# Tuckahoe Garden Club of Westhampton May, 2019 Annual Membership Meeting

The Annual Membership Meeting of the Tuckahoe Garden Club of Westhampton was held on Wednesday, May 22 at 11 a.m. at Cynthia Ferrell's home. The President was in the chair and the Recording Secretary present. The minutes of the March membership meeting were approved.

#### Announcements

- Betty welcomed everyone to Cynthia Ferrell's lovely home and garden and thanked her for hosting. She also thanked the meetings' hostesses: Julia Borden Rose, Jeanine Hinson and Martha Moore, who couldn't be present but whose friends Kathy Watson and Patricia Hunter assisted in her stead. Betty also thanked Melinda Smith and Jeanine Hinson who organized the year's hostesses and locations.
- Sara Cann read the *Beatitudes of a Gardener* for the meeting's reflection.
- Betty said she had ribbons from the Daffodil Show and last fall's symposium for Susan Meyer, Lelia Jones, Dee Ferguson and April Greenwood.
- Betty's Lost and Found: a mug was left at the February meeting in Windsor Farms.
- Website pictures: Betty urged all members who haven't had their picture taken yet for the website to please locate Chandler Klevana or Tricia Sauer after the meeting.

#### Reports

- Endowment. Bonnie Cricchi reported for Peyton Wells. From Peyton:
  - After four months, we have raised \$2,450.00 of our \$6,000.00 goal, so we are almost half way to our goal, and still have 2/3rds of a year to go...We would like to thank the members that have already contributed to the Endowment Fund by making donations in honor or memory of other members in our Club, that have made a difference to them specifically and to the Club in general. These donations are extremely important, as they help us in supporting the mission of the Club, and allow us to honor good friends and fellow member volunteers. We encourage each of you here today to make a tax-deductibe donation to help us reach this goal; there is no gift too big or too small, and all gifts are the key to our success. Help us prepare for our future today. (All donations should be given directly to the Club Treasurer, Bonnie Cricchi)
- Historic Garden Week. Before the Co-Chairs' report, Betty recognized a few members for their contribution to HGW: Co-Chairs: Lisa Brennan, Anne Kempe and Conway VanderWolk,

our club's shift coordinators: Anne Poarch and Mary Kathryn Woodward, Marketing: Elizabeth McGill and Ellen Buoyer, Guidebook: Lynne Brooke and Kelly Armstrong, Treasurers: Lisa Burlee and Libby Robertson, and our generous homeowners, Betsy Fauntleroy and Sue Thompson.

Lisa Brennan gave the following re-cap of the tour: The tour was successful on many fronts:

- The gross revenue was \$93,00, with expenses coming in at \$14,000.
- The Thursday tour in Westhampton hosted 1500 visitors at a minimum
- Transportation on Thursday worked well despite the crowds due to the efforts of St. Catherine's Bill Stovall and his fleet of school buses, plus the ample and organized parking at CCV.
- Friday's tour in Goochland hosted 900 guests, with Tuckahoe Plantation alone receiving 450 visitors.
- Lisa complimented Sarah Van Der Hyde's (homeowner of Sabot Hill) contribution to the success of the day: organized parking, providing the ambiance for the lunch with a tent and musicians, bathroom facilities, a transportation plan, in addition to being a tour sponsor.
- Hostess Assignments. Melinda Smith said that hostess assignments will use Signup Genius (signupgenius.com) so that members who are set to hostess this coming year may sign-up for the month that suits their schedule best on a first-come, first-served basis. She and Jeanine Hinson are still looking for members' homes to meet in for September and May.
- Green Book. Mollie Reinhart said updates to the Green Book are due by June 10.
- Delegate reports from GCV Annual Meeting and GCA Annual Meeting. Betty thanked
  Patricia Hunter who accompanied her to Portsmouth for the GCV meeting, and RoseMarie
  Bundy who attended the GCA meeting with her in Boston. Both Patricia and RoseMarie gave
  glowing reports (attached) of their experiences at the meetings.
  - Betty's report from the GCV meeting: At the GCV Annual meeting, we learned of the discovery of a marble plaque in the 12<sup>th</sup> Church of St. Martin in Ver-sur-Mer, in the Normandy area of France, dedicated to the memory of the husbands and sons of GCV members who died in the WWII. This past week the GCV Board approved a gift of \$20,000 to the British Normandy Memorial that is being built in Ver-sur-Mer to honor the 22,000 men who died during the Normandy invasion. The names of these men will be inscribed in this memorial. It is hoped this memorial will be unveiled on the 75<sup>th</sup> anniversary of D-Day, this June 6, 2019. The names of the sons and sons-in-law of Tuckahoe Garden Club members who were honored in the plaque at the church and whose names will be inscribed in the Memorial are:

