

# THE BLOOMIN' NEWS

## THE GARDEN CLUB OF LEXINGTON



*"But each spring a gardening instinct, sure as the sap rising in the trees, stirs within us. We look about and decide to tame another little bit of ground."*

— Lewis Gantt



March 2000

Editor Nancy Bishop

### CALENDAR

#### THURSDAY, MARCH 16, 11:00 A.M.

##### Annual Meeting and Luncheon

Location: Idle Hour Country Club

Hostesses: Jeanne Codell, Callie Keller  
and Janie Stilz

**Please Respond:** Jane Stilz 266-5915

#### MONDAY, APRIL 3, 9:30 A.M.

##### April Board Meeting

Location: Sarah Davis, 1550 Tates Creek Road

#### THURSDAY, APRIL 20, 10:00 A.M.

##### General Meeting

Location: Home of Joan Gaines, 231 North Mill St.

Program: "Daylilies" by Lexington hybridizer,  
John Rice

Hostess: Joan Gaines

**Please Respond:** Joan Gaines 233-1008

#### TUESDAY, MAY 23,\* 11:30 A.M.

General Meeting: Joint meeting with  
Glenview Garden Club

Location: Elmendorf Farm

#### WEDNESDAY, JUNE 14\*

General Meeting

*\*Please note change of regular meeting date.*

#### From Libby Brown, Vice-President . . .

Please note the changes for the May and June General Meetings. The change of day in June is to accommodate the schedule of our out of town guest speaker and flower arranger, Mary Jo Garre. There will be a morning meeting. Mary Jo will talk about flower arranging, then we will break for lunch. An afternoon workshop will follow demonstrating flower arranging for a Flower Show. More details will follow but please note the change from Thursday to Wednesday for June.

#### From Janie Romaine, Flower Show Chairman . . .

Please bring a small spring arrangement with flowers from your own garden for the March Annual Meeting. Thank you.

#### From Ellen Chapman,

#### Incoming Horticulture Chairman . . .

Cuttings for the Plant Exchange at the Annual Meeting in Cleveland (May 13-17) should be transplanted 6 to 8 weeks prior to the meeting. This is to ensure that the plants will become acclimated (March 18-April 1). Pots are available at Ellen Chapman's, 268-0787. Good luck.

#### From Callie Keller and Jessica Nicholson,

#### Incoming Garden Project Chairmen . . .

Think spring and Ashland Garden!

Peony Work Day is scheduled for Wednesday, March 29, at 10:00 A.M. The rain date is Wednesday, April 5. Let's all turn out to tackle the weeds!!

Regular Garden Work begins Wednesday, April 12. If you would like to change your garden work area assignment, please let us know soon.

See you in the garden!

#### From Linda Carey, President . . .

*"Many thanks to all of you who have made my term as president of the Garden Club such a pleasant experience. How fortunate we are to have each other, with whom to share, learn and grow and to know that our efforts contribute to a garden that brings peace, joy and comfort to so many."*

*With love,  
Linda*



### TIPS FOR SPRING

- ✿ Daffodil sap shortens the life of other flowers. Before adding daffodils to an arrangement, cut their stems and allow them to stand in cool water for an hour.
- ✿ To give tulips or other long-stemmed flowers extra support, scrunch a 12" square of chicken wire into a loose form and push it into the container. The wire makes arranging the tulips easier and also holds them upright.

### From Mara Grey, The Lazy Gardener

- Remember, gardens aren't for "shoulds," they are for pleasure.
- Give yourself an hour to just be in your yard, doing nothing but sitting, looking and relaxing.
- Respect your gardening experiments (i.e. failures). Mistakes fuel the learning process and make you a better gardener.

### ANNOUNCEMENT

PLEASE PAY YOUR 2000 ANNUAL DUES. MAIL YOUR CHECK FOR \$100 PAYABLE TO THE GARDEN CLUB OF LEXINGTON TO MRS. GAY LONG, 7700 COLBY ROAD, WINCHESTER, KY 40391.

SYMPOSIUM, A Spring Bouquet of Lively Lectures and Colorful Classes, Gathered and Arranged by the Glenview Garden Club especially for Gardeners in the Mid-South.

9:00 A.M. - 3:45 P.M.  
Saturday, May 13, 2000

For more information: (502) 897-2223; (502) 893-2984.



*"Many go through the meadow, but few see the flowers in it."*

— Emerson



April 2000



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## CALENDAR

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#### GENERAL MEETING

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Program: "Daylilies" by Lexington Hybridizer John Rice.

Hostess: Joan Gaines

Please respond: Joan Gaines, 233-1008

### MONDAY, MAY 1 - 9:30 AM

#### MAY BOARD MEETING

Location: Callie Keller, 2012 Hart Rd.

### \*TUESDAY, MAY 23 - 11:30 AM

#### GENERAL MEETING WITH GLENVIEW GARDEN CLUB

Location: Elmendorf Farm, home of Nana Lampton  
393 Paris Pike. Use "Gate House Entrance" (the middle entrance) and meet "under the columns".

Program: 12-1 PM Margaret Graves from The Bluegrass Conservancy  
1-2 PM Picnic Lunch  
2 PM Tour with Nana Lampton

Please respond: Lexington Hostesses:

Alyce Hoskins 272-9773

Janie Romaine 266-2779

### \*WEDNESDAY, JUNE 14 - 10:00 AM - 3:00 PM

#### GENERAL MEETING

Location: TBA

Program: Maryjo Garre, Flower Show Arranging Lecture, Box Lunch and "Hands-on Workshop"

\* Note, change of regular meeting dates

## The Garden at Ashland

Ashland Garden awaits; Callie and Jessica have mailed garden assignments, with work beginning Wednesday, April 12 and continuing weekly until bulb planting is completed in the fall. The garden, which is 50 years old this year, is a very special and beautiful place, due in large part to the strong backs, willing hands and amazing knowledge of our members. The

delicious food, which appears at 11:00 AM, gives us additional motivation. Thanks to each of you and I look forward again to gardening season at Ashland.

—Libby Brown

## Peony Workday Sign-ups:

Wednesday, April 12 – Monnie Long, Anne Arvin, Dot Crutcher, Judy Philpott

Wednesday, April 19 – Monnie Long, Dot Crutcher, Judy Philpott, Libby Brown

Wednesday, April 26 – Monnie Long, Ann Arvin, Dot Crutcher, Kathy Brewer

## Announcements

- Inserts for The Garden Club Yearbook will be mailed to each member at the end of April. They will not be distributed at General meeting. Included will be the list of officers and committee chairmen, membership lists, the Club history, and the newly revised by-laws. Please call Libby Brown or Judy Philpott if you have questions.
- Please remit your dues. Deadline June 1 to Monnie Long 7700 Colby Road, Winchester, KY 40391. Active: \$100; Affiliate \$100
- Please bring a large or small spring arrangement in glass container to the April Meeting. Thank you, Janie Romaine
- Symposium - A Spring Bouquet of Lively Lectures and Colorful Classes, gathered and arranged by The Glenview Garden Club, especially for Gardeners in the Mid-South. Saturday, May 13, 2000 9:00 AM – 3:45 PM. For more information: (502) 897-2223; (502) 893-2984

*In his own garden every man may be his own artist, without apology or explanation. Here is one spot where each may experience the "romance of possibility."*

— Louise Beebe Wilder





May 2000



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### MONDAY, JUNE 5 - 9:30 AM

#### JUNE BOARD MEETING

Location: Home of Elise Boyd, 2037 Lakeside Drive

### \*WEDNESDAY, JUNE 14 - 10:00 AM - 3:00 PM

#### GENERAL MEETING

Location: White Building behind Good Shepherd Church  
Program: Maryjo Garre, Flower Show Arranging Lecture, Box Lunch/Meeting and "Hands-on" Workshop

Please respond: Hostesses  
Luanne Milward 266-4910  
Kathy Brewer 873-3261  
"Dutch Treat" box lunch

### THURSDAY, JULY 20

#### GENERAL MEETING

Location: Picnic at Ashland Garden  
Program: TBA

Please respond: Hostesses  
Bettie Bos Haggin 269-1750  
Barbara Young 266-6761  
Gay VanMeter 299-9390

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water poured!! We need to remain off the new sod for several weeks, then hopefully all will be beautiful.

— Thanks, Jessica and Callie

### Peony Workday Sign-ups:

Wednesday, May 3 — Anne Arvin, Frances Cox, Lucy Breathitt, Betty Kinhead

Wednesday, May 10 — Jeanne Codell, Jane Stilz, Mimi Milward, Janie Romaine

Wednesday, May 17 — Nancy Bishop, Frances Cox, Kathy Brewer, Betty Kinhead

Wednesday, May 24 — Nancy Bishop, Frances Cox, Celeste Neuman, Jane Stilz

Wednesday, May 31 — Nancy Bishop, Jeanne Codell, Jane Stilz, Betty Kinhead

### Announcements

- Cookbooks from the last printing are still available. We want to sell these before the new ones arrive. Through the July picnic, members can buy a current book at a one-time-only price of \$10.00 per book. They make wonderful gifts! Call Elise Boyd (269-5600) or Missy Lynch (255-8095) at the cookbook office, to order your copy.
- Correction: Kathy Brewer's phone number and zip code are listed incorrectly in the new membership book. Her correct phone number is 873-3261 and her zip is 40347.
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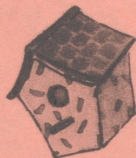
Please excuse the muddy mess in the garden. During the resodding process a main was hit and the

*Gardening is a matter of your enthusiasm holding up until your back gets used to it.*

— Anonymous



June 2000



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## CALENDAR

### **\*WEDNESDAY, JUNE 14 – 10:30 AM – 2:00 PM**

#### **GENERAL MEETING**

Location: White Building behind Good Shepherd Church  
Meeting: 10:30-11:00  
Program: 11:00-11:45  
Lunch: 12:00-12:30  
Workshop: 12:30-2:00 - Flower Show Arranging

#### *Please bring:*

1. A container with an opening no larger than 10 inches.
2. Wet oasis (in container) that is 1-1 ½ inches above the rim.
3. Knife or scissors.
4. Flowers you want to use, plus a few extra to share.
5. 1 or 2 focal flowers.
6. Greens and non-flowering stems.
7. Fruit and vegetables – anything that doesn't smell "bad" (broccoli, cabbage, etc.); suggestions are: strawberries, lemons, asparagus, carrots, etc.

This will be fun and everyone will take home their own arrangement.

*Please respond (via attached postcard): Hostesses*

*Luanne Milward*

*Kathy Brewer*

*Frances Cox*

### **\*MONDAY, JULY 10 – 9:30 AM**

#### **JUNE BOARD MEETING**

Location: Home of Kathy Dalton, 1066 Lakewood Drive

### **THURSDAY, JULY 20 – 10:30 AM**

#### **GENERAL MEETING**

Location: Picnic at Ashland Garden

(Rain Location: Scotty Walton)

Program: Ezra Haggard

*Please respond: Hostesses*

*Bettie Bos Haggin 269-1750*

*Barbara Young 266-6761*

*Gay VanMeter 299-9390*

Note: Please remember to bring arrangement for centerpieces. Everyone will be awarded free points.

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## **The Garden at Ashland**

Please come to work in the garden on Thursday, June 15<sup>th</sup>, since our General Meeting is on Wednesday.

*-- Thanks, Jessica and Callie*

## **A Message from Libby**

I would like to thank and recognize a few members for their special efforts on the club's behalf.

Our appreciation to Lucy Breathitt, Ellen Chapman, Joan Gaines, Katy Steffee, and Gay Van Meter who successfully nursed plants and seedlings through the winter and carefully repotted and nurtured them until the Plant Exchange.

Ashland Garden is looking glorious. The new sod is green and growing; Callie and Jessica hauled hoses, watered at all hours, swept mud and dirt, and have lovingly tended the grass. Jessica's new coats of paint on the patio furniture have made it new again.

Elise organized and scheduled members who sold cookbooks at Spendthrift; thanks to her and everyone who helped.

Gay was brave enough appear on the noon show on Channel 27, Friday, May 5, to promote the cookbook. She did a wonderful job, and prepared a Derby Picnic that looked delicious.

My thanks to these ladies and all of you who willingly say yes when asked to help; that is what makes our Garden Club a special pleasure and such fun.

## **Peony Workday Sign-ups:**

Wednesday, June 7 – Mo Ethington, Judy Philpott, Kathy Brewer, Ann Gay

Wednesday, June 14 – Mo Ethington, Jane Baugh, Mimi Milward, Luanne Milward

Wednesday, June 21 – Mo Ethington, Celeste Newman, Libby Brown, Anne Gay

Wednesday, June 28 – Celeste Neuman, Libby Brown, Luanne Milward, Joy Hinkle





## Announcements

- Please take a minute to review your listing in the directory. Call or write Judy Philpott (268-1046), if you have a correction or addition. Any changes will be printed in the July Bloomin' News.
- Cookbooks from the last printing are still available. We want to sell these before the new ones arrive. Through the July picnic, members can buy a current book at a one-time-only price of \$10.00 per book. They make wonderful gifts! Call Elise Boyd (269-5600) or Missy Lynch (255-8095) at the cookbook office, to order your copy.
- There will be a zone horticulture workshop at Bernheim Forest on Saturday, July 8. Registration fee is \$50.00. Please contact Ellen Chapman 268-0787 or Libby Brown 266-3710 for further information.

## Thank You from:

- ❖ Jeanne Codell, Herb Chairman, sends her thanks to Betty Kenan, Anne Gay, Elizabeth Freeman, and Callie Keller, for their "helping hands" during our extended parterre renovation.
- ❖ Linda Carey writes: "Thank you so much for the lovely bird bath for my garden. My experience as President was made so pleasant due only to the wonderful cooperation and volunteerism of each of you. Your kindness and helpfulness knew no bounds and kept me going through often turbulent and hectic months."

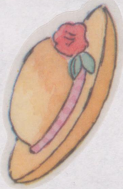


*"I have found, through years of practice, that people garden in order to make something grow; to interact with nature; to share, to find sanctuary; to hear; to honor the earth, to leave a mark. Through gardening, we feel whole as we make our personal work of art upon our land."*

— Julei Moir Messerly, The Inward Garden, 1995, p. 19



July 2000



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Program: Ezra Haggard

Please respond (via attached postcard): Hostesses

Bettie Bos Haggin

Barbara Young

Gay VanMeter

Note: Please remember to bring arrangement for centerpieces. Fifty bonus points will be awarded to all who bring a centerpiece! Thanks, Janie Romaine.

### AUGUST- NO MEETING

### \*MONDAY, AUGUST 28- 9:30 AM AUGUST BOARD MEETING

Location: Home of Libby Brown, 1700 Tates Creek Road

### THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 7- 6-8PM FRIENDS OF THE GARDEN PARTY

### THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 21 – 10:30AM GENERAL MEETING

Location: The Arboretum

Hostesses: Bitsy Ruch 269-2029

Lucy Breathitt 269-5081

Program: Speaker-Tom Phillips, "Roses"

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## A Message from Libby

The Zone meeting will be September 25-27 in Norfolk, VA. Please look over the Horticulture Classes and choose one to enter. I will pass a sign-up sheet around at the picnic or just call me. There is also a Photography Division. We would like to have as many entries as possible.

## Division II Horticulture

### *Class I.*

A single rose specimen to be chosen from the following:

- |               |                |               |
|---------------|----------------|---------------|
| A. Floribunda | B. Grandiflora | C. Hybrid tea |
| D. Miniatures | E. Shrub       | F. Antique    |

### *Class II.*

A single cut specimen with foliage attached.

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|-----------------------------------------------------------------|
| A. Perennial-hardy herbaceous                                   |
| B. Tree or shrub-cut branch-not to exceed 28" in any dimension. |
| 1. Berried                                                      |
| 2. Flowering                                                    |

### *Class III. Grasses-ornamental*

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|-------------------------------|
| A. A single stem blooming     |
| B. A collection – 3 cultivars |

*Class IV. Annuals. Cut specimens: an assortment of up to 5 different cultivars to be exhibited in a container or containers of your choice. Any foliage must be attached.*

*Class V. A basket of vegetables grown in members' gardens.*

*Class VI. Par Class- Open to "an exhibit of outstanding horticultural merit which does not qualify for entry elsewhere in the horticulture section." Exhibit must have been in possession of exhibitor for a minimum of 6 months.*

## Division III Photography

A photograph of a stemmed flower cluster, 5"x7" vertical or horizontal.

## Peony Workday Sign-ups:

Wednesday, July 12 – Janie Romaine, Gay VanMeter

Wednesday, July 19 – Jane Baugh, Luanne Milward



**(Peony Sign-ups cont'd)**

Wednesday, August 23 - Anne Gay, Joy Hinkle, Gay VanMeter

Wednesday, August 30 - Mimi Milward, Joy Hinkle, Gay VanMeter

**Announcements**

Please take a moment to make the following corrections and additions to your notebook:

Kathy Brewer  
Zip:40347  
Phone:873-3261

Kim DeCamp  
228 Barrow Road  
Mobile phone:221-4436

Lida Givens  
1365 East Cooper Drive

Eileen Hillenmeyer  
120 Holiday Road

Janie Romaine  
241 Kingsway Drive

**Add to Affiliate list:**

Mrs. Coleman Carnegie Johnston(Inez)  
3270 Bryan Station Road, 40516  
Phone:299-5795

- **Sale extended!** -- Cookbooks from the last printing are still available. Through the July picnic, members can buy a current book at a one-time-only price of \$10.00 per book. They make wonderful gifts! Call Elise Boyd (269-5600) or Missy Lynch (255-8095) at the cookbook office, to order your copy.
- Please submit applications for membership by August 25 to Alyce Hoskins.
- The Master Gardener Program begins on September 7 at the Fayette County Extension Office. The cost is \$75. Call 257-5582 for more information.
- The GCA is sponsoring a Horticulture Workshop on September 9 at the North Carolina Arboretum near Asheville, N.C. Contact Polly Rowley, Zone VII Horticulture Representative if you are interested. Polly's e-mail is: [c0ldcrick@aol.com\(0=zero\)](mailto:c0ldcrick@aol.com(0=zero)), and her telephone number is 540-687-6878. Barry Glick, a well-known plantsman living in West Virginia, will be giving the workshop. He is worth the trip and you will come home with a load of new potential plants!

- Those interested in a Horticultural/Propagation workshop at Michlers at the end of this month please call Ellen Chapman 268-0787 or [bechap81@aol.com](mailto:bechap81@aol.com)! For those who are interested but cannot attend this workshop, there will be another chance in late August.
- If you are interested in subscribing to **Conservation Watch**, a GCA quarterly publication, please send a \$10 check made payable to "GCA Update or GCA Conservation Watch", in care of Mrs. Henry Bryan III, 512 W. Brow Rd., Lookout Mountain, TN 37350.

*The most noteworthy thing about gardeners is that they are always optimistic, always enterprising, and never satisfied. They always look forward to doing something better than they have ever done before.*

-- Vita Sackville-West, 1892-1962







SEPTEMBER 2000

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## CALENDAR

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Location: Ashland Garden  
Rain Location: 1700 Tates Creek Road

### **THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 21 - 10:30AM** **GENERAL MEETING**

Location: The Arboretum  
Hostesses: Bitsy Ruch  
Lucy Breathitt  
Program: Speaker-Tom Phillips - "Roses"  
Dress Comfortably  
R.S.V.P. by enclosed card

### **MONDAY, OCTOBER 2- 9:30AM** **OCTOBER BOARD MEETING**

Location: Alyce Hoskins, 2618 Delong Road

### **THURSDAY, OCTOBER 19- 10:30AM** **GENERAL MEETING**

Location: 7700 Colby Road, Winchester, Ky.  
Hostess: Monnie Long  
Program: 10:30-11:00 Refreshments  
11:00-11:30 Garden Club Meeting  
11:30 Seated luncheon during which  
Louis Hillenmeyer will speak on "Putting Your  
Garden to Bed."

## A Message from Libby

The Zone VII meeting will be September 25-27 in Norfolk, VA. Jessica Nicholson and I will be attending as will Kathy Brewer, a Founder's Fund representative, and Anne Gay, who serves on the Zone VII Public Relations Committee. Thanks again to everyone who agreed to send horticulture and photography entries. Ellen Chapman will be in touch with the particulars. Call her if you have any questions.

The wonderful invitations for the Friends of the Garden Celebration have arrived. Jeanne and Gay are finalizing plans and we are all looking forward to the September event.

## Announcements

### ❖ *From Gay and Jeanne*

Please send in your Response Cards and any donations for The Friends of the Garden Party-Mark your calendars-September 7<sup>th</sup>!

### ❖ *From Jessica and Callie*

Please be sure your border/parterre is in great shape for the Garden Party. We will see you in the garden on Wednesdays.

### ❖ *A note from Linda Carey*

On September 14<sup>th</sup>, at 8PM at the LFUCG Council Meeting, an ordinance will be read regarding trees in future development. David Swenk, who spoke last November at our meeting, has developed this ordinance. Please offer your support through a letter or attendance at the meeting.

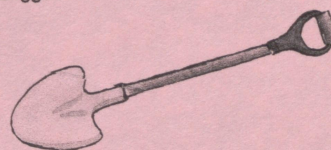
### ❖ Earlier this summer in the garden, Jessica Nicholson was interviewed by Councilwoman Isabel Yates for the Urban County Government Program "Vistas and Visions", seen on Channel 3. Jessica presented a short history of the garden. Listed below are the times and dates it will be shown:

- Tues-Aug. 29 at noon; Wed-Aug.30 at 1PM and 10PM; and Thurs. Aug.31 at 11AM.

### ❖ **Did You Know....** According to an article in the August 1<sup>st</sup> *Louisville-Courier Journal* yardwork may help prevent osteoporosis. " Researchers at the University of Arkansas have found that performing yardwork at least once a week appears to be one of the best ways to build and maintain healthy bones.... There is a lot of weight-bearing motion that goes on in the garden-digging holes, pulling weeds, pushing a mower."

*The late summer garden has a tranquility found no other time of the year.*

—William Longgood.





OCTOBER 2000

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## CALENDAR

### THURSDAY, OCTOBER 19- 10:30AM

#### **GENERAL MEETING**

Location: 7700 Colby Road, Winchester, Ky.  
Hostess: Monnie Long  
Program: 10:30-11:00 Refreshments  
11:00-11:30 Garden Club Meeting  
11:30 Seated luncheon during which  
Louis Hillenmeyer will speak on "Putting Your  
Garden to Bed."

Please wear appropriate shoes! There will be valet parking.  
This meeting and luncheon will be held rain or shine.  
Directions: Take U.S 60-Winchester Rd. to Rt.1923-  
Combsferry Rd. Turn right, go exactly 1.7 miles to the Pine  
Grove Country Store(do not pass this store!), which is on the  
left hand side of the road. Take a left onto Colby-Rt. 1927.  
Go only .3 miles; Monnie's Stone Gate is on the right:  
#7700-7800 Colby. Turn right into the yard, there will be a  
brick tenant house. Follow the signs to the log home on the  
left.

### MONDAY, NOVEMBER 6- 9:30AM

#### **BOARD MEETING**

Location: Betty Kenan, 212 Barrow Road

### THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 16-10:30AM

#### **GENERAL MEETING**

Location: Idle Hour Country Club  
Hostesses: Libby Brown  
Ginny May  
Program 10:30AM Carter Giltinan, Zone VII Flower  
Show Representative, will share her expertise with us in  
anticipation of our own flower show.

## **A Message from Libby**

The Board has recently accepted with regret  
the following status changes from active to affiliate:

- Mrs. Scott Dudley Breckinridge (Helen)
- Mrs. Ambrose Witherspoon Givens (Lida)

- Mrs. Thomas Burks Kessinger, Sr. (Delia)
- Mrs. James Graeme Lang, Jr. (Missy)

Don't forget about the GCA website. A Bulletin  
Board and Opinion Page are being added to the  
secure pages on a trial basis. [www.gcamerica.org](http://www.gcamerica.org) --  
user name: gcamember; password: compost.

Jessica Nicholson and I attended the Zone  
Meeting in Norfolk, Va. last week: The response to our  
request for entries was sensational. Many thanks to  
the following ladies who entered; Nancy Bishop, Anne  
Campbell, Ellen Chapman, Dottie Cordray, Sarah  
Davis, Alyce Hoskins, Jessica Nicholson, Bettie Bos  
Haggin, Monnie Long, Gay VanMeter and Barbara  
Young. We received sixteen awards: five were firsts!  
Alyce received two for roses; Anne earned one for a  
dahlia. Bettie Bos' topiary received a blue, as did  
Barbara for photography. It was great.  
Congratulations to all!

## **Announcements**

### ❖ *From Gay and Jeanne*

A special thank you to the members who donated  
food, money, flower arrangements and time to  
"Friends of the Garden Party". We all enjoyed the  
lovely evening.

### ❖ *From Jessica and Callie*

Bulb planting date is Wednesday, October 25<sup>th</sup> at  
10:00 AM, with a rain date on Wednesday,  
November 1<sup>st</sup>. Please come whether you have  
bulbs in your parterre or not, as many hands make  
the job easier! Also, remember that your  
border/parterre needs to be "put to bed" by the 25<sup>th</sup>.

### ❖ *A note from Ellen Chapman*

For those of you who missed out in July-there will  
be another propagation workshop on Wednesday,  
October 18<sup>th</sup>, at 11AM. If you are interested, please  
call Ellen Chapman-268-0787. Helen from Michlers  
will assist us again. This will be on hardwood  
cuttings for the Zone meeting in the spring!



❖ *From Janie*

Please bring a fall arrangement suitable for the mantel to the October General Meeting

- ❖ **Did You Know....** Many fungal diseases can overwinter in the garden debris and fallen leaves, so do a thorough cleanup to eliminate the problem!



*Come said the wind  
to the leaves one day,,  
Come o're the meadows  
And we will play.  
Put on your dresses  
Scarlet and gold,  
For the summer is gone  
And the days grow cold.*

*—A Children's Song of the 1880's.*





NOVEMBER 2000



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Ginny May 266-4515

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### MONDAY, DECEMBER 4- 9:30AM

#### BOARD MEETING

Location: Sarah Davis 1550 Bates Creek Road

### THURSDAY, DECEMBER 14-3:30PM

#### CHRISTMAS TEA

Location: Jonabell Farm, 3333 Bowman's Mill Road

Hostesses: Jessica Bell 255-1933

Jessica Nicholson 223-4044



Unfortunately, the responses to the general meetings have been disappointing for some time now. We have tried using post cards instead of phone calls in the hopes of improving these responses. It seems that the same twenty or so members fail to respond time after time. Ladies, we all lead busy lives, but it is only courteous to reply to a fellow member who has gone to the time, effort and expense to hostess a meeting.

## **A Message from Libby**

At the November General Meeting we will be fortunate to have three visiting GCA members coming to share their Flower Show wisdom and expertise with us. Carter Giltinan, Zone VII Flower Show

Representative, and Nancy Black and Ginny Young from the Paducah Garden Club will be our guests. We look forward to welcoming them.

I have received a letter from the Glenview Garden Club announcing a conference scheduled for January 13, 2001 at the Speed Museum. It has been planned by River Fields, a river conservation and advocacy group in Louisville and the Cultural Landscape Foundation of Washington, D.C. It is being held to highlight the importance of Country Place Estates and their architects. Registration brochures will be mailed later in the fall.

The Board accepted with regrets the status change from Active to Affiliate of Mrs. James Leslie Parrish (Missie).

## **Announcements**

### ❖ *From Jessica and Callie*

Many thanks to all of you for the hard work this fall and to those who helped plant bulbs this month. If you haven't already done so, please put your border "to bed". We will see you in the spring!

### ❖ *From Elise Boyd*

The cookbooks with the **NEW** updated binding have arrived! They will be available for sale at the November 16<sup>th</sup> meeting at Idle Hour. The cost for members is \$13.00 tax included. For the general public the cost is \$21.06. Whenever you need cookbooks please call Elise Boyd at 269-5600 or the cookbook office at 255-8095. Think about Thanksgiving and Christmas gifts!!





*From Ellen*

- ❖ Thank all of you for participating in the propagation workshops. I hope all of your cuttings and seeds are alive and well! If you have any questions call me at 268-0787. We will meet again in March or April to check on our progress. For information on the internet bring up [google.com](http://google.com) and put in your plant family (Rosaceae). Locate a protected place where the plants can experience a cold, dormant period without full exposure to the elements. Be sure to protect them from rodents. Indoor cold places will work too, but be sure you check for dampness every few weeks. If you have any questions concerning horticulture the GCA Horticulture Committee is meeting in December and wants to answer them.
- ❖ Also, there is a wonderful trip planned by the GCA to the Philadelphia Flower Show, March 4-11, 2001. Hotel, tours and entry to show for \$895.00. Those interested contact Ellen.
- ❖ According to The Horticulture Newsletter, there are several methods used to eliminate the Asian Ladybug. The best method of minimizing is by "Hooverizing" the beetles. Swatting and smashing leaves a permanent stain and odor. For more on this subject, other horticulture topics, or to order their newsletter call (859) 257-5582-The Fayette County Extension Service

*From Sarah*

- ❖ The GCA Visiting Garden Committee is offering a domestic Home and Gardens tour of Chestertown and Eastern Maryland, April 25-28, 2001. This is Historic Garden Week on the Eastern Shore. They will also offer two foreign tours: November, 2001 to Argentina, and June, 2002 to Ireland. More information will follow later.



*I prefer winter and fall, when you feel the bone structures of the landscape – the loneliness of it, the dead feeling of winter. Something waits beneath it, the whole story doesn't show.*

*Andrew Wyeth*





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Location: Elise Boyd, 2037 Lakeside Drive  
Hostesses: Elise Boyd, 266-5600  
Martha Nicol, 272-1987  
Program: Speaker Karen Clements, Wimmer Publishing,  
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### ❖ From the Board

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(See Page 1 & 2)

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### MONDAY, MARCH 5-9:30 AM

#### BOARD MEETING

Location: Kathy Dalton 1066 Lakewood Drive

### THURSDAY, MARCH 15-11:00 AM

#### GENERAL MEETING

Location: Idle Hour Country Club  
Hostesses: Betty Gess  
Betty Kenan  
Betty Kinkead- 266-5770  
Ladies, this is the annual meeting which will be followed by a sit down luncheon. Please RSVP to Betty Kinkead on or before March 12.

**REMINDER!** There will be no General Meeting or Board Meeting in the month of February.

## A Message from Libby

In one of my December GCA mailings the Library Committee enclosed a list of favorite new gardening books it had reviewed last year. The deadline for the Bloomin' News had passed so I include some titles now for your consideration.

The Explorer's Garden-Rare and Unusual Perennials  
by Daniel J. Hinkley

Washington's Gardens at Mt. Vernon by Mac Griswold

Urban Gardner by Elspeth Thompson

The Tree and Shrub Finder: Choosing the Best Plants for Your Yard by Robert Kourik

Gardens by the Sea by The Garden Club of Palm Beach

Gardens in the City: New York in Bloom by Mary Jane Pool

## Announcements

❖ From Callie and Jessica

Thinking ahead to Spring, if you would like to work in a different border/parterre from last year, please let us know!

❖ From Ellen

Hope everyone's plants are wintering well. Call me if you need help- 268-0787.

❖ Please note the following address and phone number change:

Mrs. Robert (Kathy) Brewer  
429 Kingswood Drive  
Lexington, Ky. 40502  
Phone # (859) 266-4997.



From December to March, there are for many of us three gardens- the garden outdoors, the garden of pots and bowls in the house, and the garden of the mind's eye.

Katherine S. White



MARCH 2001



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## CALENDAR

### THURSDAY, MARCH 15-11:00 AM

#### GENERAL MEETING

Location: Idle Hour Country Club  
Hostesses: Betty Gess  
Betty Kenan  
Betty Kinkead-266-5770

This is the Annual Meeting with a seated luncheon to follow. **Please** RSVP by March 12 to Betty Kinkead.

### MONDAY, APRIL 2-9:30 AM

#### BOARD MEETING

Location: Libby Brown-1700 Bates Creek Road

### THURSDAY, APRIL 19-10:30 AM

#### GENERAL MEETING

Location: Carol Jackson-131 South Hanover  
Hostesses: Carol Jackson-335-5711  
Celia Banks-269-7033

This will be an informational meeting about our upcoming flower show. A light lunch will be served afterwards.

### MONDAY, APRIL 30-9:30 AM

#### BOARD MEETING

Location: Joan Gaines-231 North Mill Street

## **A Message from Libby**

At the Annual Meeting in March members will select which of the three finalists will receive this club's vote for the Founders Fund Award. All three proposals are described in detail in the February issue of the *GCA Bulletin*. Please review the information before the March meeting.

As winter turns slowly into spring, please mark your calendar for two upcoming Garden Club of Lexington events: *Take Me To The Fair* is a GCA Small Flower Show on June 21 and 22; and *The Friends of the Garden Party and Art Auction* will be September 6, 2001.

The Board accepted with regret the status change from Active to Affiliate of Mrs. John Bankhead Banks, Jr. (Celia).

