

Cape Fear Clippings



Newsletter of The Garden Club of North Carolina, Inc.

Upcoming General Meeting

Tuesday, May 1, 2018

Cape Fear Country Club

1518 Country Club Road

Coffee and Horticulture Judging: 9:30 am

Devotional: Nancy Scott-Finan

Program: 10:00 am

Cape Fear Garden Club Azalea Garden Tour 2018

Presenters: Sydney Penny, Tour Chair; Photography Committee

Refreshment Table Arrangement: Irene Shea

Horticulture Theme: Azaleas and Spring Bulbs

Day Clerks: Wanda Canada, Colleen Ginna

Judge: Jenene Smith

Butterfly, our State symbol for which our club led the campaign for adoption. We were blessed with good weather during our tour and I enjoyed seeing everyone all “gussied up” at the Ribbon Cutting and while serving as hostesses or servers. You were all “pretty as a peach”! If you aren’t “worn slap out”, hang on, for we have a wee bit more to get excited about this year.

I enjoyed representing our club at the Garden Club of North Carolina annual Spring meeting, held in Chapel Hill on April 15-16. Cindy Henry and I cannot wait to share the outcome of our awards with you! **Our club was a shining star** and you made me so very proud!!! **Award outcomes will remain a secret until their announcement at the general meeting so don’t miss!** Thanks to Rebecca Philpott, Jenene Smith, and Carolyn Augustine for also representing our club at the State meeting.

Our last general meeting is May 1 and we will **watch the highlights of the 65th Azalea Garden Tour** for our program, graciously put together by our wonderful photography committee led by Donna Thompson. (Please **note that the date is a change** from our normal meeting time on the 4th Tuesday!!!!) I have invited Azalea Festival President, Justin Wolfe, to come and speak briefly about the economic impact of the Festival on our community. The Garden Owner’s luncheon will follow on May 8 and our May Luncheon and installation of the 2018-19 officers on May 22 at the Cape Fear Country Club.

Please **be prepared to sign up for the May luncheon at our May meeting** – you will not want to miss this exciting wrap up and celebration of our year. We will reflect on all that we have accomplished: Lemonade in the Country, the Southern Soiree, hitting our initial \$100,00 benchmark for the Endowment, all the wonderful projects completed by our committees, the outcome of our Azalea Garden Tour, the creation of a Member Directory App for our phones and much more!!!! Thank you for your hard work and diligence this year in continuing to make our club the absolute BEST!!! I love all of you a “bushel and a peck and a hug around the neck”!

As we wind down this year of “Celebrating Southern Beauty”, just remember this beautiful place we call home – **“The South – our tea is sweet, words are long, days are warm and faith is strong.”**



Southern Blessings to all - Cathy

[Photo Credit to Donna Thompson]

Save the Date

**Garden Owners
Appreciation
Lunch**

May 8th 11:30 am

Surf Club,
Wrightsville Beach

**Battery Island/
Bird Cruise 2018**

May 13th

11:30-4:30 pm

Sold Out!!

**May Luncheon &
Installation of**

2018-2019 Officers

May 22nd

11:30 am Social

12:00 pm Lunch

April President’s Message

Alas, this is my last President’s message in Clippings! It is a bittersweet moment for me – so honored to have served all of you this year as your President and hoping I represented you well, but also looking forward to returning as a “worker bee” for this club – I still enjoy the grunt work of being on a committee and seeing a project through! You, the members are the heart of this club – you are the ones who make it all happen!!! So, **kudos to all of YOU for an outstanding year**, a year of which we can all be proud.

We have just completed our annual Azalea Garden Tour and it did not disappoint. Everything came together so beautifully, thanks to the hard work of the Azalea Garden Tour Committee led by Sydney Penny, and to all of you who sat in gardens, baked cookies, sponsored Azalea Belles, publicized, decorated, chaperoned, delivered, transported or arranged it for others, and served in a multitude of other ways. Ya’ll are darn near the best I’ve ever seen! It was a special treat to be able to present Mrs. Kristin Cooper, First Lady of NC, with an original watercolor painting of the Eastern Swallowtail

Be In the Know

2018-2019 Cape Fear Garden Club

Nominee Slate

Eric Kozen for President

Rebecca Philpott for First Vice

President

Sherry O'Daniell for Second

Vice President

Kimberly Exum for Recording

Secretary

Julia Davis for Corresponding

Secretary

Ann Lyon for Treasurer

Penelope Allison for Assistant

Treasurer

Sandy Cyphers for Azalea Gar-

den Tour Vice Chair



Lunch Reservations

Join us for lunch!

It is a good way to get to know fellow garden club members or have lunch with new and old friends.

