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DIRECTOR'S CORNER FALL 2022

Magnificent Magnolia Gardenistas!

We've enjoyed about all of this summer heat we ever wanted, and we only have TWO more months to go! How delightful!! Aren't we all ready for some cooler fall season weather? This Director's Garden club calendar continues to be jam-packed.

Special thanks to the Sumter County Federation for inviting this Director to their spring luncheon at Bison Valley in Americus. They had a delightful lunch, a wonderful guest speaker demonstrating beautiful flower arrangements and they had lots of door prizes. Bison are truly majestic creatures but apparently, they were all tired that day and were all lying down. It had been decades since this Director lived in Oklahoma and saw bison regularly, so the excitement to see them again was a bit squashed for a picture taking opportunity. In their defense, they were wearing those wooly coats so it

Let's Go and Grow!

DIRECTOR'S CORNER FALL 2022 continue

was probably too hot to stand. Maybe next time?

A Blue Star Marker was dedicated on July 22, 2022, in conjunction with the dedication of the new Robert S. Poydasheff VA Clinic in Columbus. The Green Island Garden Club worked with two veteran military groups for over two years to get this project done. See their article for details. Great Job-Lynn Thompson and the generous Green Island Garden Club ladies!!

Magnolia District is scheduled to host the next Historic Landscape Preservation fundraiser, location Masse Lane Gardens, now scheduled for November 4, 2023. Please get ready to volunteer and make it a great success.

In the District, let's be ready to follow this term's theme: "Let's Go and Grow!" GO to your garden club, GO to district, GO to published events, and GO to state meetings. GROW our membership—we need every single member. Let's be happy volunteers, making friends, and looking for ways to serve our communities as we follow the Garden Club mission: Beautification, Conservation and Education (BCE). This Director looks forward to serving you and seeing you during this term.

Nilsa Summey (rhymes with yummy)

Magnolia District News

Let's Go and Grow!

Marideane Maxwell accepts the First Place National Garden Club Flower Show Award!



Photo Left: Marideane Maxwell (center) accepted the First Place NGC Flower Show Award presented by Martha Price and Director Summey (right) at the August 9th District Board meeting.

Youth Sculpture Contest National Garden Club Second Place Award



Martha Price and Nilsa Summey present the National Garden Clubs, Inc. Second Place award for Youth Sculpture Contest won by Sha'znlyha McCarthy, to Ann Howell of Beautiful View Garden Club. Photo Left to right: Ann Howell, Chairman Summey and Martha Price.

Planning Your September to June Meeting Programs?

To be considered for the **Standard of Excellence Certification** review the following process: Look at the last Presidents Report and see how many of the boxes you can check by making a project or program out of the directives. Can your club take part in the programs and projects of the Garden Club of Georgia, Inc. by using the report to determine your projects and programs in your community?

Excellence is defined as “the quality of being outstanding or extremely good” or performing at the top of one’s abilities. A sign hung on a wall stated: “Pursue perfection but tolerate excellence.” Perfection may not be possible in the practice of Garden Clubbing, but we can bring the directives into our local community. Perfection and excellence are viewed through numerous eyes for various results.

Marideane Maxwell Issues A Call to Action for the Perry Flower Show! The Georgia National Fair and Camellia District IV and Magnolia District V Members of The Garden Club of Georgia, Inc., Deep South Garden Clubs, Inc. And National Garden Clubs, Inc. present

Let's Celebrate! An NGC Standard Flower Show October 7-9, 2022 Friday, October 7, 2022, 1 p.m. - 10 p.m. Saturday, October 8, 2022, 10 a.m. - 10 p.m. Sunday, October 9, 2022, 10 a.m. - 5 p.m. Staged at the MILLER-MURPHY-HOWARD BUILDING Georgia National Fairgrounds Perry, Georgia 401 Larry Walker Pkwy., Perry, GA 31069 During the 33rd Annual Georgia National Fair October 6 - 16, 2022 Admission Free With Fair Gate Fee. **WHAT IS NEEDED? PER MARIDEANE – FLORAL ARRANGEMENTS!**



