

Cape Fear Garden Club CLIPPINGS news &

updates

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President's Message

GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING:

Wednesday, February 24, 2021 @ 10:00 a.m.

Program: "Effortless
Entertaining... Don't
Wait for the Party to
be Ready for the
Party" with DeeDee
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"In Celebration of Black History Month"



Dear Members of the CFGC:

There are only twenty-eight days in February, and I wish there were more. In February we self-indulge in delectable chocolates in heart shaped boxes, shed our winter attire in preparation for spring, and expand our knowledge of Black history.

At our February general membership meeting, in preparation for our upcoming fiscal year, we will vote on the 2021-2022 slate of officers that the Nominating Committee has assembled. I would like to thank this committee for their devotion and thorough research on selecting candidates that they believe will best lead and represent our club.

I find it somewhat difficult to grasp that February of 2020 was when we last held an in-person club meeting. If we had known then what we know now, we might have grabbed another "goody" off of the

"Flower-sellers in the market at Washington, D.C." Harper's Weekly, 1870. Library of Congress

Abra Lee, founder of Conquer the Soil and 2019/2020 Longwood Fellow, recently gave a talk about "The Invincible Garden Ladies," focusing on Black women in the history of horticulture. Beginning with the flower sellers story shared here, Lee explores the role that Black women have played as florists, horticultural teachers, nature writers and community members.

To listen and view her presentation click on link: https://www.youtube.com/watch? v=IHgvLF r zU

hospitality table, inhaled the fragrance of flowers at the horticulture table a little deeper, added another minute to our conversations – and perhaps hugged one another a little more tightly.

As a club we've adjusted, with many of us jumping into the deep end of the "Cyber-World" pool. The silver lining is that we are more flexible, cooperative, and appreciative of things we once took for granted.

To those that no longer have their "Sweetheart" to share a box of chocolate or click Champaign flutes with, my sincere thoughts and prayers.

See everyone in "Cyber-Space" on Wednesday February $24^{\mbox{th}}$ @ 10:00

Sherry O'Daniell

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Nominating Committee Report

February 2021

The Nominating Committee will present a slate of officers and members at large to be voted on at the February 24, 2021 general meeting.

Rebecca Philpott, Chair

Civic Improvements Committee



WWAY Covers Tree Planting Event

CFGC Plants 100 Trees at Longleaf Park

On Wednesday, February 17, CFGC Civic Improvements Committee and other club members joined with the New Hanover County Parks Staff to plant 100 Longleaf Pine Saplings in Longleaf Park.

This was an important effort to participate in the Wilmington Tree initiative established by



Mayor Bill Saffo to plant 1739 trees by this fall.

Longleaf Park has sustained the loss of hundreds of it's signature tree through the years from hurricane damage. This planting will help insure that our State Tree will live on and serve as an example to our community in its important role in our ecosystem.

Attending members: Rebecca Philpott, Teresa Hill, Janine Powell, Marion Krey, Becky Hardy and Cathy Poulos. Photo credits to Bernadette Baker.

WWAY Covers CFGC Tree Planting







A Southern Soirée



Hello everyone! I am excited to Chair the next Cape Fear Garden Club's A Southern Soirée to benefit the Beautification Endowment Fund. We are hoping to be able to hold the Soirée in November of this year. Of course at this time we do not know how many we will be allowed to have at a gathering in November, so there will be a Plan B and even a Plane C if necessary. I do hope many of you will consider signing up for this committee when sign ups become available.

Another big part of making the Soirée a successful event are the sponsorships. We would love for the entire club to be involved in this part of our fundraising. If you or someone you know would like to be a sponsor for the Southern Soirée, please email me and I will add you to the list to receive a sponsorship form. Keep in mind friends, family or businesses you frequently visit to ask about being a sponsor to benefit this fantastic fundraiser for our Beautification Endowment.

Thank you in advance for all of your help!

