

Williamsburg Area Council of Garden Clubs
May 1, 2017 Newsletter

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President's Corner



Can you believe that this 2015-17 administration has served their term and at our end of the year luncheon new leadership will begin two years of Council projects as well as continuing some of the great contributions the WACGC makes to this community.

Arbor Day, Hospice House, and many Continuing Projects, are wonderful donations the garden clubs collectively contribute to our community through the Council. "Many hands make light work" and that is true as our 12 garden club membership supports the WACGC.

My sincerest appreciation to the elected officers, standing committee chairmen, and clubs who have supported this 2015-17 administration. Thank you to all the club presidents who have received and responded to many emails throughout these two years!

Our history of this administration will be presented at the luncheon on May 25th. My sincerest appreciation goes to Betsy Edwards, historian, who will present this segment of the Council's (now history!). See you on May 25th.

With my very best regards and thanks, Glenda

Baldwin Garden 40th Anniversary – May 1, 2017

Join us at this morning at 10a.m. in the Baldwin Garden to celebrate this initiative 40 years ago by the WACGC. John McFarlane, Associate Director, Grounds and Gardens, College of William & Mary, will share the history of the site. We will celebrate this beautiful garden with a toast to the College of William & Mary's wonderful grounds staff who maintain this site and to the WACGC as one of our continuing projects. Please join us for this special occasion!

Ruth Maruca, Chairman, Continuing Projects

Clubs Scheduled for Hospice House Arrangements May through September

The following clubs are responsible for providing arrangements for the entrance table at Hospice House for the months of May, June, July, August and September. Please call WACGC Hospice Chair Dollie Marshall (229-2049) if you have any questions.

May	Holly Hills Garden Club
June	Kingsmill Garden Club
July	Kingspoint Garden Club
August	Toano Garden Club
September	Williamsburg Garden Club

WACGC May Board Meeting

Date: Friday, May 12, 2017

Time: 9:30 a.m. Coffee
10:00 a.m. Meeting

Place: Towne Bank, 5216 Monticello Avenue, New Town

WACGC May General Meeting and Installation of 2017 – 2019 Officers

Date: Thursday, May 25, 2017

Time: 10:30 a.m. registration, meeting 11:00 a.m., luncheon 12 noon, installation of officers 1:15 p.m.

Place: Colonial Heritage Clubhouse

Hosts: Toano Garden Club and Dogwood Garden Club of Queens Lake

WACGC End of Year Luncheon and Fund Raising! – May 25

This day will provide these opportunities for Council fundraising.

1. At the luncheon, you will be able to purchase opportunity tickets (3/\$5) for 2 dinner reservations to A Chef's Kitchen.
2. Each member club is asked to donate a themed basket - again opportunity tickets (3/\$5) will be available.
3. You will be able to shop at the Pots and Planters Flea Market on the Veranda. This fun event will be staged by Flo Tull of Colonial Heritage Garden Club. In addition, Forest Lane Botanicals will be selling a variety of plants, shrubs, ferns, trees, etc. with a percentage of sales to be returned to the Council.

Luncheon tickets are \$20 and a **reservation form is on the last page of this May Council newsletter**. A cash bar with wine and, of course SWEET TEA ("Simply Southern") will be available in the club's lobby from 10:30am – 1pm.

Cleaning out your garage or garden shed? Consider donating any pots and planters you no longer want. Please clean them and have one member of your club collect them and **bring them to the Colonial Heritage Clubhouse on the dates listed below**.

It's sure to be a great day – May 25, 2017! The Flower Show, Pots and Planters Flea Market, and the Garden Mart are open to **all club** members even those unable to attend the luncheon held in the Ballroom. We hope everyone will make a reservation and join your fellow garden club members for a delightful lunch in the newly decorated Colonial Heritage Ballroom.

It's truly going to be a smashing "**Simply Southern**" day!

Rose Marie Crocco, Council Ways and Means Chairman, 757-258-4629 or swamprmc@cox.net

May 25 Flower Show, Garden Mart and Pots Flea Market

The big day is approaching, and it's going to be a spectacular event. We will be collecting pots from Council members on three Thursdays in May. Bring them to the Colonial Heritage clubhouse on any of these **Thursdays – May 4, 11, 18 - 11:30 – 12:30pm**. We are looking for used ceramic pots, terra cotta pots, any garden items, window boxes, etc. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact me at any time.