Magnolia District Board of Directors Meeting

The Magnolia District Board Meeting, hosted by the Village Green Garden Club of Byron, Georgia was held August 9th, 2022, at the Byron Methodist Church. A wonderful and informative time was enjoyed as business was transacted. Linda Rhoden, President of Village Green Garden Club welcomed members. The Inspiration presented by Joyce Carreker, Chaplain, was followed by the Pledge of Allegiance. Members were reminded to refer to the Club President reports when planning events to qualify for the Standard of Excellence when completing the President's report annually. Co-Director Kay Hagler presented the membership report suggesting several ways to increase membership and suggested clubs tell their wonderful stories in the Magnolia Messenger and Garden Gateways. Sandra Haga reported the Pineola Farms Fundraising event received good proceeds with funds contributed for GCG Scholarships and the next event is set for April 22&23, 2023. Nominating Committee final report for 2023-2025 was presented: Director, Kay Hagler; Co-Director, Marilyn Aldrich; Treasurer, Janis Webb; Recording Secretary, Ann Howell. Clare Jenkins announced plans for the 2023 Historic Landscape Preservation Fundraiser at Masee Lane on November 4, 2023. Community Wildlife Project awards were presented by Jean O'Shields and Martha Price. Marideane Maxwell accepted the first place NGC Flower Show Award presented by Martha Price and Director Summey. A motion to pay \$375 for refurbishing the Magnolia District Blue Star Marker at the Plains Welcome

Center was made by Jean O'Shields, seconded by Marilyn Aldrich and approved.

Committee reports are due to Ann Howell and Director Summey by August 19, 2022. Oral reports were presented by: Kay Hagler-Membership and Parks & Lands; Willie Maxwell-Butterflies & Bees; Bobbie Liggett-Youth Poetry & Sculpture and Janice Mohr-Environmental (invasive species.)

YOU ARE INVITED: MAGNOLIA DISTRICT ANNUAL MEETING

Come one, come all, to the 2022 Magnolia District Annual Meeting! The Columbus Council of Garden Clubs, Inc. will host the event on Wednesday, October 12, 2022, at the Green Island Country Club, Columbus, cost \$40. Our guest speaker will be Adriana Quinones, new Executive Director, Columbus Botanical Garden. Registration/coffee start at 9:30 am and the meeting will begin at 10:00 am. We invite GCG officers and board members from across the state as well as the other six district directors. Of the seven districts, Magnolia District has the smallest membership in our state but we are mighty! Your attendance will help us show everyone how mighty we can be.

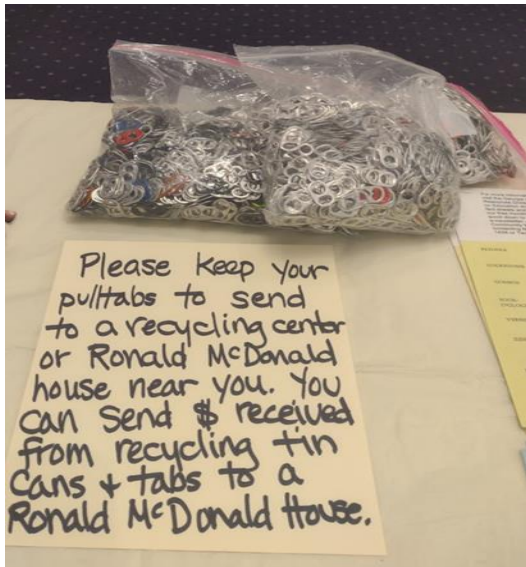
We will have wonderful raffle baskets, *so bring your money to buy tickets.* As is our customary practice, each garden club in our district is requested to bring a door prize in a gift bag/wrapped OR write a \$25 check to "Magnolia District" (add "Annual Meeting 2022" in the reference line) OR you can do BOTH if your club budget and member generosity allows. The Call Letter will be issued with the registration form in early September. See you soon!

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SAVE THE DATE

"SAVE THE DATE Magnolia District is hosting 2023 Historic Landscape Preservation Fundraiser at Masee Lane Gardens on November 4, 2023. Clare Jenkins is HLP Chairman, and she will need everyone's help and support. More information will be posted as it is finalized."

THE RONALD MCDONALD HOUSE CHARITIES



Did you know the little insignificant



tab

you pulled to open your can of soda could make a significant impact on families?

The aluminum can is valuable, but this small metal tab is like a gold nugget to Ronald McDonald House Charities! It is easily removed from the can and delivers a positive donation benefit. The **Ronald McDonald House Charities** offers a comforting home away from home and a community of support for seriously ill children and their families.

Bring your pull tabs to the October Meeting!

