



# Cape Fear Garden Club CLIPPINGS

## news & updates

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### President's Message



**9:30am Social**  
**10:00am General Meeting**  
**November 17, 2021**  
**LifePoint Church**  
**3534 S College Rd**

All members and guests are expected to wear a mask indoors (we will provide one if you forget). Please take the mask off **ONLY** when you are eating, then put it back on as soon as you finish. Thank you.

#### **SAVE THE DATES**

November 19, 2021.  
FLOWER SHOW sponsored by New Hanover Garden Club and Harbor Island Garden Club at Blockade Runner Hotel

#### **CHRISTMAS TEA**

2:00 pm to 4:00 pm. December 9th, 2021  
**Please note Change of Date**

Greetings to you all,

It is difficult to believe we can be thinking about December already but it is just around the corner! And what else is just around the corner but our Secret Christmas/Holiday Card Exchange! If you would like to participate this year, let me know.



For each of the first three weeks of December, you are asked to send your **Secret Pal** a card - signed "Your Secret Pal" or "Surprises to come", etc. Then the week before Christmas, send a card, and be sure to sign your name.

Let me know and you will be included in the special drawing of names, notified, and then we are off to having fun surprising other members of the garden club. The deadline to send in your name to participate is November 19. Linda Snider - [snidersnc@gmail.com](mailto:snidersnc@gmail.com)

November brings us grateful hearts and thankful pauses. We look forward to gathering with families and friends and having our favorite meals, and I certainly look forward to seeing our November program with new fall-going-to-winter arrangements. Be sure to join us for our November General Meeting.

Please note that our Christmas Tea has been moved from December 2 to December 9. At the November meeting, there will be a signup sheet. Let us know when you would like to arrive. Between Noon and two, or between two and four. Parking will be at a premium so please consider carpooling, Uber, etc.

Remember the November general meeting will be on the third Wednesday instead of the fourth Wednesday. We will meet at LifePoint Church on November 17 at 10:00 am

*Linda*

Linda Watson Snider  
President, CFGC

## Yearbook Committee - CONGRATULATIONS!



### First Place!

The Yearbook committee is pleased to announce that our 2021-22 Yearbook was awarded 1st place in District 11 of GCNC.

First place award winners for each District are entered in the state-level competition.

## Airlie Showcase Garden Report

Airlie Showcase Garden Committee Members continue their hard work each week making our garden the best it can be!!

On November 16th at 9:30 am, our entire group will gather to prepare our garden for Enchanted Airlie. We welcome any club member to join us for this festive occasion of putting up lights and decorations.

Hope to see you on November 16<sup>th</sup> at 9:30 am.



**You're Invited**  
**Blue Star Memorial Dedication**



A dedication of a Blue Star Memorial Marker, by the Cape Fear Garden Club, will be held Thursday, Nov. 11, at 2 p.m. at the intersection of Chestnut and Water streets in downtown Wilmington.

The guest speaker will be the United States Coast Guard Rear Adm. Laura Dickey. Dickey was born in Wilmington and is a graduate of New Hanover High School.

Other events will include the laying of a memorial wreath, music by the Cappella choir from Coastal Christian High School, a proclamation by Wilmington Mayor Bill Saffo, and Paula Hartman from the Garden Club of N.C. will explain the purpose and history of the Blue Star Memorial program.

The Blue Star Program honors all men and women who serve in the United States Armed Services. The program began with the planting of 8,000 dogwood trees by the New Jersey Council of Garden Clubs in 1944 as a living memorial to veterans of World War II.

[Wilmington Star-News Online](#)

## Autumn Gatherings Flower Show



### You are Invited!

This NGC Standard Flower show is November 19-20th, 2021 at the Blockade Runner in Wrightsville Beach.

There will be exciting design opportunities, including a novice design table class

Please reach out to Dot Balkcum at [dbalkcum@ec.rr.com](mailto:dbalkcum@ec.rr.com) with your interest.

**Save the date** for *Art in The Bloom*, January 7<sup>th</sup>, 8<sup>th</sup>, and 9<sup>th</sup>, 2022 also at the Blockade Runner in Wrightsville Beach.

## Centennial Snippet

This summary of CFGC's 1934-35 year includes the story of our historic gavel which was carved from a branch of the famed Dram Tree in the Cape River.

