

DOGWOOD DIALOGUE

Newsletter of The Dogwood District of The Garden Club of Georgia, Inc.

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Featuring activities & events of our Garden Clubs, Federation and District that support the goals of GCG and National Garden Clubs



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"Nurturing friendships through the love of gardens"

Dear Dynamic Dogwoods,

Welcome to a New Year! Hard to believe it is already 2022. And of course, if you are a club president, you know that with the new year comes the time to do the President's Report. This is the opportunity to tell us all of the wonderful things your club has been doing. See information in this newsletter on how to get a copy to complete if you do not have a copy already.

Our January Dogwood District Board meeting was held at Lost Corner Preserve in Roswell on January 11. It was our first time using Lost Corner and we plan to meet there again for our August District Board meeting since everyone liked it.

During this meeting the financial report of the profit from the bulb sales and the Christmas wreath sales was shared. Dogwood Fundraiser Bulb Sales – sold 160 Bulbs for a profit of \$1,121.06 and Wreath Sales made a \$303 profit. Thank you to everyone that purchased Amaryllis Bulbs and Christmas Wreaths!

The Dogwood District Board currently has an opening for Pull A Tab For Ronald McDonald chairman. This chairman is responsible for educating member clubs about the project, collecting the tabs brought to the District Board Meetings and Fall Annual Meeting by our member clubs, weighing those tabs for our records and then delivering the tabs to the Ronald McDonald House in Sandy Springs. Please contact me if you are interested in this position. It is not a difficult job but an important one and the Ronald McDonald House profits from our tabs collection.

Be sure to read about our upcoming GCG Convention in April in this newsletter. It is a great time to meet other garden club members from all over our state, learn more about GCG, and hear some great speakers. If you missed hearing Laura Martin at our Dogwood District Fall Luncheon last October, you will have another opportunity as she is listed as one of the speakers. Consider getting a group of your club members to attend together.

Be sure you take time to walk in nature, even in this cold weather. I was thrilled to find snowdrops blooming at Lost Corner on our meeting day. And days later I found some lovely small Tazetta Narcissus in bloom there as well. It can be such a pleasure to watch spring begin to unfold.

I wish you all a great 2022. Please stay warm and stay safe and be sure to keep in touch if there is anything I can do to help you. I look forward to reading all of your President's Reports!

Happy gardening,

Chris Adams,
Dogwood District Director, 2021-2023
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Around The District



President's Reports

It is time again for those Club President's Reports of Club Achievements to be completed and mailed in to our State President, District Director and Federation president (if you are a member of Fulton Federation). The reports are due by February 15th and are sent by regular mail. This is your opportunity to share all of the great things that your club has been doing over the past year.

As a reminder, here are the addresses where you will send your report once completed along with any supporting documents:

GCG State President—Peggy Tucker
1848 Mt. Olive Rd.
Hartwell, GA 30643-3377

Dogwood District Director—Chris Adams
7500 Old Maine Trail
Sandy Springs, GA 30328

Fulton Federation President-Trudy Rudert
4852 Scotts Mill Way
Peachtree Corners, GA 30096

Contact Chris Adams (cadams30041@yahoo.com) if you need help completing your Club Presidents' report of Club Achievements. The 2021 version is on-line and available for you to print and complete.

<http://gardenclub.uga.edu/pdfs/presidentsreport.pdf>
ID = guide password = grow1315

Youth Garden Clubs

Garden Club of GA Youth Garden Club Registration can be found at <http://gardenclub.uga.edu/pdfs/youthclubreg.pdf>

Registrations are still being accepted.

Information about the Garden Club of GA High School Essay Contest for 2022 is found at <http://gardenclub.uga.edu/essay.html>

The new theme for the 2022 youth poetry contest has not yet been announced.