HOW TO: Tabs should be clean and in sealed plastic bags or spill proof containers with the club's name and city on a slip of paper inside each bag. Please be sure to **include the city since we have several clubs with the same name in our district. You do need to add club number.** Also, please put **MAGNOLIA DISTRICT IN WITH THE NAME, CITY AND NUMBER OF CLUB.** You and Magnolia District will gain credit for the tabs. Tabs may be brought to district board meetings or to the pull tab chairman's home. She weighs the tabs, takes them to the Ronald McDonald House, and keeps an ongoing tally of the weight of tabs donated by each club and the date tabs are received. Large amounts of tabs may be weighed by the club and recorded on the container. One other option is to take the tabs to a local recycling center, have them weighed, receive money for the tabs and donate the money. Metal tabs from beverage cans, pet food, and canned goods are accepted. Bags of tabs are often handled several times, so please be sure each bag is labeled and secure. **Magnolia District, pull those tabs!**

News from The District Clubs

Bee Beautiful Garden Club in Richland

In March, the Bee Beautiful Garden Club in Richland made concrete stepping-stones for the BBGC butterfly garden at the Stewart County Courthouse square. Steps were later installed at the courthouse. Photo right: L to R: Kayla Usher, Youth member, Lynne Favara and Justin Fredrick. Not pictured: Hank Wilson, Cindy Trojak, and Peggy Wilson.



For **April's meeting**, Guy Hubbard of Guy Hubbard Apiaries, who is a professional commercial beekeeper and transports bees all over the United States to pollinate crops, spoke to club



members on the joys of bee keeping. As a third-generation beekeeper he is experienced in all aspects of bee keeping. He informed us of his business enterprise and invited members out to see his beehives, which consists of hundreds of bee hives. President Wilson and her husband, Hank, also a member of the BBGC, were brave enough to help him catch some swarms while visiting his hives! Picture

left above: President Peggy Wilson and member Hank Wilson helping Guy Hubbard catch a bee swarm.

For our **May meeting**, we held a very special event. BBGC was proud to present a Rain Barrel workshop for the community. It was the first one held in this area. BBGC was able to acquire a grant that is administered by River Network, in conjunction with the Coca Cola Corporation, who supplied the 30 barrels and connecting hardware at no charge to attendees. Other local partners in making this event happen were the American Legion, which offered the use of their building for the workshop, The Richland Library and local churches, which helped spread the word of barrel availability. Recipients were required to attend the workshop to learn how to correctly set up their barrel. Photo right above: President Peggy Wilson presenting introductory opening to Rain Barrel Shop participants. Approximately 30 people attended.



President Peggy Wilson opened the workshop with a brief history of the BBGC and how it is affiliated with the statewide Georgia Garden Club. She



presented surprising facts on water usage and waste, and why capturing rain water was a valuable contribution to the ecology and economics of any region. Picture left: Hank Wilson and

youth member Hunter Widgeon demonstrating how to attach hardware to rain barrels. The **BBGC June** meeting had a presentation on canning and canning safety by Mitzi Parker and Christine Garner, Sumter and Stewart County Extension Agents, respectively and their summer intern from Florida State University. Photo right above: L to R: Christina Garner, Stewart County Extension, intern (not identified), and Mitzi Parker, Sumter County Extension.





In addition, our youth members, Kayla Usher and Hunter Widgeon (photo left) are collecting tabs for the garden club. Here they present them to the club for the purpose of donating them to the Ronald McDonald House via The Garden Club of Georgia, Inc.

Winchester Garden Club of Columbus



During National Garden Week, the Winchester Garden Club of Columbus Georgia tackled an important, necessary but relatively small job. Let me explain: The important? The Winchester Garden Club was established in 1961 and named after the subdivision in which the club members lived. Twenty members strong they decided that they would canvass the Winchester neighborhood and collect money to erect **a sign** at the entrance to the subdivision. The Club collected enough money to have the sign built, installed and maintained. It was a simple wood sign painted black with gold letters “Winchester 1961” on one side and “Winchester Garden Club” on the other. She was a beauty. She welcomed the neighbors and club members home every day. She is nothing like the grand entrances of today with elaborate manufactured sign and stone entrances. But did her job with honor. The necessary: She stood strong, for these past 61 years but she was tired and weathered and in need of a face lift. Fast forward to May

2022. The Winchester Garden Club voted to refresh this beauty. Cleaning supplies, paint, brushes, clippers and pine straw were brought to her feet and the work began. With many of the Winchester Club Members helping it didn't take long to bring her back to the beauty



she was. It was a small job but so important. There are only two Club members still living in the subdivision. This sign represents past and present members of the Winchester Garden Club and she stands tall today welcoming neighbors and members home as she did 61 years ago. Photo right: Members of the Winchester Garden Club!