Our president brings this framed gavel to every meeting and places it on the table near the podium. Stop by and see it at our next meeting.



The famous "Dram" Tree on the Cape Fear River, two miles below Wilmington, N. C.



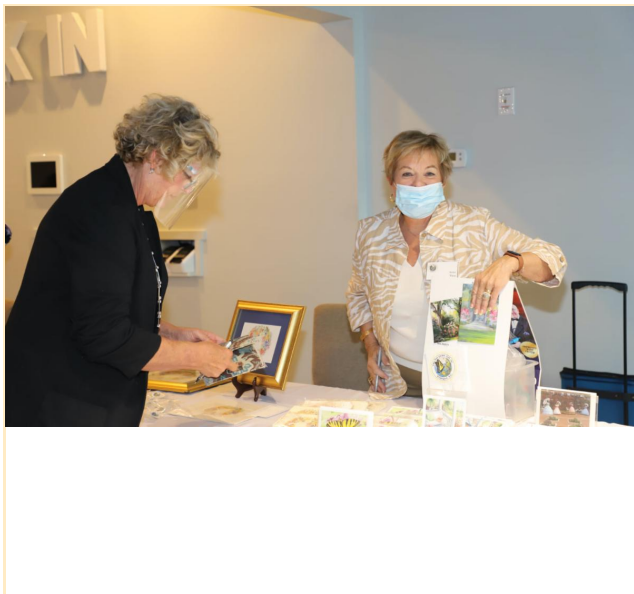
1934-35 The First official Flower Show with a schedule was held at St. James Parish House with Mrs. A. C. Diehl as Chairman. The club endorsed a recommendation of the state Club that a large Savannah in Pender County be taken by the state and developed as a preserve.

Mrs. Lena Beery obtained a branch of the "Dram Tree," a bald cypress on an island in the Cape Fear River, from which Mrs. R. H. Hubbard, President had the Club's Gavel made.

## Promotions Committee

The Promotions table is filled with notecards, napkins, the club pin, clothing and plant an Azalea Cards, State Calendars. All will make lovely holiday presents. All sales go towards our very tight budget.

Thank you, Irene Shea, Promotion Chair



## Correspondence

### Get Well

Jenene Smith-recovering from fall

Sara O'Brien-recovering from fall

Signa Stalvey-recovering from surgery

## Condolences

Delores Hawes - loss of mother-  
Anna Francinia Willoughby Laney Little  
Charlotte Hardison-loss of husband, William Hardison  
Penny Allison-loss of brother-in-law  
Annamarie Eakins-loss of brother  
Nancy Fitzgerald-loss of husband -Art Fitzgerald



Respectfully submitted, *Debby Allen,*  
*Corresponding Secretary*

## Edible Gardens Committe Field Trip to Rise Up

The Edible Gardens Committee had an in-depth visit to **Rise Up Community Farm** at Monkey Junction. Only 3 years into cultivating a bountiful garden and youth mentoring program, Mari Carl and her small team have worked wonders empowering youth while nourishing neighbors in need. This mentoring program offers the youth to take home the fruits of their labor to share with their families. Very different from Willowdale, the CFGC can help serve both communities as they help food-insecure neighbors. Both farms are always looking for volunteers and have been helped through grants from the CFGC.

### NEWS FLASH

Purchase FRESH (picked that day!!) produce and support your community by placing your order at <https://riseupcommunityfarm.org/shop>



Left to Right: Sherry O'Daniell, Cathy Giannini, Stephanie Harris, Mary Kathryn Turner and Karen Kistler.

## Battery Island Committee

A meeting of the Battery Island Committee is planned in the lobby after the November general meeting. Agenda items will focus on all Battery Island committee activities planned for 2021-2022. The organizational meeting is expected to last 30 minutes. Please join us! Pictures below are from our recent cleanup of the island.

Marlene Eader, Chair  
[marlene.eader@gmail.com](mailto:marlene.eader@gmail.com)



## Beautification Endowment



## Quilt to Raffle

A fundraiser for CFGC Beautification Endowment will be selling tickets for a beautiful handmade quilt by our own Brenda Moore. The beautiful quilt is 78" x 94". The fabric collection for the quilt is called *"garden life"*.