## **Announcements**



### ❖ From Monnie,

The garden club dues for 2001 are due! They are \$100. Please make checks payable to The Garden Club of Lexington. Mail the checks to Monnie Long, 1700 Colby Road, Winchester, Ky. 40391.

### ❖ From Jessica and Callie

Peony Workday is Wednesday, March 28 at 10:00. Rain date is Wednesday, April 4. Please let's all show up and tackle the weeds! At our March Annual Meeting, please be prepared to sign up to work 2-3 times in the peony beds during the season.

Regular Garden Work begins on Wednesday, April 11. If you would like to change your garden work area assignment, let us hear from you soon! See you in the garden!

### ❖ From Ellen

Please call me (268-0787) with the status of your plants (alive or dead) for the plant exchange in May. We will have a small workshop in April to inspect and discuss your plants. Also, the *Lexington Antiques and Garden Show* is March 15-18 at Keene Barn, Keeneland Race Course. Garden speakers include John Carloftis and Helen Powell. Call the Bluegrass Trust for more information 253-0362.



## For Your Information

- The Glenview Garden Club invites you to a slide lecture by gardening personality Felder Rushing on Saturday, March 10 at 10:30 AM at Clifton Center, 2117 Payne Street.
- The Glenview Garden Club will hold the *Town and Country Garden Tour* on June 2 and 3. The tour will include six early summer gardens, a plant sale, raffle and box lunch. More information will follow.
- The University of Kentucky Art Museum's event, *Art in Bloom* will be March 22-25 at the museum. It will feature flower arrangements paired with works of art currently on view in the museum.
- *Garden Week in Alexandria, Va.* will be Saturday, April 21. This annual event will feature tours of seven homes and gardens in Old Towne Alexandria. For additional information call Mrs. Robert Talley at 703-683-1935.
- The Garden Club of Alexandria is presenting a *GCA Small Flower Show* May 20-23. Our club members have been invited to participate. For more information contact Flower Show Chairman Mrs. William Seale at 703-549-4086.

*Every gardener knows that under the cloak of winter lies a miracle...a seed waiting to sprout, a bulb opening to the light, a bud straining to unfurl and the anticipation nurtures our dream..*

Barbara Winkler





APRIL 2001



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### MONDAY, APRIL 30-9:30 AM BOARD MEETING

Location; Joan Gaines-231 North Mill Street

### THURSDAY, MAY 17-10:30 AM GENERAL MEETING

Location: Gay VanMeter-4224 Briar Hill Road  
Hostesses: Gay VanMeter-299-9390  
Bettie Bos Haggin-269-1750  
Judy Philpott-268-1046

The program will be a Surprise!

Directions: Go out Winchester Road. Turn left onto Cleveland Road and drive approximately 2 1/2 miles. You will come to a stop sign. Make a left onto Briar Hill Road. Drive exactly .8 miles to firegate 22. Gays farm, "Stockplace" is on the left.

### MONDAY, JUNE 4-9:30 AM BOARD MEETING

Location: Monnie Long-7700 Colby Road

## **A Message from Libby**

I do love celebrations but I missed an opportunity at annual meeting to commemorate another Garden Club milestone, our club's 85<sup>th</sup> anniversary. What a long and rich heritage we enjoy.

Art In Bloom at the UK Art Museum had three arrangements by Garden Club of Lexington members; Anne Gay, Joy Hinkle and Jessica Nicholson. Congratulations, they were wonderful!

Our club is pleased to have as members two Zone VII Representatives; Kathy Brewer serves on the Founders Fund and Anne Gay serves on the Public Relations Committee. Also, Kay Steffee serves as a GCA Horticulture judge and is Vice-chairman of Awards for the Flower Show Committee, and Jessica Nicholson is a candidate in the judging program for flower arranging.

The Board accepted with regret the resignation of Mrs. James Holloway Alexander(Lucy).

## **Announcements**



### ❖ *From Monnie,*

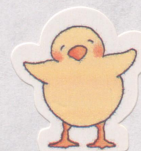
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### ❖ *From Jessica and Callie*

Work begins in the garden on April 11<sup>th</sup>. Thanks to all who helped in the peony beds last week. They look terrific!

### ❖ *From Ellen*

Please call me (268-0787) for information about the potting workshop for the plant exchange. It will be held at Michler's this month.



*Perfumes are the feelings of flowers.*

Heinrich Heine



## For Your Information

- Some advice for a junk-free mailbox!  
Average Americans receive 560 pieces of junk mail each year. One million trees are used to produce the 4.5 million tons of annual solicitations that clutter mailboxes. "Junk mail" is defined as unwanted printed material. Here is a list of what consumers can do to stop the junk hemorrhage: To stop getting credit card junk mail call 888-567-8688. Whenever you fill out a form or place an order, always add "Do not rent or exchange my name" or ask the order taker to please "flag your file" so that the information will not be shared. Don't fill out product warranty cards. The warranty is valid whether or not you return the card. Sending it in will result in more junk mail. Monthly bills are another opportunity for business to send you more junk mail. Sign up for automatic payments and ask companies to email you your statement. The few hours spent setting this system in place will save time and stamps in the long run. Persistence is essential to the elimination of junk mail. Contact the vendors who send the catalogs, frequent flyer programs and non-profits and request that they not share your name. For more information; [www.coopamerica.org](http://www.coopamerica.org)

*I wandered lonely as a cloud  
That floats on high o're vales and hills,  
When all at once I saw a crowd,  
A host, of golden daffodils.*

William Wordsworth





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### MONDAY, JUNE 4-9:30 AM

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Location: Monnie Long-7700 Colby Road

### THURSDAY, JUNE 21-1:00 PM

#### **GENERAL MEETING**

Location: Floral Hall-Stable of Memories

Hostesses: Nancy Bishop-266-4980

Talitha Freeman

Program: Take Me To The Fair-A Flower Show sponsored by Garden Club of Lexington, Inc. (There will not be a business meeting). Light refreshments will be served. We encourage everyone to support our show.

### MONDAY, JULY 2-9:30 AM

#### **BOARD MEETING**

Location: Nancy Bishop-1225 Eldemere Road

## **A Message from Libby**

Many thanks to each of you who signed up at the April General Meeting to be a hostess in the coming months. If you missed the meeting and would like to be a hostess or think it is your turn, please call Luanne Milward. There are still openings available.

The deadline for 2001 dues is June 1. Currently there are twenty members whose dues have not been received. Please make your check for \$100 payable to: Garden Club of Lexington, Inc. Mail it to: Monnie Long, 7700 Colby Road, Winchester, Ky. 40391. If you have any questions call Monnie or me.

Annual Meeting, "The Magical World Around Us", in Zone VIII will be May 6-9 at Disneyworld. Nancy Bishop and I look forward to attending.

Mott Nicol and Janie Romaine will be on the "Noon Show" on Channel 27 at 12:30PM on May 29<sup>th</sup> to talk about our June Flower Show.

## **Announcements**



### ❖ *From Jessica and Callie*

Just a reminder for those who signed up to work in the Peony beds this month-there is plenty of weeding to be done!

### ❖ *From Libby*

The Glenview Garden Club's Town And Country Garden Tour is Saturday and Sunday-June 2 and 3. If you have any questions please call: (502) 897-2223 or 893-2984.

Cincinnati Town and Country Garden Club is hosting a Kitchen Tour and Club Flower Show-Kitchens In Bloom on Thursday June 14<sup>th</sup> from 11:00AM to 3:00PM. For more information please write: Mrs. George Ives, 9260 Old Indian Road, Cincinnati, Ohio 45243.



*We learn from our gardens to deal with the most  
urgent question of time: How much is enough?*

Wendell Berry

### For Your Information

- The Colonial Dames in Kentucky is happy to announce an exciting summer event, the presentation of a program on Saturday, July 14, 2001, featuring a lecture by William H. Seale, PhD, historian and architectural restorationist. This program is the first in a series made possible by the Annie Milton Haldeman Fund. Mr. Seale's subject will be "The White House Garden: Two Centuries of Gardening for the Presidents." He has written a book on the White House Garden, tracing its development from the early dreams of George Washington translated by Pierre L'Enfant, through the imprimatur of succeeding presidents and their families and the architects they have chosen. Mr. Seale has published twelve books and has been involved in fourteen restoration projects, one of them being the Kentucky Governor's Mansion. For further information please call Sarah Davis-269-4727.

*Gardening is the best therapy in the world,  
especially when the market drops 100 points.*

Paul Casterline





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## CALENDAR

### THURSDAY, JUNE 21 \*\*\*CHANGE\*\*\*

\*\*\*\*NO GENERAL MEETING\*\*\*\*

Flower Show Hours: June 21...1-5PM

June 22...9AM-3PM

\*\*\*Due to limited space, it has been decided to give members the opportunity to attend the Flower Show at a time of your choice. Therefore, we will have no planned General Meeting, and we will see you at the Flower Show.

### MONDAY, JULY 2-9:30 AM

#### BOARD MEETING

Location: Nancy Bishop-1225 Eldemere Road

### THURSDAY, JULY 19-11:00 AM

#### GENERAL MEETING ANNUAL PICNIC

Location: Ashland Garden

Hostesses: Carolyn Caldwell

Elizabeth Freeman

Anne Gay

Program: "Flower Show Wrap-up"

Rain Location: The home of Anne Gay

R.S.V.P Carolyn Caldwell-268-8333

### MONDAY, AUGUST 27-9:30 AM

#### BOARD MEETING

Location: Callie Keller-2012 Hart Road

## A Message from Libby

We look forward to seeing everyone at the Flower Show in two weeks. Entries are still open, if you have not entered call Mo Ethington(223-1119) or Jane Stilz(266-5915) to check on the availability of the

classes. In advance, many thanks to Janie Romaine, Jessica Nicholson and all of the members of their committee for making the Flower Show a reality.

At Annual Meeting I received a copy of GCA BY DESIGN which I thoroughly enjoyed. It is a publication of the Flower Arranging Study Group with four issues a year for \$15.00. If you would like to subscribe or have questions contact: Gail Emmons, 15 Vida Descansada, Orinda, Ca. 94563, (925) 254-8859, [GWEmmons@aol.com](mailto:GWEmmons@aol.com).

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## Announcements

### ❖ From Nancy Bishop

Ann Frierson, incoming GCA President, remarked that a civic garden protects green space, provides beauty and is even more important today than ever. Our civic garden Ashland is enjoyed by many visitors daily and it is truly our gift to the community.

On a much larger scale, Walt Disney World Resort has 4,000 acres devoted to maintained landscapes and gardens. A horticultural staff that numbers over 650 people plants and maintains over 3 million bedding plants and annuals each year!

We are very grateful to Callie and Jessica for their many hours spent as Garden Chairman and we appreciate each of our garden workers for making Ashland such a lovely spot to be enjoyed by so many.

It was a real pleasure to have the opportunity to attend GCA Annual Meeting in Orlando.





### Peony Workday Sign-ups:

June 6-Wende Bell, Betty Kinkead, Luanne Milward, Mimi Milward.

June 13-Betty Kinkead, Luanne Milward, Mimi Milward, Mott Nicol.

June 20-Kim DeCamp, Melodye Kinkead, Ginny May, Luanne Milward.

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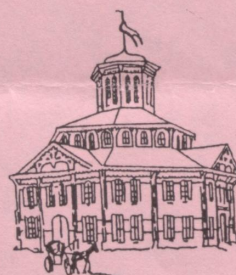
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Take me to the fair, oh please,  
And buy me some cotton candy.  
I want to ride the Ferris wheel  
And visit the quilting bee.  
See the feature race-win, place and show,  
Oh my, what activity!  
Let's stop for a taste of strawberry preserves  
And yes, by the kissing booth too,  
Listen to the barbershop quartets  
And see Old Glory flying-red, white and blue!  
I don't want to be like Johnny  
And stay so long at the fair,  
But it sure would be fun for me  
To see all of you there!



FLORAL HALL





• JULY 2001



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## CALENDAR

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#### **GENERAL MEETING – ANNUAL PICNIC**

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Hostesses: Carolyn Caldwell

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Anne Gay

Program: "Flower Show Wrap-up"

Rain Location: The home of Anne Gay

R.S.V.P. Carolyn Caldwell-268-8333

### **MONDAY, AUGUST 27-9:30 AM**

#### **BOARD MEETING**

Location: Callie Keller-2012 Hart Road

### **THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 6-6-8PM**

#### **ANNUAL "FRIENDS OF THE GARDEN PARTY"**

Location: Ashland Garden

Rain Location: The home of Libby Brown

1700 Tates Creek Road

### **THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 13-10:30AM**

#### **GENERAL MEETING**

Location: Holly Hill Inn, Midway, Ky.

Hostesses: Melodye Kinkead

Lucy Breathitt

Program: Mr. Mark Evans from the Kentucky State Nature Preserve Commission will be speaking on "Blanton Old Growth Forrest."

R.S.V.P. Melodye Kinkead-873-1734

## A Message from Libby

Did anyone believe opening day of the Flower Show would ever finally arrive? It did!! What an

amazing gift to the community and the club Janie, Jessica and their committee have given us all. A sincere thank you to everyone who made the show a reality; how fortunate to have members with the energy, enthusiasm, interest and talent to make the concept happen. The opportunity to work together was an added bonus.

Looking ahead, the Friends of the Garden Party will be Thursday, September 6<sup>th</sup>, 6-8PM. Gay and Jeanne are again chairing this event. Linda is organizing the art that will be exhibited and auctioned that evening.

Workdays in the garden continue Wednesdays through October. Attendance is necessary to help Callie and Jessica with maintenance and upkeep, but is also rewarded with a delicious "light lunch" which members generously deliver and is so enjoyed and much appreciated.



## Announcements

### • From Linda Carey

I need 2 volunteers to help receive the art for the Friends of the Garden Party on September 6<sup>th</sup>, from 12:00-3:00PM. I will also be calling on the membership, both active and affiliate to assist in the silent auction that evening. Please call me at 266-7162.

### • From Janie Romaine

Please bring an arrangement (centerpiece) for our tables at the July picnic in the Garden. Call me at 252-5256 by July 14<sup>th</sup> so that we can get a count.



• *From Ellen Chapman*

For those of you who missed the propagation workshop on July 5<sup>th</sup> we will be meeting again at the end of the month. Please call me at 268-0787 if you are interested in joining us. Our "family" for the plant exchange is RANUNCULACEAE. There are 50 genera and 800 species so I know there will be one for you to try! We will start some root cutting and seeds in the next two workshops. Ideas for plants are listed below. Collecting seeds from the plants you have in your (or a friend's) garden will mean bonus points! If you see some of the following seeds in a catalogue or while shopping please pick some up. Thank you.



|                      |                         |
|----------------------|-------------------------|
| Aconitium-Monkshood  | Clematis-virgin's Bower |
| Actaea-Baneberry     | Delphinium              |
| Adonis               | Helleborus              |
| Anemone-windflower   | Hepatica                |
| Aquilegia-columbine  | Ranunculus-buttercup    |
| Cimicifuga-Bugbane   | Thalictrum-meadow rue   |
| Trollius-Globeflower |                         |

• *From Callie and Jessica*

We will work in the garden on Thursday, July 5<sup>th</sup> as Wednesday, the 4<sup>th</sup> is a holiday.

A very special thank you to:

**Alex Boone** and Lexington Quarry for donating the gravel for the paths, and

**Bill Henkel** and Henkel Denmark for donating their time to spread the gravel onto the paths.

**Peony Workday Sign-ups:**

July 11-Elizabeth Freeman, Janie Romaine.

July 18 -Kim DeCamp, Jane Stiliz.

July 25-Jane Stiliz

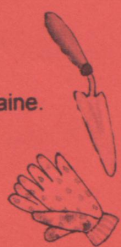
August 1-Melodye Kinkead, Jane Stiliz

August 8- no one has signed up!

August 15-Gay VanMeter

August 22-Janie Romaine, Gay VanMeter

August 29-Kim DeCamp, Elizabeth Freeman, Mimi Milward.



**For Your Information**

- The Colonial Dames in Kentucky is happy to announce an exciting summer event, the presentation of a program on Saturday, July 14, 2001, featuring a lecture by William H. Seale, PhD, historian and architectural restoration specialist. This program is the first in a series made possible by the Annie Milton Haldeman Fund. Mr. Seale's subject will be "The White House Garden: Two Centuries of Gardening for the Presidents." He has written a book on the White House Garden, tracing its development from the early dreams of George Washington translated by Pierre L'Enfant, through the imprimatur of succeeding presidents and their families and the architects they have chosen. Mr. Seale has published twelve books and has been involved in fourteen restoration projects, one of them being the Kentucky Governor's Mansion. For further information please call Sarah Davis-269-4727.
- The Cincinnati Antiques Festival will be October 19<sup>th</sup>-21<sup>st</sup> at the Sharonville Convention Center. For further information contact (513) 272-3331 or (513) 771-2832.

**GOOD NEWS-BAD NEWS!**

As a result of the Flower Show the Garden Club has accumulated more inventory than will fit at the garden shed. We have 18 pedestals, 6 tables and several boxes of supplies. It is currently at a rented 10x10 storage unit. If any member has available space to store all of these items, or ideas or suggestions, please call Libby Brown.

*I know that Willows really do not weep.  
And Pine trees never pine  
And Horses on horseradish never dine.  
I know there are no puppies where the  
Dogwoods grow  
Nor Kittens where the cat tails blow  
I don't know what dewberries do  
But the question I'm asking you-  
Is a ladybug's husband a ladybug too?*

Thank you Dot Crutcher for sharing !



• SEPTEMBER 2001



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## CALENDAR

### THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 6, 6-8PM "FRIENDS OF THE GARDEN PARTY"

Location: Ashland Garden

Rain Location: 1700 Tates Creek Road

### THURSDAY SEPTEMBER 13, 10:30 AM GENERAL MEETING

Location: Holly Hill Inn, Midway, Ky.

Hostesses: Melodye Kinkead

Lucy Breathitt

Program: Mr. Mark Evans from the Kentucky State Nature Preserve Commission will be speaking on "Blanton Old Growth Forest."

R.S.V.P. Melodye Kinkead - 873-1734

### MONDAY OCTOBER 1, 9:30AM BOARD MEETING

Location: Barbara Young - 208 Barrow Road

### THURSDAY, OCTOBER 18-10:00AM GENERAL MEETING

Location: Bernheim Forest

Hostesses: Anne Arvin

Nancy Bishop

Mo Ethington

Program: Paul Cappiello, Horticulture Director, Bernheim Forest. Wear comfortable shoes and casual dress. A bus will leave Idle Hour Country Club parking lot at 10:00AM and return by 4:30PM. Guests are welcome. If you would like to invite a guest, there is a \$10 charge for the guest box lunch. Please make reservations as early as possible as there is limited space on the bus.

R.S.V.P. Nancy Bishop - 266-4980, by Thursday, October 10<sup>th</sup>.

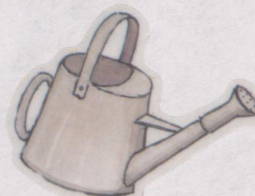
## **A Message from Libby**

The schedule for the Flower Show at the Zone Meeting October 15-17 has arrived. Following is an abbreviated version which will give you a preview of what is specified. Each club is required to enter three classes. At the September General Meeting there will be more detailed schedules available. Please check your gardens and plan to submit as many entries as possible. Ellen Chapman will collect the plants and flowers and answer questions. She will also have the Hortus to help with identification. We will leave for Warrenton on Sunday, October 14<sup>th</sup>.

### Division II Horticulture

#### **A. Cut Fall Specimens**

1. Roses
2. Fall-Blooming Flower
3. Hardy Herbaceous Perennial
4. Ornamental Grasses
5. Fall-fruiting branch



#### **B. Container-Grown Plants**

1. Container-grown, mature specimen
2. Plants grown primarily for foliage
3. Plants grown primarily for flowers





### C. Herbs

1. Three rooted herbs grown from cuttings, displayed in separate 4-inch clay pots with saucers (4 entries maximum).
2. Container (8" clay pot with saucer) of herbs of three different species.

### D. Par Class

A plant of horticultural merit which does not qualify for entry elsewhere in the schedule and has been in the grower's possession for at least six months.

### Division III Photography

Photography exhibits must be received by September 15, 2001. Please call Libby Brown(266-3710) for further information.

### Announcements

- *From Ellen Chapman*

Horticulture workshop again! 9:00AM, October 12<sup>th</sup>. Please bring your old coolers if you still have them. We will be starting seeds, root cuttings and layering. Thank you.

- *From Callie Keller and Jessica Nicholson*

Please be sure and come to the garden on Wednesday, September 5<sup>th</sup> so we can get it in tip-top shape for the Friends Of The Garden Party the following night. Looking ahead: blub planting date is Wednesday, October 31<sup>st</sup>-with a rain date of November 7<sup>th</sup>.

- *From Gay VanMeter, Jeanne Codell and Linda Carey*

We're looking forward to seeing everyone at the Friends Of The Garden Party Thursday night. If you have signed up to bring flowers, food or make a donation and have questions, call us. (Gay-299-9390, Jeanne-268-8597). Don't forget art will be exhibited and sold by silent auction during the evening. Thank you.

*By all these lovely tokens  
Septmber days are here  
With summer's best of weather  
And autumn's best of cheer.*

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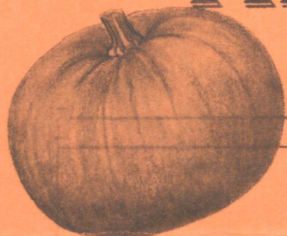




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### THURSDAY, OCTOBER 18, 10:00AM

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Mo Ethington

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R.S.V.P. Nancy Bishop – 266-4980, by Thursday, October 10<sup>th</sup>.

### MONDAY, NOVEMBER 5, 9:30 AM

#### **BOARD MEETING**

Location: Barbara Young – 208 Barrow Road

### THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 15, 10:00AM

#### **GENERAL MEETING**

Location: To Be Announced

Hostesses: Kim DeCamp  
Joy Hinkle

Program: "Make it and take it!"

R.S.V.P. Kim DeCamp-266-9540  
Joy Hinkle-266-5602

### MONDAY, DECEMBER 3, 9:30AM

#### **BOARD MEETING**

Location: Judy Philpott – 245 Holiday Road

## **A Message from Libby**

The Friends of the Garden Party was such an enjoyable evening, the viewing and auction of the art certainly gave the party an added dimension. All of our members deserve thanks for their part but the organization and direction provided by Gay, Jeanne and Linda made a lovely party truly special, thank you. Several of the artists and photographers donated all of their proceeds to the Garden Club, our sincere thanks and appreciation to them: Martha Broadbent, Pat DeCamp, Martee Mayer, Gay VanMeter and Barbara Young.

Mott, Jessica and I leave for the Zone VII meeting in Warrenton, Virginia on Sunday, October 14<sup>th</sup> and are still in need of entries for the Flower Show. Don't forget to call Ellen and let her know what you are sending. She must have your plants and completed entry forms by October 11<sup>th</sup>. Cut fall specimens should be dropped off at my house before 10:00AM that Sunday morning.

The following will let you view the Zone VII website: GCA Web Address: [www.gcamerica.org](http://www.gcamerica.org); user name: [gcamember](mailto:gcamember); password: [compost](mailto:compost). To update or add information from your garden club to the Zone VII member page, contact Matilda Bradshaw, Zone VII Chairman by e-mail, [bloomenrok@aol.com](mailto:bloomenrok@aol.com). Send e-mail to Matilda "copy ready" please.

## **Announcements**

### • From Mott Nicol

Anyone interested in being hostess for the January 2002 meeting, please call me at 272-1987. Thank you.



- *From Callie Keller and Jessica Nicholson*

Please continue to come on Wednesdays as the garden needs to be "put to bed" during October. Bulb planting day is October 31<sup>st</sup> with the rain date scheduled for Wednesday, November 7<sup>th</sup>. Thank you.

- *From Linda Carey*

Many thanks to all those who helped with the "Art Exhibit and Silent Auction" component of the Friends of the Garden Party. It would have never happened without all your hard work and cool heads. If I leave anyone out, please consider it an omission of the mind, not the heart. Thank you Elise Boyd, Jane Stolz, Luanne Milward, Bettie Bos Haggin, Ellen Chapman, Janie Romaine, Libby Brown, Melodye Kinkead, Ginny Adams, Anne Gay, Frances Cox, Ginny May and Nancy Bishop. You all withstood the heat, the bugs and my inexperience with calm and good humor. Gay VanMeter thought of everything I forgot. For being able to "do the numbers-even in the dark", thanks to Judy Philpott, Barbara Young and Jim Philpott who stayed close to be sure we got everyone checked out. The exhibit brought around 75 visitors to the garden between 2PM and 4:30PM. All the artists were pleased with the public response. They love the garden! A special thanks to members and Friends, who, by purchasing a photograph or a painting took a part of the garden home to enjoy year 'round!

- *From Gay VanMeter and Jeanne Codell*

A huge thank-you to Linda Carey for chairing the Art Exhibit and Silent Auction. The auction greatly contributed to the over all success of the Friends of the Garden Party!



*There is a harmony  
In autumn, and a luster in its sky,  
Which through the summer is not  
heard or seen,  
As if it could not be, as if it had not  
been.*

Percy Bysshe Shelley



• NOVEMBER 2001



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## CALENDAR

### THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 15, 10:00AM

#### GENERAL MEETING

Location: Idle Hour Country Club

Hostesses: Kim DeCamp

Joy Hinkle

Program: We will be "making" something to take home so dress casually. Please bring flower scissors.

R.S.V.P. Kim DeCamp-266-9540

Joy Hinkle-266-5602

### MONDAY, DECEMBER 3, 9:30 AM

#### BOARD MEETING

Location: Judy Philpott 245 Holiday Road

### THURSDAY, DECEMBER 13, 3:30-5:30 PM

#### ANNUAL CHRISTMAS TEA

Location: The home of Kathy Dalton  
1066 Lakewood Drive

Hostesses: Kathy Dalton

Jane Baugh

Linda Carey

R.S.V.P. Kathy Dalton-266-8452

Jane Baugh-885-6493

Linda Carey-266-7162

### MONDAY, JANUARY 7, 9:30AM

#### BOARD MEETING

Location: Sarah Davis-1550 Tates Creek Road

## A Message from Libby

The Zone Meeting in Warrenton was wonderful, the drive through the mountains so spectacular, thank you for sending Mott and me. Our garden club was well represented as Jessica and Kay also attended. Jessica had responsibilities as Zone

Flower Show Rep and Kay was judging. Our appreciation to the club members who sent horticulture entries, everyone received an award. Barbara entered the photography class and received a ribbon.

The October General Meeting was such a treat. Mott planned a field trip to Bernheim Forest. Paul Capiello, Horticulture Director, spoke to us about the area and we toured the grounds. The day was perfect, clear, sunny and warm. Thanks to hostesses Anne Arvin, Nancy Bishop and Mo Ethington for all the arrangements and the delicious lunch, it was a great day.

This fall has been as glorious as any in my memory. Bulb planting day last week was beautiful and Betty Kinkead treated us all to a festive Halloween lunch in the garden, it was yummy. Thank you, Betty, for such a thoughtful surprise!

## Announcements

- From Callie Keller and Jessica Nicholson

We wish to thank Bill Henkel of Henkel-Denmark for power-seeding the grass walkways at the garden this fall. He has been very generous to us.

Bulb planting day saw a large turnout of workers, which was wonderful. A special thank-you to Betty Kinkead for supplying the lovely refreshments.



*Autumn is a second spring when every leaf is a flower.*

Albert Camus





• DECEMBER 2001



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## CALENDAR

### THURSDAY, DECEMBER 13, 3:30-5:30PM

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Location: The home of Kathy Dalton  
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Hostesses: Kathy Dalton  
Jane Baugh  
Linda Carey

R.S.V.P. Kathy Dalton 266-8452  
Jane Baugh 885-6493  
Linda Carey 266-7162

### MONDAY, JANUARY 7, 9:30AM

#### **BOARD MEETING**

Location: Sarah Davis  
1550 Tate's Creek Road

### THURSDAY, JANUARY 17, 10:30AM

#### **GENERAL MEETING**

Location: Idle Hour Country Club

Hostesses: Ginny Adams  
Eleanor Milward

Program: **Please be prompt!** This will be a meeting with two great speakers, Helen Powell and Blair Meyer. Helen will speak and show slides on the cross-references between English and American gardens. Blair is the Zone VII Conservation Chairman and is full of enthusiasm about our impact on conservation. The business meeting will follow. Lunch will be served.

R.S.V.P. Ginny Adams 266-0128

### NO GENERAL MEETING IN FEBRUARY

### MONDAY, MARCH 4, 9:30AM

#### **BOARD MEETING**

Location: Alyce Hoskins  
2618 Delong Pike



## **A Message from Libby**

Welcome to the new members of the Garden Club of Lexington. We look forward to meeting and working with Mrs. William Montague(Mary) and Mrs. James Sprow(Meg).

What a wonderful program we had at the November general meeting. Kim and Joy as hostesses and arrangers provided materials and ideas to create imaginative Thanksgiving table decorations. Many thanks for the special morning!

Bluegrass Winners cookbooks will be available at the Christmas Tea for members needing gifts for people on the Christmas list.



## **Announcements**

### • *From Janie Romaine*

Please bring an arrangement to our Christmas tea. The arrangement will be given to members unable to attend. Thank you.

### • *From Sarah Davis*

¡VIVA ESPANA! The Garden Club of America goes to Spain, August 27-September 13, 2002. This is a Five Star tour. The cost will be around \$7,500 per person sharing excluding international airfare.

Philadelphia Hospitality, Inc. presents Philadelphia in Full Bloom, March 7-10, 2002.

For further information regarding either of these events please call me 269-4727.



- *From the Nominating Committee*

The proposed slate will be voted on at the January general meeting. Please read the enclosed list and consider this as your written notification pre the by-laws.

- *From Anne Turner*

Thank you to all who brought goodies to the garden this year.

*O Christmas Tree, O Christmas Tree, Your branches  
green delight us.*

*O Christmas Tree, O Christmas Tree, Your branches  
green delight us.*

*They're green when summer days are bright:*

*They're green when winter snow is white.*

*O Christmas Tree, O Christmas Tree,*

*Your branches green delight us.*

Traditional German Carol





• JANUARY 2002



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## CALENDAR

### THURSDAY, JANUARY 17, 10:30AM

#### **GENERAL MEETING**

Location: Idle Hour Country Club

Hostesses: Ginny Adams

Eleanor Milward

R.S.V.P. Ginny Adams 266-0128

Program: **Please be prompt!** This will be a meeting with two great speakers, Helen Powell and Blair Meyer. Helen will speak and show slides on the cross-references between English and American gardens. Blair is the Zone VII Conservation Chairman and is full of enthusiasm about our impact on conservation. The business meeting will follow. Lunch will be served.

**\*NO BOARD MEETING IN FEBRUARY\***

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### MONDAY MARCH 4, 9:30AM

#### **JOINT BOARD MEETING**

Location: Libby Brown

1700 Tates Creek Road

This is for all current Board and all Officers and Committee Chairman for 2002-2004.

### THURSDAY, MARCH 21, 10:30AM

#### **ANNUAL MEETING**

Location: Idle Hour Country Club

Hostesses: Jane Milward

Luanne Milward

Mimi Milward

Program: Annual Meeting, followed by a sit down luncheon.

R.S.V.P. Luanne Milward 266-4910

Mimi Milward 266-0861



## **A Message from Libby**

The Christmas Tea was wonderful, festive and so well attended. Many thanks again to the hostesses, Jane Baugh, Linda Carey and Kathy Dalton.

My thought for the New Year comes from a favorite book of photographs of the Gardens of the Washington National Cathedral. It is a Lao Proverb: "Say yes when nobody asked." It seems appropriate for all of the members of this club who give so willingly and unselfishly of their time and talent. Happy New Year!



## **Announcements**

### • From Judy Philpott

Please respond to the address mailing I sent out if there are any changes. Thank you.

Please make note of the following address change: Mr. & Mrs. Sam Walton

1121 Tanbark Apt. 226

Lexington, Ky. 40515

Sam # 271-7776

Scotty # 273-9262

### • From Sarah Davis

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For further information please call me 269-4727.

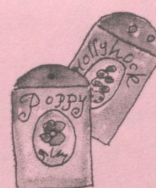


• *From Libby Brown*

The Zone VII Horticulture Representative, Kay Shiflett, is planning a Tidewater Garden Symposium on March 7<sup>th</sup> from 9AM to 3:30PM in Norfolk, VA. Kay wants to make it a two-day event, with a workshop on grooming plants for flower shows the following day. We would love to have members from our club attend. Please contact me for more information, 266-3710.

• *From Gay VanMeter*

Be on the lookout in the February or April GCA Bulletin for an article and photos about the "Take Me To The Fair Flower Show " we held in June of last year.