Trudy Rudert, Youth Garden Chair



Around The District



Fulton Federation

Dues

It is now time to pay your Annual Fulton Federation Dues. The dues are \$20.00 and are due by March 1st. Please make the check payable to **Fulton Federation of Garden Clubs** and mail to:

Monica Bozonier
904 Biscayne Way
Suwanee, GA 30024

All of this information is on the form that can be found on the next page of this newsletter

If you are no longer the president or treasurer of your garden club, please be sure to pass this information to the correct person and provide me with the current president and treasurer's names, addresses, phone numbers and email addresses.. I appreciate your cooperation in advance.

If you have any questions, please contact me at 470-266-6224 or nubianprincess53@charter.net.

Submitted by Monica Bozonier - FF Treasurer



Meetings

Fulton Federation of Garden Clubs will meet **Monday, March 14** at Roswell Area Park Community Activity Building; 10495 Woodstock Rd; Roswell, GA 30075. Our speaker will be Jennifer Petritz whose topic is "Caring for Your Hydrangeas". Spalding Garden Club is in charge of Hospitality for the meeting. During the meeting we will be voting on the proposed By-Laws changes which were announced at the January 10th meeting and will be emailed to the clubs again. **ALL club members** from Fulton Federation garden clubs and societies are invited to attend.

Be sure to save the date for **May 10, 2022** Fulton Federation of Garden Clubs Awards Luncheon. Location TBD.

The **January 10th** meeting was hosted by the Roswell Garden Club who had the highest attendance at the meeting. The speaker was Claude Carpenter who focused his talk on photographing daylilies and generously answered daylily questions. (see photos on following pages)

Submitted by Trudy Rudert—FF President

The Fulton County Federation of Garden Clubs, Inc.

2022 DUES NOTICE & YEARBOOK INFORMATION

DUES: DUE MARCH 1, 2022

Please provide information for your Incoming Slate of Officers or Current Slate of Officers. This information is needed for the Fulton Federation Yearbook. Please print clearly. Thank you.

Name of Club _____ Number of Members _____
Meeting Day (Ex. 2nd Monday, etc.) _____ Day _____ Night _____
Incoming Club President _____
Address _____
City _____ Zip Code _____ Phone & Cell _____
E-mail Address _____

Incoming Federation Representative _____
Address _____
City _____ Zip Code _____ Phone & Cell _____
E-mail Address _____

Incoming Club Treasurer _____
Address _____
City _____ Zip Code _____ Phone & Cell _____
E-mail Address _____

Is your Club a Member of The Garden Club of Georgia, Inc.? _____
Does your Club have GCG, Inc. Grand Gardener Status? _____
Is your Club geographically bound? _____

Mail by March 1 To: Monica Bozonier, FF Treasurer INFO: nubianprincess53@charter.net
904 Biscayne Way, NW 470-266-6224



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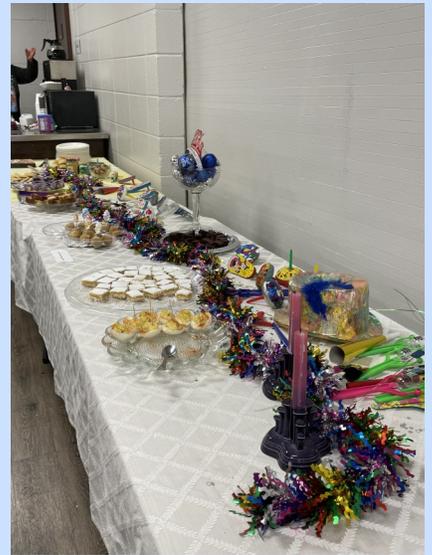


Fulton Federation—January



Claude Carpenter spoke on photographing Daylilies

Host Club Roswell GC—lovely table décor and delicious food



Treasurer Monica Bozonier gave the financial report



President Trudy Rudert





Around The District



FREE Classes

The [North Fulton Master Gardeners](#) in collaboration with the [UGA Extension in Fulton County](#) are continuing to provide horticultural education to the North Fulton community and beyond through FREE virtual gardening education programming. This series of six classes begins Sunday, February 6, 2022, and will be available through live Zoom webinars and Facebook Live. The classes will also be available for later viewing at <https://www.youtube.com/northfultonmastergardeners>.