Tickets will be sold at the November 17th general meetings. The winner will be announced at the end of the November meeting.

1 ticket for \$10  
3 tickets for \$20

Karen Smith, Endowment Chair  
Kristi Turlington, Soiree Chair for 2022.

## 2022 Azalea Garden Tour April 8, 9 & 10, 2022



WOW! How the days are hastily going by as we countdown to the 2022 Azalea Garden Tour. April 8th will be here before we can blink an eye and I hope members of the club will take a part in helping when asked.

Club members are not required to bake cookies as in years past due to Covid. Flower cookies will be purchased. Each individual cookie will be wrapped and placed on the tables with small bottles of water for the Ribbon Cutting.

Have you thought about supporting the tour by being a **"Friend of the Tour?"** If not, please consider doing so. Every penny counts even a \$25.00 donation will help defray the expense of the cookies and the water and contribute to the financial success of the tour.

Volunteers for hostesses and garden sitters during the tour are needed. Please see Marty, Addie, or Nancy to sign up. It's important this committee receives the support of our club members in volunteering for a garden.

**Who will she be?** Yes, who will be the 2022 Azalea Garden Tour Co-Chairman and the 2023 Azalea Garden Tour Chairman? The club and the tour committee NEED a member to fill this position. Please give thought to serving in the position.

'Where flowers bloom, so does hope'.



## Azalea Ambassador Applications Are Open!

Applications will still be reserved for high school seniors and juniors in New Hanover County. Priority is given to those who are children or grandchildren of CFGC members (children and grandchildren do not have to reside in New Hanover County). Members may also sponsor applicants who are not relatives.

We are excited to announce that applications are now open to become an Azalea Ambassador for the Cape Fear Garden Club's 2022 Azalea Garden Tour©.

If you know someone who is interested in becoming an Azalea Ambassador, please direct them to the [Ambassador Facebook Page](#) or the [Azalea Ambassador Instagram](#) account for more information and the application itself.

The name Azalea Ambassadors may be new, but the purpose of the program remains the same; for high school students to participate in the Tour as greeters in the gardens and as ambassadors at various events for the North Carolina Azalea Festival.

If you have a child or grandchild who is planning to apply, please send an email to [cfgcmemberemail@gmail.com](mailto:cfgcmemberemail@gmail.com) so that we are aware of those applicants with a family member in the CFGC.

There are a number of changes to the program for the 2022 Tour. For the first time, applications will be available for both young women and young men. The style of dress has also undergone an update, with a new ensemble that is more modern and in keeping with the direction of the Tour and the Azalea Festival as a whole.

Sincerely,  
Stephanie Durner, Chair & Lynnae Mallalieu, Co-Chair  
Azalea Ambassadors Committee

## Gardening for Wildlife



Dianna Phillips and



Frances Parnell, Sherry O'Daniell  
and Paula Stetler



Mary Wilkerson

The Gardening for Wildlife Committee has been busy preparing Parnell's 4-plus acre garden for the upcoming 2022 Azalea Garden Tour. It will be the first Azalea Garden Tour to showcase native plants and wildlife in their natural beauty.

On our committee's workdays, September 15, 2021, October 6, 2021, and October 20, 2021, lots of progress was made in planting ground cover, pruning, watching wildlife, and just plain having fun.

We always welcome any Cape Fear Garden Club members to pitch in and share ideas and fun with us. A special thanks to Cape Fear Garden Club member Karen Root for volunteering her expert help to our committee for this ongoing project.



Gardening for Wildlife Committee Co-Chairs, Marion Kreh, and Paula Stetler, will have a table set up at the November General Meeting with lots of information on how to certify your garden as a wildlife habitat. Please look for us and stop by. For more information check out the National Wildlife Foundation at [www.nwf.org](http://www.nwf.org). If you have already certified your garden, let us know so we can ensure that your name will be added to the Certified Gardens list in the 2021/2022 yearbook.

## Birds, Bees and Butterflies Meeting Announcement

### Make It Take It Project

Below is the list of supplies we'll need for your **Make It-Take It project**,  
If you all want to bring birdseed, and Christmas cookie cutters, the committee will provide the other ingredients. You will need





to bring your baker's tray as well as some Christmas cookie cutters. We will send out an invite for RSVPs closer to the date. Please mark it on your calendar now.