*There are two seasonal diversions that can ease the bite of any winter. One is the January thaw. The other is the seed catalogs.*

*Hal Borland*





• MARCH 2002



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## CALENDAR

### THURSDAY MARCH 21, 10:30AM ANNUAL MEETING

Location: Idle Hour Country Club

Hostesses: Jane Milward  
Luanne Milward  
Mimi Milward

R.S.V.P. Luanne Milward 266-4910  
Mimi Milward 266-0861

Program: Annual Meeting, followed by a seated luncheon.

### MONDAY APRIL 1, 9:30AM BOARD MEETING

Location: Nancy Bishop  
1225 Eldemere Road

### THURSDAY, APRIL 18, 10:30AM GENERAL MEETING

Location: The home of Dottie Cordray  
408 Merrywood Drive, Midway, KY

Hostess: Dottie Cordray  
Kay Steffee

Program: Dottie will discuss general orchid care and how to repot orchids.

R.S.V.P. Dottie Cordray 846-5131

## A Message from Libby

At Annual Meeting in March members will select which of the three finalists will receive this club's vote for the Founders Fund Award. All three proposals are described in detail in the current issue of the GCA Bulletin. This is the only time the full GCA membership is asked to participate in an important vote on a civic project. The Founders Fund was established to encourage and support GCA club civic projects. Awards are given annually. The winner will

receive \$20,000 and each runner up \$5,000. The winner will be announced at the Annual Business Meeting in Dallas on Monday, April 8<sup>th</sup>.

Many thanks to Ginny Adams and Eleanor Milward for the delicious lunch and arrangements for our January meeting that we enjoyed.

## Announcements

- From Libby Brown

The Cleveland Botanical Garden Flower Show will be May 30<sup>th</sup> through June 2<sup>nd</sup>. This is the largest outdoor flower show in North America. For further information call (216) 721-1695.

Andre Viette will be the guest speaker at a public forum sponsored by the Paducah Garden Club on September 18<sup>th</sup>. More information will follow.

- From Kathy Dalton and Sarah Davis

Work begins in the Garden on April 10<sup>th</sup>. Peony workdays will be March 27<sup>th</sup> and April 3<sup>rd</sup>.

Bonnie has left and we need a replacement. HELP!!

- From Gay VanMeter

"Take Me To The Fair" will revisit us in the upcoming GCA April-May issue of the bulletin. Please look out for it in your mailbox!

*The March wind roars*

*Like a lion in the sky,*

*And makes us shiver*

*As he passes by.*

*When winds are soft,*

*And the days are warm and clear,*

*Just like a gentle lamb,*

*Then spring is here. Unknown*





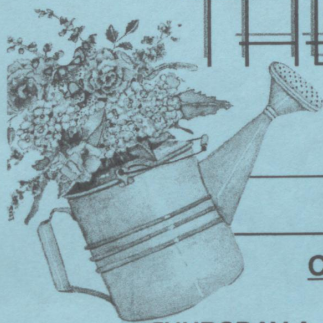
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## CALENDAR

### **THURSDAY April 18, 10:30AM GENERAL MEETING**

Location: Dottie Cordray's  
Greenhouse

Directions: Leestown Rd. to Midway (~12mi.)  
At I-64's exit, turn left on US #62  
(Versailles/Midway Rd). Go up the hill over  
Railroad tracts, 3 blocks, turn right on  
Stephen's St., take 2<sup>nd</sup> left off Stephens to  
Gayland Dr. Yield to right, take right on  
Merrywood (house is last house on right: 401  
Merrywood)

Hostesses: Dottie Cordray  
Kay Steffee

R.S.V.P.: Dottie, 846-5131

Program: How to repot and care for  
your orchids

### **MONDAY May 6, 9:30AM BOARD MEETING**

Location: The home of Gay  
Vanmeter  
4224 Briar Hill Road

### **WEDNESDAY May 15, 11:00AM Joint Meeting with Glenview Garden Club and Paducah Garden Club**

Location: Kentucky History Museum  
100 W. Broadway, Frankfort  
Box Lunch Provided

R.S.V.P.: Anne Arvin, 885-3143 or  
885-4106 by May 10.

\*More information in next *Bloomin' News*.

## A Note from Nancy

"I dreamed that, as I wandered by the  
way, bare winter suddenly was changed to  
spring" -Percy Bysshe Shelley

Work in Ashland Garden has begun  
in the peony beds and assignments have  
been made for the borders. Please remember  
that we work from April until the end of  
October. We are counting on each of you to  
share your time and talents. We are very  
fortunate to have this spot to make even  
lovelier.

## Announcements

### • **From Kathy and Sarah**

Spring has sprung... weeds and  
all. Our first "work day" is April 10<sup>th</sup>,  
please let your "parterre-chair" know if  
you can not work that day. Mary Warren  
is our new garden-helper, please  
welcome her to the work force.  
Wednesday, May 15<sup>th</sup> is a meeting day,  
so please plan to work in the garden on  
Thursday, May 16<sup>th</sup>.

### • **From Luanne**

Pat Green would like to have any  
and all old binding unused cookbooks to  
sell in Atlanta. Please call her ASAP at  
266-2529.

### • **From the Editor**

Please have all newsletter  
information to me, in writing, no later than  
5pm on the first Monday of each  
month...Thank you.





## REMINDER

Peony Work Days:

**March 27<sup>th</sup>** Everyone!

**April 3<sup>rd</sup>** Everyone!

**April 10<sup>th</sup>**

1. Betsy Hillenmeyer
2. Betty Kinhead
3. Anne Arvin

**April 17<sup>th</sup>**

1. Sarah Davis
- 2.
- 3.

**April 24<sup>th</sup>**

1. Mott Nicol
2. Janie Romaine
- 3.

**May 1<sup>st</sup>**

1. Anne Gay
2. Luanne Milward
3. Francis Cox

*To volunteer in the empty spots  
please call Sarah or Kathy.*



## HELPFUL HINTS

Thin hydrangeas early this month by removing some of the old wood, only. Don't nip off the ends as this cuts off the blooms. Hydrangeas bloom in new shoots off old wood.

Hose English boxwood with strong water to knock off spidermites.

## ANNUAL DUES

Its that time of year again! The payment due date is June 1, 2002 for your 2002-2003 annual dues. Please make your check payable to:

Garden Club of Lexington  
For \$100.00

Please mail your check to:

Mimi Milward  
1640 Ashwood Road  
Lexington, KY 40502

Or you may give it to me at the garden on Wednesdays. If you have already paid your dues, your cancelled check will serve as your receipt.

Thank you in advance for your prompt payment. I look forward to hearing from you.

Mimi Milward  
Assistant Treasurer  
266-0861



## Wisdom from the Garden

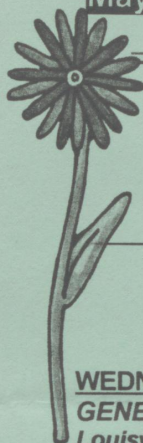
*"One of the most delightful things about a garden is the anticipation it provides."*

*-W.E. Jones*



BOBBY  
MARTIN  
273-3559  
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## CALENDAR

### WEDNESDAY, May 15, 11:00 AM

**GENERAL MEETING with Glenview GC of Louisville & Paducah GC**

**Location:** KY History Center  
100 W. Broadway Frankfort, KY

**Directions:** \* Take I-64 to ex. 58 @ US 60  
(or go from Versailles toward Frankfort via US 60)

\* At the jct. of US 60 & US 421  
turn left onto st. rt. 676 (aka East-West  
Connector)

\* Follow this curving road to the  
2<sup>nd</sup> traffic light

\* Turn right onto st. rt. 1659 (aka  
Martin Luther King Jr. Blvd.)

\* Turn left onto East Main Street  
@ 1<sup>st</sup> traffic light

\* Proceed just past the Military  
History Museum to the light (use right-most lane)  
opposite the Capital Ave. Bridge

\* Drive through the light, then  
turn right onto High St. (one-way) move to the  
left lane asap

\* Turn left @ railroad tracks onto  
Broadway (there is no light here)

\* Drive past the KY History  
Center and turn left @ the light @ Ann St.

\* Immediately after crossing  
Broadway & railroad tracks, turn left into the  
depot parking lot

**Schedule:** 11 AM garden tour  
12 noon box lunch & joint  
meeting  
1 PM museum tour

**RSVP:** Anne Arvin by May 9 at 885-3143 or  
885-4106

### Monday, June 3, 9:30 AM

#### **Board Meeting**

**Location:** The home of Mo Ethington  
4235 Harrodsburg Rd.  
Firegate #18 (second entrance past  
Palomar Hill Subd. on right)

### Thursday, June 20, 11:00 AM

#### **GENERAL MEETING**

**Location:** Home of Mott Nicol & the "little  
house" @ Overbrook Farm with  
Barbara Young

Box lunch provided

**RSVP:** to Mott 272-1987 by June 17

#### **A Note from Nancy**

Many thanks to Ellen Chapman,  
Sarah Davis, Gay VanMeter, & Barbara  
Young for propagating plants for the GCA  
Annual Meeting in Dallas. Merit awards were  
given to each plant. Congratulations!

Jessica Nicholson is the Zone VII  
Flower Show Representative and was asked  
to enter an arrangement in the flower show at  
the GCA meeting. *It was spectacular!*

The vice-president of the Judging  
Committee for Zones VII, VIII, & IX is Kay  
Steffee. Congratulations!

**WE ARE VERY FORTUNATE TO HAVE  
SUCH TALENTED AND WILLING  
MEMBERS!**

*"If you think you are too small to be effective, have  
you ever tried to sleep with a mosquito?"*



### Announcements

- **From Kathy and Sarah**  
Reminder! Work day in the garden is Thursday, May 16 instead of Wednesday, May 15. Thanks for all your good work. Keep it up!

- **From Luanne**  
Please call with new business ideas for where we can sell our cookbook, 266-4910.

- **From the Editor**  
Please have all newsletter information to me, in writing, no later than 5pm on the first Monday of each month. My email address is [b.nicol1@insightbb.com](mailto:b.nicol1@insightbb.com)

- **From Ellen**  
Please remember that the deadline for "status change" is June 1. Forms with guidelines for membership are available now and due August 26. For more information call me at 268-0787.

### Peony Work Day Reminder



**May 15:** Kathy Brewer, Mary Montique, & Jane Stilz

**May 22:** Kathy Brewer, Kathy Dalton, Mary Montique, & Jane Stilz

**May 29:** Kathy Brewer, Kathy Dalton, Betty Kinkead, & Judy Philpott

**June 5:** Mo Ethington, Bettie Bos Haggin, Jeannie Codell, & Luanne Milward

### Annual Dues

Its that time of year again! The payment due date is June 1, 2002 for your 2002-2003 annual dues. Please make your check payable to:

Garden Club of Lexington  
For \$100.00

Please mail your check to:  
Mimi Milward  
1640 Ashwood Road  
Lexington, KY 40502

Or you may give it to me at the garden on Wednesdays. If you have already paid your dues, your cancelled check will serve as your receipt.

Mimi Milward  
Assistant Treasurer  
266-0861

### Thank you notes:



*"I was pleasantly surprised with everyone's immediately response to my request for thirty-six 'old cookbooks'. In time, I hope to be able to figure the price of the cookbooks that you gave me so that I can reimburse you. Thank you, Patricia Greene"*

*"Dear Garden Club of Lexington members,*

*The lovely lead bird bath has a prominent place in our garden. As some of you know, Norman is a collector of bird houses and feeders, now the birds will have a reason to stay even longer in our yard.*

*Thank you for the wonderful gift and the opportunity to serve as president.*

*Love, Libby"*

### Cut and post near your computer:

GCA maintains a growing and regularly updated website offering information about GCA activities, scholarships, and scholarship applications, conservation brochures to download, and links to club and zone websites, as well as links to organizations whose purpose is related to that of the GCA. GCA website: [www.gcamerica.org](http://www.gcamerica.org)  
GCA email: [hg@gcamerica.org](mailto:hg@gcamerica.org)  
username: gcamember  
password: compost

### From the Fayette Co. Extension Service:

Left unchecked Eastern Tent caterpillars can defoliate the tree they inhabit. After eating their fill and reaching their maximum bulk, they will leave the tree and seek a place of shelter to build a cocoon and begin the process of metamorphosis back to a moth. These fat caterpillars will soon be seen marching toward houses and outbuildings in large numbers since siding and eaves provide a perfect cover.



June 2002

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## CALENDAR

### THURSDAY, June 20, 11:00 AM

#### **GENERAL MEETING**

**Location:** gather at Mott's house for our meeting then we'll drive to Overbrook for lunch

**Directions:** \* take Bates Creek Rd. to Armstrong Mill Rd., turn left  
\* travel through light at Man-O-War, until it dead-ends at DeLong, turn left  
\* the 3<sup>rd</sup> house on the left is

1821  
(lunch will follow at the Overbrook cottage, Firegate #2839)

**Hostesses:** Mott Nicol, 272-1987  
Barbara Young, 266-6761

**R.S.V.P.:** by June 17<sup>th</sup>

### MONDAY, July 1, 9:30 AM

#### **BOARD MEETING**

**Location:** the home of Ellen Chapman  
1625 Lakewood Dr.

### Thursday, July 18, 11:30 AM

#### **General Meeting and Annual Picnic**

**Location:** Ashland Garden  
**Rain Location:** home of Ellen Chapman

**Hostesses:** Jessica Nicholson, Wende Bell, Benny Williams



## A Note from Nancy

*"When we first began to own a garden we could not bring ourselves to wait in patience for developments. We expected our beds to bloom as by magic... But a garden is at once the most delightful and most cunning of teachers. How kindly are the virtues it inculcates! - Patience, faith, hope, tenderness, gratitude, resignation, things in themselves as fragrant and beautiful as the flowers..."*

The parterres look lovely and visitors make many complimentary comments about our garden. Your hard work really shows.

On a practical note... Because our treasury balance is at its lowest at this time of year, please consult with Kathy and Sarah before making purchases. Perhaps plants can be shared from our own gardens or relocated from another place within Ashland Garden.



## ANNOUNCEMENTS

### **from Kathy and Sarah**

WATCH FOR an article in the "Herald Leader" on June 20<sup>th</sup> about Ashland Garden.



### **from Patricia Green**

"Thanks again for the cookbooks, but I need to know who gave them and how many you gave." call me, 266-2529



### **from Jeanne**

Please volunteer to bring flower arrangements to the July picnic. My e-mail address is : [JeanneACod@aol.com](mailto:JeanneACod@aol.com)

My phone still works too, 268-8597



### **from Linda**

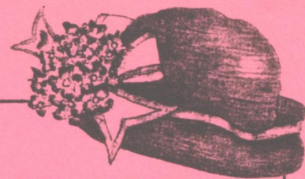
Last call for names of artists or photographers whose work you admire and who have been invited to exhibit at the Friends of the Garden Party, please send to Linda Carey at 1616 Bates Creek Rd., #5





**from Jessica**

Thanks for the wonderful response to requests for gardens to visit. Please call to add your garden to the list.



#### An Invitation!!

The Paducah Garden Club has invited our club to come to Paducah to hear their special guest lecturer, Mr. Andre Viette, on September 18<sup>th</sup>. Mr. Viette's nursery in Virginia has one of the largest collections of perennials in the Eastern United States, with over 3,000 varieties of daylilies, hosta, peonies, iris, poppies, and many unusual plants for sun and shade gardens. He is also well known for his weekly radio commentary show, "In the Garden with Andre Viette," which is dedicated to answering all types of gardening questions and is broadcasted on 60 stations in 8 states. He received the GCA's Medal of Honor for his outstanding contributions to horticulture.

If you are interested in going to Paducah to hear Andre Viette and perhaps visit some of their gardens, please let me know, Anne Arvin, 885-3143 or office number 885-4106.

#### REMINDER

##### Peony Work Days:

June 19<sup>th</sup> Anne Gay, Joy Hinkle, Judy Philpott and Linda Carey

July 3<sup>rd</sup> Gay VanMeter and ????

Did you know... Peonies live long, successful lives. There are 300-year-old bushes in China that still bloom faithfully every spring.

#### A peony for your thoughts:

**If you have noticed some rolling of your peony buds, leaf blotching and distortions of leaves, your peonies may have the fungus Caldosporium. This disease is very common on peonies and is worse this year due to the recent rainy weather. The disease is managed by avoiding wetting foliage when possible (use direct watering to the soil); removing infected foliage from the bed at the season's end, cutting leaves all the way back, and destroying debris. Fungicides may be applied early in the season, apply 2 times/ 2 weeks apart as a preventive. When cutting back your plants remember to keep your clippers clean. You can use a simple solution of Clorox and water to dip them in. If your plants look extremely infected, they should be removed to prevent spread to others nearby.**

#### Recipe for Manure Tea

Add 1 shovel full of manure to 1 bucket of water. Let sit overnight. Water your plants with this liquid. A water soluble fertilizer is ideal for any plant. It will not burn and is especially good for annuals that need a quick pick-up.

GCA Scholarship Committee: In the last 5 years, 159 students, from undergraduates to PhD's have received awards from the GCA totaling \$600,000.

TIME BEGAN  
IN A GARDEN ♡

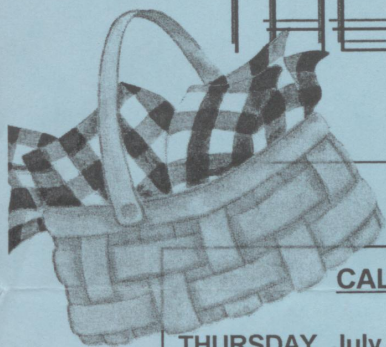


July 2002

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## CALENDAR

**THURSDAY, July 1, 11:30 AM**

### **GENERAL MEETING**

**Location:** Ashland Garden

**Rain Location:** home of Ellen Chapman  
1625 Lakewood Drive

**Program:** Jeff Singer; Propagating Trees

**Hostesses:** Jessica Nicolson, Wende Bell, Benny Williams

**R.S.V.P.** Jessica; 223-4044 or Wende;  
266-4979

### **CASUAL ATTIRE**

**No BOARD MEETING in August !**

**THURSDAY, September 26, 1:00 PM**

**Location:** Idle Hour C. C.

**Program:** Candice Harker, Composting  
and Garden Tips

**Hostesses:** Betty Kinhead, Kathy  
Brewer, and Betty Gess

**R.S.V.P.** Betty Kinhead 266-5770

## A Note from Nancy

Congratulations to Melodye Kinhead! The garden she submitted, Shadewell Well Farm, has been accepted into the Archives of American Gardens by the Smithsonian Institute. We appreciate the efforts of Melodye and Judy Wells.

GCA has published a book entitled The Fine Art of Flower Arranging- A Garden Club of America Book. It has more than 150 color images of flower arrangements selected from competitions of the 195 clubs in 40 states.

Copies of the book are available at \$45 each. Please add \$7 per book for shipping and handling. Make checks payable to the GCA and send with your name, address, and phone number to : Bonny Martin, 6610 Messick Road, Memphis, TN 38119.

*"Just living is not enough," said the butterfly.  
"One must have sunshine, freedom, and a  
little flower." Hans Christian Anderson*

**Envision this...** One day, while I was working in the garden, I saw an older woman and her 2 teenage sons approaching the garden from the Ginkgo Café. She said, "Now, close your eyes, I have a beautiful surprise for you." She stopped them at the gates and told them to open their eyes. They then entered the garden and walked throughout. I went over, welcomed them, and told them to enjoy it all and return often. She then told me how BEAUTIFUL it was. Somehow the whole scene moved me tears!  
Love, Jeanne



## Longer Life for Cut Flowers

**Day-Lily-Hemerocallis:** Char and put down in boiling water (stems). If you put them in refrigerator, not near coils, 4-5 hrs. before using, they will stay open at night.

**Dahlia:** Remove foliage below the water. Small types- condition overnight in a cool, dark place. Larger types- put in cold water for 2 hrs., then put in 3" of boiling water. Condition overnight in cold water in cool, dark place.



## ANNOUNCEMENTS

**from Ellen:** The deadline for candidates for membership must be submitted to Ellen by August the 26<sup>th</sup>. Forms are available by calling her at 266-0787. Please keep in mind the eligibility requirements in your "Black Book" of Bylaws of the Garden Club of Lexington on pages 1-4.

Please note that it was mistakenly omitted from the new printing of the Bylaws under Article III, Section 2 (Classes of Membership). The deadline change of status of membership (active to affiliate) is now June 1<sup>st</sup>. This earlier date helps the membership chairman know the number of available openings for new members.

Thank you and please call if I can help you.

**from Art in the Garden Chairman, Linda:** Thanks to all of you who have signed up to help with the art. I will be calling you soon with your assignment. Remember ladies, the Friends of the Garden Party and silent art auction is our ONLY fund raiser outside of the cookbook. When the invitation arrives, please send in your money for the party, volunteer to bring hors d'oeuvres, be sure any Friends you know plan to come, and bring your checkbook so you can purchase a piece or 2 from the wonderful artists who are donating 60% of the proceed to the Garden. Sounds like a lot to ask, doesn't it? Well... not REALLY when you consider the beauty enjoyed by so many that you have helped create and maintain! It IS worth it!

**From Friends of the Garden Party Chairman, Anne:** Mark your calendar for Thursday, September 5<sup>th</sup>. This is the date of THE PARTY. Since the proceeds from the sale of our cookbook are down and garden costs are up, it is extremely important that we all support this club event. There are many ways to show your support... bring food, make a flower arrangement, help with the art, send a check, buy a painting, and bring a friend. There will be a sign-up sheet at the July picnic or call me at home 266-3438. Thank you for your support.

## Andre Viette in Paducah

We are invited by the Paducah Garden Club to hear Andre Viette, a renowned nurseryman and expert on perennials, on September 18<sup>th</sup>. (See June's *Bloomin' News*). Our club is planning an overnight trip to Paducah. We plan to visit several Paducah gardens, see some historical downtown highlights, and have dinner at Max's. Means of transportation will be either a small bus, van, or by car. If you are interested, please call Anne Arvin at 885-4106 or 885-3143 by July 19<sup>th</sup>.



## Conservation Notes

Did you know that as the temperature rises, so does the ozone layer? Bad ozone layers directly impact our health and pose significant risks to the elderly, the very young, and people with asthma and lung problems. High ozone levels can also cause shortness of breathe and chest pain for people with heart problems.

We can do a few things to help during the hot summer months:

1. Combine errands into 1 trip.
2. Set air conditioners at a higher temperature.
3. Walk or ride a bike whenever possible.
4. Refuel vehicle after dusk.
5. Use environmentally safe paints and cleaning products.

## Flower Show Schedule

**July 11<sup>th</sup>:** The Gay Nineties- A Retrospective- Sponsored by the South Hampton Garden Club. From 11 AM to 5 PM at the Rogers Memorial Library. Admission to the show is free; there is a charge for the garden tour. Contact Cindy Willis, 631-287-3522 or [halewillis@aol.com](mailto:halewillis@aol.com)

**July 17<sup>th</sup>:** In the good Old Summertime- Sponsored by the Nantucket Garden Club. From 10 AM to 5 PM at the point Breeze Hotel. Contact Nancy Seven, 508-228-0541.





September 2002

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## CALENDAR

**THURSDAY, September 26, 11:30 AM**

*\*note this date*

### GENERAL MEETING

**Location:** Idle Hour C.C.

**Program:** Candice Harker ; Composting and Garden Tips

**Hostesses:** Betty Kinhead and Kathy Brewer  
**R.S.V.P.** Kathy 266-4997

**MONDAY, October 7, 9:30 AM**

### Board Meeting

**Location:** at home of Ginny May, 306  
Holiday Rd. Regrets; 266-4515

**THURSDAY, October 17, 11:00AM**

### GENERAL MEETING

**Location:** Ky. River Palisades Trip on the  
Dixie Bell ( meet at Shaker Landing )

**Hostesses:** Dot Crutcher, Betty Tenney and  
Eileen Hillenmeyer

**RSVP:** Eileen; 268-1921 or Betty; 266-6616

## A Note from Nancy...

We can all be amazed at the beauty of the garden as the calendar shows September and we approach early autumn .

To quote Johann Wolfgang von Goethe, "The ideal of beauty is simplicity and tranquility." Our garden at Ashland has never been lovelier. KET has been filming for a program after the Holidays and we welcome and appreciate their interest.

Most of all, we appreciate each of you who comes on Wednesday morning to make the garden so beautiful. Kathy and Sarah are outstanding leaders and we are most grateful to them.

The setting for The Friends of the Garden Party is once again an ideal one. Many thanks to Anne Gay and Linda Carey and each of you for your contributions.

I encourage you to pause a moment to enjoy simplicity and the tranquility....



## A Great Trip to Paducah is Planned !!!!

-Plans for the Paducah trip are underway.

-September 18: Leave bright and early to arrive in Paducah in time for a box lunch and the Vietteprogram leaving time afterward to enjoy the historical, old downtown market place, the Flood wall Murals, the Quilt Museum, and more. Dinner at Max's. Regarding the program, Andre Viette is having back surgery so his son will be speaking. By all accounts he is reported to be just as knowledgeable and an enjoyable speaker.

-September 19: Tour three beautiful gardens, enjoy lunch, and return home.

-Transportation will be by car.

-Reservations have been made at the Marriott Courtyard.

-To coordinate room and travel arrangements, please call Anne Arvin if you plan to go. Several people have agreed to drive.

-Anne: 885-4106 day, 885-3143 home, or 333-4889 cell





**FLOWER SHOW SCHEDULE  
THE JAMES RIVER GARDEN CLUB  
RICHMOND, VIRGINIA  
WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 16, 2002**

**Entry registration due by Wednesday, September 18, 2002  
Call Barbara Young or Nancy Bishop for entry forms and additional rule information**

**Division I  
Flower Arrangement**

**A. The Garden Fence**

Challenge Class: To be judged and viewed from three sides

**B. Sunday Hat**

Decorate a hat with fresh or dried plant material suitable for a prominent lady of the South in the 19<sup>th</sup> century and the early 20<sup>th</sup> century. To be displayed on a simulated wooden drop-leaf table. Diameter of hat not to exceed 30"

**C. Southern Economics**

Contemporary Arrangement: Make an arrangement using fresh and/or dried plant material. Incorporate tobacco in container and/or arrangement. Accessories are permitted.

**D. Flower Power**

Create an imaginative modern arrangement/composition that reflects the style and panache of the Volkswagen Beetle. Please specify car's exterior color. Accessories are permitted.

**Division II  
Horticulture**

**"Richmond on the James-A Botanical Crossroads"**

**A. "Hollywood"**

Roses

A single rose specimen: overall length not to exceed 24"

**B. "Oregon Hill"**

Fall Blooming Flowers-Workhorses of the garden-26" max height

**C. "Maymont"**

Ornamental Plants

**D. "Virginia House"**

Cutting of Shrub or Tree-26" max height

**E. "Amber Waves of..."**

Ornamental Grasses, rushes and Sedges

**F. "River Keeper"**

Plants that control River Bank Erosion

**G. "The Falls"**

Terrarium

**H. "Monument Avenue"**

Par Class-The par class is open to an exhibit of outstanding horticultural merit, which does not qualify for entry elsewhere in the horticulture division.

**DIVISION III  
Photograph**

**A. "Riverbank"**

A photographic essay of riverbank flora

**B. "Water"**

Photo of a Natural Landscape the includes a body of water

**C. "Three seasons in the garden"**

A photographic exploration depicting three seasons of the same garden of plant (All black & white or all color)



Here's a smile  
for a rainy day!



#### Conservation Concerns:

- ★ A normal faucet runs the rate of 3-5 gallons per minute.
- ★ A five minute shower uses 25-50 gallons per minute.
- ★ One toilet flushing requires 5-7 gallons of water.
- ★ Each load of laundry normally requires about 50 gallons or more of water.

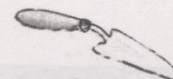


#### Things to do in September:

- Stop fertilizing house plants until spring.
- take cuttings of annual flowers that you want for next year's garden and root them. Grow in your best window for ample sunlight! Fertilize lawn anytime this month.

"It is not graceful and it makes one hot but it is a blessed sort of work, and if Eve had had a spade in Paradise and known what to do with it, we should not have had all that sad business of the apple."

- Countess von Aunim



*Congratulations to our two blushing brides!*

*Mrs. John E. Pappas*

*(Janie Collins Romaine)*

*Mrs. Ullin W. Leavell Jr.*

*(Linda Carey)*

Please read the enclosed page carefully and call Barbara or Nancy with any questions or for more information.





October 2002

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## CALENDAR

**Thursday, October 17, 11:00 AM until  
approximately 1:00 PM (Rain or Shine)**  
**GENERAL MEETING**

**Location:** On Board the Dixie Belle at  
Shaker Landing on the Kentucky River

**Program:** View the Palisades and learn  
more about the area from the Nature  
Conservancy staff members who will  
accompany us.

**Hostesses:** Dot Crutcher 266-5070  
Betty Tenney 266-6616  
Eileen Hillenmeyer 268-1921  
Please respond by Tuesday, October 15.

**Directions:** From Lexington take US 68 W  
(Harrodsburg Rd.) approximately 1 mile  
from New Circle Rd. As you begin to  
approach the Shaker Village buildings on  
the right, look to the left for the entrance  
to the river boat. Turn left and drive about  
1 mile to parking for the boat. If you come  
to the Shakertown entrance gate you  
have come too far! Allow at least 45  
minutes for the trip from the east side of  
town.

**Monday, November 4, 9:30 AM**  
**Board Meeting**

**Location:** At the home of Jeanne Codell  
225 Holiday Rd.

## A Note from Nancy



Congratulations to each of you  
who contributed to "The Friends of the  
Garden Party". It was a tremendous  
success and an enjoyable evening for  
everyone who attended.

Thanks to each of you who  
prepared food, donated time, and  
contributed money. Anne Gay, Party  
Chairman, and Linda Carey, Art Auction  
Chairman, did outstanding jobs. We are  
very grateful to both of them.

Henry Ward Beecher reminds us  
that "October is nature's funeral month.  
Nature glories in death more than in life.  
The month of departure is more beautiful  
than the month of coming – October than  
May. Every green thing loves to die in  
bright colors."

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

\* From Libby: The Cincinnati Antiques Festival  
is October 18-20 at the Sharonville Convention  
Center in Sharonville Ohio. More info: Phone  
(513) 561-0950 or  
[www.cincinnatiantiquesfestival.org](http://www.cincinnatiantiquesfestival.org)

\* From Kathy and Sarah: Please come to plant  
bulbs on November 6 (rain date November 13).  
We will be updating our ancient irrigation system  
this fall/winter. Please put your borders and  
parterres to bed as soon as possible.



\* From the Treasurer:

I just want to extend a big Thank You to Anne Gay and Linda Carey for another fabulous party and wonderful Art Auction. Not only was the party perfect in every way and the art just as beautiful as always it was a tremendous success. We raised a record \$18,591.15 in reservations, donations and art sales!! Hats off to both of you ladies for this!

I would also like to thank Patricia DeCamp and Linda Carey (again) for contributing the entire amount to their individual art pieces to the Garden Club. You are both very gracious and appreciated.

Fondly,  
Gay VanMeter

\*From Barbara: There will be a hardwood cutting horticulture workshop at Michler's at 10am on November 20. More information will be in the next newsletter.

\* From Ellen: There will be a peony workshop on October 23 at 10:00 AM. We will divide some of our peonies and sell some of the divisions.



**Energy Conservation Tip:**

Did you know that recycling just one aluminum can saves enough energy to operate a computer for three hours?

Please note the garden history and design committee report on page 24 of the October/November "GCA Bulletin". There are directions on how to access the internet for the Archives of American Gardens.

**BOURBON SLUSH RECIPE**

3 CUPS (24 OZ.) WHISKEY SOUR MIX (IT SEEMS LIKE EVERY TIME I BUY IT, IT COMES IN A DIFFERENT SIZE BOTTLE, THIS IS A GUESS.)

4 12 OZ. CANS (48 OZ. TOTAL) SPRITE  
1 QUART ORANGE JUICE  
2 CUPS BOURBON  
MIX, FREEZE, AND SERVE

THIS WAS SERVED BY JULIETTE GRUMLEY AT HER GARDEN IN PADUCAH



"NEXT TO GOD WE ARE IN DEBT TO WOMEN, FIRST FOR LIFE ITSELF, AND THEN FOR MAKING IT WORTH LIVING."

