

Cape Fear Garden Club CLIPPINGS news &

updates

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President's Message

GENERAL MEETING: January 27, 2020 @ 10:00a

Join Zoom Meeting click on link below: https://zoom.us/j/996035 23824? pwd=aGlMdGo3a09aazB1 QVdZQjVZYlgvdz09 Meeting ID: 996 0352 3824 Passcode: 403558 Find your local number: https://zoom.us/u /aAlmRvDdl

Christmas Tea is Cancelled



"Foraging through my yard and our neighborhood is a favorite pastime of mine, where I enjoy bringing together interesting textures, shapes and colors for



Dear CFGC Members,

December is normally a month filled with spirited celebrations, including the club's Christmas Tea (no spirits invited). Our celebrations this year will be more modest, and there will be no CFGC Christmas Tea; but thanks to Donna Thompson, we can view and reflect on the Christmas Teas of past through her many lovely photos (link in newsletter).

We can also get some creative ideas for the holidays by viewing our club's November programs that Sydney Penny and Meredith Lewis put together for us (link in newsletter). In addition, many members are sharing the Christmas Spirit through the "Secret Pal" letter exchange, organized by Linda Snider.

I am adjusting by holding a "safe" Christmas Tea in the wooded area behind my house. I must admit, however, that the cookies aren't as scrumptious as the ones that the Hospitality Committee bakes nor does my floral arrangement have that ravishing statement that the Flower Arrangement Committee creates. (See Photo)

As trees and woodland creatures adapt to the longer nights and cooler temperatures, we do likewise. Personally, I settle in to longer evening and cooler temperatures by filling the house with scented candles, cranking up my electric blanket and curling up with my kitty-cats.

I hope everyone has a Merry Christmas, Happy Holidays and a Happy New Year. To the members that have lost arrangements like this." Happy Holidays. Barbara Howard loved ones this past year; I light a candle in hopes that the light will symbolically guide you and pray that memories of your loved one will help to fill the cracks in your heart.

All the best in the year to come, *Sherry O'Daniell* President, Cape Fear Garden Club 2020-2021

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Christmas Teas Past Video by Donna Thompson

You can view this video again and again on on CFGC's Website https://www.capefeargardenclub.org/videos/





Want to get out of the house? You're invited to a drive-by! Donna Thompson and her husband have invited everyone to ride by 5637 Chelon Ave (in the Tyndall neighborhood off Beasley Rd) to see 70,000 Christmas light display!

Her husband will be Santa on Christmas Eve in front of the house. Her whole neighborhood decorates heavily! And there are four other club members in our neighborhood.

Thanks and have a wonderful Christmas!

Airlie Garden Committee

Airlie Showcase Garden is looking spiffy for the holiday season. The whole committee worked together in November to replant camellias damaged by hurricanes, weed and put up lights for Enchanted Airlie. Be sure to check the garden out whenever you visit Airlie. **Beth Pottle**, Airlie Garden Committee



Secret Pal Card Exchange



Just a reminder for those of you who were on the Zoom meeting yesterday, and also for those of you who were not able to make the meeting, we are doing a Secret Pal Card Exchange — just for the fun of it!

We all miss seeing and talking with each other, so I hope this brings some Christmas cheer into your December days. Here's how it goes:

- If you would like to participate, send me a text (910-620-3756) or email:<u>snidersnc@gmail.com</u> and let me know.
- We will let you know who your Pal will be.
- Get 5 Christmas cards; mail the first one so it will arrive during the first week of December.
- Follow up with a card each week throughout December. You might include a poem, short Christmas story, feel good saying, etc.
- The 5th card will get to your new Best Friend the first week of January and at that time you can reveal your name.
- Don't put your return address on the envelopes for the first four cards or you will give yourself away.

Please, if you have not already signed up, let me know you want to be in on this fun activity by next **Monday, November 23**. That way we can let you know who your Secret Pal is to be. AND, if I don't have a chance to see you or talk to you before Thanksgiving, have a safe and blessed Thanksgiving Holiday. Linda Snider 1st Vice President CAPE FEAR GARDEN CLUB <u>snidersnc@gmail.com</u> 910-620-3756

"In every walk with nature one receives far more than he seeks." John Muir

Promotions Committee

2021 calendars are IN.. we want all to be reminded that they make a great Christmas gift. Looking for a last minute gift that keeps on giving? For a donation of \$15, New Hanover County Parks & Gardens will plant an azalea in a county park or garden. The donor will receive a Plant an Azalea card, featuring a beautiful painting by local artist Barbara Bear Jameson, to keep or give to a loved one to honor their donation.

Plant an Azalea cards may be purchased in the gift shop at Airlie Gardens, or by contacting 910-798-7703.