Green Island Garden Club

Blue Star Memorial Marker Dedication



The Blue Star Memorial Marker Dedication Sponsored by Green Island Garden Club in cooperation with Local Veterans Organizations and The Garden Club of Georgia, Inc. and The Grand Opening of the Robert S. Poydasheff Veterans Administration Clinic was held on July 22, 2022, in Columbus, Ga.

The dedication of the Blue Star Memorial Marker and the Grand Opening of the VA Clinic was attended by about 300 citizens and the U. S. Government was well represented for the event. The clinic will serve West Central Georgia and East Central Alabama veterans. The Blue Star



Marker Dedication was conducted by the President of the Garden Club of Georgia, Inc., Ms. Peggy Tucker. Certificates and Remarks concerning the Blue Star Marker Program for the Garden Club of Georgia, Inc. was presented by the Marker Chairman, Ms. Jan Thiese. The photo to the right of previous page includes Members of The Green Island Garden Club of Columbus, Georgia. The Green Island Garden Club worked with two veteran military groups for over two years to get this project done. Great Job--Lynn Thompson and the generous Green Island Garden Club ladies!!

THE GARDEN CLUB OF GEORGIA, INC. NEWS

Just How Old Are You Anyway?

Evelyna Keadle Rogers
HISTORIAN, The Garden Club of Georgia, Inc.
Photo Right: Mrs. F. Phinzy Calhoun (Marion) of
Atlanta was elected as the first president of the
GCG.



Just how old are you? Pardon me, that is rude of me. I am not checking to see if you have as many grey hairs as I do, or as many wrinkles. What I really need to ask is how old is your garden club? Council? Garden Center, or District.

How close are you to the BIG ones-10th,25, etc. You know, those ending with a big "O" or a big "%". If a big one is approaching, now is the time to begin putting your HISTORY together. Tell your story. Protect your legacy! Need help? Check out HISTORY AWARD # 20 in the Garden Club of Georgia Award Handbook. Any questions? Contact Evelyna Rogers, GCG Historian: rogers2767@bellsouth.net

And about those grey hairs and wrinkles, do not worry- you are looking great.

Many thanks, Evelyna

Attention!
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Evelyna Keadle Rogers, Chairman

**2023 CONTEST
IN PROCESS**

**The 2023 WILDFLOWER & NATIVE PLANT
DIGITAL PHOTO CONTEST NOW IN PROCESS**

Guidelines and Forms in GCG Guide
or Contact Evelyna Rogers

THINGS TO REMEMBER:

1. A closeup and a distance photo of each flower counts as one entry.
2. Send photos to Evelyna Rogers.
3. Send form with photos.
4. Evelyna: rogers2767@bellsouth.net

NOW IS THE TIME TO BEGIN SENDING YOUR PHOTOS!

**PLAN ON ENTERING FOR GCG AND
NCG AWARDS**

**Wildflower Award # 11 entry and your Native
Plant #11 entry Due December 1, 2022**

**NOW IS THE TIME TO PREPARE YOUR AWARDS FOR THE
DECEMBER 1ST DEADLINE**

Make a Dinosaur smile! He wants to remind you now is the time to prepare your Wildflower Award # 11 entry and your Native Plant #11 entry. Reminder: Your project can be a work in progress. Your entry can be an update to a former project (example: additions of wildflowers to an existing butterfly garden). Any questions: Please contact Evelyna: rogers2767@bellsouth.net

How to make a Dinosaur smile? Give him a bouquet of wildflowers, of course!

*Wildflowers and native plants, we adore
from mountain tops to our seashore.*

*These plants now need our help to thrive
to survive.*

*Our wild heritage we must protect
never neglect
we must not wait too late.*

Remember the dinosaur's sad fate -

Banished

Vanished.

Let's not have another species lost

That's too great that cost!

Evelyna Keadle Rogers



Put Magnolia on the WILDFLOWER and THE NATIVE PLANT map. Apply for Award #11!



