



Cape Fear Clippings

Newsletter of The Garden Club of North Carolina, Inc.

Upcoming General Meeting

Wednesday, February 27, 2019

Cape Fear Country Club

1518 Country Club Road

Coffee and Horticulture Judging: 9:30 am

Program: Therapy Through Gardening

10:00 am

Presenter: Presenter: Heather Kelejian

Executive Director of the Ability Garden

NHC Arboretum

Refreshment Table Arrangement: Roberta Berg-Smith

Horticulture Theme: *Camellias, Spring Bulbs and Flowering Branches*



A Message from the President

February is always an interesting month as we transition from Winter into Spring. The temperatures sway back and forth as our landscapes begin to awaken from its brief slumber. Watching the daffodils break through the soil and grow to be noticed in a somewhat barren garden gives that hope of good things to come. Spring is only around the corner and we begin to evaluate past years joys and some places that could use more attention. Seeds are ordered and a plan begins to take place. Take this time and relish these moments as we welcome a new year of blooms and blossoms to each of our gardens.

Eric Kozen

President

2018-2019



Save the Date

New Member Cookie Class

March 13th

9:00-11:00am

Arboretum

Kitchen

New Member Orientation

March 20th

10:00-12:00 pm

Arboretum

Auditorium

Membership Meeting

March 27th

10:00 am

Cape Fear
Country Club

Committee Highlights & Announcements

Special Events Committee

Please enjoy the photos of flowers made this year for the Carousel Center Luncheon to raise monies for their center. The Carousel Center helps children who have been abused (physically, sexually, mentally, or emotionally) be treated and cared for without having to go to the hospital that is much less child friendly. This years event was February 6th.

Hillary McNeir with Flower arranging committee and members Mary Katherine Turner, Stephanie Hendrickson & Roberta Quar-ton from her committee as well as special events committee helped make these beautiful arrangements come to life!

So thankful for our awesome lady's of the Cape Fear Garden Club and so very proud to be a member of!!
Blessings Bobby Jean



Lunch Reservations

Please join us for the luncheon following our General Meeting, a great way to enjoy the company of members new and old. RSVP by February 21, 2019 to the "Paperless Post" invitation you will receive via email. Cost is \$19 and includes gratuity. Pay at the meeting with exact change or check.

If you do not receive the invitation or do not have an email account you may make your reservation by calling Penelope Allison at 910-686-0888.

If you are lunching with a committee you must make a luncheon reservation, just note your committee name on your RSVP.

Note that our contract with the Country Club requires that we have at least 40 luncheon attendees after each meeting... attending at least one luncheon will help us meet this commitment.



New Member Committee

Orientation for New Members Agenda

Date: march 20, 2019

Place: NH County Arboretum

Time: 8:00 3rd VP + New Membership Committee do pre-set up

9:00 – Committees set-up

9:30 – new members and sponsors arrive for group photo.

10:00 – program begins

11:30 – adjourned

12:00 – clean up completed

All sponsors should attend this event with their New Member. All committees are to be present as well.

New Members mark your calendars for our Cookie Workshop on Wednesday, March 13 from 9-11 AM at the Arboretum kitchen. Get tips and recipes to help you prepare for the Azalea Garden Tour Ribbon Cutting Party cookies you will need to make. Details to follow by email.

News and Notes



WILMINGTON CHRISTIAN ACADEMY
&
the NORTH CAROLINA AZALEA FESTIVAL

invite you to attend the

**AZALEA FESTIVAL
YOUTH ART CONTEST
&
HIGH SCHOOL WRITING CONTEST
WINNERS' ANNOUNCEMENT CEREMONY**

March 12, 2019
6:30PM
Wilmington Christian Academy
1401 North College Road

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Garden Therapy

Garden Therapy meet at Elderhaus Monday February 4th to help 38 clients with various disabilities make Valentines for their loved ones. 15 Cape Fear Garden Club members participated. The project was headed up by Sheerel Bunn and Perri Miley.



Garden Club Correspondence

Corresponding Secretary Report

Sympathy Card sent to:
Sandy Cyphers, Active Member
CFGC, in the death of her brother, Jim-
my West, January 6, 2019



Get Well Cards sent to:
Gloria Ezzell, Active Member of CFGC
Marjorie Way, Active Member of CFGC

Respectfully submitted,
Julia H. Davis



Save the date for Arbor Day 2019!
Friday, April 26!! Details to be announced
at a later date. Contact Cheryl Hunter at
910-512-4497 or chunter@cape-fear.net.

Special Notes

Contact information for arborist/January's program speaker:

Joshua Shields

jshields933@gmail.com

(850) 228-5618

Membership FYI:

We have had some questions recently about how you become an Emeritus member in the club. Emeritus members are those members who have been in the CFGC for 40 years or more, or have reached the age of 80. They do not pay dues, and have the same privileges as an Active Member. If you have any questions about changing your membership status please contact Anita Duren Lewis or Diane

Battery Island Cruise and More

At the time of printing, there is concern as to the post hurricane Florence condition of the boats used for the Battery Island Cruise. Stay tuned for more information as the committee makes a plan.



