



Cape Fear Clippings

Cape Fear Garden Club

member of The Garden Club of North Carolina, Inc. and National Garden Clubs, Inc.

February 2010

President's Message

This month we are celebrating the first meeting of Cape Fear Garden Club held eighty-five years ago on February 11, 1925. In honor of our 85th anniversary the program at our general meeting on February 23rd will be looking back at our history. GFGC member, author and historian Ann Hewlett Hutteman will present it. There will be 24 past presidents in attendance along with our Garden Club of North Carolina President Mary Lou Goodman and some other state and District 11 officers. We hope you to see you there! While at the meeting, don't forget to sign up to sit in a garden and buy your Azalea Garden Tour tickets if you have not done so already.

Looking Back

The 1925 founding members of Cape Fear Garden Club had three objectives for their membership. One was to help beautify the city, the second was to have a club with no dues and the third was to open Orton and Airlie to the members. Three years later the first yearbook, printed in 1928, proclaimed the club flower as the Yellow Jasmine and listed 80 members. It also contained the constitution and by-laws, which had a section on dues, listing, required annual dues of \$1. The twelve charter members had believed they could have a club without dues, but in reality that proved not to be. I do believe that it set the tone of being prudent stewards of our money, which lasts to this day.

Elaine Henson, President

General Meeting

Tuesday, February 23, 2010

Cameron Art Museum

corner of South 17th & Independence Blvd.

Mini Flower Arrangement Workshops: 9:10 am

Coffee and horticulture judging 9:30 am

Program 10:00 am

Program Title:

Commemoration and Celebration of CFGC's first meeting on 2-11-25: 85 years of CFGC

Presenter: Ann Hutteman, author, historian & CFGC member

Devotional: Linden Boone

Refreshment Table Arrangement: Hilary McNeir

Horticulture Theme: camellias, spring bulbs, flowering branches

Day Clerks: Aggie Henriksen and DeVonna Mathias

Judge: Jenene Smith

You are encouraged to bring horticulture specimens and/or arrangements to all monthly meetings.

They should be labeled and in place by 9:15 am.

Upcoming Events

- **February 13 - Bird Watching Tour** Go birding throughout Oakdale Cemetery with noted ornithologist, Dr James Parnell. 8:00am \$8.00 for non-members; FREE for members. Pay at the gate upon arrival. Cash or check only. Presented by the Friends of Oakdale Cemetery.
- **February 13 & 14 - 17th Annual Wilmington Garden Show** Schwartz Center, Cape Fear Community College, 9:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m. Cost: Adults \$7. Children under 12 are free. Details: glev esque@nhcgov.com or www.nhcgov.com
- **February 19 - Cape Fear Bonsai Society Demonstration** by Arthur Joura, curator of the N.C. Bonsai Collection at the N.C. State Arboretum 7:00 - 9:00 p.m. Arboretum auditorium Cost: Free. Details: Call 798-5049 or visit the website www.capefearbonsaisociety.org
- **February 27 - 60th Tidewater Camellia Club Show** Arab Shrine Club Building 4510 South College Rd. Noon until 5:00 pm. Free admission and camellias for sale. Visit the web site at www.tidewatercamelliacub.org for more details.
- **February 27 - How to Grow an Orchid** Information to help you grow and bloom your orchid presented by the Cape Fear Orchid Society 9:30 am to 4:00 pm Arboretum \$20 if registered by February 15 Contact: ahubner@ec.rr.com or call 845-5143 for more information.
- **March 12 & 13 - Annual Ikebana Exhibition of Japanese Flower Arrangements** Wilmington Ikebana International, Chapter 212 Friday 1:00 - 5:00 pm Saturday 10:00 am to 4:00 pm New Hanover County Arboretum Auditorium Free Admission Guest Exhibitor: The Cape Fear Bonsai Society For more information, please call (910) 256-1808
- **March 14 - 16 South Atlantic Region Annual Meeting** Litchfield Inn, Georgetown, SC
- **March 16 - New member orientation** 9:00 am - Noon. Arboretum auditorium
- **May 2 - Birds of the Lower Cape Fear Cruise** - Leaving again this year from Carolina Beach aboard the Winner Cruise Queen. Price remains \$35 per person for adults and \$25 for children 12 and under. Tickets now available.
- **May 12 - May luncheon** (note new date) - Figure Eight Clubhouse