-CHRISTIAN N. BOVEE

Remember all news items need to be handed in, in writing, or e-mailed to Mott by 5:30 PM on the first Monday of each month.  
E-mail address: [b.nicol1@insightbb.com](mailto:b.nicol1@insightbb.com)



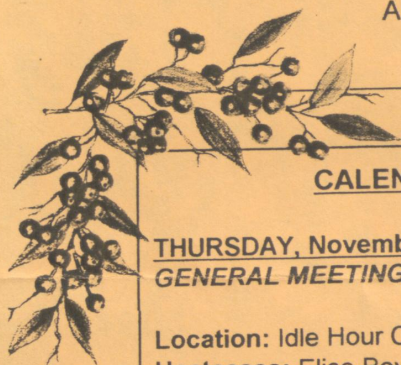


November 2002

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## CALENDAR

### **THURSDAY, November 21, 10:30AM GENERAL MEETING**

**Location:** Idle Hour Country Club  
**Hostesses:** Elise Boyd 269-5600  
Libby Brown 266-3710  
**Program:** "Flower Arranging for the Home" with Patrick Howard. Please bring your clippers &/or a florist knife as you will make something to take home. A light lunch will be served.  
**R.S.V.P.** to Elise or Libby

### **Monday, December 2, 9:30 A.M. Board Meeting**

**Location:** Home of Judy Philpott  
245 Holiday Rd.

### **Thursday December 12, 3:30 P.M. Christmas Tea**

**Location:** Home of Linda Carey  
**Hostesses:** Linda Carey 266-7162  
Callie Keller 269-3035  
Please Reply to Linda or Callie

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

\* From the Finance Comm.: The committee approved the bid from Jock Gumm's Irrigation Company to update our existing sprinkler system. They also approved an additional discount of 10%, on top of the original 30%, for a case of 12 cookbooks sold to garden club members. They can be purchased at the November and December meetings or by calling Luanne Milward at 266-4910.

\* From All the Garden Workers: A big thank you to Ann Turner and her tireless team of refreshment ladies: Helen Breckenridge, Jane Milward, Betty Kinkead, Betty Gess, Mary Andrews Goff, Hattie Shanklin, Mary McDowell Boone, Dot Crutcher, Anne Campbell, Lida Givens, Louise Parker, Missy Lange, Betty Tenney, Carolyn Caldwell, Ann Asbury, Murray Barrow, Ginny Adams, and Delia Kessinger.

\*From Anne Gay: Thank you so very much for your generous support of The Friends of the Garden Party! Seventy Five members donated money, food, and or flowers; three members lent tables and cloths, and two others underwrote the cost of the invitations. Because of the generosity of so many of you, and of the contributing artists, our profit was over \$18,000. All those who love and enjoy the garden, especially the garden chairman are grateful for your help.

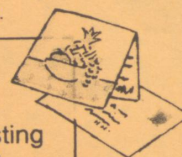
## A Note from Nancy

The Zone VII Meeting in Richmond, Virginia, was very interesting and informative. "Flower Power in River City" provided an opportunity to exchange many ideas, a chance to be challenged by conservation issues, and the encouragement to learn more about horticulture.

The entries in the Small Flower Show did very well. Our members received four blue ribbons, two yellow ribbons, and one white ribbon. Congratulations to our flower arrangers, horticulturists and photographer!

Barbara and I certainly appreciate the chance to attend Zone Meeting as your Delegate and President!

Many thanks to Mrs. Turner and committee for the delicious refreshments for the garden workers.







Horticulture Workshop  
Wednesday November 20, 2002  
Michler's at 10:00 am

Please try to attend the Hort Workshop at Michler's with Helen Kruse on Wednesday November 20<sup>th</sup> at 10:00 am. This will be our last opportunity to work as a group to provide Plant Exchange entries at the annual meeting in April. I gather our summer attempt, using softwood cuttings was a bust, so we need everyone's help. Again, the theme for the 2003 Plant Exchange is "Trees and Shrubs for Public Places." I ask that everyone bring cuttings of suitable plants.

Suggested trees and shrubs for Zone 6 are:

Trees

*Acer* - Maple  
*Amelanchier Canadensis* - Serviceberry  
*Carpinus betulus* - European Hornbeam  
*Carpinus caroliniana* - American Hornbeam  
*Cornus kousa* - Kousa Dogwood  
*Ginkgo biloba* - Gingko (male preferable)  
*Gleditsia* - Honey Locust  
*Gymnocladus dioica* - KY Coffee Tree  
*Juniper Chinensis* - Chinese Juniper  
*Koelreuteria paniculata* - Goldenrain Tree  
*Prunus maackii* - Amur Chokecherry  
*Prunus sargentii* - Sargent Cherry - many other cherry supp.  
*Quercus macrocarpa* - Burr Oak  
*Quercus phellos* - Willow Oak - many other oak supp.  
*Sophora japonica* - Japanese Pagoda Tree  
*Syringa* - Lilac  
*Taxodium distichum* - Bald Cypress  
*Tilia tomentosa* - Silver linden - and other linden supp.  
*Tsuga caroliniana* - Carolina Hemlock  
*Ulmus parvifolia* - Chinese Elm  
*Zelcova serrata*

Shrubs

*Chionanthus Virginicus* - White Fringetree  
*Clethra alnifolia* - Summersweet  
*Cornus* - Dogwood  
*Cotinus coggygria* - Smokebush  
*Hydrangea quercifolia* - Oakleaf Hydrangia  
*Ilex* - Holly - many varieties  
*Juniperus Horizontalis* - Creeping Juniper and other supp.  
*Nandina domestica* - Heavenly Bamboo  
*Rose Groups* : Meidiland, Explorer, et. al  
*Rose cultivars*: 'The Fairy', 'Seafoam', 'Hugonis', 'Mutabilis', et al.  
*Viburnum sargentii* - and other supp.

These are only suggestions. Any tree or shrub that has interest and does well in your yard or garden would probably be fine.

Cuttings should be at least the width and length of a pencil (1/4" x 6").

Root stimulator will be provided but please bring clippers and a cooler for planting and wintering over. I have a few extra so please call if you need one. I will also bring extra soilless growing medium.

I hope many of you can participate. Our success depends on it.

Thanks,  
Barbara (266-6761)



December 2002

# THE BLOOMIN' NEWS

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Editor: Mott Nicol

## CALENDAR

**Thursday, December 12, 3:30 PM**

### **Christmas Tea**

**Location:** Linda Carey's home:  
1616 Bates Creek Rd. #5

**Hostesses:** Linda Carey 266-7162  
Callie Keller 269-3035  
Please respond promptly.



**Monday, January 6, 2003**

### **Board Meeting**

**Location:** At the home of Cathy Dalton  
1066 Lakewood

**Thursday, January 16, 2003 10:00 AM**

### **General Meeting**

**Location:** First Presbyterian Church,  
Assembly Room

**Hostesses:** Sarah Davis 269-4727  
Jessica Bell 335-0936  
Delia Kessinger  
Scotty Walton

**Program:** "Flower Arranging for a Flower Show", workshop and light lunch

## Announcements

From Barbara:

For those of you who missed the Hort. Workshop at Michler's you might try the following propagation method sent to me by our zone hort. Representative. It may be a little late for this, but it is worth a shot, and it would be good to demonstrate several propagation methods. Use cuttings from any yard tree or

shrub that could be used in an urban landscape.

Make sure your cutting is the width of a pencil.

The Simpson Method:

Make a 10" cutting on the diagonal, leaving flowers or berries on. Dip in Rootone or Hormodin. Cut leaves in half to reduce transpiration. Fill pot with 2" of compost followed by 4-5" of perlite. The plant will grow toward the nutrients. Poke hole with pencil through perlite and into compost one inch. Place cutting in hole and water. Winter over indoors or on a porch or garage watering when dry. Release from dormancy in time for PX leafing out.

\*From Jeanne:

Please bring flower arrangements to the Christmas tea as these will be sent to our members who are unable to come.

"Blooms from an English Garden" will be the title of our inner-club flower show. The show will be on June 19, 2003 at Cross Gate Gallery. There will be a preview party on Wednesday June 18. The co-chairman are Jeanne Codell and Mott Nicol.

From Sarah and Cathy:

We ask you to be thinking about your garden assignments. Any changes should be requested during the winter months to Cathy (266-8452) or Sarah (269-4727). Thanks to all who came with smiles and energy on Bulb Day!

From Blair Mathews Zone 7 Conservation Rep to GCA:

1. On March 11, 2003 the Glenview Garden Club is having an open meeting, titled "Spirit of Place". Several speakers from around the US will team up to address such issues as urban planning, smart growth and more. Save the date!

2. I hope you have already heard about the GCA's "Partners for Plants Projects" which are cropping up all over the country. (If you have not, let me know and I will send you some literature.) I would like to get one started in KY and have been told by a botanist in Asheville NC that our Daniel Boone



National Forest has the most dug, wild ginseng in the world. It is being poached and sold over seas in the Asian Markets. At present it is not know how long our natural supplies of this plant (and many others) will hold up and not become extinct. As an aside, I participated in a "Partners for Plants Project" in Asheville this past summer, and there were 25 garden club ladies working in the forest from five states. We had a ball, and were helping the forest by providing the much needed manpower. I would appreciate it if you would check the interest of your club in helping in a Kentucky project next summer. It usually means one night away from home, and we work one full day and a half. It's a great learning experience... going to totally wild natural places and seeing plants in their native habitats. It's sort of like Visiting Gardens except we are in the forest.

#### A Note from Nancy

We are very fortunate to have Sue Glover, Anne Turner Kraus, Martie Mayer, and Charlotte Turners new members. Please be sure to welcome them at the Christmas Tea. A favorite quotation is an anonymous one...

"God has given us memories  
that we may have roses in  
December."

My sincere wish for each of you this holiday season is that you create memories of happiness and joy, shared with family and friends.



#### The legend of Mistletoe:

The Druids regarded the mistletoe as sacred, made certain that it never touched the ground and dedicated it to the Goddess of Love, which explains the kissing that goes on under it. Originally when a boy kissed a girl, he plucked a berry from the cluster and presented it to her. When the berries were gone so were the kisses.



Please return the enclosed questionnaire to Jessica Nicholson 3115 Military Rd., Lexington KY 40513



#### Holly Jolly Christmas

Have a holly, jolly Christmas;  
It's the best time of the year.  
I don't know if there'll be snow,  
But have a cup of cheer.  
Have a holly, jolly Christmas,  
And when you walk down the street,  
Say "hello" to friends you know  
And everyone you meet.

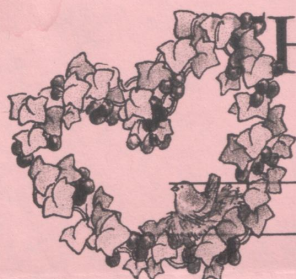


Oh ho, the mistletoe, hung where you  
Can see;  
Somebody waits for you; Kiss her  
Once for me.  
Have a holly jolly Christmas,  
And in case you didn't hear,  
Oh by golly, have a holly, jolly  
Christmas  
This year!





January 2003



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## CALENDAR

**Thursday, January 16, 2003, 10:00AM**

### **General Meeting**

#### **Location:**

First Presbyterian Church, assembly room  
171 Market Street

**Hostesses:** Sarah Davis 269-4727

Jessica Bell 335-0936

Delia Kessinger

Scotty Walton

Please respond promptly.

A light lunch will be served.

**Monday, March 3, 2003 9:30 AM**

### **Board Meeting**

**Location:** At the home of Jane Stilz  
420 Bristol Road

**Thursday, March 20, 2003 10:30 AM**

### **Annual Meeting and Luncheon**

**Location:** T.B.A.

**Hostesses:** Anne Turner 266-5683

Helen Breckenridge 272-6087

Mary Andrews Goff

**Program:** Jeannie Codell; "Chelsea  
Flower Show"

**Timely Horticulture Tip;** As soon as daffodil foliage emerges, use a handful of 5-10-5 around each clump of bulbs, and broadcast wood ashes around. Do not use manure or any high nitrogen fertilizer on bulbs. Naturalized bulbs need very little fertilizing.

## **A Note from Nancy...**

The Christmas Tea was lovely and a treat for everyone. A special thank-you to Linda Carey and Callie Keller, our hostesses, for a delightful time.

The Garden Club of America 2003 Annual Meeting will be May 4-6 in Rye, New York. Ginny May will attend as our Club Delegate and I will go as your club president. We are looking forward to celebrating "90 Years in Bloom - A Growing Tradition".

Please remember there is no board meeting, no "Bloomin' News" and no general meeting in February!

"And Winter slumbering in open air

Wears on her smiling face a  
Dream of Spring."

Anonymous

## ANNOUNCEMENT

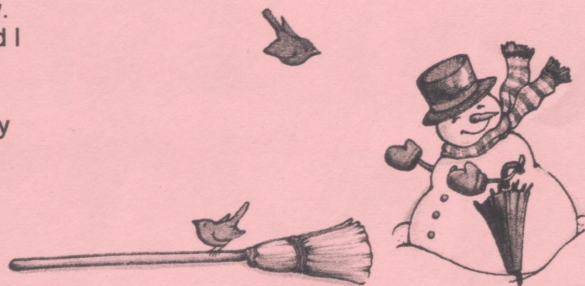
- From Jessica Nicholson, Visiting Gardens ; I have the itinerary for the GCA trip to Jackson Hole and the Snake River on July 17-21, 2003. It is a well planned trip and should be lots of fun. Contact me for the details!
- From Jeannie and Mott, Flower Show : Please begin to look through books, magazines, and on the Internet for ideas concerning our flower show, titled " Blooms from an English Garden". Your ideas will help us in writing the schedule.



- From Blair Mathews Zone 7 Conservation Rep. to GCA via Linda Carey, Conservation: Please call Linda if you are interested in either of these events.
  1. On March 11, 2003 the Glenview Garden Club is having an open meeting, titled "Spirit of Place". Several speakers from around the U.S. will team up to address such issues as urban planning, smart growth and more. SAVE THE DATE.
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great learning experience  
...going to totally wild natural places and seeing plants in their native habitats. It's sort of like Visiting Gardens, except we are in the forest.

**"There are two seasonal diversions that can ease the bite of winter. One is the January thaw. The other is the seed catalogues." Hal Borland**





• MARCH 2003



# The Bloomin' News

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## CALENDAR

### THURSDAY, MARCH 20, 10:30AM ANNUAL MEETING

Location: Greentree Tearoom  
521 West Short Street  
(Plenty of parking available!)

Hostesses: Helen Breckinridge  
Mary Andrews Goff  
Anne Turner

R.S.V.P. Helen Breckinridge 272-6087  
Anne Turner 266-5683

Program: Annual meeting followed by a seated luncheon. Jeanne Codell will also talk briefly about the upcoming flower show.

### MONDAY, APRIL 7, 9:30AM BOARD MEETING

Location: Gay VanMeter  
4224 Briar Hill Road.

### THURSDAY, APRIL 17, 10:30AM GENERAL MEETING

Location: The home of Janie Pappas  
1756 Eastwood Drive

Hostesses: Alyce Hoskins  
Janie Pappas  
Jane Stilz

R.S.V.P. Jane Stilz 266-5915

Program: "It's Not Your Mother's Garden Club"  
Revelations in Horticulture.  
Luise Strauss, a member of the Newport Garden Club of America (RI), a well versed horticulturalist and garden sculptor, will be our guest speaker. Luise recently ran the Shirley Meneice Horticulture Workshop in Durham. You may bring a guest. Please RSVP.

*Active and Affiliate members shall pay annual dues of \$100.00 by June 1<sup>st</sup>. Make checks payable to Garden Club of Lexington. Remit to Mimi Milward.*

## **A Message from Nancy**

Please read the February-March issue of The GCA Bulletin to learn about the 2003 Founders Fund Nominees. Two of the three finalists are from our own Zone VII. The annual winner receives \$25,000 and each runner up \$7,500. The Founders Fund was established to encourage and support GCA Club civic projects.

The new Zone VII Chair from July 1, 2003 to June 30, 2005 is Blair Matthews of the Glenview Garden Club of Louisville.

A Symposium to Examine How Architecture and the Built Environment Affect Our Lives will be held on March 11 from 1:30-5:00PM at the Speed Art Museum Auditorium in Louisville. Ways to create a city and what makes "Spirit of Place, Spirit of Design" in these days of urban sprawl will be examined by a speaker and panel.

*"Every gardener knows that under the cloak of winter lies a miracle... a seed waiting to sprout,  
a bulb opening to the light,  
a bud straining to unfurl,  
And the anticipation nurtures our dream."*

Barbara Winkle

## **Announcements**

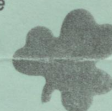
### • From Kathy Dalton and Sarah Davis

We are fortunate to report that no major damage occurred in the garden. We lost the lilacs in the north border, some limbs from the ash tree, many limbs on outlying (perimeter) trees and one boxwood.

Peony workdays will be March 26<sup>th</sup> and April 2<sup>nd</sup>. The first official workday in the garden will be April 9<sup>th</sup>.

### • From Luanne Milward

Please choose your favorite recipes (1-3) from our cookbook. Give them to me at our March annual meeting and I will compile them and have the results of the top 10 for the May Bloomin' News!





April 2003

# THE BLOOMIN' NEWS

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Editor: Mott Nicol

## CALENDAR

### Thursday, April 17, 10:30 AM

#### ***General Meeting and Coffee***

**Location:** Janie Pappas' Home  
1756 Eastwood

There will be valet parking for those who need it.

**Hostesses:** Alyce Hoskins, Janie Pappas, and Jane Stilz.

**RSVP:** Jane Stilz 266-5915

**Program:** "It's Not Your Mother's Garden Club" Revelations in Horticulture

**Speaker:** Luise Strauss, a GCA member who is coming to us from Newport Garden Club in Rhode Island, is a multi-talented gardener and horticulturist, garden sculptor, and speaker.

You may bring guests to this meeting.

### Monday, May 12, 2003 9:30 AM

#### ***Board Meeting***

**Location:** At the home of Mott Nicol  
1821 Delong Rd.

### Thursday, May 15, 2003 10:30 AM

#### ***General Meeting and Light Lunch***

**Location:** Carol Jackson's Home  
131 South Hanover

**Hostesses:** Carol Jackson and Meg Sprow

**RSVP:** Carol Jackson 335-5711  
Meg Sprow 299-4662

**Program:** "Beyond the Ice Storm!"

**Speaker:** Tom Wilson, Arborist

## A Note from Nancy

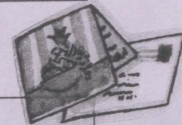
"We come and go, but the land will always be here. Those people who love and understand it are the only ones who really own it – for a while."

-Will Cather

We are fortunate to escape major damage to our garden during the winter ice storm. Many of the trees on the grounds of Ashland outside the garden were damaged and the tree work estimate is high.

The Board voted to make a contribution of \$500 from the Garden Club of Lexington to Ashland to be used for work on the damaged trees. Each member is urged to make a gift to Ashland on an individual basis.

The work on the irrigation system in the garden is completed. Workers have prepared the peony beds so they are neat and clean. Each active member is expected to work in Ashland Garden on Wednesday mornings and we look forward to seeing you there. It's a great opportunity to listen, to see, to participate, and to learn....





## Announcements

### **From Kelly Hall at Ashland:**

An initial damage inventory performed by our grounds committee gives a damage estimate of over \$25,000 to our 20 acre property due to the recent storm. To help defray some of this cost we are organizing a community clean-up day at Ashland. It will take place Saturday April 26 from 10:00AM to 4:00 PM. Volunteers do not have to commit to working all day but may donate an hour or two. Please bring your own tools. If you cannot attend you can still help by making a donation to our Landscape Heritage Fund. This fund is restricted to the maintenance and upkeep to Ashland's grounds and trees. Make your check payable to Ashland and mail it to:

Ashland, The Henry Clay Estate,  
120 Sycamore Rd., 40502 (designate your check "grounds")

### **From Mimi Milward:**

It's that time again! Annual Dues date is June 1, 2003. Please make your check payable to: Garden Club of Lexington for \$100. Mail this to Mimi Milward, 1640 Ashwood 40502.

### **From Luanne Milward:**

Please send your top three favorite recipe titles ( from our cookbook) to me, as soon as possible.

### **From Ellen Chapman:**

Please remember that all membership status changes are due by June 1. Applications for new members are accepted now until August 27. If you have any questions or need forms contact me at 268-0787.

### **From Jeanne and Mott:**

The flower show entry form is attached to this newsletter. Please fill it out and mail it in ASAP. If you do not have a show schedule book, of classes, contact either of us and we will get one to you!

### **From Barbara Young:**

Please contact me if you have any plants worthy of the Annual Meeting PX in Rye New York May 4-6 2003. If you participated in any of the Horticulture Workshops this past year and have a living specimen of a "Tree or Shrub for Public Places" we need your material. We need to pot these plants up now. I have the regulation black plastic pots and soilless mix for those of you who need it. I have good specimens of oak leaf hydrangea, and arrow wood so other types of material would be welcome. I will also need all your propagation info, i.e. what method used (cooler, compost, perlite, etc.).

I am also looking for viable plants from earlier exchanges that have survived. Please take a picture and include any information about the plant that you may have, i.e. where it is from, how long you have had it, care method, what it is, etc.

### **From Sara and Kathy:**

Peony work days:

April 9:

Mott, Betsy, and Dot

April 16:

Luanne, Mo, Mary Montague, and Francis.

April 23:

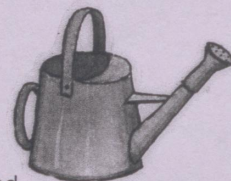
Lucy, Charlotte, Joy, and Jane Stiliz.

April 30:

Luanne, Linda, Charlotte, and Moe

May 7

Gay, Sarah, Meg, and Jeanne.



### **A Minute for GCA:**

Each year, between thirty and forty scholars are the beneficiaries of GCA's fourteen scholarships and fellowships. These scholars pursue their studies worldwide. To date over three hundred scholars have received GCA scholarships. Requirements are fully described on GCA's website at [www.gamerica.org](http://www.gamerica.org).



**Flower Arrangement Entry Form**

*Deadline is May 25, 2003*

Please send form to:  
Mrs. Fred Keller  
2012 Hart Road  
Lexington, KY 40502

Exhibitor (please print): \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone: (H): \_\_\_\_\_ (W): \_\_\_\_\_

1<sup>st</sup> Choice: \_\_\_\_\_ 2<sup>nd</sup> Choice: \_\_\_\_\_

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**Horticulture Entry Form**

*Deadline is May 25, 2003*

Please send form to:  
Mrs. Norman Brown  
1700 Tates Creek Road  
Lexington, KY 40502

Exhibitor (please print): \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone: (H): \_\_\_\_\_ (W): \_\_\_\_\_

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MAY 2003

# THE BLOOMIN' NEWS

A NEWSLETTER FROM GARDEN CLUB OF LEXINGTON, INC.

EDITOR: MOTT NICOL

## CALENDAR

**Thursday, May 15, 2003, 10:30AM**

**General Meeting and lunch**

**Location:**

Carol Jackson's home, 131 South Hanover

**Hostesses:** Carol Jackson and Meg Sprow

**Program:** "Beyond the Ice Storm: Our Trees!"

**Speaker:** Tom Wilson, Arborist

**RSVP:** Carol, 335-5711 or Meg, 299-4662

**Monday, June 2, 2003 9:30 AM**

**Board Meeting**

**Location:** At the home of Callie Keller, 2012 Hart Road

**Thursday, June 12, 2003**

**General Meeting and Lunch**

**Location:** Home of W.T. Young, 222 Chinoe Road

**Hosts:** Bill Young, Sr. and Barbara Young

**Program:** Tour of the Garden

**RSVP:** Anne Arvin, 885-4106 or 885-3143

\* Please note that this meeting will be on the 2<sup>nd</sup> Thursday of the month.

thoughts and your own making; it is whatever you want it to be and you are what you want to be." – William Longgood

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

**From Glenview GC:** Tour 6: Early Summer Gardens on June 7<sup>th</sup>-8<sup>th</sup> at 10 AM-5 PM.

Tickets, maps, and lunch reservations at Doll's Market, 3620 Brownsboro Road. If questions call (502) 893-0957.

**From Ellen Chapman:** Deadline for change of status is June 1<sup>st</sup>. Send your written notice to Nancy Bishop. Applications for new members are available from me by August 27<sup>th</sup>. My new address and phone are: 4698 Old Frankfort Pike, Lexington, 40510, 233-0678.

**From Jessica Nicholson:** There are 3 upcoming garden trips that sound fantastic: New Orleans, France, and Austria. Call me for more information.

**From Jeanne & Mott:** Our flower show party is Wed. June 18<sup>th</sup>, and the show itself, is open to the public on June 19<sup>th</sup> at Crossgate Gallery. Please enter an arrangement class with a friend or on your own and bring several horticulture specimens. You need not specify the exact flowers you plan to use at this point. If you need a schedule book or have questions call either of us.

**From Luanne Milward:** Bluegrass Winners Top 14 Recipes-

Appetizers: Hot Cheese p.102, Olive Nut Spread p.100, Pimento Cheese p.101

Vegetables: Corn Pudding, p.188

Soups: Tomato Celery, p.128

## A NOTE FROM NANCY...

Ginny May and I went to the Garden Club of America Annual Meeting in Rye Brook, New York from May 3<sup>rd</sup>- May 7<sup>th</sup>. We celebrated, "90 Years in Bloom- A Growing Tradition," with 630 ladies from 196 member clubs throughout the United States.

We thank you for giving us the opportunity to represent you at this special meeting.

"More than anything else, a garden is a portal, a passage into another world, one of your own





Poultry: Glencrest Chicken Tetrizzini p.157,  
Turkey Hash p.165, Country Captain  
p.155, Chicken Wild Rice Casserole, p.161  
Meats: Spaghetti Casserole p.136  
Breads: Corn Cakes p.269, Beaten Biscuits  
p.265  
Desserts: Potato Chip Cookies p.329,  
Schaum Torte p.298  
**From Kathy & Sara:** Peony Work Days-  
May 21- Judy, Gay, Mary Montague, Kathy  
Brewer  
May 28- Libby, Jane Stiltz, Mimi, & Dottie  
June 4- Callie, Dot, & Linda  
June 11- Callie & Bettie Bos

#### DEFINITIONS

Mass Arrangement: usually a profusion of flowers of various shapes and sizes arranged in an oval, triangular, or fan-shaped design. A closed silhouette, more solids than voids.

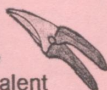
Miniature Arrangement: a diminutive arrangement which is not more than 5" in height, width, and depth, with all of its components.

Specimen: a single plant, bloom, fruit, spike, spray, stalk, or vegetable.

Foliage: leaves or leafage portions of a plant: includes ferns, grasses, leaf bud, leaf-like bracts, and leaves of succulence.

#### HORTICULTURE TIP

Botrytis is the most common disease problem of peonies and is most prevalent during the wet seasons. Watch for young chutes that have rotted off at the base and have developed a dense gray mold early in the season. Blasted buds or blooms are also indications of infection. Careful sanitation is the most important aspect of controlling Botrytis fungus. Regular inspection of the plant and removal of any infected leaves is the best procedure for control. When foliage turns brown in the late fall, it can be cut back to the ground and disposed. This prevents carry over of any foliage disease that might be present as will removal of the winter mulch in the early spring. If regular inspection of the plant is not possible, Captan or Bordeaux Mix may be applied following manufacturers' recommendations.



Adam was a  
gardener,  
and God made  
him sees,  
That half a proper  
gardener's work,  
Is done upon his  
knees.

Rudyard Kipling





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2012 Hart Road  
Lexington, KY 40502

Exhibitor (please print): \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone: (H): \_\_\_\_\_ (W): \_\_\_\_\_

1<sup>st</sup> Choice: \_\_\_\_\_ 2<sup>nd</sup> Choice: \_\_\_\_\_

### Horticulture Entry Form

*Deadline is May 25, 2003*

Please send form to:  
Mrs. Norman Brown  
1700 Tates Creek Road  
Lexington, KY 40502

Exhibitor (please print): \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone: (H): \_\_\_\_\_ (W): \_\_\_\_\_

Club: \_\_\_\_\_

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JUNE 2003

# THE BLOOMIN' NEWS

A NEWSLETTER FROM GARDEN CLUB OF LEXINGTON, INC.

EDITOR: MOTT NICOL

## CALENDAR

### **Thursday, June 12, 2003, 10:30AM**

#### **General Meeting and lunch**

**Location:** Home of W.T. Young, 222 Chinoe (in case of torrential downpour, meeting will be at Idle Hour Country Club)

**Hosts:** W.T. Young and Barbara Young

**Program:** Tour of the Garden

**RSVP:** Anne Arvin 885-31443 or 885-4106

**\*Please note that this meeting is on the 2<sup>nd</sup> Thursday of the month**

### **Monday, July 7, 2003 9:30 AM**

#### **Board Meeting**

**Location:** At the home of Libby Brown, 1700 Tates Creek Road

### **Thursday, July 17, 2003, 10:30 AM**

#### **General Meeting and Lunch**

**Location:** Ashland Garden

**Hostesses:** Mo Ethington, Betty Boz Haggin & Gay VanMeter

**Program:** Larry Hanks, "Our Boxwoods Care and Possibilities"

**RSVP:** Mo Ethington 223-1119

**\*P.S. Please bring your favorite gardening tool for "show & tell" and an arrangement for the table centerpieces.**



## A NOTE FROM NANCY...

There was a silver pillbox at the meeting on May 15<sup>th</sup> at the home of Carol Jackson, please let me know if it belongs to you.

The invitations for the party, to view Blooms from an English Garden, are lovely. Mark your calendars for June 18<sup>th</sup> at 6:30 PM and send your check to Monnie, as soon as possible.

Our garden at Ashland looks beautiful and the workers on Wednesday mornings are doing great job. Many thanks to each of you who come so faithfully, and

thanks to our garden co-chairmen, Kathy and Sarah, for your outstanding leadership.

To quote Gertrude Jekyll: "The lesson I have thoroughly learnt, and wish to pass on to others, is to know the enduring happiness that the love of a garden gives."

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

### **From Linda Carey, Conservation**

**Chairman:** I urge everyone to check-out [www.exoticpestplantcouncil.org](http://www.exoticpestplantcouncil.org) and look around your garden for "least wanted" plants. The 2002 "Least Wanted Plant" is *Euonymus Fortunei* or Winter Creeper. Introduced as a landscape plant from China in the early 1900s it became popular as a groundcover because of its rapid growth and its ability to tolerate a wide range of growing conditions. Once it is established, it out-competes the native under-story vegetation. Several good native alternatives include wild ginger which has flat green leaves or Allegheny spurge, a KY native which prefers shade and has green leaves and white veins. Mountain lover or cliff green is a rare KY native but does well as a fine textured, low growing, evergreen shrub.

**From Ellen Chapman:** Applications for new members are available from me by August 27<sup>th</sup>. My new address and phone are: 4689 Old Frankfort Pike, Lexington, 40510, 233-0678. (Note: There was an address type-o last month).

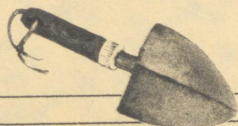
**From Jeanne & Mott:** Please note that Cross Gate will be open at 8:30 AM on the 18<sup>th</sup> to receive flower arrangements and horticulture entries for OUR flower show.

**From Libby & Callie:** Please contact us about entries, Libby for horticulture, Callie for flower arrangements. We need entries!



JULY 2003

# The Bloomin' News



A newsletter from Garden Club of Lexington, Inc.

Editor Mott Nicol

## CALENDAR

### **THURSDAY, JULY 17, 10:30AM**

#### **GENERAL MEETING ANNUAL PICNIC**

Location: Ashland Garden

Hostesses: Mo Ethington  
Bettie Bos Haggin  
Gay VanMeter

Program: Larry Hanks will be speaking on "Our Boxwoods Care and Possibilities" and Judy Ogger will give a tour of the grounds at Ashland. Please bring an arrangement for the table centerpieces.

RSVP: Mo Ethington 223-1119

### **MONDAY, AUGUST 25, 9:30 AM**

#### **BOARD MEETING**

Location: Luanne Milward-317 Holiday Road

### **THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 4, 6:00 PM**

#### **ANNUAL "FRIENDS OF THE GARDEN" PARTY**

Location: Ashland Garden

Rain Location: The home of Anne Gay-  
1920 Richmond Road

### **THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 18, 10:30 AM**

#### **GENERAL MEETING**

Location: The home of Kathy Dalton  
1066 Lakewood Drive

Hostesses: Frances Cox  
Kathy Dalton  
Mary Montague

Program: Dot Crutcher will be speaking on the history of our garden club. Please bring your favorite gardening tool for "show and tell". A light lunch will be served.

RSVP: Kathy Dalton 266-8452  
Mary Montague 266-7979

\*\*\*Please note there is no August General Meeting.

## A Message from Nancy

Please note the following status changes for your notebooks: Ginny Adams, Betty Kinkead, Eleanor Milward and Scotty Walton have changed from Active to Affiliate. Resignations have been accepted with regret from Celia Banks and Elizabeth Freeman.

"Blooms From an English Garden" was a delightful in-club flower show. Many thanks to each of you who shared your time, talent and knowledge. The party to view the Blooms was lovely and Ellen and Monnie made it wonderful for everyone. Jeanne and Mott were superb co-chairmen of the show. It was a great opportunity to participate and learn.

Willa Cather said, "Miracles seem to me to rest not so much upon faces or voices or healing power coming suddenly near us from afar off, but upon our perceptions being made finer, so that for a moment our eyes see and our ears can hear what there is about us always."