Each class emphasizes practical gardening activities at the time of year that is best suited for that activity. **Please register in advance at <http://bit.ly/Spring2022NFMG-GardeningLectureSeries> to assure your place.** You may register for all six classes or just pick specific classes. After registering, you will receive a confirmation email containing information about how to join the webinar. If you cannot attend the live webinar, you can register anyway so you will receive a recorded link to the class.

Don't miss these incredible opportunities to learn more about gardening in metro Atlanta.

Composting at Home

Live Zoom: Sunday, Feb. 6 at 2:00 pm

Pruning & Maintaining Shrubs

Live Zoom: Tuesday, Feb. 15 at 7:00 pm

Protecting Georgia's Pollinators

Live Zoom: Tuesday, Mar. 8 at 7:00 pm

All About Plant Toxins

Live Zoom: Sunday, Mar. 13 at 2:00 pm

Lawn Alternatives for a Healthier Environment

Live Zoom: Sunday, Mar. 20 at 2:00 pm

Intro to Hydroponics: Learning the Basics to Enjoy Growing Without Soil

Live Zoom: Sunday, Mar. 27 at 2:00 pm





GCG - Statewide Activities



Gardening in Macon

*the ninety-fourth annual convention of
The Garden Club of Georgia, Inc.*

APRIL 12 -13, 2022 | MACON, GEORGIA

Hosted by the Oleander District

The Garden Club of Georgia, Inc. Annual Convention

Oleander District invites garden club members to the 94th Annual Convention at Marriott Macon City Center, 240 Coliseum Drive, Macon on Tuesday and Wednesday, April 12-13, 2022. The Oleander District proudly hosts "Gardening in Macon". Our special guest is NGC President Mary Warshauer.

Attendees will be treated to informative featured speakers on Tuesday afternoon. Tuesday night we will celebrate and honor the outstanding work of our garden clubs around the state with the Awards Banquet. The Member Celebration Luncheon will follow the business meeting on Wednesday morning. The drawing for the anticipated GCG Cash Raffle will be held at the luncheon on Wednesday.

For the first time we are offering two ways to register for the convention. One way to register is to complete the registration form and mail check as instructed or second way copy the following link to your browser to register and pay through PayPal or debit/credit card.

Online registration: <https://form.jotform.com/211994690426161>

Come join us for fun, visit the many exhibits prepared by garden club members promoting the many projects of GCG, learn from our featured speakers, and enjoy shopping our wonderful vendors. Register soon so you will not miss the fun and exciting experience seeing and visiting with garden club friends from all from all over the state.



GCG - Statewide Activities



HOTEL RESERVATIONS for SPRING CONVENTION

**Marriott Macon City Center
240 Coliseum Drive
Macon, GA 31212**

Choose one of two ways to register:

Phone Marriott reservations at 800-228-9290

Identify yourself as a **Garden Club of Georgia** member
Provide the specific dates of your reservations

OR

On-line Marriott:

You will find information for your online reservation link below:

Highlight link

Right click

Select: open hyperlink

[Book your group rate for The Garden Club of Georgia](#)

Or copy the following link to your browser line or see GCG website

[https://www.marriott.com/event-reservations/reservation-link.mi?
id=1637621551600&key=GRP&app=resvlink](https://www.marriott.com/event-reservations/reservation-link.mi?id=1637621551600&key=GRP&app=resvlink)

- King/Queen Room rates: \$129.00 + state and local taxes + Lodging Fee
- Discounted parking of \$5 per day
- Check- in time: 4:30 p.m. – Check-out time: 11:00 a.m.
- Cancellation may be made up to 48 hours prior to arrival with no charge.

Deadline for hotel registration: on or before March 25, 2022 to receive group rate.

