



Cape Fear Clippings

Cape Fear Garden Club

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

September 2011

President's Message

As we begin another year we have a lot to be thankful for in avoiding the brunt of Hurricane Irene and for Hurricane Katia going out to sea.

Our club with its strong committees accomplishes untold tasks and objectives during the course of each year. It was with great pride that I read the reports of all the committees for the work done during the previous year.

Our theme "Planting for the Future" is so appropriate after our drought this summer. I encourage each of you to think wisely of plant material that requires less water as you replant items stricken by the drought. Thanks so very much to Mary Whitehurst for allowing us to use a copy of her beautiful painting of the children's playhouse at the New Hanover County Arboretum. It fits our theme beautifully. When we take our children to the arboretum to instill in them a love of gardening, they will be planting for the future.

A huge thanks goes to Janet Warren for the superb yearbook. It is the most thorough yearbook ever produced with new sections giving the date each member joined, firsts for our club and a historical review of happenings in the club. It is well worth each member's time to thoroughly review this new yearbook that will be available at our September meeting.

- **Becky Phillips, president**

General Meeting

Tuesday, September 27, 2011

Cameron Art Museum, corner of South 17th and Independence Blvd.

Mini Flower Arrangement Workshops: 9:10 am
Pam Benecke & Carol Price

Coffee and horticulture judging: 9:30 am, Program: 10:00 am

Program Title: "The NC Corps Environmental Construction

Projects: Tidal Marshes, Sea Turtle Protection, Oyster Reef Development, Fish Habitat Protection & Water Quality... a summary."

Presenter: Jeff Richter, Biologist with the Us Army Corps of Engineers, environmental Resources Section, located in Wilmington, NC

Devotional: Evelyn Smith

Refreshment Table Arrangement: Ann Lyon

Horticulture Theme: Late summer flowers, vegetables and herbs

Day Clerks: Jina Shea Banner, Mary Beltracchi

Judge: June Sweeny

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

September 23 Standard Flower Show New Bern, NC For more information, call Ann Simpson 252-288-5640. If you wish to enter a design or horticulture exhibit, contact Nancy Chiles at 252-638-2346.

September 23 - 24 The Eighth Annual Secret Garden Tour. This benefit for the Historical Society of the Lower Cape Fear will be held from 10:00 am until 4:00 pm both days. Tickets may be purchased at the following locations for \$18. The tour will be held rain or shine. Ticket locations are: Latimer House, The Transplanted Garden, Barnes and Noble (Mayfaire), Lou's Flower Patch, the Plant Place, A Proper Garden, and House of Wine and Cheese (Leland). If you would like to volunteer to sit in the gardens, please call Ginny Thompson at (910) 686-6173.

September 23 - 25 National Garden Club Fall Meeting - St. Louis, Missouri

October 2 Fifth Annual Back Door Kitchen Tour. Presented by Residents of Old Wilmington. Tickets \$20. For more information call 910-762-4916 or go to www.rowilmington.com/BDKT.

October 7 District 7 Annual Meeting. Pine Knoll Shores. Deadline for registration is September 30th. Please contact Becky Phillips if you have not already registered and would like more information.

October 9 & 10 Art in the Arboretum. New Hanover County Arboretum and extension center, 6206 Oleander Drive, Wilmington. This fall event combines the beauty of nature with the beauty of art created by local artists.

April 12 -13 2012 Azalea Garden Tour

Bill for 2011-2012 DUES

\$35.00 for Active • \$45.00 for Associate

DUE BY SEPTEMBER 30, 2010

Bring to September Meeting

Or

**MAIL TO: CAPE FEAR GARDEN CLUB
8506 HAMMOCK DUNES DR.
WILMINGTON, NC 28411**

Memorial

The following book has been donated by CFGC to the New Hanover County Library:

Given in memory of Eloise Robinson Cherry
High Impact Low Carbon Gardening by Alice Bowe