FEBRUARY 2019 - MEMBER UPDATES

YEARBOOK UPDATES

Associate

Susan Butler – New address: 1709 Fontenay Place, Wilmington, NC 28405

RESIGNATION

Active Member - Carolyn Thomas
Associate Member – Cathy Bryand
Associate Member – Ann Squire

STATUS CHANGES

Miriam Oehrlein has moved from Active to Associate
Lou Greer has moved from Associate to Emeritus
Ann Parker has moved from Associate to Emeritus

If you have not received your 2018-19 Yearbook copies will be available at the February meeting.

Reminder: Yearbook membership information is not to be used for solicitation or advertising. Please dispose of old yearbooks in a secure manner.

Corrections or changes in member contact information: Email Computer Registrar, Penelope Allison at PJandMark@bellsouth.net or call 910-686-0888.

Reminder: The most current membership information is always found on the CFGC website in the 'Members Only' section.



Bylaw Change Notification

The following motion to amend By-Law ARTICLE V – Meetings, was presented at the Executive Committee meeting in February, it came from the committee, “

It is proposed that we amend the following By-Law {See bolded area below.}

(This By Law addresses amending the By-Laws:)

ARTICLE XIV – Method of Amending the By-Laws

The By-Laws may be amended at any General Meeting of The Cape Fear Garden Club, Inc. by two-thirds vote, provided the amendment has been submitted in writing at the previous meeting.

Alliance For Cape Fear Trees

The Alliance has requested for those interested to consider writing a letter to City Council in support of controlled development in Wilmington. An Example letter can be found at www.allianceforcapefeartrees.com The rapid growth and development of Wilmington, North Carolina has contributed to the loss of valuable urban forest/trees. With the city codes pertaining to tree preservation not being updated since the 1980s & 1990s and not likely to be updates for several years we need to have the issue of urban forest preservation addressed now. As a coastal city subject to hurricanes (Hurricane Florence) and flooding the preservation of our urban forest is a key solution to combating such natural disasters.

Those signing this letter are asking now for a better balance between environmental protection and the rapid, unchecked growth we currently see. Our economy and quality of life depend on our environment and its trees. Please consider:

- 1) Stronger tree protection ordinances for both residential and business locations.
- 2) Better incentivize developers to retain trees and plant more after construction.
- 3) Ongoing increase in funds for tree planting and maintenance to build our important natural infrastructure.
- 4) More education for residents regarding the value and correct selection/placement of trees

Scholarship Committee:

Members, the thank you letter below is from Katelyn Lewis who is the 2018-19 recipient of our Cape Fear Garden Club Endowed Scholarship. Katelyn is from Wilmington and is in the Landscape Gardening and Horticulture Science Program at Cape Fear Community College. It is exciting to know that our work provides educational opportunities for students seeking bright futures in landscaping and beautification.

To Members of the Cape Fear Garden Club:

This scholarship will allow me to acquire the necessary materials and supplies that I need for my major as well as help me pay for tuition!

Upon finishing my degree in Landscape Gardening & Horticulture Science, I plan on staying in North Carolina and pursuing a career of managing and operating greenhouses or indoor growing. The program that is offered at Cape Fear is really educational and hands-on which makes me feel even more confident in my ability to seek a career in greenhouse operations post graduation.

This award will help pay for my tuition and books at Cape Fear as well as some gardening supplies and tools necessary for use in my classes. Thank you again for allowing me the opportunity to receive such a generous scholarship, I am so grateful!

Katelyn Lewis



In Memory of

These are the books recently placed in the library in memory of our members:

Evelyn Martin Smith

“Creating Sanctuary: sacred garden spaces, plant-based medicine, and daily practices to achieve happiness and well-being” By Jessi Bloom

Martha Jane Elrod Huffine

“It’s Our Garden: from seeds to harvest in a school garden”
By George Ancona

Oral History Committee

The Oral History Committee is happy to honor Mrs. Julia T. Morton in our Profiles in the Garden this month. Check out our slideshow prior to the start of the General Meeting to learn of Mrs. Morton's involvement in the making of Wilmington history.



The Azalea Garden Tour is only weeks away; April 5-7.

Please purchase your ticket and sign up to sit in a garden if you have not. THANKS to the club members that purchased tickets and signed up to sit in a garden at the January general meeting.

Now is the time to find your COOKIE recipe. Remember NO nuts or chocolate. The next Tour Committee meeting is March 5th at 11:00 Arboretum training room.



There are still tickets available for the 2019 Azalea Festival Children's Tea. Get your tickets