Garden Club of Georgia Annual Convention Tentative Schedule

Monday, April 11, 2022 Pre-Convention

- Early Arrivals
- Dinner on your own or join others for Dutch Treat Dinner

Tuesday, April 12, 2022 Convention Begins

- 7:00 – 9:00 AM Breakfast on Your Own
- 9:00 AM - 7:00 PM Vendors and Floral Tributes, Exhibits
- 11:30 AM – 1:30 PM Lunch on Your Own
- 1:00 – 7:00 PM Registration Open
- 1:00 – 7:00 PM Vendors & Exhibits Open
- 2:30 – 3:30 PM Speaker, Bonnie Satterthwaite - Great speaker on Organic gardening products from Espoma— and they give grants to garden clubs.
- 3:45 – 4:45 PM Speaker, Stan Gray— affiliated with the American Iris Society, “When Iris Eyes Are Smiling.”
- 6:00 – 7:00 PM Cocktails & Conversation, cash bar, entertainment
Honored Guest: Mary Warshauer, President, National Garden Clubs, Inc.
- 7:00 – 9:30 PM Awards Banquet

Wednesday, April 13, 2022 Convention Concludes

- 7:00 – 9:00 AM Breakfast on Your Own
- 8:00 – 9:00 AM Registration Open
- 9:00 – 11:00 AM Annual Meeting/Business Session
- 9:00 AM - 2:00 PM Floral Tributes, Exhibits
- 11:30 AM – 1:30 PM Member Celebration Luncheon, Speaker, Laura Martin





GCG - Statewide Activities



Erin Garden Club Announces Upcoming Flower Show and Presentation by James Farmer

By Sarah Routh

The Erin Garden Club of Dublin is proud to announce its upcoming 2022 Flower Show. The show will feature stunning horticulture and floral designs and other impressive displays. A special pre-flower show event will welcome James Farmer to the stage for an afternoon presentation and demonstration. Admission to "A Touch of Erin" Flower Show is free and open to the public from 2:30 – 6:00 p.m. on Friday, April 22 and Saturday, April 23 from 10:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m. at the First Baptist Church Family Center located at 405 Bellevue Avenue in Downtown Dublin.

Judging for each category will be within the guidelines presented by the National Garden Clubs, Inc. Entries will be awarded either a blue ribbon for first place, red for second, yellow for third, or white for honorable mention. The public is invited and encouraged to participate.

James Farmer's pre-flower show event will take place from 1:00-2:00 pm with doors opening at 12:30 p.m. Tickets are \$40 each and can be purchased from Erin Garden Club members or by calling Paige Smalley at 478-290-7275. The event will be followed by a book signing with Farmer sponsored by Smith's of Dublin.



James is an interior designer, author, gardening expert and speaker known for his ability to create beautiful and welcoming homes. As the founder of the full-service interior design firm James Farmer Designs, he focuses on blending rich traditions of the past with the sensibilities of contemporary life. Effortless elegance, comfort and harmony are the hallmarks of James Farmer Designs.

James is the author of best-selling books *A Time to Plant*; *Sip & Savor*; *Porch Living*; *Wreaths For All Seasons*; *A Time To Cook*; *Dinner on the Grounds*; *A Time to Celebrate*; *A Place to Call Home* and most recently *Arriving Home*, which features design projects from the farmlands of Georgia to the rolling countryside of Connecticut. Born and raised in Georgia, James proudly has built his business in his hometown of Perry.

For more information, contact Flower Show Chairman Susan Wilson at sswilson57@yahoo.com or Erin Garden Club President Melodie Smith at melodies387@gmail.com.

The Erin Garden Club was created in April 1948, currently has 26 active members, and is a proud member of the following: National Garden Clubs, Inc.; Deep South Garden Club, Inc.; The Garden Club of Georgia, Inc.; and Camellia District IV. Its purpose is to "stimulate the knowledge and love of gardening among amateurs and to cultivate the spirit of good gardening in its broadest sense."