Rose Marie Crocco, Council Ways and Means chairman, 757-258-4629

"Simply Southern...favorites", a standard flower show, will take place in the meeting rooms at the Colonial Heritage Clubhouse. The show will be in memory of Helene Gardner.

Entries for floral designs and horticulture will be: Wednesday, May 24, 9:30 – 11:30am

Judging will take place: Wednesday, May 24, 1:30 to 5:00pm

Show open for viewing: Thursday, May 25, 9:30am – 3:00pm

Entries to be removed from flower show rooms: not before 3pm but by 3:30pm.

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To enter a design in the show, please contact these consultants to fill the classes.

Betsy Edwards, 603-494-827 - one Novice Class and 3 other Classes (All Tri-color Designs)

Loy Holt, 757-564-0980 – Table Artistry Designs

Geneva Hunt, 757-565-1694 – Petite Designs

Request a copy of the schedule by emailing ggknowles@cox.net. Questions? Call Glenda Knowles 757-651-0401 or Betsy Edwards 603-494-8272

2017-18 Yearbook

Attention all outgoing-incoming Club Presidents... We will be preparing for the 2017-18 updated Council Yearbook. Please forward any new information or changes to your Club's officers, Arbor Day and Council representatives as well as members that should be reflected in the new Yearbook.

Forward all information to:

Rose Marie Crocco, incoming Vice President swamprmc@cox.net

There will be several reminders over the next few months so we can complete the updating by the end of summer.

Thanks for your help,
Rose Marie Crocco

Toano Garden Club Bake Sale May 13

On Saturday, May 13 from 9:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m., at Tractor Supply in Norge, Toano Garden Club will hold a bake sale. Come and buy some delicious goodies to enjoy on Mother's Day. Your support will be appreciated. Thank you.

Beverly Smith, Toano Garden Club President

Deer and Plants – Coexistence?

Deborah Green, Professor Emerita at the College of William and Mary will talk about the ethical issues of hunting, the public perception of deer management, and how deer affect plant communities, at the John Clayton Chapter, Virginia Native Plant Society meeting on May 18 at the Quarterpath Recreation Center, 202 Quarterpath Road. Dr. Green has conducted workshops and has written widely about deer management strategies. For information, contact Donna Ware, 757-565-0657. The meeting is free and open to the public.

Williamsburg Farmers Market in Merchants Square

The Williamsburg Farmers Market will be open every Saturday in May, 8a.m. - 12 noon. In this producer-only market you will find produce, fruit, fish, artisan cheeses, meats, pasta, cut flowers and handmade soaps. The market also includes live music, chef demonstrations and exhibits. The Master Gardeners will have an exhibits May 6 and May 20.

Dates To Remember

Mon., May 1, 10 a.m. 40th Anniversary of the Baldwin Garden in the Baldwin Garden
Wed. May 24, 9:30–11:30am Entries for the “*Simply Southern...favorites*” flower show. Bring design and horticulture entries to Colonial Heritage Clubhouse.
Thurs., May 25, 9:30am- 3pm WACGC Standard Flower Show open for viewing
Thurs., May 25 WACGC Luncheon/Installation of officers, Colonial Heritage Clubhouse: registration 10:30am; business meeting 11:00am; 12noon luncheon; 1:15pm Installation of officers – time to view flower show and shop in the Pots & Plants flea market

Deadline for the September 1, 2017 newsletter is TBD. Send information to TBD

Reservation form for WACGC May 25 Luncheon

May 25, 2017 WACGC Luncheon Reservation Form

Menu – Tuna, egg, chicken salad plate with fresh fruit, rolls; and dessert, coffee, tea - \$20pp

Reservation deadline – May 12, 2017

Send this form (to be received by May 12, 2017) and check payable to WACGC to:

Ellen Schiavone
3505 Hollingsworth
Williamsburg, VA 23188 (757) 804-815-8423

Name of Club _____

Do you want to reserve a table? Yes ___ No ___ Tables seat 8. One check from each club is preferred. Please list the names of those paid and attending the luncheon:

- 1. _____
- 2. _____
- 3. _____
- 4. _____
- 5. _____
- 6. _____
- 7. _____
- 8. _____

For additional members, print off another copy of this form