The Garden Club of Georgia, Inc.
invites you to participate in the
**High School Gardeners Essay
Contest**

2022-2023 Theme:

**“Our Garden-Their Beauty and Benefits
using Natives”**

All entries Due by December 1 2022, and must
be submitted electronically to
mjogden@hotmail.com

High School Gardeners Essay Contest Rules & Eligibility:

The High School Gardeners Essay Contest is open to High School students attending 9th through 12th grades. The contest must be sponsored by: a single garden club, a group of member clubs, councils, or a district. All entries become the property of the Garden Club of Georgia, Inc. A state certificate and a cash award of \$300 may be awarded annually to the winner of the State High School Essay Contest. Second and third place winners will receive \$150 and \$75 respectively. The winning essay will be printed in the fall issue of *Garden Gateways*.

Scale of Points (total 100)

Content (65)

- a. Knowledge of subject (10)
- b. Thesis statement (10)
- c. Practicality of proposal (10)
- d. Originality (15)
- e. Organization, clarity of subject matter and presentation (20)

Composition (20)

- a. Grammar and punctuation (10)
- b. Vocabulary and spelling (10)

Manuscript (15)

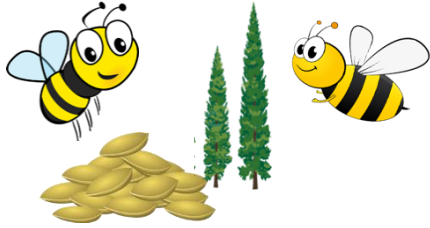
- a. Conformance to length (5)
- b. Cover sheet includes: Name, address, phone number, school attending, grade, list of activities, and sponsoring club (5)
- c. Entry is submitted via email in PDF document format (5)

Length of Essay: Between 600-700 words. The entry will be penalized if it does not conform to the required length. All words are to be counted. All entries must be typed and titled.

The student should write the essay so it is suitable to be published in the Garden Club of Georgia, inc. publication, *The Garden Gateway*.

Contest Deadlines: All entries are sent **via email in PDF format** by December 1st directly to the Garden Club of Georgia, Inc. High School Gardeners Essay Chairman:
mjogden@hotmail.com

Mary Ogden, 51 Horton Road, Odum, GA 31555, H 912-586-6125, C 912-294-4144.



GCG/NGC YOUTH POETRY CONTEST
2022-2023
Seeds, Trees and Bees, Oh My-
Celebrating the Diversity of Nature

2022-2023 Contest Rules

Excite and encourage our Youth to express and explore their creative thoughts through different types of poetry. NGC's Poetry Contest enables our Youth to embrace their creativity through the art of writing. Be imaginative and join the winners to see your poetry in a printed booklet. Only regional winners are considered in the judging for national winners. Contest winners will not be allowed to win two consecutive years. All of the winning entries will be compiled into a booklet, which will be made available to the winners.

Eligibility: Kindergarten through Ninth Grade

- Special Education
- English as a second language
- General Education

Dates for Submission:

- Club entries must be sent to Magnolia District Poetry Chairman Bobbie Liggett by **December 1**.

Guidelines:

- Poems should be no longer than 24 lines (including title) with a maximum 42 letters/spaces per line-in order to fit on a single page of the booklet.
- All entries must be typed and titled on an 8.5 x 11-inch paper.
- Include name, address, age, grade, and school of participant on the back of entry using the labels at: <http://gardenclub.uga.edu/pdfs/contestlabels.pdf>
- Sponsoring garden club and state garden club name must also be identified. **The club contact person is the mailing address for any winning entries.**
- Sponsoring garden club may be that of a grandparent.
- All entries become the property of National Garden Clubs, Inc. and will not be returned. Make your own copies.
- Poems do not have to rhyme.
- Poems may be traditional verse, acrostics, blank verse, cinquains, diamond poems, limerick, or Haiku.
- The theme should not be used as the title to any poem. Be creative and include at least one of the following words from the theme: Seeds, Trees, Bees, Nature. When judging, the title is worth 10 points.

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Scale of Points: Title: 10% + Content: 40% + Creativity: 30% + Style: 20% = Total: 100%

A State Certificate may be awarded to first place winners in each grade level within each category for the best poem submitted by an individual youth sponsored by a GCG member club. Cash awards will be \$25(1st place), \$15(2nd place) and \$10 (3rd place) in each of the 30 divisions.

For more information, contact: State Chairman: Jean O'Shields, 400 Valley View Dr, Fort Valley GA 31030, 478-397-7660, oshieldsjj@bellsouth.net Note: Only Regional winners are considered in the judging for National winners. National contest winners will not be allowed to win in two consecutive years.