Mason Miller Williams, brother-in-law of Mrs. Carrington Williams and uncle of Susan Williams Jones and Dabney Williams McCoy

# Robert Lancaster Guy, son of Mrs. John Guy and brother-in-law of Mrs. Briscoe Guy (Peggy Guy)

Let us give thanks for these brave men of our fellow Tuckahoe Garden Club members who made the ultimate sacrifice for the freedom we cherish, for the land we love and for the privilege we all have of being American citizens. God bless these men, their families and the United States of America.

- Betty's report from the GCA meeting.
  - The dates for the Shirley Meneice Conference in Denver: September 11-13,
     2019; Betty encouraged attendance.
  - Betty encouraged us to go to the GCA website and check your profile, adding your photo to your profile if needed.
  - Betty announced the 2019 Freeman Award made at the GCA Annual Meeting in Boston. Since 1995, this award recognizes a native plant species deemed worthy of honoring, preserved and planted. This year's winner is Aristolochia macrophylla, also known as Istrema macrophyllum, commonly known as Dutchman's Pipe. Its winning characteristics are:
    - o Deciduous, producing yellow blooms in May and June
    - Can be used to create a lush living wall, a sheltering roof, a thick ground cover or an attractive privacy fence
    - o Is a host plant for the Swallowtail butterfly
    - Thrives in Zone 4-8 in sun to part shade, in average soil and is deer resistant.
- Partners For Plants Chapel Island Work Day. Freddie Gray reminded us that our next work day to fulfill our commitment to the GCA P4P is Friday, May 31 from 9 to 11am.
- GCV Centennial Plans. Betty reported for Cabell West who could not be present. Betty showed two Centennial mementoes for purchase: a scarf designed by our own Peter Blair, and a thermal cup. Other gifts are in the works: men's ties and a charm. Those plus more will be offered for sale on the GCV website soon. Betty also has more complimentary Centennial car magnets on hand. Betty highlighted three events planned to commemorate GCV's 100<sup>th</sup> birthday, all of which are detailed in attached flyer that was distributed at the meeting.
  - 61<sup>st</sup> Annual Conservation Forum: Canopy of Conservation at Natural Bridge,
     September 24 and 25, 2019. Registration now open on the GCV website. Attached is
     List of Classes and Awards for Horticulture Show.
  - Richmond's 4-Club Celebration at the Low Line, October 22, 23 or 24, 2019 (date to be determined). Celebrated with a tree planting, birthday cake, with GCV President Jean Gilpin and a speaker to inform us of Lincoln's landing at the Low Line site.
  - o Founders Day celebrations in Richmond May 12-14, 2020:
    - Monday, May 12. Evening reception at the Kent-Valentine House for GCV members and guests.

