



Cape Fear Garden Club

CLIPPINGS news & updates

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President's Message

**CFGC October
General Meeting
Wednesday, October
28 | 10am**

**Speaker and Topic:
Jordyn Appel, Feast
Down East**

**Edible Gardening: the
Benefits of Edible
Gardens as a
Community Building,
Education and
Therapeutic Tool to
Cultivate Sustainability.**

Join Zoom Meeting
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Passcode: 348829

Call in to the meeting:
(646)558-8656



Dear CFGC Members,

In October, we see leaves change from bright green shades to blazing colors of red, orange and yellow; colors that give off an essence of warmth and a glow that signals to us that we need to slow down and prepare for winter. Squirrels scurry among the newly fallen leaves gathering nuts that will keep them satisfied in the shorter days and longer nights to come. As gardeners, we hurry to plant bulbs and trees and transport plants vulnerable to cooler temperatures inside. We know what to expect of these changes in the season, which we are so familiar with, and how to respond.

As a club we are also going through a change. Seventy-five percent of the members that voted decided to change the dress style of our garden ambassadors. This wasn't an easy decision for us; I witnessed the many hours of discussion and poring over comments from members over a period of months. As a seed needs time before it germinates, we needed time - time to work on the transformation of the ambassador program. It was challenging enough to consider changes to a fifty year old program, but unfortunately our



decision was further complicated by leaks to the media. False information, inaccurate postings, and comments from nonmembers that were either misinformed or uninformed made our work more difficult. In the end, though, we arrived at a decision in a way I believe we can be proud of.

There are many that support us in our decision, and there are some that don't. But from where we now stand, it is our new mission to transform the ambassador program so that is more reflective of our community, to make it more aspirational than decorative, more educational than demonstrative. Our garden club historically has been an instrument of change, one that has greatly benefited our environment and our community. The changes we have made have not always been easy or without detractors, but in the end, they have been a positive force, and I believe that will be true of this new program as well. Our success is guaranteed if we go forth in unity.

All the best & let us go forth in unity,
Sherry O'Daniell
President, Cape Fear Garden Club 2020-2021

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"There are far better things ahead than any we leave behind." - C.S. Lewis

Arbor Day Committee



TREES, TREES, AND MORE TREES!

As Arbor Day Committee Chair, Cheryl Hunter attended the Wilmington Tree Initiative on Thursday, September 24th at Empie Park.

The ceremony was started off by our own Club President, Sherry O'Daniel! The CFGC/Arbor Day was presented with a one-gallon live oak tree donated by Pender Pines Nursery as were the rest of the WTI sponsors.

The Arbor Day Committee, along with any other CFGC members interested, will be participating in a National Arbor Day sponsored tree planting event on Wilmington's south side on Saturday, October 24th.

Cheryl Hunter
CFGC Arbor Day Committee Chair

Tree Planting Opportunities with the Alliance for Cape Fear Trees:

Activity: Planting trees in Downtown Wilmington

Date: Saturday, October 24th, 2020

Time: 9:00 am - 12:00 pm

Meet-up Location: Boathouse/tennis courts parking lot, Greenfield

Sign-up Form; [click on link](#)

Activity: Planting trees in Downtown Wilmington
Date: Saturday, November 21st, 2020
Time: 9:00 am - 12:00 pm
Meet-up Location: Boathouse parking lot, Greenfield Lake
Sign-up Form; [click on link](#)

2020 Cape Fear Garden Club Dues Notice



Annual dues were payable by September 30...with a grace period to October 28th, the date of the General Meeting.

Active Member dues are \$50
Associate Member dues are \$60
OPTIONAL - Add \$3.00 if you would like to receive your Yearbook via USPS.

Please make checks payable to **Cape Fear Garden Club** and drop-off or mail to:

[Penelope Allison](#)
1323 Futch Creek Road
Wilmington, NC 28411

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Add \$3.00 if you would like to receive your Yearbook via USPS. The dues notice will also include a PayPal link. Please note that on-line payments will include a \$2.00 convenience fee. Checks are the preferred method of payment. [You may pay your dues online on our website:](#)
<https://www.capefeargardenclub.org/pay-my-dues/>

Birds and Butterflies Committee

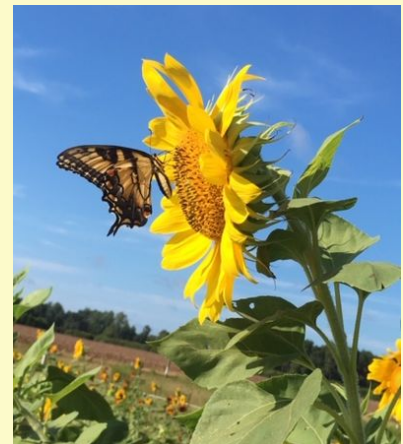
Greetings from the Birds and Butterflies Committee!

We are excited to have our first meeting this month at the Arboretum. There are several possible projects that we will be discussing. Hopefully we will be able to complete one or two by the end of Spring 2021.

Annie Anthony, our Vice-Chair, has found a few interesting groups to check out on Facebook. They are listed below. We hope you will enjoy looking at them.

Happy Autumn!