Remember to make your lunch reservations for May 1st following the general meeting by Thursday, April 26,

Paperless Post

Email Rebecca – raphilpott25@gmail.com

Text Rebecca – 910-352-3886, or

Call 910-452-9844

Cost: \$19.00 cash or check made out to CFGC.

If meeting with a committee for lunch, please make note of that committee when making your reservation.

Reservations or cancellations needed by Thursday, April 26, 2018 We give our count to the Cape Fear Country Club afterwards.

Please know that we are financially responsible for the total reservations given to the Country Club. Thank you for understanding and for your participation!

Submitted by: Rebecca Philpott

New Member Relations Committee

A warm welcome to our 18 newest members! They have jumped right in making cookies and sitting in gardens! We look forward to seeing you at May 1 meeting, hope you'll join us for lunch afterwards, too.

Members please recognize and welcome them by the flower on their nametag.

Submitted by: Pat Ford and Schaum Hunt



Garden Therapy

April 2nd 9 ladies met to plant spring flowers in clay pots. The Elderhaus clients get to dig in



Grant Money Available

The Cape Fear Garden Club Azalea Garden Tour®, held since 1953, funds annual grants to non-profit organizations in New Hanover County for beautification, conservation, and educational projects. Funding from the Azalea Garden Tour also supports the North Carolina Audubon Society work on Battery Island bird sanctuary and endowed scholarships to UNCW and Cape Fear Community College.

In order to be eligible for consideration for a grant, your application must meet the following criteria:

1. Applicant must be a charitable, nonprofit organization as defined under Section 170 of the Internal Revenue Code.
2. Your project must be readily accessible and within New Hanover County.
3. All monies from the grant must be applied toward costs of materials for plantings, soil additions or enhancements, and irrigation systems.

Grant monies may not be used for labor costs, individual tools, delivery costs, buildings, other hardscapes, or administrative/overhead costs. Applications for grants from the Cape Fear Garden Club must be post marked between **May 1, 2018 and June 15, 2018**

Garden Club Correspondence

Corresponding Secretary Report

Get Well / Notes of encouragement were sent to:

CAROLYN JEFFERIES



Recycle and Reuse

Please turn in all Garden Club Azalea Festival Name Tags in the basket on the grand piano before the May 1 Meeting so we can use them in 2019!

On the Go!

NC Annual Meeting

CFGC members at GCNC annual meeting: Jenene Smith, Carolyn

Augustine, State President Gail Hill, Cathy Poulos, Cindy Henry,



2018 Spring Luncheon

The May Luncheon is **Tuesday, May 22nd** at the Cape Fear Country Club beginning at **11:30am**. The cost is \$25 per person and pays for a choice of meals being either Chicken Picatta or Shrimp and Grits all served with salad and bread. A cash bar will be available as well for those who wish to have a festive beverage. Please send a check for \$25 to Ann Lyon ([6111 Leeward Lane, Wilmington NC 28409](mailto:annlyon@capefeargardenclub.com)) made out to the Cape Fear Garden Club **PLEASE INDICATE WHICH MEAL YOU WANT (CHICKEN OR SHRIMP)**. We will close out the sign up for the luncheon on May 15th, one week prior to the event, as we need time to plan for decorating and to alert the Country Club of our lunch numbers. Don't miss this opportunity to celebrate the past year under the presidency of Cathy Poulos and to witness the installation of the officers for the 2018– 2019 year. Hope to see you there!

Submitted by: Eric Kozen

Battery Island Cruise

The Battery Island Cruise is scheduled for Sunday, May 13, 2018 (Mother's Day) departing from the Carolina Beach Marina with Winner Cruise Boats. Boarding at 11:30, leaving at noon, returning at 4:30. **Tickets are sold out!**

Marlene and Peggy



April/May Member Updates

Active Members

Donna Evans - Resigned

Deane Heenan - New Address: [1100 Anchor Ct. Raleigh, NC 27615](https://www.google.com/maps/place/1100+Anchor+Ct,+Raleigh,+NC+27615)

Do you have a new address, telephone number or email address?

Email Computer Registrar, Penelope Allison at

PJandMark@bellsouth.net or call 910-686-0888.

Reminder: The most up-to-date membership directory is always found on the CFGC website in the 'Members Only' section.

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Please refer to page 88 in the 2017-18 Yearbook for directions and information about the CFGC website. There you will find step-by-step instructions for resetting your password.



It's Poppy Time!!

Members of the American Legion Auxiliary will have Poppies at our general meeting on May 1, 2018. Please give generously. Proceeds are used to support veterans, active military and military families.