Visit www.gardenclub.uga.edu and www.gardenclub.org for detailed contest rules. Form Rev. 8/22

Let's Go and Grow!

National Garden Club, Inc. News

<https://gardenclub.org/blog/butterflies-my-balcony-make-yes>



Has balcony gardening come into its own yet? Maybe - as a part of the green revolution of cityscapes. But if you still don't think so, are there things we can do to speed the process? Well, engaging in the time-honored practice of planting native blooming plants that attract native pollinators can certainly be "one of those things!"

Balconies come in different lengths and widths, with all manner of sun exposures. Common to most is that they are usually well off the ground and outside. Bees and butterflies will fly upwards of 150 feet high in search of provisions. Flies and some wasps will too, and they can help pollinate. Think also about purchasing native butterfly chrysalids to populate your garden. So even if your balcony protrudes from the 10th floor, the opportunity is yours to provide a pollinator waystation! Copy from the Blog of the National Garden Club.

CALENDAR

Double Check all Dates and Times
with GCG Master Calendar

September

2022

7	W	F & E 10:00 am	Zoom
12, 13, 14	M, T, W	GCG Board of Directors Meeting	Lake Blackshear
12	M	Fall Board Meeting 2:00	Lake Blackshear
19-20	M-Tu	NGC Fall Board Meeting	Saint Louis, MO

October

2022

7th-9th		Camellia- Magnolia District Flower Show	Ga St Fairgrounds, Perry, GA.
12	W	Magnolia District Fall Meeting	Columbus
15		Plant America Community Project Grant	deadline

November	2022		
15		Magnolia Messenger Article deadline for Winter Issue. (Dec, Jan, Feb)	haglerkays@hotmail.com
December	2022		
1	Awards	Awards Deadline	Awards Manual
January	2023		
15	Due	Dollars Educate Scholars: #25 of Presidents Report	100% participation
February	2023		
9	Th	Investment Comm & Trustees	Athens
10	Fr	F & E 1:30 pm	Zoom
15		2022 Club President's Report (Jan.1- Dec 31,2022)	Report
15		Magnolia Messenger Article deadline Spring 23	haglerkays@hotmail.com
21	Tu	GCG Winter Board Meeting 1:30	Zoom
TBD		Magnolia District Board Meeting:	Ft. Gaines

MAGNOLIA DISTRICT'S LISTED BEST MEETING TOPICS following pages:

As explained in the August 9th Magnolia District Board meeting, a list of the two best meeting topics from the 2021 Club Presidents Reports follows for possible program ideas! Just a few ideas from your friends shared by your Magnolia District Director who files the report with GCG.

As Charlie Mackesy wrote in his book “The Boy, the Mole, the Fox, and the Horse”

“Is your glass half empty or half full?”

Asked the mole

“I think I’s grateful to have a glass.”

Said the boy!

We are grateful for the list!

GARDEN CLUB	TOPIC	POC	PHONE	EMAIL
05-020 Daffodil GC, Albany	Elements of Design Fresh flowers in containers	Martha Price	478.397.7787	philmarprice@cox.net
	Vines Examples of vines & differences in poison ivy/oak	Johnny Golden	229.854.7555	goldenjo@lee.k12.ga.us
05-060 Azalea GC Americus	Rudy's Happy Patch Produce Market & Perry Wellness Center	Stuart Perry & Jaimie Minich	229.924.2430	Perrywellnesscenter.com Services of wellness center and produce sold at market
	Café Campesino's History Georgia's 100% organic specialty coffee company	Bill Harris Founder	888.532.4728	info@cafecampesino.com
05-075 Dogwood GC Americus	Planting Spring Gardens Lecture and demo with rooted cuttings to share	Faye Frazier	229.886.7139	Fayefrazier33@gmail.com
	Taking Seasonal Garden Items to Make Decorations	Jean O'Shields	478.397.7660	oshieldsjj@bellsouth.net
05-078 Early Bloomers GC, Americus	African Violet Program by owner of Topiaries	Kay Snipes Owner	850.420.7447	Ksnipes31825@yahoo.com
	Garden Tour of Patty Perles Home	Patty Perles	229.881.6337	pepgarden@bellsouth.net
05-145 Beautiful View GC Buena Vista	Agriculture Program at Marion County HS How they teach agriculture & forestry to students & plant sale	John Hagin	229.649.2234	Hagin.john@marion.k12.ga.us
	Planting Natives in Marion County	Seth McAllister UGA Ext Agent	229.995.2165	smcalli1@uga.edu
05-150 Butler GC Butler	TFL Farms Field Trip Local citrus farm	Pete & Lezlee Hudson	478.391.9777	None given
	Legislative Update by Rep Debbie Buckner on upcoming legislative environmental issues	Zoom Meeting	None given	None given
05-155 Village Green GC	Tour of Masee Lane Gardens in Fort Valley	Multiple guides	877.755.6355	americancamellias.com
	Mushroom Man of Macon The health benefits of mushrooms & different way to garden	Hunter Pruett, Owner	478.751.8771	midlegamushroom@gmail.com
05-215 Azalea GC of Cols Columbus	Trees Columbus Update of ongoing projects	Dorothy Daniels	706.571.0436	treescolumbus.org
	Field Trip to David Benefield at Highland Hall	David Benefield Owner	706.324.4881	No email listed 1504 17 th Street Columbus 31901

