

# **Tuckahoe Garden Club**

## **Membership Meeting**

### **October 18, 2023**

In attendance: Kelly Armstrong, Jeanine Hinson, Chandler Klevana, Margaret Ivey, Stephanie Lansing, Christina McCoy, Melinda Smith, Cara Rogers, Anne Poarch, Karen Gilmore, Kay Pangraze, Betsy Mitchell, Mary Horton, Lisa Brennan, Suzanne Duncan, Scottie Slater, Leila Jones, Abbie Wharton, Ellen Buoyer, Molly Revere, Renee Montague, Caroline Marvel, Fran McDermott, Caroline Williams, Lauren Neal, Kathy Watson, Barrie Edlich, Maria Reed, Helen Pinckney, Susan Ewing, Liz Carden, Jennifer Sisk, Renee Gardner, Jennifer Wilkins, Dabney McCoy, Tricia Sauer, Lynn Jacob, Megan Matthews, Sue Thompson, Betty McLean, Jenny Evans, April Greenwood, Anastasia Seevers, Libby Robertson, Rita Ryan, Freddie Gray, Preston Lee, Kate Christner, RoseMarie Bundy, Betty Jenkins, Bonnie Cricchi, Julia Borden Rose, Shelly Wiltshire, Martha Moore, Charlotte Clarkson, Peyton Wells, Linda Hanson, Meredith Lauter, Meredith Arendale, Lisa Burlee, Elisabeth Mullins, Lena Scott, Mary Kathryn Woodward, Sue Taylor, Maria Reed, Penny Peebles

The October Membership Meeting was held at Historic Tuckahoe at 10:00 AM

#### **Welcome and Thanks- Kelly**

- Thanks to Sue Thompson for hosting, and for all her beautiful flower arrangements
- Thanks to hostesses Fran McDermott, Charlotte Clarkson, and Jennifer Wilkins and to Mary Horton for her beautiful arrangement on the dining room table

**Reflection- Ellen** (from Anastasia Seevers)

*The September Membership Meeting minutes were approved*

#### **President's Report and Announcements- Kelly**

- Thanks to everyone who volunteered at the Zone Meeting
- Congratulations to Martha Moore for winning the GCA Creative Leadership Zone Award, highest award given at a Zone Meeting
- Kudos to those Tuckahoe members who have added their photo to their GCA profile on the GCA website-all TGC members strongly encouraged to do so

## ***Standing Committee Reports***

### **Membership Report- Jennifer**

- 6 openings for new members- committee has received several great proposals
- Flower Hour- Libby
  - 25-30 young women signed up for Flower Hour- Christina McCoy and Melinda Smith will lead flower arranging workshop

### **Community Projects and Long-Range Plans- Freddie**

- Presented proposal for TGC to fund 5 5” caliper white oak trees to be planted in the Gold Star Oak Grove at Virginia War Memorial
- Each tree costs \$1500, for a total cost of \$7500 for TGC. Matching funds have been secured to cover cost of maintenance.
- These 5 trees part of our Centennial Project to plant “100 trees for TGC’s 100 years”
- Kudos to Kelly for the 100 tree idea!
- *Vote taken and proposal was approved by membership*
- Many thanks to RoseMarie Bundy for all her hard work on the proposal for the Virginia War Memorial for the GCV Common Wealth Award
- GCV Board of Governors voting on the Common Wealth Award this evening and Kelly to attend

### **Conservation- Fran and Linda**

- Pop-Up Conservation Night- November 14th at Ellen Buoyer’s house
- Fun and informational- RSVP to Fran or Linda

### **Greens Workshop and Holiday Sale- Lisa**

- Workshop on 12/5 at Chandler’s, sale on 12/6 at Chandler’s
- Will be sending email with link to order form- orders due 11/1
- Caroline Williams’ favorites will be available for pre-order
- Raffle tickets will be sold- great prizes including flower arrangement by Kelly, Lynn Brook meditation session, Basket & Bicycle trip, decorating session with Elisabeth Mullins
- Please bring new members to the workshop and holiday sale

***Introduction of Guest Speaker, Molly Adams, Lookout Mountain GC- Martha***

- “The ABC’s of Growing Dahlias”-power point presentation
- Dahlias by Christine Albrecht (book) is a great resource

**Brief Background on Historic Tuckahoe- Sue Thompson**

- Thomas Jefferson’s boyhood home
- Tad Thompson’s grandmother purchased Tuckahoe in 1935
- Historic landmark designation given in 1969
- Sue and Tad moved to Tuckahoe in 1977

***Optional Bulb Workshop Speaker- Brent Heath, Brent and Becky’s Bulbs, Gloucester VA***

- 1900- Brent’s grandfather started selling bulbs
- All bulbs are from Netherlands
- Brent and Becky’s open all year except January- best time to visit mid-March through April

**Exhibit Results**

**Artistic**

Class I

Blue: Jenny Evans

Red: Sue Thompson

Yellow: Martha Moore

White: Jennifer Sisk, Anastasia SeEVERS, Bonnie Cricchi, Lynn Jacob

Class II

Blue: Ellen Buoyer

Red: Meredith Lauter

Class III

Blue- RoseMarie Bundy

Red: Sue Thompson

Yellow: April Greenwood

## **Horticulture**

Class I

Blue: Liz Carden

Red: Anne Poarch

Class II

Blue: Betty Jenkins

Red: Karen Gilmore

Sub-Class I

Blue: Kelly Armstrong

Red: Bonnie Cricchi, Lisa Brennan, Martha Moore, April Greenwood

Sub Class II

Blue: Karen Gilmore

Red: April Greenwood

Sub Class III

Blue: Martha Moore

Red: Megan Matthews, Jeanine Hinson, Anastasia SeEVERS

## **Photography**

Class I

Blue: Dabney McCoy

Red: Kelly Armstrong

Class II

Blue: Dabney McCoy

Red: Jennifer Sisk

Yellow: Betty Jenkins

Class III

Blue: Anne Poarch

Red: Dabney McCoy

*An optional potted bulb workshop with Brent Heath followed the meeting*

Respectfully submitted,

Penny Peebles, Recording Secretary