GCG - Statewide Activities



State Botanical Garden of Georgia
UNIVERSITY OF GEORGIA

Native Plant Symposium

February 23, 2022, 8:45 am - 3:30 pm

Center for Art and Nature

With lunch in the

Garden Club of Georgia Terrace Room

\$65 General Admission (lunch included),

or

\$30 Webinar option

Register at <https://t.uga.edu/6wn>

Program Agenda

- 9-9:15** **Welcome and Announcements**
Jenny Cruse-Sanders, Director, State Botanical Garden of GA
Peggy Tucker, President, Garden Club of Georgia
- 9:15-10:15** **Every Landscape Counts: Building More Effective and Sustainable Landscapes for Butterflies and Other Pollinators**
Jaret Daniels, professor and curator, Florida Museum of Natural History
- 10:30-11:00** **Break & Plant Sale**
- 12:00-1:15** **Lunch & Certificate in Native Plants Graduation Ceremony**
- 1:15 – 2:15** **Saving the Wild South: The Fight for Native Plants on the Brink of Extinction**
Georgann Eubanks author of Saving the Wild South
- 2:15-2:30** **Break**
- 2:30-3:15** **Photo Documentation of Federal Lands in Georgia: A Public-Driven Georgia Grasslands Initiative (GGI) Project in iNaturalist**
Will Rogers, research professional, State Botanical Garden of Georgia
- 3:15-3:30** **Closing Remarks & Adjourn**

Garden Club of Georgia Fundraiser Cash Raffle!!!!



Be sure to buy your tickets for the GCG cash raffle fundraiser. Drawing will be held at the April Convention in Macon. You do not have to be present to win.

See your club president for tickets or contact: Chris Adams (cadams30041@yahoo.com) for additional tickets. Prizes are:

First Prize \$500 Second Prize \$250 Third Prize \$125

This is the only fundraiser for Garden Club of Georgia this year.
It can only be successful with everyone participating.

Scholarships

Please Support the GCG Scholarship Program by registering on AMAZON SMILE so that a portion of all your purchases will go to help scholarships.

Your shopping will provide Scholarships support from **The Garden Club of Georgia Inc.**

Start Shopping at <https://smile.amazon.com/ch/58-0706724>



“Please share this information with your club members. With so many people ordering merchandise on line, we certainly hope our membership would designate GCG as their charity of choice with AmazonSmile.”



Druid Hills Garden Club

The Druid Hills Garden Club enjoyed a lovely Christmas luncheon at the Capital City Club in December.

Submitted by Sandra Kruger, President



From left to right :

Donna Lanehart, Mary Aiken Wright, Kathy Anderson, Kate Tunison, Lynne Winship, Sally Jobe, Nancy Isakson, Charlotte Pippin, Betty Robinson, Elizabeth Spiegel, Sandra Kruger, Gail Johnson, Liddy Chatham, Mary Ann Hite, Janie Stratigos, Lynne Wood, (seated) Sister Moore and Mary Hood.

Country Hills Garden Club



Country Hills Garden Club celebrated the holidays with a Holiday Host House Tour at Monica Bozonier's home. Every room had a different theme that we tried to guess. Go to the Country Hills Garden Club Facebook page to see the rooms. We played games, exchanged gifts and shared a wonderful meal.

Submitted by Johnetta Gillies, President



Norcross Garden Club

November 18, 2021 - Member elves decorated the Norcross GC clubhouse cottage inside and out. They joined the city with exterior Christmas lights and displayed a colorful lighted Christmas tree on the front porch. See some of our many elves enjoying the day.



Far left : Co-President Nancy O'Reilly, new member Ann Beach and Cottage Rental Chairman Jane Cunningham fluff oversized wreaths to hang on the exterior of the cottage clubhouse.

Near left – New member Susan Rohrbaugh and First VP Debbie Boyd decorate the stair rail leading to the cottage entrance.

Below: Even the window boxes were adorned with Christmas decorations.

Left to Right: Joanne Russell, Kathy Sumner, Joy Penland and Gail Thompson hang garland on the cottage garden trellis.