- Tuesday, May 13.
  - Speaker Thomas Woltz, FASLA, owner of Nelson Byrd Woltz Landscape Architects in Charlottesville, VA will speak at the Virginia Museum of History and Culture.
  - Luncheon at VMFA.
  - Visits to local restoration sites.
  - Evening Gala and Grand Opening of "A Landscape Saved: The Garden Club of Virginia at 100 at the Virginia Museum of History and Culture. GCV members and guests invited.
- Wednesday, May 14. Speaker Paula Pryke, OBE (Order of the British Empire), a world-renowned British floral designer. She will give her talk and demonstration at the Virginia Museum of History and Culture.
- GCV Centennial Due Dates:
  - GCV Centennial Humorous Memories Project. Deadline for submission of humorous GCV stories has been extended to June 1, 2019. Please share your wonderful stories with Macon Willingham.
  - Time Capsule. Items may be dropped off at the KV House any time.
- GCV Lilies in Bloom Lily Show, June 18 at St. Mary's Episcopal Church in Goochland. Betty circulated a sign-up sheet requesting lilies to help Meredith Lauter and RoseMarie Bundy with their lily arrangement. Meredith also asked for greenery and foundation material. Betty mentioned that although Margot Shaw, Founder and Editor-in-Chief of FLOWER magazine will be speaking the night before the show at the KV House, she discouraged us from attending because Margot will be our guest speaker at the January 2020 membership meeting.
- Daffodil Bulb order. Betty circulated an order form for daffodil bulbs. Payment is due when the orders are delivered in the fall.
- GCA 2020 Meeting. Kathy Watson, Sara Cann and Betty modeled the four scarf designs which are fundraisers for GCA. They encouraged all who are volunteering to order one.
- Newport, Rhode Island trip. Kathy Watson distributed updated an updated itinerary (attached) for the trip.
- Membership. Janie Pinney, Membership Co-Chair.
  - o Announced new Daffodil Circle Members: Preston Lee and Betty Jenkins.
  - Presentation of new Honorary Members: Hylah Boyd presented the tribute for new honorary member Charlotte Frischkorn. Freddie Gray gave the tribute written by Martha Moore for new honorary member Douglas Martin.
  - o Janie thanked the 6 new active members this year for their hard work.

- Janie and Betty reminded the membership that we have 7 slots for new active members and to be working on the proposal process this summer.
- o A change in the by-laws was approved; see New Business.
- President's Recognition of Members. Betty recognized a few members who "bent over backwards to do their job and do it masterfully."
  - o Jill Mountcastle for her cheerful and expert work on the newsletter
  - Missy Ryan and Rita Ryan for their hard work on the GCA Horticulture shows
  - Betsy Mitchell and her team of Kent Valentine House flower arrangers: Liz Carden,
     Meredith Lauter and Christina McCoy
  - April Greenwood and Julia Borden Rose for their enthusiasm and willingness to help with anything, "a president's dream."
  - Tricia Sauer and Ellen Buoyer for their award-winning Photography entries into the GCA Zone 7 annual meeting and the GCV Daffodil show.

#### **New Business**

 Budget Approval. Treasurer Bonnie Cricchi presented the Treasurer's Report (attached) and discussed our financial results for this year as well as the proposed budget for our next fiscal year.

Bonnie said the proposed budget for 2019/20 (attached) shows a small deficit of \$951, which can be covered by our profits carried forward from previous years. Additionally we need to increase our reserve for the GCA 2020 meeting by \$3000. This will be accomplished by using the balance of our prior profits and calendar 2018 fundraising profits (less charitable gifts to be made). Overall Bonnie maintains that the club is on solid financial ground and will be able to fund our needed expenditures.

The proposed budget was voted on and approved by the membership.

- Membership. The membership approved the proposed changes in By-Laws as presented in the previous membership meeting. See attached changes.
- TGC Exhibit Awards
  - Artistic Awards presented by Frannie Philips and Rose Marie Bundy
    - Class I
      - Blue ribbon Kathy Watson
      - Red ribbon Susie Benson
      - Yellow ribbon Liza Cabell
      - White ribbon Ellen Buoyer, Patricia Hunter, Betsy Fauntleroy
      - Not judged Betsy Fauntleroy
    - Classs II
      - Blue- Betty Jenkins

- Red-Lena Scott
- White- Dee Ferguson
- White- Peyton Wells
- Horticulture Awards presented by Cynthia Ferrell, Julia Borden Rose and Barrie Edlich
  - Class A Frilly Fern
    - o Blue ribbon Dee Ferguson
    - o Red ribbon Rose Marie Bundy
    - Yellow ribbon- Tricia Sauer
  - Class B Happy Hosta
    - Blue ribbon RoseMarie Bundy
    - Yellow ribbon Hylah Boyd
  - Class C Pretty Peonies
    - o Yellow ribbon Bonnie Cricchi
  - Class D Illuminous Iris
    - o Blue ribbon Dee Ferguson
- GCA Awards presented by Jennifer Sisk
  - Club Communication Award Lisa Burlee
  - o Club Garden History and Design Award Freddie Gray and Abbie Wharton
  - Club Appreciation Award Sue Thompson
  - Judge Emeritus Brantley Knowles
- TGC Club Awards
  - o Martha Whitehead Michaux Bowl Jill Mountcastle
  - Marion Boatwright Dudley Bowl RoseMarie Bundy
  - o Elizabeth Wingo Knowles Bowl Dee Ferguson
  - o Janet Patton Lewis Bowl Jill Mountcastle
  - o Preston Purcell Horticulture Bowl Jill Mountcastle
  - Ann Arey Mason Bowl Helen Pinkney
  - o President's Award Martha Moore, Kathy Watson and Peyton Wells
  - Charlotte Taylor Massie Membership Award Mollie Reinhart