Kristi Turlington A Southern Soirée Chair kristiwt@bellsouth.net

Arbor Day Committee

We are very excited about next month's Arbor Day

Week, the week of March 15th through 19th, 2021!

With the cooperation of many community groups there will be a number of activities. A sample of one of the rocks painted with tree themes is shown. The week will culminate with a tree planting at Williston Middle School.

More details on the week to follow. Please continue to support the Wilmington Tree Initiative.

Cheryl Hunter, Arbor Day Committee Chair



2022 Azalea Garden Tour



You wonder or ask, "What work continues for the good of the April 2022 Azalea Garden Tour?"

The list goes on and on so I will share a few things. Continued Ambassador Zoom Meetings discussing new style of dress, implementation of new ideas for the Ambassadors, replacing the five gardens that decided to drop from the tour, new Vice Chairman,

implementation of things of interest to highlight in selected gardens during the tour, etc.

As chairman, I will continue to ask for your ideas and input to assist the tour committee in working towards a 'FANTASTIC" 2022 Azalea Garden Tour.

With the cancellation of the 2020 and 2021 Garden Tours and the impact that Covid-19 has played in our lives during these past two years I have felt in my heart a change from my original theme "Gardening a Personal Experience" to now borrowed from Lady Bird Johnson, "Where Flowers Bloom so does Hope." Hope is what keeps us going through trying times.

If you have an interest in serving on the 2022 Azalea Garden Tour, please sign up to serve on the committee for 2021-2022. The committee is always in need of extra hands.

Sandy Cyphers 2022

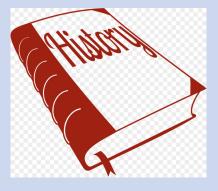
Azalea Garden Tour Chairman

Grants Committee

With the arrival of spring around the corner, now is the time to think big! What project would your committee like to undertake that requires more money than is in your budget? The Grants Committee is eager to help you apply for grants for that special project.

Call or text <u>Patsy West</u>, 910-232-6667 Grants Committee Chair, to discuss possibilities.





It's been an unprecedented year. Not just for us, but the entire world. Since many of our committees haven't been able to meet during this pandemic, this year's CFGC History Scrapbook won't have as much content.

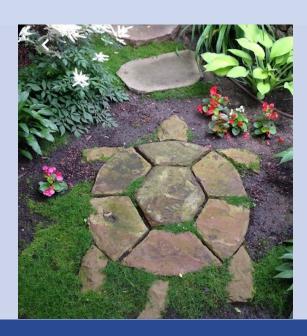
Historical information is needed to complete this most important time in our history. If someone reviews our History book to see what life was like for us during this pandemic in 25-30 years, I would like to include your thoughts and experiences during the last year:

- 1. How has the pandemic affected you?
- 2. Perhaps, you accomplished a project (if so, include a picture of that completed project see below pictures).

Please mail or email me if you would like to include your contribution in our History Book.

Thank you,
Marion Kreh
CFGC Historian
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January Correspondence

Thinking of you notes were sent to:

Active member Julia McEachern's husband, Hidy, on 1-4-2021

Active member Sherrel Bunn's husband, Eddie, on 1-24-2021

Emeritus member Mae Omie Mosely and her husband. Graham, on 1-24-2021

Associate member Joan Peters-Dolezal on 1-27-2021 Active member Jenny Rippy's husband, Bob, on 1-30-2021



Active member Jamie Lanzi regarding the death of her Father on 1-13-2021

Active member Meredith Pollak regarding the death of her Mother-in-law on 1-13-2021 About to be new member Laurel Maultsby regarding the death of her husband, Dr. Jim Maultsby on 1-13-2021

Active member Karen Root regarding the death of her husband, Chuck, on 1-17-2021 Emeritus member Jo Chadwick's family regarding her death on 1-27-2021



<u>Mary Kathryn Turner</u>

Corresponding Secretary



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Deadline for submissions for March Clippings is March 10th Send all submissions to <u>clippingscfgc@gmail.com</u>