05-245 Green Island GC Columbus	Virtual Tour of Private Garden by the owner emphasis on pollinators	Zoom	None given	None given
	Wreath Making Workshop at Columbus Botanical Gardens with natural materials	None given	None given	None given
05-330 Winchester GC Columbus	The Pumpkin A brief history on the winter squash – pumpkins	Becky Cartledge & Anita Jackson	706.464.7891	beckyncartledge@gmail.com
	A Holiday Review Thanksgiving & Christmas decorations	Barbara Anthony & Lourice Goorley	334.297.0662	Barbara3190@aol.com
05-340 Camellia GC Cuthbert	African Violets	Andi Henderson	None provided	alexkae56@gmail.com
	Member Plant Exchange	GC members	None given	None given
05-390 Magnolia GC Fort Valley	Planning and Organizing a Gardening Event	Delise Knight	478.335.1700	Deliseknight1@gmail.com
05-420 Town & Country Leslie (resigned in 2022)	Plants Not Native to South Georgia But Seen in Many Gardens	Jane Butler	229.938.7112	Jwbutler51@gmail.com
	Autumn and Thanksgiving Decorations	Jane Butler	229.938.7112	Jwbutler51@gmail.com
05-440 Oglethorpe GC Oglethorpe	More New Plants Demonstrated propagation techniques from his garden	Dr. Chris Inhulsen, MGEV	478.458.9942	No email listed PO Box 26, Montezuma, GA 31063
	Be A Camellia Show Winner Tips on pruning, bud selection and preparing a specimen for a show	Tommy Martin, American Camellia Judge	478.235.0096	Tommymartin0096@gmail.com
05-485 Vienna GC Vienna	Wildflowers Native to Georgia	Marsha Mulderig	229.268.9203	jjmmlm@sowega.net
	African Violets	Grace Akin	229.322.3906	Grace.saliba.akin@gmail.com

Call to Action:

1. Each Club is requested to contribute a door prize (in a gift bag or wrapped) OR write a \$25.00 check to “Magnolia District” (add “Annual Meeting 2022” in reference line) OR you can do BOTH if your club budget and member generosity allows.
2. Please participate and help with the Perry Flower Show.

3. Plan on entering an Award Application. Have your award competition papers ready and submitted by November 30 for the December 1, 2022 deadlines. See due dates so you can compete. Most award applications due December 1 but some are different! Check the due date. Jean O'Shields Awards Chairman, oshieldsjj@bellsouth.net.
4. Plan your projects and let us know about it for the Garden Gateways and Magnolia Messenger.

Chaplain's Message by Joyce Carreker

Animals. Pets! If you don't have one now, you probably have had one—maybe a beloved dog or cat—or at least a gerbil or goldfish. Pets are just another wonderful gift from our Heavenly Father. They offer comfort and fun; they give us unconditional love; they require us to be responsible caregivers; and they're often expensive! They teach us valuable life lessons, for sure. An old note from one of my dad's Sunday School lessons asks, "Is it necessary to tell a person—or an animal—that you sincerely care for them?" The correct answer would surely be, "Yes." Proverbs 12:10a says: "The righteous care for the needs of their animals...." My cat in my lap each morning reminds me of this gift! Be thankful for God's Sixth Day Creations!!



Hope you enjoy praying as you garden!!

It is a Native Plant: **Smooth Phlox:**
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