The meeting adjourned at 12:30 for lunch.

#### **Attachments**

2019 GCV Horticulture Show List of Classes and Awards

Newport, Rhode Island updated itinerary
Treasurer's Report
By-laws Approved Changes
GCV Centennial Flyer
Report from GCV Annual Meeting from Patricia Hunter
Report from GCA Annual Meeting from RoseMarie Bundy

Respectfully submitted, Ellen Buoyer Recording Secretary June 4, 2019, 2019

### 2019 GCV Horticulture Show

Natural Bridge State Park September 24, 2019

### List of Classes i

# A Virginia Native Plant Horticulture Show

Knowing, Growing and Showing Virginia Native Plants

## The Pollenizer Plants - the food source for pollinators.

One single stem in bloom to be exhibited in green, glass bottle supplied by exhibitor.

- 1. Achillea millefolium (yarrow)
- 2. Anemone (windflower)
- 3. Aster
- 4. Coreopsis
- 5. Echinacea (coneflower)
- 6. Helianthus (sunflower)
- 7. Monarda (bee balm)
- 8. Phlox
- 9. Rudbeckia
- 10. Salvia
- 11. Sedum
- 12. Solidago (goldenrod)
- 13. Other Native Pollenizers

### The Forest Floor - Ferns and Fern Allies

One single stem to be exhibited in a green glass bottle supplied by exhibitor.

- 14. Adiantim pedatum (maidenhair fern)
- 15. Athyrium asplenioides (southern lady fern)
- 16. Dennstaedtia punctilobula (hay-scented fern)
- 17. Onoclea sensibilis (sensitive fern)
- 18. Osmunda cinnamomen (cinnamon fern)
- 19. Osmunda regalus (royal fern)
- 20. Polystichum acrostihaoidus (Christmas fern)
- 21. Other Native Ferns and Fern Allies

Evergreens:

Picnic in the Park

# The Canopy of Conservation

One single branch to be exhibited in a green, glass bottle supplied by the exhibitor.

### Evergreens:

- 22. Pinus strobus (eastern white pine)
- 23. Pinus taeda (loblolly pine)
- 24. Pinus virginiana (Virginia pine)
- 25. Tsuga canadensis (eastern hemlock)
- 26. Juniperus virginiana (eastern redcedar)

#### **Deciduous:**

- 27. Juglans nigra (black walnut)
- 28. Carya cordiformis (bitternut or swamp hickory)
- 29. Carya ovata (shagbark hickory)
- 30. Carya alba (mockernut or white hickory)
- 31. Carpinus caroliniana (American hornbeam)
- 32. Quercus alba (white oak)
- 33. Magnolia virginiana (sweetbay)
- 34. Liriodendron tulipifera (tulip tree or tulip-poplar)
- 35. Asimina triloba (pawpaw)
- 36. Sassafras albidum (sassafras)
- 37. Platanus occidentalis (sycamore)
- 38. Cercis canadensis (eastern redbud)

# Picnic in the Park

Food item that includes an ingredient from your garden. Ingredient may be fresh, prepared, cooked or preserved. Exhibitor to provide a taste test for three judges. Exhibit to include plant material, and/or fruit or vegetable used as culinary ingredient and recipe printed or handwritten on 4" x 6" index card. To be exhibited on a cut log approximately 12" in diameter provided by the committee and available at the show. Accessories are permitted. Exhibits will be judged from all sides and can be arranged on the showroom floor and will be passed in place.