Sandy Springs Garden Club

FIELD TRIP TO ARCHIBALD SMITH PLANTATION IN ROSWELL

Eleven members of the Sandy Springs Garden Club met at the Archibald Smith house in Roswell (1935 Alpharetta Street) on November 30, to tour the house and grounds while decorated for Christmas (by the Roswell Garden Club). The curated tour offered insights into the Smith family, their descendants, and the last resident, Mamie Cotton, the Smith's housekeeper for 54 years, who lived in the house from 1960 until her death in 1994. The members who participated are *Janie Webb, Margaret Russell, Mary Lyn Paoella, Ginny Wolf, Susan Beard, Chris Adams* (all shown in photo at **right l-r**); and Carrie Grayson, Emily Levitt, Elaine Stephens, Linda Ware, and Karen Clydesdale (not pictured in group photo at right).

Afterwards, many enjoyed lunch together on the square in Roswell, and some added to the Roswell economy by shopping in the local shops.

Enjoying lunch below are (**left side**) *Carrie Grayson, Elaine Stephens, Susan Beard* and (**right side**) *Janie Webb, Chris Adams, Mary Lyn Paoella*.



Written by Susan Beard





Sandy Springs Garden Club

DECORATING WILLIAMS-PAYNE HOUSE ON NOVEMBER 29

Eight members of the SSGC, under the leadership of Mary Vaughan, decorated the historic Williams-Payne House and immediate environs at 6075 Sandy Springs Circle, for the holiday season. The results were simply beautiful. In keeping with the age of the house, late 1800's, the club created all natural decorations from materials found in their own yards.



Mary Vaughn, Chris Adams, Janie Webb and Kathleen Meuci (front) helped out on a cold day.



- A. Annette Johnson
- B. Elaine Stephens making magnolia wreaths for front porch
- C. Carrie Grayson
- D. Susan Beard making magnolia wreaths for front porch





Norcross Garden Club

A Holiday Gathering

On December 14, 2021 the Norcross Garden Club gathered at the Norcross Cultural Arts and Community Center for a festive holiday affair. Members arrived spruced up in Christmas sweaters (no Christmas sweater is ugly) along with bundles of requested food items for the Neighborhood Cooperative. A very generous car load of donations were delivered the following day. The evening concluded with a spectacular garden themed complimentary raffle.



Left: Gena Spears dons her dazzling new gardening hat. **Middle:** New Member Dawn Squibb attends her first meeting. **Right:** Pam Cammarata's creative wreath frame members throughout the night.

The Norcross Garden Club
Plant Sale
 April 22-23, 2022
 9 - 5

- >Passalongs
- >Perennials
- >Herbs/Veggies
- >Groundcovers

33 College Street, Norcross, GA 30071
 Please visit our website:
 → norcrossgardenclub.org



Norcross Garden Club

January 23, 2022 - Norcross Earth Team (Norcross Youth Garden Club)
 “Fruit Ninja Cooking Class for Kids”

The Norcross Earth Team Leaders Move Youth Off of the Sofa

“Fruit Ninja” a popular video game where players slice fruit with the touch of the screen became *real life* “Fruit Ninja” inside the Norcross Garden Club cottage. Thirteen young players ranging from 7 to 12 year-olds experienced “hands on” fruit slicing skills while using various tools: apple peelers, apple corers, orange peelers, melon ball scoops, strawberry corers, lemon zesters, fruit juicers, fruit squeezers, vegetable peelers, and knives. In the process of creating Ninja “pomanders and fruit salad, players learned where various fruits originated and what they become through composting. Each player had the opportunity to partake in their fruit salad creation of pineapple, apple, orange, watermelon, strawberry, kiwi, star fruit, bananas, blueberries, and raisins. Each player took home their very own orange peeler and pomander creation. Seven Norcross Garden Club members: Susan Bell, Ana Brechtel, Angelika Domschke, Sharon Palmer, Leanne Penman, Trudy Rudert, and Gena Spears facilitated the activity.





Primrose Garden Club

Several of our Primrose GC members (and two spouses!) visited the Atlanta Botanical Gardens in late October for the Scarecrows in the Garden Exhibition. The weather was perfect and the displays were charming. Lunch was enjoyed by all at the Garden's Longleaf Restaurant where we made this group photo.

