

Cape Fear Garden Club, Inc.

Active Membership Application Process

How to Propose a New Member

First and most importantly, review this application to insure you can sponsor a new member and that your new member prospect meets and will fulfill the requirements of an Active Member. As a sponsor, complete Part I of the application. Request your new member prospect complete Part II and provide a non-refundable \$20.00 application fee, made payable to Cape Fear Garden Club, Inc. Mail both to:

Linda Snider
Membership Committee Chair
Cape Fear Garden Club
202 Lawton Circle
Wilmington, NC. 28412

Application Process

All Sponsors should refer to the By-Laws Article III - Membership - before agreeing to sponsor a potential member. A sponsor must have known their applicant for at least one year and be able to write a letter of recommendation.

1. Any Active Member in good standing who has held membership for at least one year from March Orientation may sponsor, in writing, one person a year for membership. Emeritus members may also serve as sponsors.
2. The membership application signed by the sponsor including a letter of recommendation and accompanied by a non-refundable application fee must be mailed to the Membership Committee.
3. Applicants are notified in writing of receipt of their application and the non-fundable fee.
4. Deadline for applications is January 1.
5. The Membership Chairman will present the name of the applicant at the January general meeting, after approval of the Executive Committee. The Membership votes on the applicant at the February general meeting.
6. Applicants are notified in writing of their Provisional Membership approval and the date of orientation.
7. The orientation is mandatory. A make-up orientation will be scheduled at the discretion of the Membership Chairman. Sponsors are encouraged to attend.
8. Provisional members are presented at the March general meeting.
9. Active and Provisional Membership in Cape Fear Garden Club, Inc. is limited to a maximum of 300. As of January 1, if space is not available, the applicant will be placed on a waiting list. Applications for active membership are wait-listed in the order they are received. There are no exceptions.

Questions? Please contact Linda Snider. 910-620-3756

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Application for Active Membership

Part I – To be completed by Sponsor

As Active Member in good standing, I sponsor _____ for Provisional Membership in Cape Fear Garden Club, Inc. I have reviewed the membership requirements with the applicant. I agree to assist and mentor the applicant for one year. I am a member of at least one year and not currently sponsoring another applicant.

Sponsor Signature

Date

Part II – To be completed by Applicant

Name of Applicant: _____

Address: _____ City _____ Zip _____

Phone: Home _____ Cell _____ Business _____

E-Mail _____

Occupation: _____

Spouse's Name: _____

Are you a resident of New Hanover County? _____

Are you currently a member of a Federated Garden Club? _____

If yes, name of club and location: _____

Are you a National Garden Club, Inc.? Accredited Judge? _____

Previous Garden Club or Club Membership: _____

Membership Requirements:

Any person maintaining a primary residence in New Hanover County, with the exception of any National Garden Club, Inc. accredited judge, who is interested in the objectives for which Cape Fear Garden Club, Inc. is formed and is willing to participate in its activities may qualify for membership. No person holding membership in another Federated garden club in New Hanover County may be a member of Cape Fear Garden Club, Inc.

In addition, the club uses the following criteria for consideration of prospective members for Provisional Membership:

1. A Provisional Member is required to attend three (3) general meetings annually. There are seven General meetings held the fourth Wednesday of each month from September through April. The November meeting is held the third Wednesday. Coffee and horticulture judging begins at 9:30am. The meeting and program begin at 10am.
2. A Provisional Member is required to pay annual dues in September.
3. A Provisional Member is required to actively participate on at least one committee.
4. A Provisional Member is required to sit one shrift in a garden during the annual Azalea Garden Tour held in April.
5. A new member is required to purchase one Azalea Garden Tour ticket at their March Orientation.
6. All members are expected to work together cooperatively and respectfully for the good of the club and community.
7. If the Provisional Member fulfills the above requirements, they can be offered Active Membership in February of the year following their admission.

Failure to meet the Provisional Membership requirements will result in your membership being cancelled. Please do not apply for membership if you cannot fulfill these requirements.

I have read and understand the requirements for Provisional Membership in Cape Fear Garden Club, Inc. If selected for membership, I agree to comply with the membership requirements.

Applicant Signature

Date

Please include the non-refundable application fee of \$20.00 made payable to: Cape Fear Garden Club, Inc.

Mail completed application with fee to:

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