The Forest Floor - Ferns and Fern Allies

Each class limited to four entries. Pre-register by emailing kimcory@mac.com.

- 39. Sweet
- 40. Savory
- 41. Spicy

#### To be judged

Culinary appeal	50%
Artistic composition of exhibit	25%
Horticulture merit of plant material	25%

### 2019 GCV Horticulture Show

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# Awards

### Centennial Cup

to be awarded to the best horticulture exhibit in the show from amongst the blue ribbon winners.

#### **Novice Award**

to be awarded to the best horticulture exhibit in the show from amongst the novice entries. A novice is an exhibitor who has not won a blue ribbon at any GCV show in the horticulture division.

### **Propagation Award**

to be awarded to the best horticulture exhibit in the show that was propagated by the exhibitor. The entry must have been awarded a first, second or third place ribbon. A detailed explanation of the propagation method should accompany the entry.

### Sweepstakes Award

to be awarded to the club with the highest number of points earned. Points are awarded as follows:

Special award	10 points
First place	4 points
Second place	3 points
Third place	
Honorable mention	1 point
Commendation	1 point

### Natural Bridge Award

to be awarded to the club with the most entries amongst all of the horticulture classes.

# Judges Commendation

may be awarded to an entry or a class, section or other aspect of the show that is of exceptional merit.

entry, if time permits. If not corrected, the entry cannot be judged and may be marked "For Exhibit

### 2019 GCV Horticulture Show

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## Guidelines

- 1. Entries are open to all GCV members and the public. Advanced registration is NOT required except for classes 39-41. To register for classes 39-41 please email kimcory@mac.com.
- 2. Entries must have been owned and grown by the exhibitor for a minimum of three months. Ownership deadline is June 25, 2019.
- 3. Grooming each entry is encouraged. Helpful grooming and showing tips may be found on the GCV website. The presence of any foreign substance applied to the foliage, stem or bloom will result in the entry not being passed nor entered in the show.
- 4. An exhibitor may enter as many classes as she likes and is allowed up to three entries in the same class provided that each is a different cultivar, except as noted in the schedule. An exhibit may not be entered in an "other" class if there is a class that calls for that genus specifically.
- 5. Exhibitors are to use their own containers except as otherwise noted in the schedule. Containers are to be plain, green glass bottles without labels, metal rings, handles or conspicuous markings. A very limited number of bottles will be available at the show. Containers should be of a size complimentary to the specimen.
- 6. Exhibitors are to provide wedging material of their choice as needed, except boxwood or plastic wrap. Boxwood is NOT allowed. Plastic wrap is NOT allowed. Suitable wedging material may include plant material such as yew, privet, moss or twigs or cotton balls or celery.
- 7. Mats, stands and accessories are not allowed. Unobtrusive staking is permitted. Weights or pebbles may be used in the bottles.
- 8. GCV entry cards will be provided at the show or may be found online. Exhibitors are responsible for the proper labeling of exhibits. The use of binomial nomenclature is encouraged. Entry cards and key cards if necessary should be filled out using black, waterproof ink or typed.
- 9. Members of the Horticulture Committee will be available in the work room to provide assistance in plant identification and nomenclature.
- 10. Each exhibit will be passed by the passing committee. The passing committee reserves the right to refuse any entry that does not conform to the schedule. The exhibitor has the option of correcting the entry, if time permits. If not corrected, the entry cannot be judged and may be marked "For Exhibit Only." The judges will not judge any entry passed by the passing committee if evidence of insect infestation or disease is identified. Once an exhibit is passed, it will be placed on the exhibit floor by the committee and may not be touched again by the exhibitor.

- 11. The registration committee will give each exhibit an entry number that will be recorded on the entry card. The entry number will also be placed on the bottom of the exhibit to help ensure that an entry card separated from the exhibit during placement can be returned to the proper entry before judging.
- 12. An exhibitor may mark the back of the exhibit with a white chalk mark or a white dot if they would like to indicate the back of the exhibit and how to place the exhibit.
- 13. A key card (diagram or plant list) must accompany the exhibit when different species or cultivars are in 4" x 6", white, unlined card and typed or written in black, waterone exhibit. Key cards must be a proof, ballpoint pen. Alternatively a 4" x 6" photograph may be used with identifying numbers that correspond to a plant list.
- 14. An exhibit will be measured using the "lip to tip" rule: from the lip of the container to the tip of the stem. No exhibit should exceed 32" from lip to tip. Exhibits in containers are measured at the diameter or diagonal of the inside rim.
- 15. The committee may at its discretion place an exhibit in a different class or subdivide classes.
- 16. Only participating judges and clerks will be allowed on the show floor during judging.