## Announcements

❖ From Anne Gay

It's Garden Party time again. Mark your calendars for Thursday, September 4<sup>th</sup> for our one and only annual fund-raiser. A sign-up sheet will be circulated at the July general meeting for you to agree to bring food, do a flower arrangement or make a financial contribution to underwrite the cost of shrimp and tenderloin, or you can call me at 266-3438.

*"It is difficult to think anything but pleasant thoughts while eating a home-grown tomato."*

Lewis Grizzard

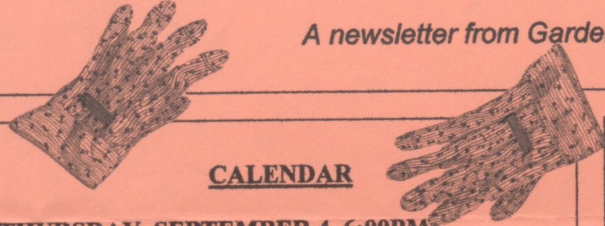


SEPTEMBER 2003

# The Bloomin' News

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Editor Mott Nicol



## CALENDAR

### **THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 4, 6:00PM**

#### **ANNUAL "FRIENDS OF THE GARDEN" PARTY**

Location: Ashland Garden

Rain Location: The home of Anne Gay  
1920 Richmond Road at Shriners' Lane

### **THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 18, 10:30AM**

#### **GENERAL MEETING**

Location: The home of Kathy Dalton  
1066 Lakewood Drive

Hostesses: Frances Cox  
Kathy Dalton  
Mary Montague

Program: Dot Crutcher will speak on the history of our garden club. Please bring your favorite gardening tool for "show and tell". A light lunch will be served.

R.S.V.P: Kathy Dalton-266-8452

### **MONDAY, OCTOBER 6, 9:30 AM**

#### **BOARD MEETING**

Location: Elise Boyd-2037 Lakeside Drive

### **THURSDAY, OCTOBER 23, 10:30 AM**

#### **GENERAL MEETING**

Location: Idle Hour Country Club

Hostesses: Libby Brown  
Jeanne Codell  
Judy Philpott

Program: A lecture by Peggy L. Cornett of Monticello, Charlottesville, Virginia, entitled, Historic Plants for Today's Garden.

RSVP: Libby Brown-266-3710  
Judy Philpott-268-1046

## A Message from Nancy

The schedule for the Flower Show for the Zone VII Meeting in Charleston, West Virginia on October 13-15 is available on the Kanawha Garden Club Website <http://Kanawahgardenclub.org>, or you may link to Kanawha Garden Club through the GCA Website at [www.gcamerica.org](http://www.gcamerica.org), Zone VII Members' Page (user name: gcamember, Password: compost).

Please check your gardens and plan to submit an entry. Each club is required to have one entry in the Challenge Section-pumpkin and nasturtium. Each club must also have at least one entry in three additional horticulture classes or in two horticulture classes and one photography class.

Barbara Young (266-6761) will collect the plants and flowers and answer questions. Mary Montague and I will leave for Charleston on Sunday, October 12.

The following is an abbreviated version of the Horticulture schedule:

#### **A. Challenge classes**

1. Pumpkin

2. Nasturtium

#### **B. Cut Specimens**

3. Hardy Herbaceous Perennials

Perennial Ornamental Grasses

4. One blooming stem

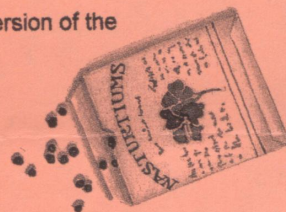
5. Three blooming stems

6. A collection of 3 to 5 blooming stems

Cut Branches

7. Deciduous

8. Evergreen





**C. Trained Plants**

- 9.Stuffed form
- 10.Topiary
- 11.Standard
- 12.In the bonsai manner
- 13.other

**D.**

- 14.three plants grown in a terra cotta pot
- 15.cut collection of three to five medicinal herbs
- 16.cut collection of three to five culinary herbs

**E.**

- 17.Parent and child
- 18.Second generation plant

**F.**

- 19.Phalaenopsis
- 20.Dendrobium
- 21.Oncidium
- 22.other

**G.**

An exhibit of outstanding horticultural merit that does not qualify for entry elsewhere in the horticulture division.

*Division III. Photography*

Deadline for receipt of photographs is  
October 1, 2003

**Announcements**

*From Anne Gay*

I'm looking forward to seeing everyone at the Friends Of The Garden Party Thursday night. If you have signed up to bring flowers, food or make a donation and have questions, call me-266-3438. Don't forget art will be exhibited and sold by silent auction during the evening. **Closing of the bidding will be 8PM sharp!** Thank you.

*From Luanne Milward and Gay VanMeter*

A questionnaire will be distributed at the September General Meeting regarding the possibility of a **new Bluegrass Winners Cookbook**. If you are unable to attend please call Luanne Milward at 266-4910 to receive a copy. It is very important that all members participate in this questionnaire. Thank you. P.S. The questionnaire will be mailed to all affiliates.

*From Kathy Dalton and Sarah Davis*

Please be sure and come to the garden on Wednesday, September 3<sup>rd</sup> so we can get it in tip-top shape for the Friends Of The Garden Party the following night.



*"Pray for a good harvest, but continue to hoe."*

Old Saying





OCTOBER 2003

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## CALENDAR

### THURSDAY, OCTOBER 23, 10:30AM\*

#### GENERAL MEETING

Location: Idle Hour Country Club

Hostesses: Libby Brown  
Jeanne Codell  
Judy Philpott

Program: A lecture by Peggy L. Cornett of  
Monticello, Charlottesville, Virginia  
entitled "Historic Plants at Monticello:  
Preserving Plants from the Past."

RSVP: Libby Brown 266-3710  
Judy Philpott 268-1046  
A light lunch will be served.

\*Please note this is the Fourth Thursday of the month.

### MONDAY, NOVEMBER 3, 9:30AM

#### BOARD MEETING

Location: Jeanne Codell-225 Holiday Road

### THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 20, 10:30AM

#### GENERAL MEETING

Location: Louis' Flower Power Shop  
4560 Nicholasville Road

Hostesses: Betsy Hillenmeyer  
Joy Hinkle  
Ginny May

Program: Joseph Hillenmeyer will be speaking to us  
about "Structure and Focal Points in the  
Garden."

RSVP: Betsy Hillenmeyer 266-8302  
Ginny May 266-4515  
A light lunch will be served.

## A MESSAGE FROM NANCY

The Friends of the Garden Party was delightful! Many thanks to Anne Gay, our Chairman and Mary Montague, Art Auction Chairman. The garden looked lovely and we appreciate the guidance of Kathy Dalton and Sarah Davis. We appreciate very much the participation of each of you who prepared food, donated time and contributed money.

Thomas Jefferson once said,

"No occupation is so delightful to me as the culture of the earth, and no culture comparable to that of the garden."



## Announcements

From Barbara Young

Please deliver your horticulture entries for the Zone Meeting with completed entry cards to Nancy Bishop, 1225 Eldemere Road, by 12PM on Sunday, October 12<sup>th</sup>. Please put entries on Nancy's back porch if she is not home. You may call me at 266-6761 if you need either an entry card or help in filling the card out. **Please use pencil when filling out the card.** (Nancy will also have extra entry cards.) Also, there will be a Horticulture workshop at Michler's Florist on Wednesday, November 12<sup>th</sup> at 10:00AM.

From Jane Stiltz

I am working on the new address book for 2004-2006. A list will be circulated at the next two general meetings. If you have had a change in any information, i.e. a new address, phone number, e-mail address marital status, etc. please make corrections on it. Thank you.





November 2003

# THE BLOOMIN' NEWS

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Editor: Mott Nicol

## CALENDAR

**Thursday, November 20, 10:30 AM**

**General Meeting and Light Lunch**

**Location:** Louie's Flower Power Shop  
4560 Nicholasville Rd. (just  
beyond stoplight at Southpoint  
Subdivision, on the left )

**Hostesses:** Betsy Hillenmeyer, Joy Hinkle  
and Ginny May

**RSVP:** Betsy 266-8302, or Ginny 266-  
4515

**Program:** "Structure & Focal Point in the  
Garden "

**Speaker:** Joseph Hillenmeyer

**Monday, December 1, 2003 9:30 AM**

**Board Meeting**

**Location:** At the home of Linda Carey  
1616 Bates Creek Rd.

**Thursday, December 18, 2003 3:30 AM**

**Christmas Tea**

**Location:** the home of Anne Gay



## Announcements

**From Barbara ;** There will be a  
horticulture workshop on Wednesday, Nov.  
12 at Michler's at 10 AM . Please bring a  
cooler (if you have one), soilless mix and  
extra coolers will be available. Bring cuttings  
of trees and shrubs for public places. Call  
me if you have any questions; 266-6761.

## A Note from Nancy

The Zone Meeting in Charleston, West  
Va. was delightful. Mary and I thank you for  
sending us. Jessica and Kay also  
attended.

The Flower Show was held at The Clay  
Center, a beautiful Center for the Arts and  
Sciences that was just recently completed.  
We appreciate each of you who sent  
horticulture entries. There were 5 blue, 1  
red, 4 yellow and 1 honorable mention.  
Jessica and Mary entered flower  
arrangements and each received a ribbon.  
Congratulations to Jessica for receiving  
The Zone VII Faulconer-Minor Award for  
artistic arrangement of distinction. Barbara  
received a blue ribbon in the multiple  
image class.

Thank you to our hostesses for the  
October meeting, Libby, Jeanne, and Judy  
.It was a great opportunity to include  
guests to hear Peggy Cornett from  
Monticello.

The ladies who bring refreshments each  
Wednesday deserve special thanks. We  
appreciate you !

At this time of year as we enjoy a  
glorious autumn, it seems that nowhere is  
a thankful heart more appropriate than in a  
garden. Cicero once said, "I look upon the  
pleasure which we take in a garden as one of the most  
innocent delights in human life".

## From Luanne Milward:

Please send your completed  
survey concerning the possibility of  
creating a new cook book . This is your  
chance to voice your opinion! There will  
be survey forms at the next meeting.



December 2003

# THE BLOOMIN' NEWS

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Editor: Mott Nicol

## CALENDAR

**Thursday, December 18, 2003 at 3:30PM**

### ***Christmas Tea***

**Location:** Mansfield, home of Anne Gay  
Shriner's Lane

**Hostesses:** Anne Gay, Joan Gaines and  
Talitha Freeman

**RSVP:** Anne 266-3438

**Monday, January 5, 2004 9:30 AM**

### ***Board Meeting***

**Location:** At the home of Sarah Davis  
1550 Bates Creek Rd.

**Thursday, January 15, 2004 at 10:30 AM**

### ***General Meeting and light lunch***

**Location:** Le Deauville Restaurant

**Program:** A slide tour of Keukenhoff  
Gardens, The Netherlands

**Speakers:** Peggy Collins and Melodye  
Kinkead

**Hostess:** Lucy Breathitt and Melodye  
Kinkead

**RSVP:** Melodye 873-1734

## **A Note from Nancy**

The Garden is neat and tidy. Thank you to those who put your parterres to bed for the winter and special thanks goes to Kathy and Sarah for the outstanding job they did as garden co-chairs.

We appreciate the Refreshment Committee who kindly brought us delicious food each week.

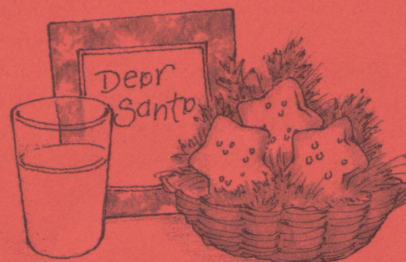
As we prepare for another season, Anne Bradstreet expressed it well: "If we had no winter, the spring would not be so pleasant."

Please welcome our new members at the Christmas Tea. We are delighted to welcome Mary Louise Fisher, Edie Gess, Shelia Hammond, and Lauren Van Balen.

Best wishes for a wonderful Christmas season... May you have memories to share and traditions that you cherish.



**'I will honor Christmas in my heart  
and try to keep it all the year.' Charles  
Dickens**





**Announcements:**

**From Sarah and Kathy;** Thanks to some very brave souls, the bulbs are in. Thank-you!

**From Jeanne;** Please bring an arrangement to the Christmas Tea. We will deliver them to some of our members who could not be at this party.

**From the editor;** I apologize for the computing errors this month, my computer would not do what I asked it to. I will call it's "doctor"...☹.

**From The Nominating Committee;** below is the list of incoming officers and committee chairmen:

## Garden Club of Lexington 2004-2006

### Officers

|                         |                                |
|-------------------------|--------------------------------|
| President               | Mrs. Robert Vernon May Jr.     |
| First Vice President    | Mrs. William Sherard Chapman,  |
| Second Vice President   | Mrs. William Thomas Bishop III |
| Recording Secretary     | Mrs. William Cash Stiltz       |
| Corresponding Secretary | Mrs. Joseph Browne Nicholson   |
| Treasurer               | Mrs. Thomas Field Van Meter    |

### Chairmen of Standing Committees

|                  |                                   |
|------------------|-----------------------------------|
| Admissions       | Mrs. Norman Lynn Brown            |
| Awards           | Mrs. Richard Redd Crutcher        |
| Conservation     | Mrs. Bruce Richard Nicol          |
| Finance          | Mrs. Thomas Field Van Meter       |
| Flower Show      | Mrs. Walton Davis                 |
| Garden Project   | Mrs. George Arthur Hoskins        |
| Horticulture     | Mrs. Frederick Marion Keller, Jr. |
| Program          | Mrs. Dorothy C. Cordray           |
| Publication      | Mrs. William Thompson Young, Jr.  |
| Special Projects | Mrs. Gregory Baynham Milward      |
|                  | Mrs. Shelby Carneal KinKead, Jr.  |

### Non-Voting Committee Chairmen

|                             |                                |
|-----------------------------|--------------------------------|
| Archives                    | Mrs. James Robert Boyd         |
| Archives of American Garden | Mrs. Emler Albin Neuman, Jr.   |
| History and Design          |                                |
| Assistant Treasurer         | Mrs. Patterson Augustus DeCamp |
| Founder's Fund              | Mrs. James Gatewood Bell       |
| Publicity                   | Mrs. James Gatewood Gay        |
| Scholarship                 | Mrs. James Alvin Philpott, Jr. |
| Visiting Gardens            | Mrs. George Edgar Steffee      |

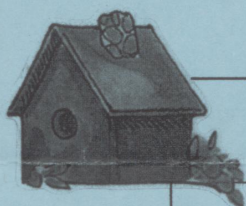


January 2004

# THE BLOOMIN' NEWS

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## CALENDAR

### Thursday, January 15, at 10:30AM

#### **General Meeting and light lunch**

**Location:** Le Deauville Restaurant, 199 North Limestone (please carpool as parking is scarce)

**Hostesses:** Lucy Breathitt and Melodye Kinkead

**RSVP:** Melodye, 873-1734

**Program:** A tour of Keukenhoff Gardens, The Netherlands

**Speakers:** Peggy Collins and Melodye Kinkead

**There will be no general meeting, board meeting or "Bloomin' News" in February.**

### Monday, March 1<sup>st</sup>, 9:30 AM

#### **Joint Board Meeting of "new and old" board members**

**Location:** at the home of Janie Pappas 1756 Eastwood

### Thursday, March 18, at 10:30 PM

#### **Annual Meeting and luncheon**

**Idle Hour C.C. Hostesses:** Nancy Bishop, Kim DeCamp and Anne Arvin

**RSVP:** Nancy 266-4980

**ANNOUNCEMENTS:** The March board meeting is the time for ALL board members to bring their notebooks to pass on to the incoming board member. Plan to spend time to exchange ideas.



## A Note from Nancy

Our Christmas Tea is a wonderful holiday memory. A special thank you to Tiliha Freeman, Joan Gains and Anne Gay. Anne's home was a beautiful and festive setting, the food was delicious and it was a perfect opportunity to welcome our new members.

It has been said that "The wise gardener anticipates June in January." W.E. Johns said, "One of the most delightful things about a garden is the anticipation it provides."

As we begin this new year, I'd like to share a favorite quotation sent by Anne Copenhaver, our Zone 7 Director.

"Please guide us to remember:

The value of time,  
The Success of perseverance,  
The dignity of simplicity,  
The worth of character,  
The virtue of patience,  
The wisdom of economy,  
The power of kindness."

**GARDENING NEWS:** 2004 is the hatch year for the brood X, 17 year cicada. These insects should be evident state wide in early summer. You can read about their destructive nature and how to control them in Jan. 2004, "U.K. Cooperative Extension Newsletter" (call 257-5582 for free delivery).

Excerpts from the All- American Rose Selection can be found on; [www.rose.org](http://www.rose.org)  
Check out "Memorial Day", "Day Break" and "Honey Perfume"; 3 AARS winners!



# The BLOOMIN' NEWS



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MARCH 2004

## Note from Nancy...

As Carolyn Roehm says in A Passion for Flowers, "The return of flowers in the spring, after the harshness of winter, is always a miraculous event." Work will begin in the garden on Wednesday mornings and this too provides us with miracles after the cold winter. The Orientation Luncheon for new members was on February 10 at the home of Ellen Chapman. Special thanks to Ellen for her wonderful hospitality.

The Annual Meeting will be Thursday, March 18 at 10:30 AM at Idle Hour Country Club. I will hostess the meeting with Anne Arvin and Kim DeCamp. Please reply to me, 266-4980. We hope to see you there.

Outgoing Board members are asked to write a report. Please plan to report orally at Annual Meeting and have two written copies, one for the President's file and one for your incoming replacement.

Be ready to Vote for the Founder Fund 2004 Nominee at our March meeting. They are Texas Native Tail, Planting for a Better Future (Women's Community Correctional Center in Hawaii), The Dunbar Graden (teaching young children) pages 9-11 of GCABulletin, February, March

Please make corrections to your notebook:

Dottie Cordray, change e-mail [dcordray@mis.net](mailto:dcordray@mis.net)

Ginny May, change e-mail [ginnymay306@yahoo.com](mailto:ginnymay306@yahoo.com)

## CALENDAR

Thursday, March 18, 10:30 AM

Annual Meeting and Luncheon

Idle Hour Country Club

Hostesses: Nancy Bishop, Kim DeCamp

And Anne Arvin RSV: Nancy 266-4980

Wednesday, March 31 - Peony Workday

Monday, April 5, 9:30 AM - Board Meeting

Home of Gay VanMeter

4224 Briar Hill Road/299-9390

\*Wednesday, April 7 - 10:00 AM

Opening Day at the Garden\*

Thursday, April 15, 10:30 AM

General Meeting and Light Lunch

Location: Burgess Carey's lodge at Boone Creek (directions in April Bloomin' News)

Program: Wild Flower Walk with Clare Sipple of Lower Howard's Creek

Hostess: Linda Carey 266-7162

RSVP: Barbara Young 266-6761

Monday, May 3 - Board Meeting

Thursday, May 20 - General Meeting

and Light Lunch

Location: Janie Pappas, 1756 Eastwood

Program: Spring Flower Arranging with Joy Hinkle (bring flowers from your garden and some will also be provided.)

Hostess: Janie Pappas RSV: 266-2779



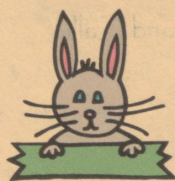
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1640 Ashwood  
Lexington, KY 40502

"But her (Lucretia Clay's) particular care was extensive kitchen gardens, for very soon "Ashland" became a mecca, to which Pilgrims from all parts of the country came, and to meet the demands of almost boundless hospitality, these gardens must pour forth in exhaustable supplies of herbs, fruits and vegetables." - from Letters to Lucretia by Louisiana Wood Simpson 1983

### 1/2 From Callie and Jessica...

Spring is just around the corner and Ashland Garden is awaiting our presence. Garden assignments are forthcoming and should be received shortly. Please mark your calendars for Peony Workday on **Wednesday, March 31** at 10:00 AM - we will weed and Preen - Garden work begins on **Wednesday, April 7<sup>th</sup>**. We hope to see everyone on both days and throughout the season. A reminder to bring your calendars to the Annual Meeting as we will have a sign up sheet for Peony Workdays.





# The BLOOMIN' NEWS

Garden Club of Lexington, Inc.

Editor: Mimi Milward

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APRIL 2004

## Random Thoughts from Ginny...

I'd like to recommend that those so inclined rent one of the most delightful movies we've seen in quite a while, called *Green Fingers*. It's a lovely story about a progressive prison warden who assigns a group of low-risk prisoners to create a garden. There are some four-letter words that are probably common in prisons (and are certainly prevalent in movies)! But the film itself is a joy.

— We learned at our last meeting that mulching with coffee grounds is good for discouraging slugs, snails, and other unwanted critters. Starbucks is actually giving away coffee grounds for garden use. They can be found in a basket at the entrance of the store in Chevy Chase.

From Assistant Treasurer, Kim DeCamp...

Please send in your check for annual dues to 228 Barrow Road 40502. The amount is \$100.00 and due by June 1, 2004

## A Note from Nancy...

Dear Friends,

The butterfly vase is lovely and it will be a reminder of two very special years. It has been a pleasure to serve as President of our Garden Club and I appreciate the opportunity.

Thank you for the beautiful gift and the part each of you played to make the past two years such memorable ones.

With admiration and gratitude,

Nancy

## CALENDAR

Wednesday, April 7, 9:30 AM

Garden Work Begins

Thursday, April 15, 10:30 AM

General Meeting and Light Lunch

Location: Burgess Carey's Fishing Lodge at Boone Creek

Program: Wild Flower Walk along Boone Creek with guide Clare Sipple

Hostesses: Linda Carey and Sue Glover

RSVP: Barbara Young 266-6761

Directions from LEX: Drive out Old Richmond Road. AT 1.7 miles past Grimes Mill Road (the road that leads to the Hunt Club) turn left into parking lot next to a rather run down ranch house. It is the last house before you get to the I 75 N entrance ramp. If you are coming via I 75 take exit 99, turn towards LEX onto Old Richmond Road. Turn into the first house on your right. Park in the lot and we will ferry people down to hill in 4-wheel drive vehicles. (If the weather is completely inclement; ie, torrential rain or thunderstorms, we have a rain date for the following Thursday, April 25. (We will only do this if the weather is really bad.) If you lose your way, you may call Barbara's cell phone # 533-1798

Monday, May 3, 9:30 AM

Wende Bell's, 368 Queensway Drive

Thursday, May 20, 10:30 AM

General Meeting and Light Lunch

Location: Janie Pappas, 1756 Eastwood

Program: Spring Flower Arranging with Joy Hinkle.

RSVP: Janie Pappas 266-2779

Please bring container, oasis (or whatever you like to use) and flowers from your garden to arrange and share. Joy will also provide lots of extra flowers for those who do not have anything blooming.



From Horticulture Chair, Dottie Cordray...

Anyone who propagated plant material (Trees & Shrubs for Public Places) please check your cuttings and contact Dottie Cordray (846-5131) with results as soon as possible.

The plants need to be potted in soilless mix which *you* provide, in pots that we provide. I will be out of town for the April meeting, but Barbara Young will bring the pots and GCA Plant Exchange Sheets you will need to fill out.

Plants need to be delivered to Dot Crutcher's, 221 Chinoe Rd., 266-5070, on Thursday, April 22nd.

Please call me with any questions, BEFORE Wednesday, April 14th as I will be out of town until April 21st.  
thanks, dcc

From Friends of UK Art Museum, Ann Gay

The Friends of the UK Art Museum are presenting their annual Art in Bloom 2004, April 16, 17, and 18. This is a fabulous event. Friday evening there is a black tie dinner honoring Joan and John Gaines, Saturday evening a martini cocktail buffet, and Sunday afternoon a fashion show luncheon with a lecture by Ben Page. Three of our members, Sarah Davis, Melodye Kinkead and Jessica Nicholson are doing flower arrangements. The parties are always elegant and fun... and you are all invited! For information or reservations, call the museum at 257-6218 or Anne Gay at 266-3438.



From Jessica and Callie

Garden work begins Wednesday, April 7 at 9:30 AM.  
We look forward to seeing everyone, every Wednesday.

## Peony Workdays

Wednesday, April 14 Mo Ethington  
Anne Arvin  
Celeste Neuman  
Sarah Davis  
Wednesday, April 21 Gay VanMeter  
Kim DeCamp  
Sue Glover  
Celeste Neuman  
Wednesday, April 28 Mo Ethington  
Celeste Neuman  
Bette Bos Haggin  
Dottie Cordray  
Wednesday, May 5 Mo Ethington  
Ginny May  
Celeste Neuman  
Sarah Davis

### Conservation News from Mott Nicol

The Annual Arbor Day Event is Saturday, April 27 from 10:00 AM - 2:00 PM at the UK Arboretum. This is a day to celebrate tree planting and care, gardening and the environment. There are many activities planned for the whole family.

Individuals are needed to help stabilize the stream bank and prepare the site for planting native trees, shrubs and plants at McConnell Springs. The date is Saturday, May 1 from 9:00 AM - 1:00 PM. For more information or to sign up, please call McConnell Springs at 225-4073

Please send articles for the Bloomin' News to [msmilward@aol.com](mailto:msmilward@aol.com) or fax 335-5197 by 5:00 PM, the day of the Board Meeting.



# The BLOOMIN' NEWS

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## Random Thoughts from Ginny...

--"Let's Get Potted!"--One idea for a hort meeting that Barbara and I heard about last week at the annual GCA meeting in Washington!

--Our conservation speaker, Will Rogers, referring to his more famous predecessor, reminded us of the words old Will spoke that still hold true, especially for us Kentuckians: "Buy land...they ain't making it anymore!"

--Barbara and I are bubbling over with ideas sparked by our time in Washington. Thank you for allowing us to attend the annual GCA meeting. What a fantastic organization The Garden Club of America is! We'll be telling you more!

### From Admissions Chair, Libby Brown...

I have admissions forms for anyone who wishes to propose a candidate for membership. Please see me at the May meeting or call, 266-3710 and I'll mail you one. The deadline for submitting these forms is Friday, August 27<sup>th</sup>.

### From Assistant Treasurer, Kim...

Please send in your check payable to Garden Club of Lexington for \$100 annual dues to 228 Barrow Road, 40502. The deadline of June 1<sup>st</sup> is fast approaching.

## \*\*\* CALENDAR \*\*\*

Thursday, May 20, 10:30 AM

General Meeting and Box Lunch

Location: Janie Pappas

1756 Eastwood Drive

266-2779 RSVP

Program: Spring Flower arranging with Joy Hinkle

Bring container with oasis, etc and flowers from your garden to use and to share. Extra flowers will be provided.

Hostesses: Janie Pappas and Bitsy Ruch

Monday, June 7, 9:30 AM

Board Meeting at Callie's, 2012 Hart Road

269-3035

Thursday, June 17, General Conservation Meeting And Picnic Lunch

9:30 AM leave IHCC parking lot

Rain Date - TBA

Location: Griffith Woods, Harrison County, near Cynthiana

Program: Conservation Walk with Jim Aldridge of the Nature Conservancy

Hostesses: Mott Nicol and Betty Kenan

RSVP: Mott at 272-1987

P.S. This is a walk that everyone will enjoy. It is not strenuous at all. Please dress appropriately.

Monday, July 12 (Note 2<sup>nd</sup> Monday of the month) 9:30 AM Board Meeting

Nancy Bishop's 1225 Eldemere





## Peony Workdays

Wednesday, May 12 Gay Van Meter  
 Bettie Bos Haggin  
 Kathy Dalton  
 Sue Glover

May 19 Kim DeCamp  
 Ginny May  
 Anne Arvin  
 Dottie Cordray

May 26 Gay Van Meter  
 Bettie Bos Haggin  
 Dottie Cordray  
 Sue Glover

June 2 Anne Arvin  
 Dottie Cordray  
 Kathy Dalton  
 Sarah Davis

June 9 Kim DeCamp  
 Mott Nicol  
 Mary Montague  
 Judy Philpott

Beverly Fortune will be photographing the Peonies in bloom on Monday, May 10.

A special THANKS to Ellen Chapman for tending our Peonies!

## Tips from Song Sparrow Perennial Farm... ...concerning *Paeonia*

Botrytis is the most common disease problem and is most prevalent during wet seasons. Watch for young shoots that have rotted off at the base and have developed a dense gray mold early in the season. Blasted buds or blooms are also indications of infection. Careful sanitation is the most important aspect of controlling botrytis fungus. Regular inspection for the plant and removal of any infected leaves is the best procedure for control.



"A mind is like a garden,  
 whatever we plant in it  
 is likely to grow."



From Housekeeping...It is no news that allergy season is upon us. In addition, a few fellow members are terribly allergic to perfume, resulting in severe migraines and other symptoms. Many of us adore our favorite scents...but perhaps we could refrain from spritzing them when we're gathered.

Please make corrections in your notebook:  
Patty King's phone number is 772-492-5151.  
Her new e-mail is [pattyking@bellsouth.net](mailto:pattyking@bellsouth.net)

One plant that is very bad for our natural environment is *Euonymus fortunei* (purple winter creeper). This species should be banned, but that is difficult politically. It is still being sold in many stores and nurseries. According to Julian Campbell of the Nature Conservancy, "we will be spending millions in the Bluegrass region over the coming decades to keep these species out of our designated natural areas."

Any member who wishes a status change should make that request in writing by June 1<sup>st</sup> to Ginny or Jane Stiliz

The Horticulture Committee of GCA announces the publication of the first issue of "The Real Dirt" on the GCA website. It is available under Horticulture Committee section or you may type in The Real Dirt in the SEARCH box on the Members Only page. To access Members Only page, the user name is [gcamember](#) and the password is [compost](#). Click on Hort Newsletter under Committees to open.

### Conservation News from Mott...

#### Garlic Mustard

Many gardeners are plagued by garlic mustard *Alliaria petiolata*, an invasive weed that is becoming more prominent in home landscapes and gardens. Garlic mustard is tremendously prolific and produces allelopathic chemicals that can change soil microflora to its advantage over other species. Browsing deer do not eat it and if pulled whole in flower, you must collect refuse and dispose in yard waste. The best way to control the garlic mustard is with an herbicide, like Round-up applied to foliage in the fall or late winter. This foliage resembles a leaf like ground ivy with rosette, scalloped-shaped leaves which are green through much of the winter.



\*\*\*The cicadas are coming!\*\*\*



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## Thoughts from Ginny...

As I mentioned at the May meeting, Barbara Young and I realized, after attending the GCA annual meeting in Washington, that the Garden Club of Lexington had fallen a few steps behind other GCA clubs in the very important areas of conservation, horticulture, and flower arranging. Admittedly, we have a major responsibility in caring for Ashland Garden. But our responsibility as members of the Garden Club of America as well as the desire of all of us to further our knowledge dictates that we must branch out beyond our own garden. We also realized that our horticulture, conservation, and flower arranging chairmen could not possibly do all that needs to be done without the help of committees. So...we have assigned all of our active members to one of these three committees. Meetings will take place at the discretion of the chairmen and will not require excessive time. Thank you in advance for greeting your assignment with enthusiasm and for being willing to help our hardworking chairmen. Ginny

### From Admissions Chair, Libby Brown...

The deadline for submitting admissions forms is Friday, August 27<sup>th</sup>. If you would like to propose a candidate, receive a form or have questions, please call me, 266-3710

## \*\*\* CALENDAR \*\*\*

### Thursday, June 17, General Conservation Meeting And Picnic Lunch

9:30 AM caravan leaves IHCC parking lot

Rain Date - Friday, June 18, same time, same plan

Location: Griffith Woods, Harrison County, near Cynthiana

Program: Conservation Walk with Jim Aldrich of the Nature Conservancy

Hostesses: Mott Nicol and Betty Kenan

RSVP: Mott at 272-1987

P.S. This is a walk that everyone will enjoy. It is not strenuous at all. Please dress appropriately.

If you choose to travel independently:

Directions to Griffith Woods, Silver Lake Farm...

From Lex, go north for thirty minutes on Russell Cave Road (KY 353) until it ends at US 62 (between Georgetown and Cynthiana) turn right onto US 62, enter first driveway on the right, about 200 yards from KY 353. OR from Interstate 75, exit at Georgetown onto US 62 and go east for about fifteen minutes until you see the US 353 junction. The farm entrance is by the old house on east side of highway, 300 yards north of junction.

Monday, July 12 (Note 2<sup>nd</sup> Monday of the month) 9:30 AM Board Meeting  
Nancy Bishop's 1225 Eldemere



Thursday, July 15 General Meeting and Annual  
Garden Picnic 10:30 AM Ashland Garden

Rain Location: TBA

Program: Horticulture

Hostesses: Carolyn Caldwell, Louise Parker  
and Dottie Cordray, RSVP 846-5131

\*\*\*Please bring an arrangement for the July  
meeting in the garden on the 15<sup>th</sup>. You will be  
judged – do not panic!! Our hostesses are  
counting on us. – Sarah Davis\*\*\*

Monday, August 30 9:30 AM Board Meeting  
Barbara Young 266-6761

Thursday, September 9  
Friends of the Garden Party

Mrs. George Edgar (Kay) Steffee's new address is  
115 Meadowlark Loop  
Lafayette, LA 70508  
We all wish her well.