CAPE FEAR GARDEN CLUB AZALEA GARDEN
TOUR

GARDEN OWNERS
APPRECIATION LUNCHEON

TUESDAY, THE EIGHTH OF MAY
AT ELEVEN THIRTY O'CLOCK

THE SURF CLUB
1 Mallard Steet | Wrightsville Beach
RSVP by May 1

Spring Treasurer's Note

All requests for reimbursements must be received by May 29, 2018.



On the Horizon

Committee Selection for 2018-2019

It's time to make your committee selection(s) for next garden club year. Remember Active members are required to participate on at least one committee every year. All members will receive the sign-up form along with a description of the committees by email. The form can be turned in at the April/May meeting or you can email your selections to Penny Allison at pjandmark@bellsouth.net

Please Note: Even if you are remaining on the same committee you must submit a completed selection form.

2018 Azalea Festival Moments



Arbor Day Tree Planting

Monday, April 23, 2018

The CFCG will be planting a tree honoring Arbor Day 2018 on Monday, April 23, 2018. It will be held at the courtyard in the new Kid's Campus of Wilmington Christian Academy. The planting will take place at 10 a.m. WCA is located at 1401 North College Road (just before College Road becomes I-40).

In addition to the 3 and 4 year old preschoolers, the ceremony will be attended by WCA administrators and staff. Please come join us for a the brief ceremony. There will also be an opportunity to see the work done with the grant money WCA received from the CFCG grant committee in 2016.

If you have any questions, please call Arbor Day Committee chair Cheryl Hunter at (910) 512-4496 or email at chunter@cape-fear.net.

Looking
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GARDEN OWNERS THANK YOU LUNCHEON

TUESDAY, MAY 8TH, at 11:30 a.m., at The Surf Club, 1 Mallard St, Wrightsville Beach, NC. This will be a lunch buffet.

Please RSVP no later than Tuesday, May 1st and send a \$25.00 check made payable to Cape Fear Garden Club. Payment can be made at the general meeting on May 1 or mailed to: Nancy Cameron, 3901 Sweetbriar Road, Wilmington, NC 28403.

Heritage Tree Selection

The City's Urban Arborist and members of the Wilmington Tree Commission are responsible for setting specific criteria for designation, receiving nominations, maintaining the program's database and providing appropriate recognition to heritage tree owners. Nominations and selections are reported at regular monthly meetings of The Tree Commission.

To be considered for Heritage Tree status, a [nomination for the tree](#) must be submitted to the Wilmington Tree Commission with approval of the owner.

Nominations Deadline: Early fall of each year

Signed Forms may be emailed or mailed to:

Aaron Reese, City Arborist

aaron.reese@wilmingtonnc.gov

1702 Burnett Blvd

Wilmington, NC 28401



Cape Fear Garden Club Azalea Garden Tour



I just wanted to say a word of thanks to all of you for your contribution of time and talent, prayerful support and patience that made our 2018 Bloom-in' Beautiful Azalea Garden Tour such a delightful experience for thousands of visitors.

The weekend's event was beautifully conducted by our hostesses and garden sitters and bedazzled by our Azalea Belles Committee and the enchanting young women they shepherded. Behind the scenes the wheels turned flawlessly because of our many "worker bees" (as they call themselves), and by the reliable and thoughtful work of those who looked out for our safety, our ease of enjoyment and our club's financial and community interests.

If in time, my work will be remembered alongside yours in the chronicle of our club's impressive and illustrious history, I will consider it the highest compliment. Thank you all for giving me the opportunity to be of service to the Cape Fear Garden Club and Wilmington!

Submitted by Sydney Penny, Garden Tour Chair



And The Winner Is....

When President Cathy Poulos entered the Garden Club of North Carolina Annual Awards Banquet on April 16, she was escorted by the State Awards Chair to the front table. We knew at this point that it would be an exciting night for the Cape Fear Garden Club! The rest is history! Members Jenene Smith, Carolyn Augustine, Rebecca Philpott, and Cindy Henry joined President Poulos at the banquet in Chapel Hill. Every GFGC member is urged to attend our May 1 general meeting to hear and to celebrate the entire list of the many awards our garden club won. You will be proud of our many accomplishments which have been recognized by the entire state!

Submitted by Cindy Henry, Awards Chair

[Photo Credit to Rebecca Philpott]



Thank You! Thank You! Thank You!

I would like to thank all the hardworking Ladies and Gent who show up to do the hard lifting in the set up and tear down of the Amphitheater for the 2018 Ribbon Cutting. Each year you show up to assist me in creating a beautiful backdrop for our lovely Belles and your participation means the world to me.

Submitted by: Hillary McNier,

Chair of Ribbon Cutting Decorating