Kristi Turlington
Birds and Butterflies Chair



[*North Carolina Bird Watchers \(FB Group\)](#)

[*Carolina Backyard Bird Watchers \(FB Group\)](#)

[* Bird Watching NC \(FB Page\)](#)

[* Carolina Bird Photo Sharing Group \(FB Group\)](#)

[*Butterflies of the Eastern United States and Canada \(FB Group\)](#)

[*We Love Butterflies!! \(FB Group\)](#)

[*Butterfly Gardening \(FB Group\)](#)

The Jump & Run for two gardens were completed on Tuesday, September 28th then a 2021 Kick-Off Meeting and Box Luncheon at Long Leaf Park (previously Hugh McRae Park) where fellowship and discussion referencing the 2021 Garden Tour was discussed in depth by the 38 members and guest in attendance. We had plenty of social distancing during the meeting.



The 2021 Garden Tour Committee will have a Zoom meeting on Monday, October 26th at 2:00pm to finalize a vote to go forward with the 2021 Garden Tour or cancel. If the vote by majority of tour members is to cancel, I will then submit a motion to the Executive Committee for their vote.

If it is the consensus of the majority of the vote of the committee to continue with the 2021 Garden Tour, then a vote will be taken to have Ambassadors in the gardens or to not have include them for the 2021 tour.

If the vote is to continue with the female Ambassadors, I will ask for a vote to include young men as Ambassadors. This will be an additional committee chaired by a male member of the club.

If the vote is to move forward with the 2021 Garden Tour, then it is important for club members to help with "FRIENDS OF THE TOUR" more than ever.

"The secret of change is to focus all your energy, not on fighting the old, but building on the new." Socrates

Sandy Cyphers

2021 Azalea Garden Tour Chairman

Awards Committee

We have some welcome news for you!

The Garden Club of North Carolina has really improved and organized their information on the web pages by listing in categories, describing and providing step-by-step directions for applying for awards on all three levels of Garden Club Awards which are: GCNC =The Garden Club of North Carolina, Inc., SAR = The South Atlantic Region of National Garden Clubs, and NGC = National Garden Clubs, Inc.

Your committee should go to: gardenclubofnc.org. Pull down the sidebar to Awards Program and thumb through the pages to find awards for which your committee may want to submit an entry! Read through them all as there may be an outside-the-box award that your activities may fit into!! There is an official entry ballot form that you can print out for each award for which you want to apply and then follow the application directions for that award. The deadline for filing these applications is December 1. Even though this is a year of few members being able to work together in person, there are some committees who have projects ongoing. Please consider an entry. And start looking towards work for a 2021 award application. We do the work, let's apply for the awards.

Finally, Life is Good! Let's show the State how great we are in all the entries we send in.

Awards Committee: **Linda Snider** and Cathy Giannini



October Membership Updates
Membership Changes

Active to Associate: Laurie Patterson, Nancy Fitzgerald, Diane Stirewalt, Linda Whitted, and Susan Biggs.

Associate to Emeritus: Ann Hutteman
Resigned: Shirley Luttmmer & Jerene Lee

Yearbook Updates

Susan Biggs- her correct phone number is 970-333-4356, Not 910.

Caroline Butler- her new address is 2122 Gloucester Place, Wilmington, NC 28403. Her phone number remains unchanged.

Catherine Luna - corrected zip code is 28403, not 20403.

Julia H. Davis - new email:
juliahdavis@ec.rr.com

Corrections or changes in member contact information: Email Computer Registrar, **Elizabeth Baker** at efrwhite@aol.com



The Grants Committee, a newly appointed committee by our president, has been created to aid garden club committees with writing and submitting grants for projects they wish to pursue but lack funding to implement.

This is an opportunity for committees to begin "possibility thinking". Grants applied for and granted in the fall would receive funding for spring projects.

Feel free to contact Patsy West, Chair, at pwestwest@aol.com if you have questions.

Correspondence



It is with deep sadness and sorrow to inform you that Percy Glaspie's wife, Sarah has passed.

Percy Glaspie is an honorary member of the Cape Fear Garden Club. They were married for seventy-three years; please have Percy in your hearts and prayers during this difficult time. [Link to obituary](#)

Sympathy notes sent to:

Associate Member Sandra Simpson on Sept. 5, 2020 regarding the death of her husband Sonny

Active Member Anna Marie Eakins on Sept. 8, 2020

regarding the death of her husband Bobby

Active Member Jackie Loney on Sept. 26, 2020 regarding the death of her husband's son Jay

New Active Member Sandra Siemering on Sept. 26, 2020 regarding the loss of her husband Ed

Get Well Wishes sent to:

Active Member Shirley Hardee on Sept. 21, 2020 regarding her surgery

Associate Member Kay Warren on Sept. 26, 2020

Active Member Karen Greene on Sept. 26, 2020

Thinking of You Note sent to:

Respectfully Yours,

Mary Kathryn Turner

Corresponding Secretary

Cape Fear Garden Club

Garden Therapy

Due to the present circumstances the Garden Therapy Department will not meet at Elderhaus until further notice. We are hoping to resume our projects later this fall.

Martha Blacher, Chair Garden Therapy



10% Member Discount at Johnson Nursery

Individually members will receive a 10% discount on every purchase from Johnson's nursery after they register with Johnson's Nursery to be included on their email list in which the member will receive multiple emails from Johnson Nursery each week during the busy season.

The Garden Center at Johnson Nursery | 910-285-1944 | [Johnson Nursery](#)



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Deadline for submissions for Septemer Newsletter is September 4th
Send all submissions to clippingscfcg@gmail.com