All Zone VII club members have been informed about  
the GCA Voluntary Codes of Conduct concerning  
invasive plants. They have been assured that the  
Codes do not mean invasive plants in established  
gardens have to be destroyed. Rather suggestions  
have been given on curbing the spread of invasive  
plants if the choice is made to keep the plants. The  
fact that GCA has adopted and championed the  
Voluntary Codes will eventually lead to better choices  
of plant material by the gardening public.

## PEONY WORKDAYS

Wednesday, June 16 Ginny May  
Kathy Dalton  
Sue Glover  
Anne Gay

Wednesday, June 23 Judy Philpott  
Melodye Kinkead  
Lucy Breathitt  
Janie Pappas

Wednesday, June 30 Anne Gay  
Frances Cox  
Mary Montague  
Melodye Kinkead

Wednesday, July 7 Kathy Dalton  
Libby Brown  
Mary Montague  
Mary Louise Fisher

Wednesday, July 14 Frances Cox  
Judy Philpott  
Lucy Breathitt  
Janie Pappas



Watch out, Bruce! Here it comes again!



### Conservation Committee, Mott Nicol

272-1987, [b.nicol1@insightbb.com](mailto:b.nicol1@insightbb.com)

First meeting Wednesday, June 16 @ 11:30 AM in  
the Garden Rain or shine. These meeting will be few  
and short, so make every effort to attend.

Anne Arvin  
Jane Baugh  
Elise Boyd  
Lucy Breathitt  
Kathy Brewer  
Carolyn Caldwell  
Linda Carey  
Dot Crutcher  
Joan Gaines  
Sue Glover  
Sheilagh Hammond  
Betty Kenan  
Monnie Long  
Mimi Milward  
Celeste Newman  
Benny Williams

### Flower Committee, Sarah Davis

269-4727,

[DEEDEESARAH@aol.com](mailto:DEEDEESARAH@aol.com)

First Meeting Wednesday, June 30 at 11:00 AM in  
the Garden

Wende Bell  
Nancy Bishop  
Kathy Dalton  
Mary Louise Fisher  
Betty Gess  
Joy Hinkle  
Carol Jackson

Callie Keller  
Melody Kinkead  
Marty Mayer  
Lou Ann Milward  
Jessica Nicholson  
Janie Pappas  
Meg Sprow  
Charlotte Turner  
Lauren Van Balen  
Gay Van Meter

### Horticulture Committee, Dottie Cordray

846-5131, [dcordray@mis.net](mailto:dcordray@mis.net)

Meeting Wednesday, June 16, 10:30 AM in the  
Garden  
Rain Date, June 23

Jessica Bell  
Libby Brown  
Ellen Chapman  
Frances Cox  
Kim DeCamp  
Mo Ethington  
Anne Gay  
Eddie Gess  
Glenna Graves  
Bettie Bos Haggin  
Betsy Hillenmeyer  
Anne Kraus  
Mary Montague  
Judy Philpott  
Bitsy Ruch  
Betty Tenney  
Barbara Young (former Horticulture Chair)



The purple and white lilac bushes she planted then are a glorious hedge now; and each returning spring, when flowers awake the microphilla rose bush that she loved, opens its thorny buds and sweet pungent blossoms. -from Letters to Lucretia by Louisiana Wood Simpson





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## Random Thoughts from Ginny...

"Studies show that regular yard work can lower stress levels and provide a workout that compares with other exercise regimes. It's also an effective weapon in battling osteoporosis..." from Time Magazine. Isn't it grand that we're doing a good thing for Ashland Garden, our own yards, and ourselves! Keep up the good work. -Ginny

## News from the Garden

We're having a garden shower! You don't even have to attend! The garden is in desperate need of some tools and equipment. Please choose from the following list and either bring the item or some money to the picnic on Thursday or to the garden on the following Wednesday. Several people may go together on an item.

gas weed eater/electric hedge  
clippers/brooms/rakes/watering cans/hand  
tools/electric hand clippers/stakes/loppers

Items do not have to be new, but in good working order. Thank you in advance. Callie and Jessica

The Armillary will be sold at the picnic on Thursday at Silent Auction. It is valued at \$3,000. Bring your checkbook.

## \*\*\* CALENDAR \*\*\*

Thursday, July 15 Meeting And Picnic  
Lunch at Ashland Garden  
10:30 AM

Rain Location: Jessica Bell's, 96 Chinoe Road  
Hostesses: Carolyn Caldwell, Louise Parker  
and Dottie Cordray, RSVP 846-5131

Program: Horticulture

Dottie will be doing a program on various Hort related subjects and Kris McNeil from Highland Moor Nursery is going to do the propagation workshop. Please bring your pruning shears and dress comfortably.

\*\*\*Please bring an arrangement for the July meeting in the garden on the 15<sup>th</sup>. You will be judged - do not panic!! Our hostesses are counting on us. - Sarah Davis\*\*\*

Monday, August 30 9:30 AM Board Meeting  
Libby Brown's 266-3710

Thursday, September 9  
Friends of the Garden Party



◀ From Admissions Chair, Libby Brown...

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## PEONY WORKDAY

|                      |                                                                     |
|----------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Wednesday, July 21   | Kim DeCamp<br>Libby Brown<br>Mott Nicol<br>Judy Philpott            |
| Wednesday, July 28   | Anne Gay<br>Mott Nicol<br>Frances Cox<br>Mary Louise Fisher         |
| Wednesday, August 4  | Anne Gay<br>Libby Brown<br>Mott Nicol<br>Mary Montague              |
| Wednesday, August 11 | Libby Brown<br>Frances Cox<br>Melodye Kinhead<br>Mary Louise Fisher |
| Wednesday, August 18 | Melodye Kinhead<br>Lucy Breathitt<br>Mary Louise Fisher             |
| Wednesday, August 25 | -----?<br>Edie Gess<br>Wende Bell<br>Anne Kraus<br>Mimi Milward     |

### Conservation Committee, Mott Nicol

272-1987, [b.nicol1@insightbb.com](mailto:b.nicol1@insightbb.com)

The next meeting will be after garden work Wednesday, July 25, rain or shine. Please call Mott, if you cannot come

### From Conservation Chair, Mott Nicol

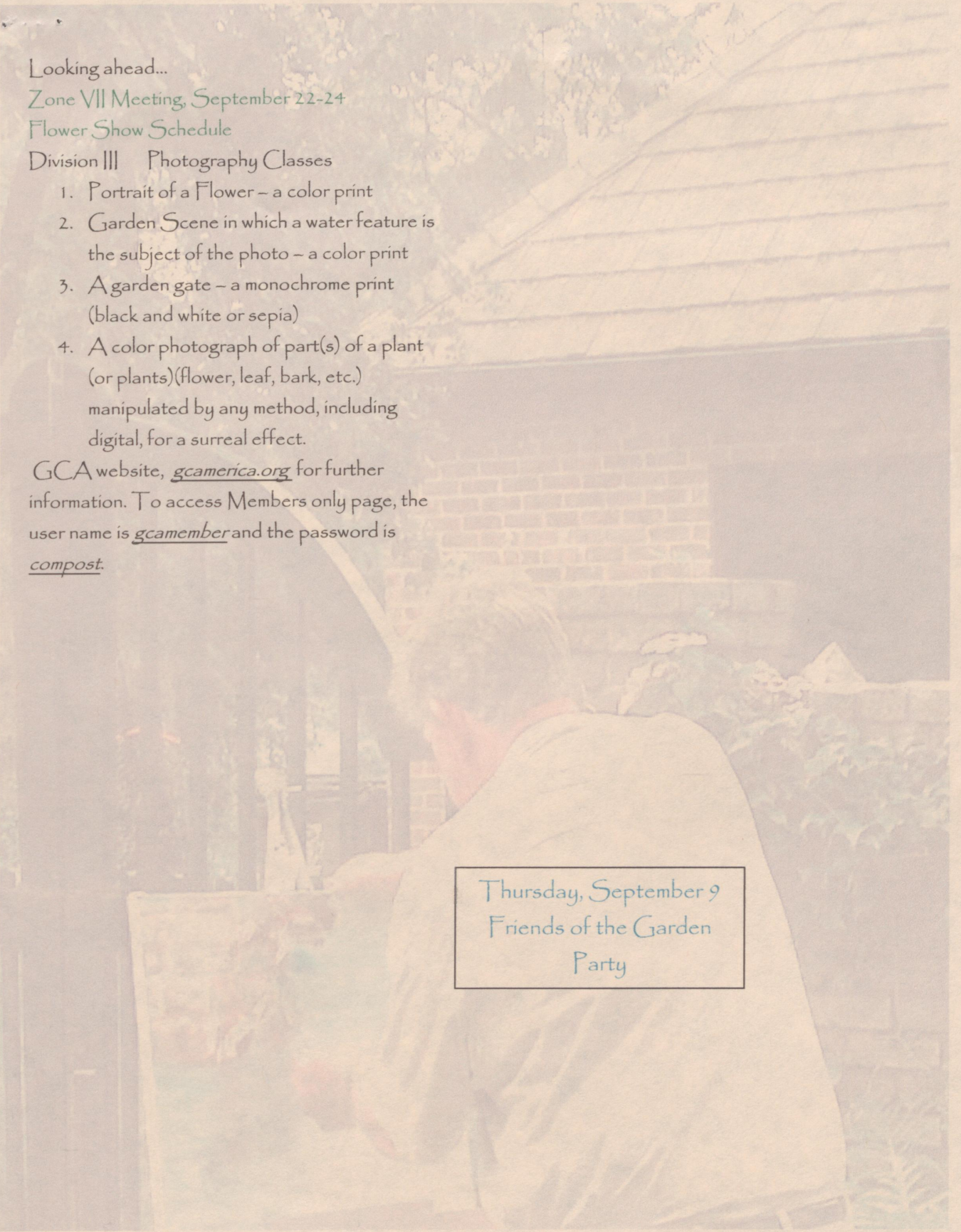
Conservation Concerns:

Most all of the GCA clubs have adopted or endorsed the Volunteer Codes of Conduct which were presented last

fall. We need to review them and decide if we want to make a commitment to this proposal. The codes help govern decisions made by groups whose actions affect the spread of invasive plant species. The groups include government agencies, nursery professionals, the gardening public, landscape architects, and botanic gardens and arboreta. Voluntary Codes of Conduct for the Gardening Public.

1. Ask for only non-invasive species when you acquire plants. Plant only environmentally safe species in your gardens. Work towards and promote new landscape design that is friendly to regional ecosystems.
2. Seek information on which species are invasive in your area. Sources could include botanical gardens, horticulturists, conservationists, and government agencies. Remove invasive species from your land and replace them with non-invasive species suited to your site and needs.
3. Do not trade plants with other gardeners if you know they are species with invasive characteristics.
4. Request that botanical gardens and nurseries promote, display and sell only non-invasive species.
5. Help educate your community and other gardeners in your area through personal contact and in such settings as garden clubs and other civic groups.
6. Ask garden writers and other media to emphasize the problem of invasive species and provide information. Request that garden writers promote only non-invasive species.
7. Invite speakers knowledgeable on the invasive species issue to speak to garden clubs, master gardeners, schools and other community groups.
8. Seek the best information on control of invasive plant species and organize neighborhood work groups to remove invasive plant species under the guidance of knowledgeable professionals.
9. Volunteer at botanical gardens and natural areas to assist ongoing efforts to diminish the threat of invasive plants.
10. Participate in early warning systems by reporting invasive species you observe in your area. Determine which group or agency should be responsible for reports emanating from your area.
11. Assist garden clubs to create policies regarding the use of invasive species not only in horticulture, but also in activities such as flower shows. Urge florists and others to eliminate the use of invasive plant material.





Looking ahead...

Zone VII Meeting, September 22-24

Flower Show Schedule

Division III Photography Classes

1. Portrait of a Flower – a color print
2. Garden Scene in which a water feature is the subject of the photo – a color print
3. A garden gate – a monochrome print (black and white or sepia)
4. A color photograph of part(s) of a plant (or plants)(flower, leaf, bark, etc.) manipulated by any method, including digital, for a surreal effect.

GCA website, [gcamerica.org](http://gcamerica.org) for further information. To access Members only page, the user name is [gcamember](#) and the password is compost.

Thursday, September 9  
Friends of the Garden  
Party





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Thursday, September 9th

Friends of the Garden Party

We are anticipating a beautiful evening for the Friends of the Garden Party on September 9th at 6:00 p.m. In case of rain, our Garden Party will be moving to the home of

Mr. and Mrs. Job Turner  
3020 Brookmonte Lane  
273-8128

Directions:

From the Henry Clay Estates on Sycamore Road, turn right onto Richmond Road (421 South and 25 South). After 4.2 miles, veer right onto Old Richmond Road following 421 South and 25 South. Drive 2/10 mile and take a right on Delong Road (no road sign). Proceed 1.8 miles and take a left on Brookmonte Lane. The Turner's home is 2/10 mile on the right. Looking forward to seeing all of you, rain or shine!  
Sue Glover

## News from the Garden

Many, many thanks to all who so generously gave money and/or tools to equip our garden shed. We greatly appreciate your help.

Please come to the garden on Wednesday and be sure your parterre/border is in perfect condition for the party on the 9<sup>th</sup>. Also, work continues each Wednesday until we plant bulbs and put the garden to bed. \_\_\_\_Jessica and Callie

## \*\*\* CALENDAR \*\*\*

Thursday, September 16

Tour and Wine Tasting and Picnic at Equus Run Vineyard in Midway

10:45 AM - The tour begins promptly at 11:00, so please be on time. Followed by a picnic lunch-business meeting in the vineyard barn.

Hostesses: Monnie Long and Betty Gess

RSVP: Monnie 859-737-9240

Directions: From Lexington

Travel US 421/Leestown Road West toward Midway and Frankfort. Continue 7.8 miles past New Circle Road. Turn right onto US 62 and travel 1.3 miles. Turn left onto Moores Mill Road and travel 1.9 miles. Equus Run Vineyards is on your left.

**Alternate Route:** From I-64 West, take Exit 69 at Georgetown and turn left off of the exit. Travel 0.7 miles, turn right onto Moores Mill Road and continue 1.9 miles. Equus Run Vineyards is on your left.

Monday, October 4 Board Meeting

Thursday, October 21 10:30 AM

Ellen Chapman's Home, 4689 Old Frankfort Pike  
Speaker Tom Barnes. He will present slides of a new book.

Hostesses: Ellen Chapman and Celeste Newman



Please let Sarah Davis, 269-4727, [DEEDEE.SARAH@aol.com](mailto:DEEDEE.SARAH@aol.com) by November 1, if you plan to participate in the November 18 meeting and greens workshop. We will be doing a wreath.

From Conservation Chair, Mott Nicol  
272-1987, [b.nicol1@insightbb.com](mailto:b.nicol1@insightbb.com)  
Important Conservation Committee meeting on  
Wednesday, September 15. Meet in the garden, rain  
or shine after our chores are finished (@ 11:00 AM).

#### Conservation Concerns:

Please review the Voluntary Codes of Conduct for the Gardening public, again. The board voted to adopt them and hopes that all our members will start TODAY to try and garden with this list in mind.

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### Voluntary Codes of Conduct for the Gardening Public.

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4. Request that botanical gardens and nurseries promote, display and sell only non-invasive species.
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6. Ask garden writers and other media to emphasize the problem of invasive species and provide information.

#### Gardening Tips

As late summer, is the worst season for insects. Keep ahead of the insect population by keeping a close eye on flowers and herbaceous plants. Fast succulent growth is especially susceptible to aphid, spider mite, leaf hopper, thrip, and worm damage. Orthene is an excellent all-around control. Remember one aphid in the fall is 1,000 in the spring.

Remove spent flowers as soon as they become unattractive unless the seeds are to be harvested. Allowing seeds to develop reduces the vigor of plants and produces fewer flowers. After you groom annuals and perennials, fertilize with a 5-10-15 formula and mulch well.

Do not fertilize shrubs and vines this month. Pruning may force tender growth which might be killed by the first hard freezes. Also, many flowering shrubs have set their blossom buds for next year. Pruning will remove many of your next year's flowers.

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Request that garden writers promote only non-invasive species.

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*Anemone x hybrida*

'Honorine Jobert'

Ranunculaceae

(Buttercup family)

JAPANESE ANEMONE

Perennial, 3'-4' tall, clumps about 2' wide

Partial shade; deep, highly organic, well-drained, moisture retentive soil

The Japanese anemones on the market today are mostly of hybrid origin. Once established, they are superb low-maintenance perennials, with large compound leaves that are attractive long before any blooms appear. The single, semi-double, or double flowers rise well above the clumps of foliage on robust but slender stems that will stand up to most weather. The classic 'Honorine Jobert' has a pure white flowers, 2"-3" across.

**Cultivation:** Plant in spring and mulch well for the summer. Keep well-watered until established, and apply a protective winter mulch in cold regions. The taller cultivars may need staking in windy places. Protect from slug damage. Increase by division.

**Related Plants:** Other readily available cultivars include the white semi-double 'Whirlwind'; 'Margarete,' a deep pink semi-double; and 'September Charm,' a mauve-pink single. Similar *A. hupehensis* and *A. tomentosa* (especially the cultivar 'Robustissima') are often lumped under the common name Japanese anemone.

**Uses:** Indispensable in late summer and fall gardens, in mixed and perennial borders, and among shrubs. A fine cut flower. For conditioning; place stems in boiling water for a few seconds. Condition overnight in cool water.

-The Book of Outdoor Gardening

To all those who till the soil and reap its benefits.



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## Random Thoughts from Ginny...

Woolly adelgids are killing the majestic hemlocks in the east, especially in the mountains of western North Carolina. Sudden death oak fungus has been brought east from Monrovia Nursery in California and is insidious enough to kill all of our oak trees. Toxic chemicals, like the 2,4-D weedkiller used on many of our lawns, is a primary component of Agent Orange associated with non-Hodgkin's type lymphoma. Four lawn applications a year of 2,4-D doubles a dog's risk of getting canine malignant lymphoma.

These are chilling facts meant not to frighten but to make all of us realize some the ramifications involved in conserving our earth and ourselves.

Stonington Garden Club's conservation committee has created a 46 page booklet for \$5.00 entitled Earth-Friendly Alternatives, offering advice on some things we can do to help. Go to [earthfriendlyed@aol.com](mailto:earthfriendlyed@aol.com) to order.

## \*\*\* CALENDAR \*\*\*

Wednesday, October 13 - 11:00 AM

Horticulture Committee Meeting  
In the Garden

Thursday, October 21 General Meeting

10:30 AM at Ellen Chapman's  
4689 Old Frankfort Pike

Program: Tom Barnes, forestry expert and  
Photographer

Hostesses: Ellen Chapman 233-0678  
Celeste Neuman

Please RSVP!

Directions: Old Frankfort Pike, just past the  
Headley Whitney Museum, turn at the second stone  
entrance on the right. Construction detour is past  
Ellen's house.

Wednesday, October 27

Bulb Day (Rain date, November 3)

Monday, November 1<sup>st</sup> 9:30 AM

Board Meeting - Elise Boyd's  
2037 Lakeside Drive

Thursday, November 18 10:30 AM

Idle Hour CC  
General Meeting and CHRISTmas  
Wreath Workshop. Bring Greenery  
and clippers

Hostesses: Kathy Brewer and Anne Kraus Let  
Sarah Davis know by November 1<sup>st</sup>, so she can have  
necessary material. 269-4727



Conservation Committee, Mott Nicol

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Meeting Wednesday, October 13<sup>th</sup> 11:00 AM  
in the Garden

Jessica Bell  
Libby Brown  
Ellen Chapman  
Frances Cox  
Kim DeCamp  
Mo Ethington  
Anne Gay  
Edie Gess  
Glenna Graves  
Bettie Bos Haggin  
Betsy Hillenmeyer  
Anne Kraus  
Mary Montague  
Judy Philpott  
Bitsy Ruch  
Betty Tenney  
Barbara Young(former Horticulture Chair)



### News from the Garden...

Jessica and Callie

With the arrival of fall, please remember to come to the Garden and put your borders/parterre to bed for the winter.

Bulb planting is scheduled for Wednesday, October 27<sup>th</sup> with the rain date of Wednesday, November 3<sup>rd</sup>.

"Many hands make light work"

### KUDOS...

Many thanks for Jessica and Callie for all their hard work in the Garden. Long after everyone leaves, they are still there working. It has been a challenging season with the weather, but everything looked great, especially for our Friends of the Garden Party. The overgrown taxus was removed and brickwork repaired making a marked improvement. After a great deal of input and exploring various ideas, they made a wise decision to use the original plan as it was designed. Also, the tree has been taken out and they will be researching a suitable replacement. THANKS Girls for you tireless work on our behalf.

### FRIENDS OF THE GARDEN PARTY

Sue Glover and her committee did a wonderful job and were rewarded with superb weather. It was a beautiful party and a great turn out. A report of the financial success of the evening will be forthcoming. Thank you Sue.

### News from Horticulture...

Dottie Cordray

Thanks to ALL the members who participated by sending plant material to the Zone VII meeting in Orange, Va. The following received awards:

Anne Campbell - 3rd place - Dahlia

Mary Montague - 2nd place - Pyracantha; 3rd place - Winterking Green Hawthorn

Nancy Bishop - Honorable Mention (HM) - Touch Of Class Rose. Nancy's Voodoo was entered as a Club entry and Ginny thinks it probably would have gotten a 1st place, but they wouldn't admit it as a club entry.

Dottie Cordray - HM - Autumn Joy Sedum;  
HM - Red Oak from seed; 1st place - Michael Dodge Viburnum

Gay Van Meter and Sue Glover entered beautiful photos of the Peonies at Ashland



## \*\*\* CALENDAR \*\*\*

Thursday, November 17, 10:30 a.m.

General Meeting and light lunch

Program: Holiday Tables

Location Idle Hour Country Club

Hostesses: Mimi Milward 266-0861

Luanne Milward 266-4910

Jane Milward 252-5458

Please RSVP!

The flower committee will be doing the program for this meeting. The tables will be 48 inch rounds. The club has white and ivory cloths or you may bring your own. These tables may be done with as many or few accessories as you wish. The tables will need to be ready before the meeting begins. If you wish to set up on Wednesday after lunch, that has been arranged with the club. The tables must be completed before the meeting begins on Thursday.

### Thanksgiving

1) Janie Pappas- Kathy Dalton co-chairs  
Kim DeCamp, Mo Ethington, Dottie Cordray,  
Ginny May, Betty Kenan

2) Meloyde Kinkead- Charlotte Turner, Anne  
Kraus co-chairs Barbara Young, Dot Crutcher,  
Frances Cox, Elise Boyd

3) Nancy Bishop- Luanne Milward co- chairs  
Libby Brown, Betsey Hillenmeyer, Joan Gaines,  
Brenda Barrett, Sue Glover

### Christmas

4) Gay Van Meter- Jane Stiltz co-chairs  
Ann Gay, Kathy Brewer, Linda Carey, Anne Arvin,  
Meg Sprow

5) Mary Louise Fisher- Marty Mayer co- chairs  
Edie Gess, Kathy Brooks, Lauren Van Balen,  
Wende Bell

### New Year's

6) Betsey Bulleit- Jessica Nicholson co-chairs  
Ellen Chapman, Marcia Slabaugh,  
Sheilagh Hammond, Mary Montague

7) Joy Hinkle- Callie Keller co-chairs  
Jessica Bell, Benny Williams, Lucy Breathitt, Jane  
Baugh, Mott Nicol

Thank you all for participating. If I can assist in  
anyway, let me know. I am sure they will all be  
FABULOUS! -Sarah

Monday, December 5 Board Meeting

9:30 AM

Gay Van Meter's

Thursday, December 15, 3:30 p.m.

### Christmas Tea

Location: Libby Brown, 1700 Tates Creek Rd.

RSVP: 266-3710

As a part of the kick off for our cookbook, we will  
be serving newly submitted recipes at the Christmas  
Tea.



**HAPPY THANKSGIVING!**



# The BLOOMIN' NEWS

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## Random Thoughts from Ginny...

—Did you think we had forgotten all about the idea of a new cookbook? Gay and Benny haven't! Keep your ears perked up and your enthusiasm at the ready. We'll be hearing more!

My mama sent me some nifty tips via e-mail this weekend. A few are vaguely related to flowers and such but all are handy and worth sharing!

—To remove stain from bottom of glass vase or cruet, fill with water and drop in 2 Alka-Selzer tablets

—To get rid of itch from mosquito bites, apply soap on the area and you will experience instant relief.

—Ants in the house... They are said never to cross a chalk line. Draw a line where they tend to march and see for yourself!

—When you get a splinter, reach for the scotch tape before resorting to tweezers or a needle. Simply put tape over splinter, then pull it off. Removes most splinters painlessly and easily.

—And finally—

Wrap celery in aluminum foil when putting it in the refrigerator and it will keep for weeks.

## From Mimi...

I am going to attempt to send the November issue of the Bloomin' News via e-mail. One third of you have e-mail. Give it a try, print it and then if you prefer to continue to have it mailed, I will. We can save postage and paper costs. If I do not have your e-mail and you would like to be added to the list, please let me know, msmilward@aol.com

## \*\*\* CALENDAR \*\*\*

Wednesday, November 10

Rain date again for BULBS

Thursday, November 18 10:30 AM

Idle Hour Country Club

General Meeting with light lunch

Program:

Christmas wreath workshop with Sarah Davis

Please bring greenery to use and to share (pine, spruce,

hemlock, boxwood, magnolia, etc.-no holly) and **clippers**.

We will be making a greenery wreath. Sarah will provide the forms and the guidance.

RSVP: (promptly, so Sarah can order the materials)

Hostesses: Kathy Brewer 266-4997

Anne Kraus 266-446

**Do not forget to bring your clippers and plenty of greenery.**

We will have cases of cookbooks at the Meeting for early, holiday shopping.

Monday, December 6 Board Meeting

Thursday, December 16, 2004 3:30 pm

Christmas Tea at the home of Charlotte Turner

3020 Brookmonte Lane

(directions next month)

RSVP: Charlotte Turner 273-8128



### Thursday, March 17 Annual Meeting

Anyone interested in hosting the meeting, please let Barbara Young know, 266-6761 or [barbaray@mindspring.com](mailto:barbaray@mindspring.com)

### From Callie and Jessica in the Garden...

Many, many thanks to all who worked in the garden all season long and helped to make it so lovely. We all appreciate the delicious food and drink brought each Wednesday and we thank the many wonderful cooks.

A special thank you to Clay-Ingels for their very generous donation of brick and mortar and to Jim McFarland of United Landscape, Ian Hoffman of Big Beaver and Ron Dennis, bricklayer for their generosity in materials and labor. When you see these individuals, please acknowledge their kindness to Ashland Garden.

The next Bulb rain date is Wednesday, November 10.

Have a restful winter and we'll look forward to next spring.

### From GCA...

The Horticulture Committee of GCA is delighted and proud to bring you the Fall 2004 issue of *The Real Dirt*. It is filled with useful and varied information for all GCA members and the photographs are spectacular. Please be aware that you may print a single article if there is something you wish to have in a hard copy.

It can be found on the GCA website in the **Members Only** section under **Horticulture**. The user name is *gcamember* and the password is *compost*.

We hope, if you enjoy it, you will share the information with your club members and encourage them to read it.

### From *The Real Dirt*, No 2, Fall 2004

#### *Some Recent Books Not to Miss:*

Bowe, Patrick, *Gardens of the Roman World*. Getty Publications: Los Angeles, 2004. ISBN 07112-2387-4. A glorious tour of Roman and Roman-influenced gardens through archaeological sites and reconstructions of imperial palaces, villas and parks. Highly recommended.

Clebsch, Betsy, *The New Book of Salvias*. Portland (OR): Timber Press, 2003. ISBN 0-88192-560-8. Not only describes sages for every garden but also suggests companion plants and uses.

de Vosjoli, Philippe, *A Guide to Growing Pachycaul and Caudiciform Plants*. Vista (CA): Advanced Visions, 2004. ISBN 0-9742971-1-9. A book filled with advice on how to grow these extraordinary plants (in the words of the cover): "baobabs and boojum trees; members of the passion flower family with bodies as large and wide as a witch's cauldron; species in the cucumber family that acquire the form of flying saucers; yams that generate complex geodesic structures; morning glories with gorgeous flowers and bodies that look like...weathered boulders."



Harlow, Nora and Jakob, Kristin, *Wild Lilies, Irises, and Grasses*. Berkeley Los Angeles and London: University of

California Press, 2003. ISBN 0 520-23848-6. First and foremost a book about successfully growing California native monocotyledons (bulbs, grass-like plants or succulents and xerophytic plants), their culture, their usefulness in gardens, and where to obtain them. Many make good garden plants in other sections of the country. For adventurous gardeners.

Hill, Susan and Narizny, Susan. *The Plant Locator, Western Region*. Portland (OR): Timber Press, 2004. ISBN 0-88192-633-7. 50,000 plants and where to find them in AZ, CA, CO, HI, ID, MT, NV, NM, OR, UT, WA, and British Columbia (CAN). Names, addresses, FAX, phone and email addresses for some of the outstanding nurseries in GCA's Zone XII. Most sell by mail order, or walk-in. Everyone from ME to FL and MN to TX will find goodies here!

Hobhouse, Penelope, *Gardens of Persia*. Hong Kong: Kales Press, 2004. ISBN 0-9670076-6-6. A beautifully written book on the history and legacy of Persian gardens, including information on plants found there (not often included in detail in most publications). Particularly enjoyable quotes from earlier travelers' descriptions and excellent pictures of gardens and historical sites.

Jones, Stephen R. and Cushman, Ruth Carol, *A Field Guide to The North American Prairie*. Boston and New York: Houghton Mifflin Co., 2004. ISBN 0-618-17929-1. Ecology of the North American Prairie, with descriptions of grasses, wildflowers and wildlife in Shortgrass, Tallgrass and Mixed-Grass Prairies. Also profiles on Prairie preserves and conservation areas where Prairies can be seen.

Keswick, Maggie, with revisions by Hardie, Alison and contributions by Jenck, Charles. *The Chinese Garden, History, Art and Architecture*. Cambridge (MA): Harvard University Press, 2003. An updated version of a classic, with revisions based on new discoveries and recent scholarship and "intelligently illustrated," in the words of *The New York Times*.

Mickel, John T., *Ferns for American Gardens*. Portland (OR): Timber Press, 2003. ISBN 0-88192-598-5. Chosen by the American Horticultural Society as one of its 75 Great American Garden Books, this book lives up to its authoritative reputation. It covers every aspect of ferns, especially cold-hardy ferns, from their morphology to basic identification of species, garden use and propagation methods. Excellent photographs.

North American Rock Garden Society, McGary, Jane, ed., *Rock Garden Design and Construction*. Portland and Cambridge: Timber Press, 2003. ISBN 0-88192-583-7. This comprehensive book will answer many of your horticultural and aesthetic questions about how to create a rock garden and how to grow plants successfully in a variety of regions,

climates and gardening situations (even on a balcony). There is even detailed information on how to make troughs.

Quest-Ritson, Charles and Brigid, *The American Rose Society Encyclopedia of Roses*. London, New York, Munich, Melbourne, Delhi: DK Publishing, 2003.

ISBN 0-7894-9675-5. A history and catalogue of almost 2000 species and cultivars--an essential reference for anyone interested in roses. Well illustrated with full-color photographs throughout.

Stewart, Amy, *The Earth Moved*. Chapel Hill (NC): Algonquin Books, 2004. ISBN 1-56512-337-9. A fascinating and very readable account of what is happening under our gardens, including the remarkable achievements of worms, and how to make use of same.

Towe, L. Clarence, *American Azaleas*. Portland(OR): Timber Press, 2004. ISBN 0-88192-645-0. A new book about knowing and growing a diversity of North American azaleas. As Michael Dirr said on the cover, it is "a fantastic textural and photographic tour through the intriguing and aesthetic world of native azaleas...Gardeners of every ilk will find inspiration and education, to appreciate and grow native azaleas."

Uglow, Jenny, *A Little History of British Gardening*. Place: Chatto & Windus, 2004. ISBN 0-86547-702-7. A well researched, engrossing short history of British gardening, filled with illuminating information and anecdotal details. Did the Romans have rakes? Read on.

by Diana Fish, Horticulture Committee, and Shirley Meneice, Horticulture Committee Advisor, both Carmel-by-the-Sea GC, Zone XII

*Welcome to the second online edition of The Real Dirt. Horticulture is a common bond among all GCA members and that bond becomes stronger when we share our knowledge of the beauty, emotional and intellectual satisfaction that can be found in gardening.*

*The Horticulture Committee hopes that you will find this newsletter not only instructional but that it will also delight you and that when you have finished reading it, you will be inspired to grow, show and share!*

**Katie Heins, National Horticulture Committee Chairman**



# The BLOOMIN' NEWS

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## Random Thoughts from Ginny...

Happy New Year, one and all. Such an eventful year it has been. Good tidings....Bad tidings....And yet, all pales in the midst of the devastation that has afflicted South Asia.