(L-R) Meppie Hessler, Linda Simpson, Lee Keller, Sandra Keller, Terri Anne Paguibitan, Beth Towner, Nan Cannon, Kathy Smith, Pam Covington, Cam Solms, Angi Mitchell, Janine Bethea, Suzi Mellott, Milena Nelson



*The Fae Myceliana
(Mushroom Goddess)*



Long-time member, Pam Covington, enjoying the sun.



Primrose Garden Club

In December, Primrose Ladies and Gent toured the holiday-decorated Governor's Mansion with our own Georgia State Representative/member, Sharon Cooper.

(L-R) Rachel Barron, Beth Towner, Milena Nelson, Nan Cannon, Janine Bethea, Pam Covington, Eric Bowles, Angi Mitchell, Sharon Cooper, Cam Solms, Karen Miller, Melissa Stuk, Melinda Stuk, Kathy Smith



Piedmont Garden Club Celebrates 90th Birthday!

In celebration, 73 members toured the Grounds of the Governor's mansion in November. Thank you Governor and Mrs. Kemp!

Submitted by, Jane Hedgepeth, President of PGC





Club Estates Garden Club

“So Great to be back in person!” Club Estates Garden Club recently took a covid-safe field trip to the Atlanta Botanical Garden. We broke into 3 groups and enjoyed the docent-lead tours offered by The Garden to groups. Everyone expressed how much they appreciated the gardens, the docents and their vast knowledge and most of all, the fellowship after so many months apart. What a great day!

At our January meeting, we voted to donate \$1,000 to create a GCG ‘Named Scholarship’ that will be named after our club and awarded to a student studying in a garden related field at a Georgia college or University



In the Orchid House

Front Row: Christy Roberts, President Club Estates Garden Club

Back Row L-R Louise Hoff, Diane Jones, Gayle Sherlag, Rebecca Clements, Diane Moffett

Front Row L-R - Gayle Sherlag, Christy Roberts - President, Diane Moffett, Cindy Jernigan

Back Row L-R - Mary Owen, Diane Jones, Leigh Eigel, Rebecca Clements, Louise Hoff, and Diana Conway



Looking Forward



Orchid Madness at the State Botanical Garden in Athens, GA

Looking for something fun to do during the winter? Orchid Madness is at the State Botanical Garden in Athens in February and March. You can learn about orchids in several curated events, each of which provides a delightful insight into the world of orchids. For more information and to sign up, go to their website, <https://www.botgarden.uga.edu>.

- An opening reception will be held on the evening of February 5th with hors d'oeuvres, live music by the UGA Men's Glee club and an orchid display, all to benefit the Garden's horticulture environment. Each attendee will take home a live, blooming orchid. Location: Visitor Center and Conservatory; Cost is \$60, sign up online.
- A piano concert, the Botanic Musicale, will feature musical artist Liza Stepanova, and include a champagne meet and greet reception during the evening of February 12, 2022. Location: Day Chapel; Cost is \$20, sign up online.
- Orchids and Chocolates is an evening event on February 17, 2022. Enjoy a chocolate tasting and demonstration by Peter Dale of Condor Chocolates and learn about the cacao bean and the rare orchids from the Garden's collection. Location: Porcelain and Decorative Arts Museum; Cost is \$50 per person, sign up online.
- Orchid Madness- Orchid Day is a workshop and lecture on February 26, 2022. Horticulture Director Shelly Prescott will lead it. Attendees can bring two plants and containers to repot their plants. The workshop will be in the morning, followed by lunch and a lecture in the afternoon. Location: Visitor Center & Conservatory; Cost: \$40, sign up online.
- Vanilla Sunday, a celebration of the vanilla orchid that includes a delicious vanilla sundae and a watercolor demonstration by illustrator Cameron Berglund is on March 13, 2022. Location: Visitor Center & Conservatory, Cost is \$10 per person; children ten and under are free, sign up online.