Club News

- Carrabba's will be open for lunch again this year. Cost will be \$15.00 for a 3 course meal. Contact Shirley Hardee 686-7305 or email sealady@bellsouth.net. There is a back room if you would like to have a committee meeting there.
- 2012 Garden Club Engagement Calendars will be available at all Board meetings and the fall general meetings for just \$8.00. Proceeds go to support student scholarships in landscape design, botany, and horticulture.
- The Conservation Committee invites Garden Club members who are interested to participate in our reduce the carbon footprint bus trip. It will take place on October 27. We will be meeting at Independence Mall on the Independence Road side at the bus stop at 11 a.m. Tickets to ride the bus may be purchased at the site that morning, but a ticket for lunch should be purchased at the Garden Club meeting in either September or October. There is a limit of 20 participants as the dining area at the Latimer House is small. We will tour the Latimer House (for free) and then eat lunch in the house that will be provided by Jesters' Cafe for a fee of \$7.50 that we will collect at the September and October meetings of the Garden Club.
- The Civic Improvements Committee is seeking nominations for outstanding streetscape properties in the Greater Wilmington Area. We want your photos of eye-catching fall landscapes of local businesses, neighborhood entrances, and residential properties to be considered for the first **"Beauty Spot" Outstanding Landscape Award** sponsored by our club through our committee. Please email or mail pictures to Cathy Poulos at cpoulos@ec.rr.com or 104 Mullington Lane, Wilmington 28409 by October 17th!
- Pictures will be posted on the Civic Improvements Committee's new facebook page at this link: <http://www.facebook.com/pages/Cape-Fear-Garden-Club-Civic-Improvements-Committee/199344606792015>. Please visit and "like" our page to help us get it active among the social media forum (you can also access this facebook page by visiting capefeargardenclub.org).
- Angie Hamlet, a beloved member of Conservation Committee, has recently passed away. While Angie was a patient at Hospice, Conservation Committee was able to have planted a beautiful camellia in her honor in the Hospice Courtyard Garden. Matt Hunter, President of the National Camellia Society and husband of our member Cheryl Hunter, donated the camellia. Matt and Cheryl presented the camellia to Hospice. We thank Matt and the National Camellia Society for their generosity in helping us honor Angie with a beautiful, perfect flower that symbolizes her special, wonderful life.
- Anyone need any note cards? We have cards with the 50 State Flowers Wreath as well as cards with the Azalea Festival Belles. They are \$10 for a pack of 10 cards. They make a great birthday or hostess gift. Call Beth Woodruff at 686-0004 or 465-2959 to arrange delivery. Beth will also have them at the general meeting in September.
- **CFGC Members Invited!** You are invited to join us at dragonflies Thursday, September 29th at 6:00 pm for an evening of entertaining Italian Style. Anne Campbell will demonstrate easy entertaining ideas. We will sample Italian wines from The Wine Sampler and appetizers from Pizzetas. This is a private event for Cape Fear Garden Club members. Please call 910-796-9997 or email Tricia at ncdragon@bellsouth.net to make a reservation. Due to space, we will limit the evening to the first 50 guests.

- Want to put information in The Clippings? Email it to Beth Pottle at bpottle@ec.rr.com or call 392-1455.
- Please direct any changes or corrections to your name, address, phone, and email during the year to Eileen Haley at eileenhaleync@gmail.com. or call 910-368-1577. Thanks!
- Call Dorothy Gaither for transportation to the September meeting (791-0505 or dgaither@ec.rr.com).

Committee Announcements

- **Battery Island Committee** will hold a coffee and dessert organizational meeting at the home of Melinda Stewart on Tuesday, September 20 at 7:00 PM. All members are invited. RSVP 452-1616. We will review the 2011 May Cruise video and plan for the fall clean up and planting on Battery Island to be held on Wednesday, October 5th.
- **The Awards Committee**, with the assistance of Marie Ashworth, will conduct an awards workshop on Wednesday, October 19th from 10 – 11:30 at the Arboretum. We will have the required green folders and lead you step by step in applying for an award for your committee's projects. The awards deadline is December 1. You should bring PICTURES, media clippings, emails, thank you notes, etc. or just come to get ideas, guidelines and materials.
- **Garden Therapy Committee** will have its first meeting on October 3rd at 1:15 at Elderhaus. All new and old members welcome!
- **The Conservation Committee** is excited to kick-off a new Garden Club year with the Fall Litter Sweep that will take place on Thursday, September 29, 2011. We will meet at Dunkin' Donuts on 17th Street at 9:00 a.m. for a brief safety meeting then proceed to the Delaney Radiology Parking Lot where we will put on our safety gear and begin our clean-up. This entire event should only take about 2 hours. This is a biannual statewide project organized by the North Carolina Department of Transportation and fully supported by our governor. Anyone interested in helping please contact Anita Lewis at 395-2103 or Alma Moore at 399-7516
- **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.

Yearbook Corrections & Changes

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