We welcome our new members: Brenda Barrett, Kathy Brooks, Betsy Bulleitt, and Marcia Slabaugh. Thank you to Charlotte Turner for the Christmas tea at her lovely new house.

Don't forget to come to the January beekeeping program.

Then we'll take a winter break during the month of February and return, refreshed for the March general meeting.

## From the Finance Committee...

The Finance Committee met in November and approved the following contributions:

|                                         |           |
|-----------------------------------------|-----------|
| GCA Scholarship Fund                    | \$300.00  |
| Bluegrass Conservancy                   | 400.00    |
| Nature Conservancy                      | 100.00    |
| Henry Clay Memorial Fund                | 150.00    |
| UK Arboretum                            | 150.00    |
| Raven Run                               | 100.00    |
| Bernheim Forest                         | 100.00    |
| Ashland Neighborhood Ass.               | 15.00     |
| Long Branch Garden                      |           |
| (in honor of Shelila McQueen 90th b'day | 100.00*** |
| Henry Clay Centennial Garden            | 100.00*** |

Total \$1,515.00

\*\*\*These donations represent exceptions to our usual list.

## \*\*\* CALENDAR \*\*\*

Thursday, January 20 10:30 AM

Beekeeping with Lucy Breathitt and Phil Craft, Kentucky State Apiarist Box lunch

Hostesses: Ginny May 266-4515

Jane Stilz 266-5915

Kay Steffee

Location: Broadway Christian Church Fellowship Hall, Broadway and Second St. Parking, north corner of Second St. or parking lot on Saunier Alley and Second St. Enter thru glass doors. Carpooling encouraged. In preparation, The Secret Life of Bees, by Sue Monk Kidd is highly recommended.



There is no February meeting.

Monday, March 7 Board Meeting 9:30 AM

Mimi Milward's 1640 Ashwood

Thursday, March 17 10:30 AM

Annual Meeting and Lunch

Hostesses: Martie Mayer

Laureen VanBalen

Gay VanMeter

Location: To Be Announced



## RIGHT PLANT, RIGHT PLACE

Seashore to desert, mountains to prairie, woodlands to tropics, The Garden Club of America enjoys a broad diversity of growing environments. Much of our gardening success can be attributed to using the right plant in the right place, thus achieving the maximum growth of the species or cultivar. In recognition of this, the Plant Exchange theme for 2005 encourages the propagation of plants which are appropriate to a specific environment.

Clubs should choose one of the following environmental conditions and propagate plants which will thrive in that condition:

· Dry · Moist · Wind · Salt · High Altitude

Plants listed on the USDA NRCA 2002 List of Invasive Nonindigenous Plants in the US will NOT be accepted at the Plant Exchange if they are listed as invasive in your club's growing zone. The List can be accessed at <http://plants.usda.gov/>. Click on Invasive Plants on the left side. Then click on the first letter of a plant's common or scientific name. If you need help with the list, contact your Zone Representative.

**PLANTS:** The plants must be hardy in the USDA growing zone in which the club is located. Clubs may send six of the same plant or any combination of plants totaling up to six. No BIENNIALS or ANNUALS will be accepted. The Committee reserves the right to refuse any plant showing signs of insects or disease or that does not conform to Plant Exchange instructions. No plant list is provided with this schedule.

**SUPPLIES:** Each Zone Horticulture Representative will distribute pots, labels, cards, etc. to the Club Horticulture Chairmen. All plants must be in Plant Exchange regulation pots. The use of sterile mix is required to discourage the transfer of soil-borne diseases.

**CARDS:** Each plant is to be accompanied by one white information card on which the propagator must provide requested information and a full explanation of propagation methods, including dates. This card, which is placed in a plastic sleeve, remains with the plant while on display and accompanies the plant at distribution. The white cards must be filled out in #2 pencil before arriving at the PX. Each club lists all six plants on the green card which goes into the Plant Exchange files.

**LABELING:** Each plant must be separately labeled with the botanical name, common name and plant family clearly printed with a #2 pencil on the plant stake. Include on the back of the stake the name, address and club of the propagator. The year of the Plant Exchange must be printed on the lower part of the plant stake. The accepted authorities for plant nomenclature are the RHS Index of Garden Plants, by Mark Griffiths, Manual of Woody Landscape Plants, by Michael A. Dirr and The American Horticultural Society's A-Z Encyclopedia of Garden Plants.

### FRONT

Sedum spectabile

Showy Stonecrop

Crassulaceae

### BACK

Mary Gardener

1 Smith Street

Hometown, MO 64108

Home GC

Zone XI

2005



### Right Plant, Right Place Continued...

**EVALUATION:** Each plant will be evaluated individually. A merit award may be given, taking into account the following criteria:

|                                               |     |
|-----------------------------------------------|-----|
| Difficulty of propagation                     | 40% |
| Complete and accurate propagation information | 25% |
| Cultural condition                            | 25% |
| Species and/or variety distinction            | 10% |

The selection time for each club in the Plant Exchange will be based on a distribution system that is determined by the number of points awarded to each club. Total club points appear on yellow cards placed in front of each club's plants following evaluation.

Maximum score is 18:

- 1 point for each plant: maximum 6
- 1 point for each "different" grower: maximum 6
- 1 point for each merit award: maximum 6

Plants of novice propagators will be given special consideration in the evaluation process. A novice is a member who is propagating for the Plant Exchange for the first time. Extra points are not given for novice growers.

From Dottie Cordray,  
Horticulture Chair...

Those of you who are currently care-taking a propagation box, please call me with a status report at 846-5131. If you get my answering machine, leave a message with your name, phone number and specifically which plants are alive and well. Also, let me know if you have any questions

or concerns about your propagation plant material. Since these are deciduous plants, they should be over-wintered where they will go dormant (garage, enclosed porch).

We will have to choose six of our best plants to repot in the black pots to send to the meeting in Kansas, before April 23rd for the annual Plant Exchange (PX). Since we propagated plants for both wet and dry conditions, we'll have to see which category of plants are in the best condition and send those.

A reminder to the Hort. Committee to be gathering garden map brochures and information about plant identification systems.

From Soul Gardening by Terry Hershey

Gardeners are an odd lot. We are isolated by our own peculiar tastes, from primroses to antique roses. From austere to gluttonous. From sedums to cedars. From cauliflower to sunflower. From jacaranda to 'Jackman's Blue.' From a single clay pot to acreage as far as the eye can see. We live in our own worlds, fueled by dreams and imagination and fancy. And yet, we are linked to gardeners past and present, sharing a common gusto for this experiment we call life. And this planet we call home. People who love this world, people who pay attention, are gardeners. People who are invested, people who are aware. They are gardeners regardless of whether or not they have ever picked up a trowel. Because gardening is not just about digging. Or planting, for that matter. Gardening is about cherishing.



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## Random Thoughts from Ginny...

Our annual meeting, where we review the year's events, is coming up in March. Seems like a good time to share a couple of garden club jokes with you...memories of GCA history from GCA Historian Bonny Martin, via our zone rep. Blair Matthews Louis:

The husband (could be my long-suffering Bobby May!) said to his wife, "Honey, you know I have a big day tomorrow and the sleeping pills aren't working. Maybe it would help if you told me more about your Garden Club work!"

....or the one about the annual and zone meetings (ours is coming up in April and May)...The bus driver said to the zone meeting party hostess, "When the ladies are loaded, the bus can depart." To which the hostess replied, "You could have left half an hour ago!"

\*\*\*I'd like to thank Anne Campbell again for the donation of the microphone to our club. \*\*\*

Please ,please, please read about the Founders' Fund nominees on pages 9-11 in the GCA Bulletin and come prepared to vote for one at our meeting in March. Do note that our zone 7 has submitted a project, Montpelier's Oriental Garden, which Anne Arvin and I saw at the zone eting in Orange. It's absolutely beautiful, has all the bones in place and just needs to be restored. Plus, we need to support our zone!!!

## \*\*\* CALENDAR \*\*\*

Thursday, March 17, 11:00 AM  
Annual Meeting and Light Lunch

\*Please note time change\*

Hostesses: Martie Mayer  
Lauren VanBalen  
Gay VanMeter RSVP 299-9390  
Ghv211@aol.com

Location: The Lexington Club  
Esplanade

Wednesday, March 30, 9:30 AM  
Peony workday for all  
Wednesday, April 6 - Ashland Garden work  
begins 9:30 AM

Monday, April 4 9:30 AM Board Meeting  
Dot Crutcher's 221 Chinoe Road

Thursday, April 21 Meeting Crutcher  
Preserve  
Near Shakertown  
Details to follow-Rendezvous for carpool

From the Assistant Treasurer, Kim DeCamp...  
Annual Dues \$100. Deadline June 1  
Please send to 228 Barrow Road 40502



## COOKBOOK UPDATE

Plans for our new cookbook are moving forward.

Details to follow.

Please be gathering and planning your recipes to submit.

From Program Chair, Barbara Young  
Hostesses needed for Meetings. Opportunity to sign up at the next meeting.

From Horticulture Chair, Dottie...

I would like to request that whoever has a propagation container in their possession deliver them to Dot Crutcher's garage (or arrange for a team member to) 221 Chinoe Rd. anytime between now and March 16th. I will collect them and the Hort. Comm. will choose and repot the plants that will be sent to the April zone meeting.

\* \* \*

Remember to check out the GCA website,  
[www.gcamerica.org](http://www.gcamerica.org) (save as your favorite place)

Members only

User name: gcamember

Password: compost

Under Committees-

Check out the Visiting Gardens

Portugal Tour, May 20-26, 2005

Still time to sign up



*The Purpose of the Garden Club of America is to stimulate the knowledge and love of gardening, to share the advantages of association by means of educational meetings, conferences, correspondence and publications, and to restore, improve, and protect the quality of the environment through educational programs and action in the fields of conservation and civic improvement.*

From the Garden, Callie and Jessica...

Work begins in the Peony beds March 30

9:30 AM

Garden work begins April 6

Everyone should have received their work assignments.

\* \* \*

Friends of the Arboretum

GALA in the Garden

Please save the date May 1, 2005

3:00 to 6:00 P.m.



A Reminder...

A few of our fellow members are terribly allergic to perfume, resulting in severe migraines and other symptoms. Many of us adore our favorite scents...but perhaps in consideration of others, we could refrain from spritzing them when we are gathered. Save the fragrance for the flowers.

From the Editor...

I will be e-mailing the Bloomin News, if I have your address. When printing it, it will say it is outside the margins, but that is OK. I will gladly mail it to you, if you prefer. I am also printing a large print edition, if you request it. Please let me know, [mamilward@aol.com](mailto:mamilward@aol.com), 266-0861.



From Conservation, Mott...

Conservation Easements was one of the issues proposed in Congress' Joint Committee on Taxation. Please familiarize yourself with this proposal and call or fax your thoughts. I have a "form" letter if you would rather use that.

Sen Mitch McConnell

202-224-2541

FX 202-224-2499

Sen Jim Bunning

202-224-4343

FX 202-228-1373

## Joint Committee Proposes Slashing Conservation Incentives

### FACT SHEET

A recent report by Congress's Joint Committee on Taxation<sup>1</sup> recommends dismantling tax deductions for landowners who volunteer to conserve their land and historic buildings a program that has been essential to private and public conservation efforts.

Those tax incentives, in place for more than 25 years, have led to voluntary conservation of more than 34 million acres of working agricultural lands, working forests, wildlife habitats, historic landscapes, parklands, and historic buildings and their grounds

Currently, landowners who care about conservation and are willing to protect important resources on their property have several options:

1. They can donate a conservation easement, which protects these resources forever, but allows families to continue to live on and farm the land, and pass the property on to their heirs. Now, they receive a tax deduction for the value of the development rights they give up.

*The Joint Committee proposes: (1) forbidding any deduction for donating an easement if the landowner continues to live on the land; and (2) in all other cases, allowing the donor to deduct only 1/3 the value of their donation. This would effectively eliminate the tax incentives for donations of conservation easements*

2. They can also choose to donate their land, or sell it for less than its value. Landowners who do so qualify for a tax deduction.

*The Joint Committee would slash this incentive, by limiting deductions to the price the landowner originally paid for the property (their "basis"? This would make it extremely difficult for farmers, ranchers, and other residents who have owned their lands for decades to be able to afford to donate.*

At a time when development and sprawl threaten much of what makes our communities livable - clean air and water, open space, parks, and wildlife habitat - private landowners have a critical role to play in conservation. With state and federal budget deficits limiting government purchase of conservation land, one of the best ways to conserve America's natural and historic legacy is through incentives to private landowners. This approach is working because it encourages voluntary charitable gifts, respects private property rights, and keeps land on the tax rolls.

**\*\*\*. Conservationists support reforms targeted to prevent abuse of the existing laws.**  
The

Proposals of the Joint Tax Committee don't do that identify abusers, and wreak havoc with private, voluntary conservation, at a time when it is needed more than ever.

<sup>1</sup> Joint Committee on Taxation. (2005), *Options to Improve Tax Compliance and Reform Tax Expenditures* (JCS-02-05).



## Zone VII Meeting May 22-24

### PHOTO FINISH

#### PHOTOGRAPHY SHOW SCHEDULE

- 1<sup>st</sup> 1. Dawn at the Downs**  
The sun rising on a string of horses headed for an early morning workout at Churchill Downs is a magical time. Compose a photograph that captures a magical moment in your garden. (8 entries)
- 1<sup>st</sup> 2. I'm in the money**  
Gambling, of course, is one of the seductions of the track and a win is paid off in cash. Produce a photograph using another kind of green as a theme and predominate color. (7 entries)
- 2<sup>nd</sup> 3. Long shot**  
in racing refers to the horse with the longest odds of winning. Be more literal here and use your "long shot" to capture a landscape. (7 entries)
- 2<sup>nd</sup> 4. Out of the running**  
A portrait of a plant invasive in our Zone. (8 entries)
- 5. The Triple Crown** refers to the winner of the Derby, the Preakness *and* the Belmont Stakes. Compose a trio of photographs that are related by theme or subject matter. (6 entries)

### PHOTOGRAPHY RULES

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4. Advance registration is required and may be made by phone or e-mail by May 2, 2005 to the Photography Show Chairman. An exhibitor may only make one entry per class. Photographs which have won a blue ribbon in a GCA Show may not be exhibited again.

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Color or monochromatic images, including black and white, are permitted. The finish of the photograph is the choice of the exhibitor.

7. AU photographs must be unframed, mounted on foam core, and matted. Entries, including mat, in Classes 1, 2, 3, and 4 may not exceed 14" in either direction. Entries in Class 5, The Triple Crown, must be arranged horizontally under a single mat (three openings), not to exceed 24" in either direction. In general, a mat width of at least 2" is recommended.

8. Entries must be accompanied by a 3" x 5" file card. Please print class entered by name and number, and the common and botanical name of the featured plants. On the reverse side, put exhibitor's name and club.

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12. Photographs will be prepared for hanging by the Photo Show Committee.

13. Photographs must be picked up from the show area at 12:30 p.m. Wednesday, May 24, 2005. If a photograph is to be returned by mail, a self-addressed, prepaid envelope and appropriate wrapping materials must be submitted with the entry.

14. Please register, mail entries, and direct any questions about the show to the Photography Show Chairman.

Photography Show Chairman  
Susan Treitz  
(Mrs. John G., Jr.)

Fax (502) 695-0518 [sttreitzsw@insightbb.com](mailto:sttreitzsw@insightbb.com)

Judging Criteria Creativity: 30 points Composition (includes elements and principles of design): 25 points Technical merit (includes exposure, color, and craftsmanship): 20 points Distinction: 15 points Interpretation of theme: 10 points



From the Lexington Herald Leader



### Soil Testing

Planning a new garden? A soil test will help you determine what will grow best naturally. The University of Kentucky Extension Service Office offers soil testing services. Here's what you need to do:

Take a random soil sample from a depth of four to six inches, by digging ten to twelve holes and taking some soil from each hole. Mix all this soil together. Spread it out on a newspaper to air dry. Do not dry the soil in an oven. Your sample can be taken at any time of year, as long as fertilizer has not been applied recently.

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There are easy, natural ways to amend your soil. *Gardening and Landscaping Techniques* from Rodale Press provides details (\$9.99). [www.rodalestore.com](http://www.rodalestore.com) to find this book on chemical-free gardening.

**Where:** Fayette County Extension Office, 1140 Red Mile Place, Lexington 40504 **Phone Number:** (859) 257-5582

. (no need to call first)  
**Hours:** Mon. - Fri. 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Cost: \$5.00

### Waning of Winter

It is the season before the flower.  
The lands wear a fringe of frosted sage.  
Hillside cedars stand posted  
muted sentinels.  
Icy fingers starch  
Green lace collars...

Beneath man's frozen paths. Hiding places.  
Already searching roots slither  
dart down deep crevices. Drawn  
to buried waters running  
clear through layers past life.  
Pregnant bulbs burst tender shoots  
from swollen wombs. Heavy. Black.  
The earth parts. Arches. Crumbles  
against the thrust. New life.  
It is the Silent Source emerging.  
Into a wonder that will be spring.

This waning of winter  
is for us also time for  
dwelling with our Source.  
Discovering undisclosed spirit  
that will allow our lives  
to flower. Thinned out. Pruned.  
Transplanted. Divided from offshoots.  
Tired of running rampant.

Each seeks to send up  
A single delicate shoot. A  
true statement of ourselves  
the kingdom we serve.

from *Clouds for the Table*  
By Susie Sims Irvin





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## Random Thoughts from Ginny...

Be sure to read article on Ashland in Chevy Chaser.

Remember that each member of our club is also a member of the conservation, flower, or horticulture committees. As such, we are responsible for attendance at these meetings and participation in the various projects. The chairmen of these committees have worked diligently to make a positive impact on our community. Let's do our part to support them.

Blair Matthews Louis, our Zone VII Chairman, has requested that all clubs in our zone consider endorsing a new national park, the Captain John Smith Chesapeake National Water Trail. Legislation to accomplish this has been submitted by several Democratic and Republican senators and is backed by the National Geographic Society, the Chesapeake Bay Commission, and the Chesapeake Bay Foundation. If approved, this legislation would designate Capt. Smith's route as a National Historic Water Trail to be administered by the National Park Service. Please come to the April meeting prepared to discuss and vote on whether or not to endorse this legislation.

## \*\*\* CALENDAR \*\*\*

GARDEN WORK HAS BEGUN 9:30 AM  
See Peony Day Work Schedule

### Thursday, April 21

11:00 a.m. General Meeting and light lunch

Location: Crutcher Preserve near Shakertown  
(30-45 minute drive) If you want to carpool or caravan we will meet at the Lexington Mall parking lot (Richmond Rd. entrance) at 10:15 a.m.

Hostesses: Betsy Hillenmeyer 266-8302

Sheila Hammond 273-4398

Program: Nature Walk with Chandra Gordon of the Nature Conservancy

### Directions:

Travel south on Nicholasville Rd. (U.S. 27) from Lexington. Proceed 19.2 miles from the intersection of Nicholasville Rd. and New Circle Rd.

Turn right on KY 1845 after crossing the Kentucky River. Travel on KY 1845 for 3.4 miles to Camp Dick Fire Station. Turn left and travel 0.2 miles. Turn right onto High Bridge Rd. Go 2.0 miles and turn right onto Bowman's Rd. at the large High Bridge Estates sign. Please use caution on this narrow Rd.

Travel 1.5 miles to the Sally Brown Nature Preserve parking lot. Follow the Sally Brown trail from the parking lot to the Kiosk and the Crutcher trail will be to the right off the main trail.



## CALENDAR (Continued)

### (Thursday, April 21 Meeting (Continued))

Long pants and sturdy walking shoes or boots are advised. This is non-strenuous walk not a hike but the terrain could be uneven.

If it is raining we will still meet at Lexington Mall, make a decision on whether to proceed and then if we decide the weather is too inclement, we will go to Betsy's for a meeting and lunch.

### Monday, May 2, 9:30 AM Board Meeting

### Thursday, May 19, 2005 Meeting 10:30 am Keeneland.

Program: Horticultural Tour of Keeneland.

Hostesses: Mary Louise Fisher 269-8463

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From the Assistant Treasurer, Kim DeCamp...

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### From Ellen Chapman...

#### 60 Seconds for GCA

The First Founders Fund Award was presented in 1936 to the Amateur Gardener's Club of Baltimore to assist in the printing of an English version of the Badianus Manuscript. This remarkable book, on Aztec herbals, represents the earliest known medical text and illustrations of American flora on this side of the Atlantic Ocean. The manuscript, written in 1552 by two Aztec doctors, who were educated in Santa Cruz College in Mexico City, was discovered in the Vatican Library by a Smithsonian researcher

in 1931. The text, written first in Aztec, then Latin, included plant illustrations for 99 different ills, both mental and physical.

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Jon Carloftis is coming to The Headley Whitney Museum on Wednesday April 27<sup>th</sup> for a demonstration on the Four Design Elements of Spring and Summer Containers. Jon will be signing his new book afterwards at 11:30.

Coffee will be served at 10:00 a.m., demonstration 10:30 a.m. \$40.00 per person or \$70.00 with book!

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Remember to check out the GCA website, [www.gcamerica.org](http://www.gcamerica.org) (save as your favorite place)

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### From Conservation Mott...

There will be a very important Conservation meeting in The Garden (after work), rain or shine, on Wednesday, May 20th. if you are on this committee, please make every effort to be there. Our tentative date to help clean up some areas being over taken by invasive plants, at Ashland is JUNE 1st. This one day will be our conservation project and everyone is needed. You may bring "helpers" with you, to help us work. If you have questions or suggestions, give Mott a call...272-1987.



## PHOTO FINISH PHOTOGRAPHY SHOW

Be sure and bring your photos to the April meeting and two winners will be selected to submit.

Zone VII Spring Meet May 22-24

**Don't take it down to the wire!**

The deadline for advance registration is May 2, 2005.

Give Susan Treitz a call today (502) 896-2612 to reserve a spot in the *two* classes your club wants to enter. Remember, it is first come, first served. There are a limited number of openings in each class. Keep a back-up in mind if your first choice is full.

Here are a few things to consider. If there are several entries to choose from, who in your club will make the final decision? Choice could be by popular vote at your next meeting. Once your photographs have been selected, don't dawdle in the stretch.

The deadline for entries is May 16. Getting your entry assembled takes time. Frame shops have excellent equipment for cutting clean mats but will have some turn-around time. In a pinch, Target has pre-cut mats in standard sizes.

Keep in mind that a Priority Mail Flat Rate box measures: 12" x 3.5" x 14."

Here is a tip from an experienced entrant: Take your entry to the Post Office, leaving the box open. Purchase *two* labels, one for the out-going box and the second to be slipped inside the box for its return.

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Gambling, of course, is one of the seductions of the track and a win is paid off in cash. Produce a photograph using another kind of green as a theme and predominate color. (7 entries)

### 3. Long shot

in racing refers to the horse with the longest odds of winning. Be more literal here and use your "long shot" to capture a landscape. (7 entries)

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| June 1  | Kim Decamp         | Edie Gess        |
|         | Charlotte Turner   | 4. ?             |
| June 8  | Anne Arvin         | Libby Brown      |
|         | 3. ?               | 4. ?             |
| June 15 | Mary Louise Fisher | Sheilah Hammond  |
|         | Betsy Hillenmeyer  | Judy Philpott    |



## Under the Spreading Chestnut Tree

By SUSAN FREINKEL : Published: April 30, 2005  
San Francisco

TO celebrate Arbor Day yesterday, President Bush added a new tree to the White House grounds - an American chestnut. At first glance it may seem an odd choice, since chestnuts have been largely absent from the American landscape for more than half a century. Yet if any species can help us see the importance of trees to humanity, it is the American chestnut, and its story makes it the perfect emblem for Arbor Day.

Chestnuts were once so plentiful along the East Coast that according to legend a squirrel could travel the chestnut canopy from Georgia to Maine without ever touching the ground. The trees grew tall, fast and straight. Many considered it the perfect tree: it produced nourishing food and a rot-resistant wood that was used for everything from furniture to fence posts. Chestnut ties were the sturdy foundation of the ever-expanding railroad lines; chestnut poles held up the lengthening miles of electrical and telephone wire.

Then in the early 20th century a deadly fungus imported from Japan hit American forests. Within 40 years this fast and merciless fungus spread over some 200 million acres and killed nearly four billion trees. The blight brought the chestnut to the brink of extinction. Even today new sprouts continue to shoot up from the roots of seemingly dead trees only to be attacked again by the fungus before they can flower and reproduce.

But, in memory at least, the tree endures. That's particularly true in Appalachia, where the chestnuts were vital to the local culture and economy. The sweet nuts that appeared every fall sustained people and their livestock. Families built their homes from chestnut logs, marked their property with chestnut fences and brewed home remedies for burns from chestnut leaves.

I recently spent several days in the heart of the tree's historic range: southwest Virginia, where old chestnut rail fences still snake across the land and memories of the tree remain sharp. One 92-year-old man pointed out an empty hillside that once held a grove of chestnut trees. Each fall he collected the small mahogany nuts in a tin bucket for his mother to sell at the general store. Chestnuts paid for school supplies, sugar, shoes - things they couldn't make for themselves on their farm.

A retired schoolteacher showed me a photograph of the tall chestnut that bordered a field on her family's farm when she was a child - the "sentinel" that meant she was nearing home. The elderly owner of a country store recalled how locals would cart in thousands of pounds of nuts to be hauled on horse-drawn wagons to railroad depots for shipment to cities like Richmond, Boston and New York, where they'd be sold hot and roasted on the streets. The last time he tasted an American chestnut, he said, was from a squirrel's stash he and his little sister dug up on June 7, 1928. The date is etched in memory because his sister died the next day.

Their stories paint a picture of another time - of dirt roads, log cabins, fragrant haystacks and cool springhouses shaded by majestic trees. Whether the memories draw on direct experience or stories told by parents or grandparents, they are filled with a love and a longing that transcends mere nostalgia.

Chestnut blight showed North Americans just how devastating an invasive species could be to trees. Now with the explosion of global commerce, forests nationwide are battling foreign pests and pathogens. The current patient roster includes white pines, beeches, ashes, butternuts, Eastern hemlocks and Port Orford cedars, as well as the newly designated national tree, the oak.

It is not yet clear whether Americans have the will or a way to preserve the many threatened species of trees that have helped define our communities. But the chestnut, which has inspired valiant efforts to pull it back from the edge of oblivion, suggests we might. The American Chestnut Foundation has been patiently interbreeding the American chestnuts with its blight-resistant Asian cousins to come up with a hybrid that looks like an American chestnut, but fights the fungus Asian-style. The foundation says it hopes to have its first crop of blight-resistant nuts ready by next year for trial plantings in forests. The White House chestnut tree is one of these hybrids.

The United States Forest Service has agreed to work with the foundation to get chestnuts back into the wild. Experts involved hope the project will be a model for saving and restoring other endangered trees. Of course, the best protection for our forests is prevention: stanching the influx of invasives with tighter controls on imported nursery stock and rules like those requiring anti-pest treatment of wood crates and pallets that have carried unwelcome stowaways like the gypsy moth. The more we do to improve the health of our forests - using controlled fires to clear brush and thin the woods, for instance - the better trees will be able to withstand any new onslaughts.

There are good economic and environmental reasons for bringing back the chestnut: it's a fast-growing source of good timber, a boon for wildlife and an efficient way to draw carbon and pollutants out of the atmosphere. But many of the people I have met would save the chestnut simply for its own sake, as a welcome companion.

When the blight hit southwest Virginia in the 1920's, the elderly shop owner told me, folks predicted the tree wouldn't be beat. "They said it would be back in 100 years," he recalled. The chestnut probably couldn't have staged a comeback on its own, but thanks to the efforts of a devoted few, chestnuts and people may yet have a future together.

Susan Freinkel is a fellow with the Alicia Patterson Foundation and the author of a forthcoming book on the American chestnut.

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RULES AND ADMINISTRATION

March 24, 2005

Mrs. Marion S. Milward  


Dear Mrs. Milward:

Thank you for contacting me regarding conservation easements. I appreciate your taking the time to contact me and welcome the opportunity to respond.

As you may know, the Joint Committee on Taxation (JCT) periodically issues reports to Congress containing proposals to reduce the size of the tax burden. The Joint Committee issued its most recent report on January 27, 2005. It includes recommendations for curbing tax shelters, closing unnecessary tax loopholes and addressing other areas of noncompliance in the tax law.

In your correspondence, you expressed your opposition to the Committee's recommendation to eliminate tax benefits for real estate donations for conservation or historical preservation. Currently, the law provides tax deductions to those who donate personal property for the purpose of protecting the resources, historical or architectural value of the property. In response to several highly publicized abuses of this benefit, the JCT proposal recommends placing new limits on the donation of conservation easements.

This report is strictly a proposal, regularly submitted to the Senate Committee on Finance for further consideration. Although I am not a member of this committee, I will be sure to keep your thoughts and concerns in mind should the full Senate have the opportunity to consider further tax reform legislation in the 109th Congress.

Again, thank you for contacting me. I hope you will keep me informed about issues that are important to you.

Sincerely,

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## Under the Spreading Chestnut Tree

By SUSAN FREINKEL : Published: April 30, 2005  
San Francisco

TO celebrate Arbor Day yesterday, President Bush added a new tree to the White House grounds - an American chestnut. At first glance it may seem an odd choice, since chestnuts have been largely absent from the American landscape for more than half a century. Yet if any species can help us see the importance of trees to humanity, it is the American chestnut, and its story makes it the perfect emblem for Arbor Day.

Chestnuts were once so plentiful along the East Coast that according to legend a squirrel could travel the chestnut canopy from Georgia to Maine without ever touching the ground. The trees grew tall, fast and straight. Many considered it the perfect tree: it produced nourishing food and a rot-resistant wood that was used for everything from furniture to fence posts. Chestnut ties were the sturdy foundation of the ever-expanding railroad lines; chestnut poles held up the lengthening miles of electrical and telephone wire.

Then in the early 20th century a deadly fungus imported from Japan hit American forests. Within 40 years this fast and merciless fungus spread over some 200 million acres and killed nearly four billion trees. The blight brought the chestnut to the brink of extinction. Even today new sprouts continue to shoot up from the roots of seemingly dead trees only to be attacked again by the fungus before they can flower and reproduce.

But, in memory at least, the tree endures. That's particularly true in Appalachia, where the chestnuts were vital to the local culture and economy. The sweet nuts that appeared every fall sustained people and their livestock. Families built their homes from chestnut logs, marked their property with chestnut fences and brewed home remedies for burns from chestnut leaves.

I recently spent several days in the heart of the tree's historic range: southwest Virginia, where old chestnut rail fences still snake across the land and memories of the tree remain sharp. One 92-year-old man pointed out an empty hillside that once held a grove of chestnut trees. Each fall he collected the small mahogany nuts in a tin bucket for his mother to sell at the general store. Chestnuts paid for school supplies, sugar, shoes - things they couldn't make for themselves on their farm.

A retired schoolteacher showed me a photograph of the tall chestnut that bordered a field on her family's farm when she was a child - the "sentinel" that meant she was nearing home. The elderly owner of a country store recalled how locals would cart in thousands of pounds of nuts to be hauled on horse-drawn wagons to railroad depots for shipment to cities like Richmond, Boston and New York, where they'd be sold hot and roasted on the streets. The last time he tasted an American chestnut, he said, was from a squirrel's stash he and his little sister dug up on June 7, 1928. The date is etched in memory because his sister died the next day.

Their stories paint a picture of another time - of dirt roads, log cabins, fragrant haystacks and cool springhouses shaded by majestic trees. Whether the memories draw on direct experience or stories told by parents or grandparents, they are filled with a love and a longing that transcends mere nostalgia.

Chestnut blight showed North Americans just how devastating an invasive species could be to trees. Now with the explosion of global commerce, forests nationwide are battling foreign pests and pathogens. The current patient roster includes white pines, beeches, ashes, butternuts, Eastern hemlocks and Port Orford cedars, as well as the newly designated national tree, the oak.

It is not yet clear whether Americans have the will or a way to preserve the many threatened species of trees that have helped define our communities. But the chestnut, which has inspired valiant efforts to pull it back from the edge of oblivion, suggests we might. The American Chestnut Foundation has been patiently interbreeding the American chestnuts with its blight-resistant Asian cousins to come up with a hybrid that looks like an American chestnut, but fights the fungus Asian-style. The foundation says it hopes to have its first crop of blight-resistant nuts ready by next year for trial plantings in forests. The White House chestnut tree is one of these hybrids.

The United States Forest Service has agreed to work with the foundation to get chestnuts back into the wild. Experts involved hope the project will be a model for saving and restoring other endangered trees. Of course, the best protection for our forests is prevention: stanching the influx of invasives with tighter controls on imported nursery stock and rules like those requiring anti-pest treatment of wood crates and pallets that have carried unwelcome stowaways like the gypsy moth. The more we do to improve the health of our forests - using controlled fires to clear brush and thin the woods, for instance - the better trees will be able to withstand any new onslaughts.

