to the Spring/Fall Catalog; select your tulips, and any other items, purchase & plant~ **Thank you!**



Hosted by the Mill Mountain Garden Club in Roanoke, the Zone VII meeting was an opportunity to share ideas, hear about GCA committees and programs, and gain inspiration for our own club activities. With umbrellas in hand, we visited the Spikenard Bee Sanctuary in Floyd (potential field trip/fund raiser idea!) and hiked through Mill Mountain GC's wildflower garden on top of Mill Mountain; and we even had our photo taken in front of the famous Roanoke star.

THE GARDEN CLUB of AMERICA the famous Roanoke star.

**Zone VII Meeting, Roanoke, VA** Laura Nordstrom attended as our club delegate; Linda Holden was there in her position as GCA Executive

Board Vice President, and our Zone VII committee representatives Holly Bailey (Programs), Dana Flanders (Admissions), and Marie Thomas (Founders Fund) also attended. Susie Lendermon was there as well working behind the scenes as a judge for the photography exhibit. We are fortunate to have so many Augusta Garden Club members involved on the GCA level– thank you ladies, you do a wonderful job and represent us well!

Wednesday's nights award presentation was particularity exciting. Marie Thomas received the GCA *Barbara Spaulding Cramer Zone Floral Design Education Award* presented annually to one or more members in each zone in recognition of outstanding achievement in floral design and floral design education throughout and beyond her zone. Our Club was also recognized with a beautiful certificate for its upcoming centennial.

I want to give a special thank you to Dianne Pfitzenmayer and Dede Hamilton who entered numerous categories in the Flower Show and Horticulture Exhibit on behalf of the Augusta Garden Club, and to Karen Santos who entered the Photography Exhibit. They garnered numerous ribbons as noted below.

We are fortunate, as a Garden Club of America club, to have these wonderful experiences for learning and growing individually, and for enriching our club through these opportunities.

Deneen

**CONGRATULATIONS LADIES!.... And thank you for entering on behalf of the Augusta Garden Club.** See photos on the next page.

Dianne Pfizenmayer

Blue Ribbon: Floral Design, "The Roanoke River"

Blue Ribbon & the GCA Rosie Jones Award in Horticulture: Succulents

Red Ribbon: Botanical Arts entry

Dede Hamilton:

Blue Ribbon & the C. Williamson Award for Propagation and Grooming: fern entry

Blue Ribbon: Collection of savory, edible herbs

Karen Santos:

Honorable Mention: photography



Zone VII Meeting, Roanoke, VA



Marie Thomas received the *Barbara Spaulding Cramer Zone Floral Design Education Award* "in recognition of outstanding achievement in floral design and floral design education throughout and beyond her zone".



Dianne Pfizenmayer received a blue ribbon for her floral design arrangement above, and a succulent plant collection in horticulture, right.









Dede Hamilton's fern entry, left, received a Propagation Award blue and her herb entry, above, won a blue.

This dramatic photo entry by Karen Santos received honorable mention.



