



News Release

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“Working Together to Conserve and Beautify”

Wilmington, North Carolina: The 2010 Cape Fear Garden Club Azalea Garden Tour® had a record year in ticket sales. The 2011 annual Azalea Garden Tour annual disbursements will support local Wilmington beautification, conservation, and educational projects to: Organizations; Endowed scholarships to UNCW and Cape Fear Community College; and Battery Island. Grant disbursements for 2011 total over \$83,000 and will be distributed to the selected 2011 Cape Fear Garden Club grantees on October 25, 2011, at the Cape Fear Garden Club’s meeting at Cameron Art Museum.

The annual Azalea Garden Tour enables community improvement through garden development and beautification grants in New Hanover County. Grants are awarded and disbursed each year in October. Awarded grants are required to utilize funding for such things as: plant materials, garden preparation and restoration, watering systems, landscape enhancements, education, and conservation project.

For over 50 years, the Cape Fear Garden Club, Inc.© has given the profits from our annual Azalea Garden Tour to community improvement projects that beautify and conserve the New Hanover County community. The grant monies are made available to beautify, conserve, educate, and contribute to people of all ages using horticulture and garden development.

The Cape Fear Garden Club, Inc. © is the oldest and largest garden club in North Carolina and among the largest garden clubs in the nation. The organization is best known for producing the annual Azalea Garden Tour, featuring the finest and most exquisite gardens in Southeastern North Carolina, along with the beautiful Azalea Belles. The Cape Fear Garden Club, Inc.© manages four departments, 19 Standing Committees, and 13 Special Committees. Each year, the Cape Fear Garden Club, Inc.© awards thousands of dollars in grants for beautification and horticultural projects, produces the annual Cruise of the Lower Cape Fear Bird Island tour, conducts flower arranging workshops, hosts horticulture specimen contest monthly, and photography of the Cape Fear Garden Club Azalea Garden Tour. For more information about the Cape Fear Garden Club, Inc.© please visit us on Facebook at <http://www.facebook.com/CapeFearGardenClub> or on our website at <http://www.capefeargardenclub.org/>.

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