Looking Forward



ATLANTA BOTANICAL GARDEN

ATLANTA BOTANICAL GARDEN
flower show
2022: metamorphosis

If cold days already have you dreaming of spring mark your calendars for the perfect winter elixir, the Atlanta Botanical Garden Flower Show! The biennial indoor exhibition spotlights thousands of plant specimens and stunning creations in the juried competitions of horticulture, floral design and photography. Become a supporter and get a sneak peek of the show during the Preview Party on February 24! All proceeds benefit the International Plant Exploration Program. Visit abgflowershow.org for more details.

Friday, Feb. 25 – Sunday, Feb. 27
10 a.m. – 5 p.m.



Looking Forward



SAVE THE DATES

- February 14, 2022, 2:00 PM Eastern Time NGC Membership Monday (plus others each month)
 REVITALIZE - Are your meetings boring? Is your membership aging out? Time for a reboot? Join us as we explore the keys to revitalizing your club through rediscovery and renovation strategies.
[Register for this meeting here](#)
- February 23, 2022 Native Plant Symposium, SBG, Athens, In person and webinar option
- February 24, 2022 – Garden Club of Georgia Board of Directors Meeting – ZOOM – 1:30 PM
- February 25-27 Botanical Gardens Flower Show (see more information in this newsletter)
- March 6-10, 2022 – Deep South Garden Clubs Convention – Natchez, Miss
- April 12-13 – Garden Club of Georgia Annual Meeting/Convention – Macon (see details in this newsletter)
- April 19, 2022 - “Spring in Vineyard” Camellia District (south Central GA) Fund Raiser
- April 22-23, 2022 – Norcross Garden Club Plant Sale (See more information in this newsletter)
- April 22-23, 2022 - The Garden Club of Savannah will be hosting the 46th Annual NOGS Tour of Hidden Gardens – Location: The Green-Meldrim House on Madison Square, Savannah, GA
 More information can be found: www.gardenclubofsavannah.org
- April 23, 2022 – Fairy Garden Tour of Historic Old Town Brunswick
 by Magnolia Garden Club, Brunswick, GA – 10:00 am to 2:00 pm
- May 15-21, 2022 – National Garden Clubs, Inc. Convention – Orlando
<https://gardenclub.org/2022-ngc-convention-details> Or check out the Winter Issue of National Gardener <https://gardenclub.org/sites/default/files/2022-01/the-national-gardener-winter-2022.pdf>
- May 21, 2022 10 am- Ball Ground Garden Club Festival and Plant Sale
 215 Valley Street, Ball Ground, GA 3010—<https://www.ballgroundgardenclub.com/upcoming-events>
- May 30, 2022 Dedication Ceremony for the Blue Star and Gold Star Family Markers in Roswell at Veterans Park.
- August 9th - August Dogwood District Board Meeting to be held at Lost Corner Preserve





Looking Forward



Advance notice—August Dogwood District Board Meeting



Join us on August 9th for our Dogwood District Board Meeting. The meeting will be held at Lost Corner Preserve, 7300 Brandon Mill Rd NW, Sandy Springs, GA 30328. We will be discussing the upcoming Fall Annual Luncheon, finalizing our 2022 fundraiser and sharing information about all things Dogwood District and Garden Club of Georgia.

All club members are encouraged to attend, not just the club president. This is a wonderful opportunity to network with other Clubs and share ideas. You will have an opportunity to learn from the other clubs and to share your club ideas with them.

Refreshments and door prizes will be provided. Mark your calendars now.

- ◆ We hope all garden clubs are finally able to meet during the coming months and still social distance and wear masks. The work you do in your communities is important. Seek out larger meeting locations or do volunteer work in smaller groups.
- ◆ Contact me (cadams30041@yahoo.com) if you need help completing your Club Presidents' report of Club Achievements. The 2021 version is on-line and available for you to print and complete.

<http://gardenclub.uga.edu/pdfs/presidentsreport.pdf>

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- ◆ The next issue of Dogwood Dialogue will be published the end of May 2022. Send articles, photos and captions to dogwooddialoguearticles@gmail.com by May 15th.

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