There are good economic and environmental reasons for bringing back the chestnut: it's a fast-growing source of good timber, a boon for wildlife and an efficient way to draw carbon and pollutants out of the atmosphere. But many of the people I have met would save the chestnut simply for its own sake, as a welcome companion.

When the blight hit southwest Virginia in the 1920's, the elderly shop owner told me, folks predicted the tree wouldn't be beat. "They said it would be back in 100 years," he recalled. The chestnut probably couldn't have staged a comeback on its own, but thanks to the efforts of a devoted few, chestnuts and people may yet have a future together.

Susan Freinkel is a fellow with the Alicia Patterson Foundation and the author of a forthcoming book on the American chestnut.  
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RULES AND ADMINISTRATION

March 24, 2005

Mrs. Marion S. Milward

Dear Mrs. Milward:

Thank you for contacting me regarding conservation easements. I appreciate your taking the time to contact me and welcome the opportunity to respond.

As you may know, the Joint Committee on Taxation (JCT) periodically issues reports to Congress containing proposals to reduce the size of the tax burden. The Joint Committee issued its most recent report on January 27, 2005. It includes recommendations for curbing tax shelters, closing unnecessary tax loopholes and addressing other areas of noncompliance in the tax law.

In your correspondence, you expressed your opposition to the Committee's recommendation to eliminate tax benefits for real estate donations for conservation or historical preservation. Currently, the law provides tax deductions to those who donate personal property for the purpose of protecting the resources, historical or architectural value of the property. In response to several highly publicized abuses of this benefit, the JCT proposal recommends placing new limits on the donation of conservation easements.

This report is strictly a proposal, regularly submitted to the Senate Committee on Finance for further consideration. Although I am not a member of this committee, I will be sure to keep your thoughts and concerns in mind should the full Senate have the opportunity to consider further tax reform legislation in the 109th Congress.

Again, thank you for contacting me. I hope you will keep me informed about issues that are important to you.

Sincerely,

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• Zone VII Meeting Photo Finish Entries

Class 1 - Dawn at the Downs: Compose a photo that captures a magical moment in your garden.

By Melodye Kincaid



Class 2 I'm in the money  
Photo using green as a theme and predominate color  
Moss at Crutcher Preserve  
By Mimi Milward



Thanks for entries from Melodye Kincaid,  
Barbara Young and Luanne Milward



# The BLOOMIN' NEWS

Garden Club of Lexington, Inc.

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June 2005



## Random Thoughts from Ginny...

Last month, we were patting ourselves on the back after receiving the LFUCG Historic Preservation Commission Award for our work at Ashland Garden.

This month, we're wringing our hands over the undoing of this work. Memorial Day weekend, vandals once again broke into Ashland Garden, randomly leaving destruction in their wake. Our lead birdbath was shoved over the wall, damaging boxwoods as it fell and bending it in many places; our sundial was knocked off its pedestal and damaged; and plants were ripped from the ground and heaved into other parterres or left, tossed aside, to die.

How quickly circumstances can change from one month to the next!

The building where our cookbook office is located on North Mill St. has been sold. At some point, hopefully, in the not so near future we will need to relocate. I hope that all of you will keep this in mind when you are out and about, or if you know of any space available that might be of interest for us please let me know. Thank You.  
Gay VanMeter

## \*\*\* CALENDAR \*\*\*

Thursday, June 16, 2005 9:30 AM  
Departure

General Meeting and Light Lunch  
Program: Garden Tour and Lunch at Clara Dupree's garden "The Close" in Rockcastle County

Location: Mt. Vernon, KY

A bus has been hired and will leave from the Lexington Mall parking lot (Richmond Road side, in front of Dillard's) at 9:30 am. The trip takes approximately 1 1/2 to 2 hours. We should be back in Lexington between 3:00 and 3:30 p.m.

Hostesses: Meg Sprow 299-4662

Betty Kenan 269-6165

Kathy Brooks 268-1055

Betsy Bulleit 266-1583

Please RSVP, ASAP!!!! for lunch and the bus.

Directions, should you care to drive yourself:

Interstate 75 South to 2nd London exit #38- turn right (west) on Route 192 (winding road) for 16 miles. After crossing the Rockcastle River, travel one mile. The Close Road is on the right. Turn right on Close Road-travel 2.7 miles to the house.



### The Close (continued)

(If, while traveling on 192, you reach the Mr. Victory Baptist Church, turn around-you have overshot by one mile.) If you get lost, the # at The Close is 606-687-1072. Meg Sprow's cell phone is 859-361-4662

The Close has a web site you may want to check out: [www.theclose.org](http://www.theclose.org).

**Monday, July 11-Board Mtg Gay Van**

**Meter**

**Thursday, July 21, 2005 10:30 a.m.**

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Tree Identification with Dr. Bill Fountain

Location: Ashland Garden

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Kim DeCamp 266-9540

Anne Gay 266-3438

Please bring arrangements. Please RSVP.

### GCAMINUTE from Public Relations

**Anne Gay**

Can't decide what to have for supper? GCA can help! Go to the website: [gcamerica.org](http://gcamerica.org), click on Hospitality, and you will find some great recipes contributed by creative cooks in the New York office!

### From Admissions, Libby Brown...

The deadline for submitting membership forms is Sunday, August 28. Please contact me if you would like a form.

### Let the Cooking Begin!

At last! We have ironed out the details with Eclipse Press and signed the contract for the new cookbook. Bluegrass Winners, Volume II (not the official name) is in the works! Martie Mayer and Jane Stilz are chomping at the bit to start the taste testing of recipes. Please be looking for a separate mailing with Recipe Forms enclosed so that you may fill yours out and return them! It is a very exciting time for our Club!

### From Dottie Cordray/Horticulture

The following Hort. Committee members are Captains for the Parterres listed below regarding the Plant I.D. Schedule (located in the garden shed):

|               |                       |
|---------------|-----------------------|
| Parterre # 1  | Edie Gess             |
| Parterre # 2  | Mo Ethington          |
| Parterre # 3  | Barbara Young         |
| Parterre # 4  | Anne Gay              |
| Parterre # 5  | Kim DeCamp            |
| Parterre # 6  | Anne Kraus            |
| Parterre # 7  | Mary Montague         |
| Parterre # 8  | Judy Philpot          |
| Parterre # 9  | Dottie Cordray        |
| Parterre # 10 | Jessica Bell          |
| Parterre # 11 | Brenda Barrett        |
| Parterre # 12 | Libby Brown           |
| Pots # 13     | Betsy Hillenmeyer     |
| Peonies # 14  | Ellen Chapman & Kathy |
| Brooks        |                       |



Please be sure that all of the flowering plants (perennials and woodies) in your Parterre are listed on the schedule - as to when they bloom and the length of time. All you have to do, is put a check mark under the appropriate month and week(s) of bloom. I suggest you do this *first thing*, before you start weeding, etc. Please engage all of your fellow border workers in this project and make sure they know how to input info on the schedule.

Put as much information as possible, using the perennial book provided in the garden shed. Sometimes the common names can be confusing, so at least the Genus would be appreciated. If you aren't fairly sure of the species, don't put anything for the species.

If the Parterre Captains cannot be at the garden on a given Wed. please contact someone in your border to be in charge of this important task for the day!

Short Hort. Comm. Meeting: Wed. June 15th @ 10 a.m. at the garden.

Also, I have volunteered to keep any and all plant tags from material we plant in the garden, for I.D. purposes. *Anytime* you buy plants for the garden, be it annuals, perennials, bulbs, or woodies, please, make sure you get a tag with it!

You can mail tags to me, give them to me at the garden, at meetings, leave in the garden shed and call me - whatever works for you! Just put your name and number and what Parterre it goes in.

Call me with any questions! Dottie 846-5131

## PEONY WORKDAYS

Remember everyone needs to sign up and work four times.

June 15 Mary Louise Fisher Judy Philpott

Betsy Hillenmeyer Sheilah Hammond

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Judy Philpott 4.?

June 29 Benny Williams Kim DeCamp

Betsy Hillenmeyer Anne Arvin

July 6 Charlotte Turner Mary Louise Fisher

Marcia Slabaugh Brenda Barrett

July 13 Libby Brown Judy Philpott

Martie Mayer 4.?

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Kim DeCamp Martie Mayer

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Marcia Slabaugh Mary Louise Fisher

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August 17 Betsy Hillenmeyer 2. ?

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## Peony Workdays (continued)

August 24 Gay VanMeter 2.?

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August 31 Gay VanMeter 2.?

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## MOUNT ROGERS PARTNERS FOR PLANTS AUGUST 21-23, 2005 MARION, VIRGINIA



An exciting Partners For Plants project is scheduled for Zone VII members this August. Partners For Plants "is a joint effort of the GCA Conservation and Horticulture Committees. Each project must be on federally or state managed lands. Each project must involve invasive, threatened and/or endangered plants species. Projects are under the supervision of and coordinated by botanists working with the agencies involved."

The Mount Rogers PFP volunteers will help the Forest Service identify and inventory plots of the medicinal plant, black cohosh. As you know black cohosh is being harvested because of its value in controlling hot flashes during menopause. There has not been a study to see how much is being removed from our forests. The Garden

Club of America members are providing the manpower to help determine whether this medicinal is being removed in great quantities.

Please ask your members to participate in this joint venture. We promise that a trip to Mount Rogers will be memorable experience to a beautiful place in Southwest Virginia

Coordinators Anne Jennings,  
Mill Mountain Garden Club  
Tel 540 342-5331

cell 540 520-8644, email [amj2@aol.com](mailto:amj2@aol.com)  
Jim Chamberlain, Forest  
Service Research Coordinator  
Tel 540 231-3611, email [jachambe@vt.edu](mailto:jachambe@vt.edu)

### Location and Schedule

Mount Rogers Ranger District

Arrive Sunday, August 21

Check in at The Martha Washington Inn,  
Abingdon, VA Tel 276 628-3161

Rates \$139.00 for double room (GCA room  
rate)

5:30 pm Orientation at Konnarock Camp,  
Sugar Grove, VA or The Martha Washington  
Inn

Monday, August 22 Into the woods to inventory  
plants. The plots are located 45 minutes from the  
hotel.

Tuesday, August 23 Continue the inventory if  
necessary, optional trip to Virginia Creeper  
Trail. Please call or email Anne to confirm.





Ginny receiving the LFUCG Historic Preservation Commission Award, recognizing The Garden Club of Lexington's more than fifty years of excellent stewardship in the Ashland garden. Ginny was joined May 16 by Jessica, Luanne and Sue Glover.

Thank you to Edie Gess and Mary Louise Fisher for a wonderful lunch and tour of Keeneland's remarkable Library. Quite impressive. We were joined by the Garden Club of Houston. Louis Haggin and Nick Nicholson entertained us with a horticulture history of the grounds.

From Horticulture Chair, Dottie Cordray...

Last PX plant propagation workshop:

Thursday, June 30, 10:00 AM

With Kris McNeil at Highland Moor Nursery in Woodford County

Please be at Dottie's house at 9:30 AM to caravan

Open to all club members, but all **Hort Committee members are required to attend.** (\* If you have a conflict, please call another member to take your place).



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## Random Thoughts from Ginny...

Here I sit in the North Carolina mountains e-mailing Mimi in Northern Michigan about the Garden Club of Lexington!!! Aren't computers wonderful!

Hope everybody is having an enjoyable summer. Don't forget the Friends party in September. And keep loads of recipes flowing to Jane and Martie

## From Sarah, Flower Committee...

The flower committee and active membership will be doing the program for November meeting. The theme will be decorating holiday tables i.e. Thanksgiving, Christmas, and New Years. There will be 2 flower committee members and 6 from active membership per table. I will have sign up sheet at the picnic, at the garden on work and the September meeting. The sheet will have table numbers 1-9 and will match them up with flower committee members. You may also call me with your number at 269-4727. We are excited about the project and hope you will be too! Let those creative juices flow!!!!

## \*\*\* CALENDAR \*\*\*

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Location: Ashland Garden

Hostesses:

Kim DeCamp 266-9540

Anne Gay 266-3438

Rain location: Jessica Bell's, 96 Chinoe

There is no August membership meeting or Board meeting. Nor a Bloomin News.

Monday, August 29 Board Meeting

Libby Brown's

Thursday, September 8

Friends of the Garden Party

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## Let the Cooking Begin!

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Thanks to Meg Sprow, Betty Kenan,  
Kathy Brooks, Betsy Bulleit and  
especially Clara Dupree for our outing to  
"The Close"  
(pictures by Brenda Barrett)

## Conservation Concerns from Mott...

Once again thanks to everyone who helped clear some of the invasive plants from the Ashland grounds. This is an on-going project so please step outside The Garden and chop, cut, clear or spray the euonymus honey-suckle and weeds. The Running Buffalo Clover still needs weeding. If you need to know how or where ask Mott, Lucy, Betty or Sue. They have been doing it this summer. They could use some HELP. The Conservation Easement issue is under the Congressional Joint Comm. on Taxation. It has not been voted on yet, YOUR VOICE IS IMPORTANT.





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## \*\*\* CALENDAR \*\*\*

### Random Thoughts from Ginny...

It's back to school...end of summer....start-anew time. I still love the anticipation of activities beginning again; of buying a few fresh notebooks, some fine new ink pens in assorted colors; of making vows yet again to be on top of everything this year!

We have some especially exciting programs coming up this fall, none of which you'll want to miss. In September, we go to Xalapa Farm to Celeste's to hear about Jens Jensen and to see her beautiful garden.

October will find us at the Louisville Country Club, meeting our new zone leader and best of all getting to hear Chip Calloway. Chip is a new member-at-large of GCA...a landscape architect from my hometown of Greensboro, with many fine gardens, historic and not, to his credit....and a sense of humor and self-deprecation that is very refreshing! November will find us organized into small groups headed by Sarah Davis's flower committee members creating holiday arrangements for Thanksgiving and Christmas.

As if this weren't reason enough to be inspired, we have a cookbook to write! With money coming in from the horse farms to sponsor this project and a reputation for excellence based on the first Bluegrass Winners, we have our work cut out for us~

Heard one of the best talks this summer by an artist/shaman named Paulus Berenson from the Penland School. I love what he said about art also being a verb meaning "to join." He specifically said that anything you join to your life, like gardening, becomes art. He then went on to profess that art, especially craft art, is a way of continuously evolving that is profoundly healing as well.

Let's buy our new notebooks and pencils, roll up our sleeves, and prepare to evolve!

### Thursday, September 15th 10:30 am

#### General Meeting and light Lunch

**Program:** The garden design of Danish landscaper Jens Jensen. Jensen lived around the turn of the century and studied under Olmsted. He did the garden drawings of Xalapa and Airdrie.

**Hostesses:** Wende Bell 266-4979

Jessica Nicholson 223-4044

**Location:** Xalapa Farm, 2308 N. Middletown Rd., Paris, KY tel: 272-6210. For carpooling, meet at Idle Hour CC at 9:45 AM

**Directions to Xalapa.** Take Paris Pike to Paris. Go straight through Paris, past the Courthouse, to the Shell Station, which is 460 on the right. Take the right, go about 7 miles to the mile marker 16 at the 2nd gate, which is open. Take a right into the farm and follow the drive up the hill to the Buckner House. Allow 40 minutes.

Monday, October 3, Board Meeting at Anne Gay's

### Tuesday, October 11 at 10:30 am

(PLEASE NOTE DAY AND DATE CHANGE)

**Joint Meeting with Glenview Garden Club in Louisville**

General Meeting and light lunch

**Program:** Linda Holden Zone VII Rep

Chip Calloway Historic Garden Restoration



Hostesses: Blair Matthews (Louisville)

Elise Boyd 269-5600

Carol Jackson

Location: Louisville Country Club

For carpooling, meet at Idle Hour at 9:00 AM

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October 2005



Random Thoughts from Ginny...Our Friends of the Garden Party was a resounding success, due to the hard work of Sue Glover, Sarah Davis and all of the faithful, loyal members of our club who contributed to its success.

Now....speaking of faithful and loyal....we've got a cookbook to get out. And we've got an outstanding reputation based on Bluegrass Winners to uphold. The horse farms have already voiced their approval of Bluegrass Winners Too by overwhelmingly agreeing to sponsor the book. But we must dig deeply to come up with the best collection of recipes we can. Let's be faithful and loyal members of The Garden Club of Lexington once again. Send Jane Stilz or Marty Mayer your best family recipes....e-mail them, put them on notebook paper, scribble them on the backs of old envelopes....just please contribute as many good ones as you can. Let's make ourselves as proud of this cookbook as we are of Ashland Gardens. After all, that's where the profits from Bluegrass Winners Too will go!

From the Kitchen...We are gearing up to begin testing recipes. Please continue submitting any good recipes you have until October 31. There will be a meeting on Thursday, October 13 at 10:00 AM at Jane Stilz's home for all heads of the sections of the cookbook

## \*\*\* CALENDAR \*\*\*

Tuesday, October 11th at 10:30 am

JOINT MEETING WITH GLENVIEW  
GARDEN CLUB IN LOUISVILLE

Coffee and social hour 10:30-11:00 am

Meeting will begin promptly at 11:00 am

General Meeting and lunch

Program: Linda Holden Zone VII Rep

Chip Calloway Historic Garden Restoration

Hostesses: Blair Matthews (Louisville)

Elise Boyd - 269-5600

Carol Jackson

Location: Louisville Country Club

PLEASE RESPOND ASAP TO ELISE. BLAIR MATTHEWS, IN LOUISVILLE, NEEDS TO KNOW NUMBERS AND SINCE THE MEETING IS OVER A WEEK EARLY, WE DON'T HAVE MUCH TIME. THIS IS GOING TO BE A GREAT PROGRAM. CHIP CALLOWAY HAS A WORLD CLASS REPUTATION IN HISTORIC GARDEN RESTORATION AND IS A PROLIFIC WRITER. HE WAS ELECTED MEMBER AT LARGE OF THE GARDEN CLUB OF AMERICA IN 2005. HE IS A WONDERFUL SPEAKER.



For carpooling, meet at Idle Hour at 9:00 AM  
 From Lexington, Take I-64 (I-64) towards Louisville  
 1: At exit 12, turn RIGHT onto Ramp (I-264 / Watterson Expressway) 0.3 mi. < 1min  
 2: Keep RIGHT to stay on Ramp (I-264 / Watterson Exp) 0.6 mi. 0:01 min  
 3: At exit 20A, keep LEFT to stay on Ramp 0.3 mi. < 1min  
 4: At exit 20B, take Ramp (LEFT) onto I-264 [Henry Watterson Exp] (I-264 / Watterson Exp) 2.0 mi.  
 5: At exit 22, turn RIGHT onto Ramp (US-42 / Brownsboro Rd) 0.3 mi. 0:01 min.  
 6: Get in left lane and turn left at light onto US-42 [Brownsboro Rd] 0.1 mi. < 1min  
 7: Turn LEFT to stay on US-42 [Brownsboro Rd] 2.6 mi. 0:04 min.  
 8: Turn RIGHT (North) onto Mockingbird Valley Rd 0.8 mi. 0:02 min.  
 9: Keep STRAIGHT onto Mockingbird Valley Trail to the Clubhouse 0.3 mi. 0:01 min.

Wednesday, Oct 26- Bulb Day

Wed, Oct 31- Cookbook Deadline

Wed, November 2- Bulb Rain Day

Monday, November 7- Board Meeting

Barbara Young's

Monday, Nov 12- Gordon Hayward

Lecture - Louisville details follow

Thursday, November 17 10:30 am

General Meeting and light lunch

Program: Holiday Tables - details from Sarah

Davis and her flower arranging committee

Location: Idle Hour Country Club

Hostesses:

Mimi Milward - 266-0861

Luanne Milward - 266-4910

Jane Milward

The flower committee and active members will be doing the program for this meeting. At this time we have 7 tables consisting of 2 flower committee members who will act as co-chairs and 4 active

members. If you have not signed up and wish to participate, please contact me at 269-4727. If you have signed up and cannot participate, please let me know. There will be 3 Thanksgiving, 2 Christmas, and 2 New Year's. The tables will be 48 inch rounds. The club has white and ivory cloths or you may bring your own. These tables may be done with as many or few accessories as you wish. The tables will need to be ready before the meeting begins. If you wish to set up on Wednesday, I will try to arrange this with the club. Just let me know ahead of time.

#### Thanksgiving

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 Kim DeCamp, Mo Ethington, Dottie Cordray, Ginny May

2) Meloyde Kinkead- Charlotte Kraus co-chairs  
 Barbara Young, Dot Crutcher, Frances Cox, Elise Boyd

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 Ellen Chapman, Marcia Slabaugh, Sheilaugh Hammond, Mary Montague

7) Joy Hinkle- Callie Keller co-chairs  
 Jessica Bell, Benny Williams, Lucy Breathitt, Jane Baugh

Thank you all for taking part. This will be FUN!!!!!!!!!!!!!! Sarah



## FRIENDS OF THE GARDEN PARTY

My, what a wonderful party you hosted! With much appreciation to the members of the Garden Club of Lexington, our cocktail and auction festivity was a big success. Almost every member contributed in some fashion. Your kind assistance and preparations made this another successful year. We received \$10,325.00 in donations and had only about \$1,600.00 in expenses. The profit for the cocktail party was \$8,714.06 and for the art auction was \$1,610.94. We made a grand total of \$10,522.06. Yippee! Once again, each of you made my responsibility so easy. Your enthusiasm and participation were overwhelming. I thank each of you for your support and involvement..

Respectfully submitted,  
Sue Glover, Chairman  
2005



### From Jessica and Callie...

Thank you for your continued work in the garden. Remember to put your borders/parterre to bed: cut back and clean up. Please come for bulb planting on **Wednesday, October 26 at 9:30 AM**. The rain date is the following Wednesday, Nov 2. See you on Wednesdays.

### Conservations Concerns...

There will be a meeting of all committee members on Wednesday, October 26 after Bulb planting. Plan ahead to be there, rain or shine. Please call if you can not come.

...Mott, 272-1987



CONTACT: Leslie Buddeke  
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**LANDSCAPE LECTURE WITH DESIGNER GORDON HAYWARD**  
**November 12 - Louisville**

International landscape designer Gordon Hayward will help Louisville-area gardeners learn how to create personal landscape designs in Yew Dell Gardens' annual fall lecture. The informative lecture, which is open to the public, will be held Nov. 12 at 10 a.m. at St. Francis of the Fields Episcopal Church, 6710 Wolf Pen Branch Road.

In his slide-lecture presentation, "Your House, Your Garden," Hayward will show how a gardener's home is a crucial element in deciding how to design the most attractive garden for a particular site. He will present 80 slides to illustrate how the doors, windows, building materials and dimensions of a house offer valuable clues to guide a homeowners decisions on designing the gardens to surround it.

According to Hayward, doors give rise to paths, terraces and sight lines, then windows frame views of those paths and gardens. Initial design ideas from the house then join with those generated by an existing terrace or deck, a garage or even driveway edges to help create a coherent landscape plan that links house to garden. He also provides ideas for dealing with visual interruptions such as air-conditioning units, cellar door bulkheads or propane tanks.

A noted author of six books and over 50 Horticulture magazine articles on home garden design, Hayward brings decades of experience to his landscaping projects. His living design laboratories are his homes in Vermont and the Cotswolds region of England.

In addition to his published works, he has shared his expertise through lectures at the Boston Museum of Fine Arts, the New York Botanical Garden, the New York Horticultural Society, Cornell University, Penn State University, the University of Idaho, and Swarthmore and Villanova universities. He has also provided expert advice to the state landscape associations of Minnesota, Kentucky, Idaho, Massachusetts, Vermont and New Hampshire.

Hayward's lecture is sponsored by Yew Dell Gardens, Glenview Garden Club, a member of the Garden Club of America and the Louisville Nursery Association. The cost of the lecture is \$10 for members; \$15 for nonmembers.

Reservations are required by Nov. 9 and can be made by calling (502) 241-4788 or emailing [lynnef@yewdellgardens.org](mailto:lynnef@yewdellgardens.org).

For more information, call Yew Dell Gardens at (502) 241-4788 or logon to [www.yewdellgardens.org](http://www.yewdellgardens.org)



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## Random Thoughts from Ginny...

In October, some of us were fortunate enough to attend the joint meeting with Glenview Garden Club in Louisville, where we heard Chip Callaway speak. Chip is a resident of my hometown, Greensboro, North Carolina, and a new GCA-At-Large member. A noted landscape architect and a relative of the Callaway Gardens Callaways ("but not enough to count!" says Chip), his feet are firmly planted in the red mud of the Piedmont.

Chip's slides and commentary were humorous and educational. He has designed gardens historical and residential, large and small. He recently redid the garden at Holy Trinity Episcopal Church, where I grew up and married! But his big break came when Dick Jenrette, founding partner of Wall Street investment firm Donaldson, Lufkin, and Jenrette, asked Chip to design a garden for an old plantation house he had bought in Hillsborough, North Carolina. From there his stock soared. He tells an amazing story of designing and planting Jenrette's Roper House in Charleston, S.C. in eight weeks for Prince Charles to stay there.

I received a copy of a newspaper article about Chip, published in the Greensboro Daily News. Thought I'd share some of his favorite plants and tips now that fall is here, winter approaches, and the garden-dreaming season is upon us.

## No No plants:

Azaleas (except native ones)

Bradford pears Leyland cypress

Red-tipped shrubs

Any kind of boxwood but English

Forsythia in bloom, all but the white-makes him cringe-  
"Looks like an overturned school bus!"

Chemically-dependent hybrid tea roses send him over the edge. "Some of them look like a cabbage and smell like one too!"

His favorite annual: heliotrope

Favorite perennial: baptisia

Favorite vine: akebia

Favorite ground cover: ardesia japonica

Favorite tree: prunus mume, winter flowering apricot

Favorite shrub: viburnum, all of them

Favorite cutting flower: Peony

Favorite herb: basil

Biggest gardening no-nos: Ornaments made of poured concrete, railroad ties, weak curves, and weed trimmers, which he says kill trees when they cut the bark.



## \*\*\* CALENDAR \*\*\*

Thursday, November 17, 10:30 a.m.

General Meeting and light lunch

Program: Holiday Tables

Location Idle Hour Country Club

Hostesses: Mimi Milward 266-0861

Luanne Milward 266-4910

Jane Milward 252-5458

Please RSVP!

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Frances Cox, Elise Boyd

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Brenda Barrett, Sue Glover

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Meg Sprow

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Edie Gess, Kathy Brooks, Lauren Van Balen,

Wende Bell

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Sheilagh Hammond, Mary Montague

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Jessica Bell, Benny Williams, Lucy Breathitt, Jane  
Baugh, Mott Nicol

Thank you all for participating. If I can assist in  
anyway, let me know. I am sure they will all be  
**FABULOUS!** -Sarah

Monday, December 5 Board Meeting

9:30 AM

Gay Van Meter's

Thursday, December 15, 3:30 p.m.

### Christmas Tea

Location: Libby Brown, 1700 Tates Creek Rd.

RSVP: 266-3710

As a part of the kick off for our cookbook, we will  
be serving newly submitted recipes at the Christmas  
Tea.



**HAPPY THANKSGIVING!**



## Conservation Concerns

We would like to encourage everyone, actives and affiliates to "adopt" a tree or two or three to care for on the Ashland Estate. This would involve keeping vines and weeds off the tree, trimming small branches that are dead or need removing. This would be a year round job, that requires minimal work. Please call if you are interested in a particular tree or area.

\_\_\_Mott Nicol 272-1987

Cookbooks, original Bluegrass Winners will be available at the November meeting. For our membership, they are \$13 or \$78 for a box of 6

## BLUEGRASS WINNERS TWO

We are beginning to test the recipes that have been submitted thus far. We hope everyone is still looking over and writing down their best recipes for submission to the testing committee. Here is a list of the section leaders. Please turn in any future recipes **DIRECTLY** to these ladies and they will pass them on for testing.

APPETIZERS-Nancy Bishop and Judy Philpott

BEVERAGES-Libby Brown and Callie Keller

SOUPS- Anne Gay and Sue Glover

MEATS- Bettie Bos Haggin and Betty Kenan

FISH & SHELLFISH-Ellen Chapman and  
Meloyde Kinkead

VEGETABLES - Mott Nicol

EGGS,CHEESE&PASTA-Kathy Dalton and  
Luanne Milward

SALADS - Lauren VanBalen

BREADS - Barbara Young

DESSERTS - Betty Kinkead and Ginny May

Please look for sign up sheets at the November General Meeting and the December Tea. We need **EVERY** member to sign up for a minimum of ten(10) recipe testings. We will have sign up sheets for each section. If you do not sign up, we will assign you.

THANK YOU, Martie and Jane

## From The Art of Conditioning

Flowers -The Charlottesville Garden Club

Bittersweet -Cut before fruit opens. Strip off leaves. Hang in a dark, dry place. Berries will open with no blemishes. Spray with clear plastic spray to prevent berries from shriveling.

Boxwood-Split stems. Submerge overnight or for several days in warm water. To give a shiny look, add a small amount of vegetable oil to the water.

Evergreens-Split stems. Condition overnight in warm water

Ivy-Submerge in cool water for two to four hours. Condition overnight in cold water.

Magnolia-Scrape bark away from base of stems. Split stems. Place in hot water and allow to cool in water before arranging.

Lou (Mrs. Clay) Simpson's address is:

I know should would enjoy hearing from you.

Miss Sallie C. Johnston's address is:

Lexington, KY 40509



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"Oh my, it's fruitcake weather!" So begins Truman Capote's A Christmas Memory, a poignant, evocative story for this fruitcake season that is upon us!

What a joy it is to welcome our three new garden club members: Katie Alford, Leslie Baldwin, and Kathy Courtney. We look forward to greeting them in person at the Christmas Tea December 15<sup>th</sup> at Libby Brown's. A heartfelt thank you to Libby for graciously hosting us.

Last call for those who want to go to the Southeastern Flower Show in Atlanta. Wednesday, February 8<sup>th</sup> is set aside as Garden Club day, so it might be fun to drive down Tuesday and spend one or two nights. My friend Cynthia Smith owns part of a new "boutique" hotel just across from the site of the show and the aquarium which has just opened. She has promised to try to get us good rates....but we must commit NOW! Please call or e-mail me before Christmas so I can reserve the rooms and make the plans. It should be great fun!

On a personal note, I want to tell anybody who doesn't know (and I can't believe there's anybody left!!!) that Bobby and I have our first grandchild Nora Virginia May. Our joy is boundless. And it

is that same boundless joy that I wish for each of you and your families this holiday season.

## \*\*\* CALENDAR \*\*\*

Thursday, December 15, 3:30 p.m.

### Christmas Tea

Location: Libby Brown, 1700 Tates Creek Rd.

RSVP: 266-3710

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Monday, January 2 Board Meeting

Sarah Davis'

Thursday, January 19 at 10:30 a.m.

### General Meeting

Program: Seed Propagation with Cindy Finneseth

Location: Idle Hour Country Club

RSVP - Hostesses: Sarah Davis 269-4727

Mo Ethington 223-1119

Judy Philpott 268-1046





## GC of Lexington 2005 Annual Contributions

The Finance Committee met and agreed on the following Annual Donations

|                       |                   |
|-----------------------|-------------------|
| GCA Scholarship Fund  | \$400.00          |
| Bluegrass Conservancy | 400.00            |
| Ashland               | 200.00            |
| UK Arboretum          | 200.00            |
| Bluegrass Tomorrow    | 100.00            |
| Nature Conservancy    | 100.00            |
| Bernheim              | 100.00            |
| Ashland Neighborhood  | 15.00             |
| <b>Total</b>          | <b>\$1,515.00</b> |

### Request from Dottie:

Please return all clear, propagation sweater boxes that are not currently being used, to my parents' garage at 221 Chinoe Rd. in Lexington ASAP. I need them for our January program and I need to sterilize them before then. Please call my cell # 492-5131 after you have dropped them off, so I know to look for them.

Thanks, dcc

from sarah davis...

-IKNEW YOU COULD, IKNEW YOU COULD, I KNEW YOU COULD!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!! The tables were so creative and wonderful. I am like the old Mother Hen - proud of her chicks!! THANK YOU, THANK YOU! REMINDER WE NEED SMALL ARRANGEMENTS FOR OUR OLDER MEMBERS. BRING TO THE CHRISTMAS TEA. MERRY, MERRY!

### Hawthorn *Crataegus coggugria*

Legends state that Joseph of Arimathea, in whose tomb Christ was buried, left Jerusalem in the first century and sailed to Britain. Making landfall, he was so ill he crawled up from the beach and planted his staff in the soil. The staff grew into a hawthorn tree that bloomed at Christmas, rather than in spring. Sprigs in full bloom were carried throughout the realm in winter so that all the people could see and be converted. While seemingly, miraculous, Joseph's hawthorn is a Holy Land species with a different season of bloom.

M. Gilmer

—from God in the Garden

Have a Very, Merry Christmas  
And  
A  
Healthy, Happy New Year!





## Nominating Garden Club

### Slate 2006-2008

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