Birdseed Ornament  
3/4 c flour  
1/2 c water  
1 envelope gelatin  
3 Tbsp corn syrup  
4 c birdseed

Annie M. Anthony  
[a.anthony944@gmail.com](mailto:a.anthony944@gmail.com)

**Meeting date:** Tuesday, November 30  
**Location:** Halyburton Park Classroom  
**Time:** Noon  
Committee only Make and Take: Winter Edible Bird ornaments

## Latimer House Looking for Gardening Volunteers

**Calling interested gardeners and/or docents:** The beautiful Latimer House is in need of a little help. One thing needed is a volunteer landscaper to assist with creating a plan for plantings in the garden at this historic house museum at the corner of Orange and South Third Streets.

Secondly, if any of you are interested the head gardener at the Latimer House would love some willing people to assist in the gardening chores, i.e. plantings, pruning, designing flower beds. And thirdly, the Latimer House can always use additional docents in the house who would give tours, help to plan events, etc.

If you are interested, contact Sean at [volunteer@latimerhouse.org](mailto:volunteer@latimerhouse.org).

## Willowdale Farm Santa Wish List



As we close up our gardens and get ready for the giving season, please consider Willowdale Farm's needs-used items are ok!

- weedeater (not electric)
- 22" lawnmower
- wheelbarrow
- pots and pans for cooking
- serving utensils
- **hand clippers**
- pruners
- metal trowels
- large heavy plastic garbage bags
- small microwave

If you have any of these items you would like to donate, please call Cathy Giannini for pick up or bring them to our next meeting.

Thank you ahead of time !

## Cape Fear Garden Club Frequently Asked Questions 2021-2022

### When are Annual Dues payable?

Dues are payable in September with a grace period until October 31<sup>st</sup>. A late fee of \$20 will be incurred if dues are not paid by October 31<sup>st</sup>, membership will be canceled if not paid by December 15<sup>h</sup>.

### Where can I pay my dues?

Dues can be paid at the September and October General meetings or they can be mailed to our treasurer: *Penelope Allison, 1323 Futch Creek Road, Wilmington, NC 28411*

### Can I pay my dues with a credit card?

Yes, log into the member's area of [www.capefeargardenclub.org](http://www.capefeargardenclub.org)

There is a PayPal link, however, you do not need a PayPal account to make a payment. There is a convenience charge of \$2.50 and an option to have the Yearbook mailed to you for an additional \$3.00

### How do I change my status?

Statuses are Active, Associate, Emeritus, read the By-Laws for more information

To change contact the membership committee Beth DurJava: [edurjava@gmail.com](mailto:edurjava@gmail.com) or Joan Lynch: [joanlynch1@twc.com](mailto:joanlynch1@twc.com)

### How do I correct/update my contact information (address, telephone, email address)?

Email our Computer Registrar, Elizabeth White: [efrwhite@aol.com](mailto:efrwhite@aol.com)

### Whom do I inform that a member needs a 'Thinking of You', 'Sympathy' etc. card?

Inform our Corresponding Secretary, Debby Allen: [debbyc@bellsouth.net](mailto:debbyc@bellsouth.net)

### How do I send an email to the membership of Cape Fear Garden Club?

All communications to the Club must be approved by the President. Once approved Stephanie Durner is the Club's official communicator.

### I can't get into the member's area of the website!

Follow the instructions on page 83 of the 2021-22 Yearbook. If additional assistance is required email [webmaster@capefeargardenclub.org](mailto:webmaster@capefeargardenclub.org)

### I have an article I would like published in Clippings.

Please send at least two weeks prior to the general meeting to Laurie Taylor the editor at [ClippingsCFGC@gmail.com](mailto:ClippingsCFGC@gmail.com)

## National Gardener Magazine

The official publication of the National Garden Clubs, The National Gardener appears quarterly and highlights articles of interest to environmentalists, gardeners, landscapers, floral designers, educators as well as nature photographers. Feature columns provide readers with leadership advice, seasonal recipes, and garden club lore. Enjoy this and more by viewing and downloading the current issue. **VIEW THE LATEST & ARCHIVED ISSUES HERE.**

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The deadline for submissions for December Clippings is December 8  
Send all submissions to [clippingscfgc@gmail.com](mailto:clippingscfgc@gmail.com)