Note cards.. 4 styles. 10 for . \$10 State Calendar book 2021. \$8

Cook Book \$15 CFGC Seal Pin \$7.00

Napkins/ Club seal printed pack of 15 \$5

Vests Jackets Shirts Hats call for prices

Your purchase income goes directly to our CFGC.

Plant an Azalea card /in honor of or in memory of \$15 Planted locally

Questions or to place an order **call** 508-397-9965 /Irene Shea or a member of our committee listed in the year book. We will get it to you



Blue Star Memorial Marker Committee



It is with most grateful hearts that the Blue Star Memorial Marker Committee enters into this wonderful Christmastime season. Just this week we have secured the last monies needed to reach our goal of \$1590. Because of generous members of the garden club and community organizations, we will be able to have a marker installed in the downtown Wilmington area. At the January meeting, we will have more news on location and installation ceremony date. Thanks to all of you who helped to make this project happen."

Linda Snider, Chair, Blue Star Memorial Marker Committee 1st Vice President, Cape Fear Garden Club snidersnc@gmail.com

2021 Azalea Garden Tour

Merry Christmas and Happy Holidays,

Thank you to the Cape Fear Garden Club members for your support during this time of unknown.

As we begin a New Year for 2021, I assure you that work will continue towards a successful 2022 Azalea



Garden Tour beginning January 2021. Garden Tour Committee Members are dedicated and committed to moving forward with new ideas and suggestions to implement in 2022.

There is a song by Helen Reddy made in 1971 that I would like to share which I think expresses the outlook for 2022 Azalea Garden Tour.

I am woman, hear me roar In numbers too big to ignore And (WE) know too much to go back and pretend "Cause I've (WE'VE) heard it all before And I've (WE'VE) been down there on the floor No one's ever gonna keep me (US) down again

Oh yes I (WE) are wise But it's wisdom born of pain Yes, I've (WE) paid the price But look how much I (WE) gained If I (WE) have to, I (WE) can do anything I (WE), are strong I (WE), are invincible I AM WOMAN (WE ARE WOMEN)

You can bend but never break me (US) "Cause, it only serves to make me (US) More determined to achieve my (OUR) final goal And I (WE) come back even stronger Not a novice any longer 'Cause you've deepened the conviction in my (OUR) soul

> Oh yes, I (WE) are strong But it's wisdom born of pain Yes, I've (WE'VE) paid the price

But look how much I (WE'VE) gained If I (WE) have to I (WE) can do anything I (WE) are strong I (WE) are invincible

We ask the help of the entire club to make the 2022 Azalea Garden Tour the VERY BEST IT CAN BE!

Suggestions and ideas are appreciated. *Sandy Cyphers 2022* Azalea Garden Tour Chairman

Christmas Decorations by Frances Parnell and Carla Crouch



Correspondence



Get Well Cards

November Correspondence

Sympathy Cards Emeritus Member, Suzanne Jenkins's Family Former Member, Pam Kingston regarding the death of her husband, Rick Active Member, Delores Hawes regarding the death of her husband, Maurice

Associate member, Brenda Moore, regarding the death of her mother

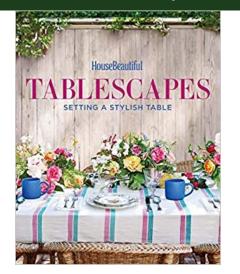
Active Member, Jennie Dalton on November 12, 2020 Active Member, Sandy Cyphers on November 15, 2020 Active Member, Virginia Teachey on November 20, 2020

Respectfully Yours,

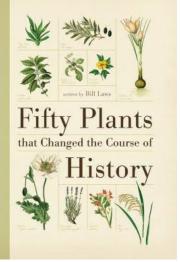
<u>Mary Kathryn Turner</u>

Corresponding Secretary

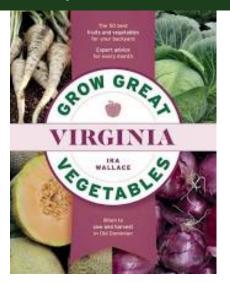
Books in Memory of Members who have Passed Away



Suzanne Ross Jenkins



Marjorie Way



Betty Vincent Coghill Rose



Have You Picked up Your Yearbook Yet?

Our award winning Yearbooks are available for pick-up or delivery.

Call Penny Allison (910-686-0888) or Linda Snider (910-620-3756) to arrange a pick-up time OR to have a copy mailed to you send \$3.00 (check made out to CFGC) to Penny to cover postage. Her address is 1323 Futch Creek Road, Wilmington, NC 28411

Art & the Bloom January 7-10, 2021

New Hanover Garde Club Art and the Bloom is a four day exhibition and competition for floral designers from North Carolina to showcase their floral creations inspired by fine art. This is a fundraising event with proceeds going to scholarships and many hands-on community projects.



Tickets and information at artandthebloom2021.eventbrite.com

We wish you the happiest and healthiest Christmas and a Happy New Year!