Committee Announcements

- **Garden Therapy Committee** will meet on Monday, March 1, 2010, at 1:15 p.m. (do not come early) at Elderhaus. Julie Futrell will be presenting the craft. For more call Eugenia Griswold (799-3629) or Julie Futrell (256-2639).
- **The Birds and Butterflies Committee** will meet at 10AM on Tues. Feb. 16 at the Harrelson center to clean up the rectangular bed and plant pansies. Bring your garden tools and gloves. Rain date is Wed. Feb. 17. Contact Nancy Fitzgerald if you have questions.

- **The Gardening for Wildlife Committee** expresses appreciation to Dr. and Mrs. Jim Parnell for the tour of their intentionally planned backyard wildlife habitat after the January general meeting. Appreciation is also expressed to the many club members who took advantage of this opportunity.
- **Hospitality Committee:** Please bring refreshments at 9:15 am for our general meeting. All refreshments should be placed on a serving plate ready to be placed on the table. Contact Alma Fennell 350-0130 with questions.

Club News

- **Spring clean up of Battery Island** will be taking place on Friday, March 19, with a rain date set for the next Friday on March 26th. Committee members have first choice of the 10 openings. Call chairperson, Melinda Stewart, (452-1616) if you would like to be included.
- On **March 19, (Arbor Day) at 9:00 am**, the CFGC will plant a live oak on the grounds of Bradley Creek School on Greenville Loop Road. The program will include a song by K-2 students, a dedication of the tree to Delores Hawes, a retiring teacher dedicated to environmental education, and the planting of the tree by students. All members are invited to attend this event to support the children and the CFGC.
- **History Search** - If you have Historian's scrapbooks, President's books or any collection of our club and/or garden tour history, please, call Elaine Henson (763-8056) or Ann Hutteman (762-4647).
- **Photos for GCNC Calendar** -The deadline for submitting photos for the GCNC Engagement Calendar has changed! You must have entry form and photo to Ann Payne by February 28, 2010. Call her at 704-663-0392 or email annpayne2@windstream.net <mailto:annpayne2@windstream.net> . 2011 Engagement Calendars will be available for purchase at the Annual Meeting GCNC in April 2010.
- **FREE** - Over 8' Norfolk Island Pine for homeowner, business or office with tall ceilings. Call Pam Stellings at 321-6009.
- **Garden Tour Cookies:** Plan to deliver your homemade cookies to Kyle McIntyre's home at 1938 S. Live Oak Parkway on April 8th. Please place the cookies on a stiff paper plate (no styrofoam please) and bring in a ziploc bag. Remember...NO NUTS, NO

CHOCOLATE. Hours for drop off are 9:30-11:00 am and 1:30-3:30 pm. Do not bring cookies any other time, as no one will be there to accept them.

- **Colored oasis** will be for sale at the February meeting. Please see Anne O'Malley after the mini workshop.
- There will be a basket at each general meeting to receive any print material concerning Cape Fear Garden Club. Remember the club name **MUST** appear in the article to be used. The Historian and the Awards Chair will make use of the material.
- **LUNCH**--Carrabba's lunch after the February meeting? Please e-mail sealady@bellsouth.net <mailto:sealady@bellsouth.net> or call Shirley Hardee at 686-7305. A large group is expected so reservations are necessary.
- Please direct any changes or corrections to your name, address, phone, and email during the year to Pat Plaskett at plaskett123@mac.com or 350-1149. Thanks!
- Call Dorothy Gaither for transportation to the February meeting (791-0505 or dgaither@ec.rr.com).

Yearbook corrections and changes

New transfer member: Joan Dolezal 914 Royal Bonnet Drive 28405 399-1823 joan&frank@jddezal.com

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