Plants on the Virginia Department of Conservation and Recreation list of Invasive Plants http://www.dcr.virginia.gov/natural-heritage/document/nh-invasive-plantlist-2014.pdf and on the list of Rare Plants - http://www.dcr.virginia.gov/natural-heritage/document/plantlist17.pdf - may not be exhibited.

- 17. Dried plant material and artificial plant material are not permitted.
- 18. Plant material showing evidence of insects or disease must be removed immediately from the exhibition area.
- 19. Exhibits, entry cards, ribbons and awards may be removed from the show by the exhibitor between 6 pm and 6:30 pm on Tuesday, September 24th. After that time, the show committee will dispose of any remaining exhibits. Every effort will be made to return entry cards and any ribbons or awards received to the exhibitor.

Virginia Native Plant Society https://vnps.org

Virginia Department of Conservation and Recreation

http://www.dcr.virginia.gov/natural-heritage/nativeplants

Itinerary Newport Garden Club Trip June 19-22, 2019

Wednesday

Depart Richmond on Jet Blue direct to Boston 8:20 am arrive 10:00 am

Transport by Viking Bus to Newport

Arrival at The Viking Hotel drop bags

Lunch 12:15 Tea House Lunch Welcome to Newport historical lecture

1:15-3:15 Afternoon tours of The Elms and The Breakers

3:30 depart and check into hotel

4:45 trolley ride to Schooner Adirandack, II, sailing tour of harbor

6:30 Cocktails and Terrace at The Breakers

Group Photo before dinner

7:15 Dinner on the Terrace

9:00 pm transport back to The Viking

#### Thursday

7:30 "early bird" walk on The Cliff Walk

8:30 depart the Viking to go to Little Compton

9:15 Sakonnet Garden home of John Gwynne and Mikel Folcarelli

10:15 to 10:30 quick stop at Peckham's Garden Shop 200 West Main Road, Little Compton Rhode Island

11:00 Fore and Aft Garden home of Libby Moore

12:00 board bus and have lunch en route back to Newport

1:00 Tour of The Blue Garden one of Frederick Law Olmstead's notable creations, renewed by Dorrance "Dodo" Hamilton

2:30 visit to Parterre, garden of Bettie Pardee book signing Private Newport

4:00 stop at Berkely House Alice Ross Garden

4:45 return to Hotel

6:00 Departure for Castle Hill for cocktails and dinner group photo

#### Friday

8:30 optional walk on the Cliff Walk

9:20 board trolley for Flower show early admittance

10:00 am guided tour of Newport Flower Show with Libby Moore

11:00 Sue Thompson, Patsy Smith tour of horticulture optional optional shopping at Flower Show

12:00 trolley transport to Hillside, home of Newport GC President Susan Ruf lunch outside at Susan's

1:45 depart for Ron Fleming garden

2:00 tour of Bellevue Ron Fleming's garden

2:45 depart for tour of Green Animals Garden

3:15 arrive at Green Animals

4:15 depart for Hotel

5:00 return to Hotel

6:00 depart for Newport Flower Show Preview Party at Rosecliff 7:45 depart for dinner at The Clark Cook House Summer Porch (8:15 reservation) 10:00 return to The Viking Hotel

Saturday 8:00 early morning walk along waterfront, check out 9:00 departure for Boston airport



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By-Laws Article V - Election of Membership.

### **Duties of Membership Committee:**

Paragraph 3: They shall keep a list of "Proposers" from year to year, to monitor proposals of new members, according to Article V, Section 1.

# Section 1. Proposal of New Members.

Candidates for Active membership who have not been previous members of any class of membership must be proposed by an Active member ("Proposer") with the endorsement of two other Active members ("Endorsers"). An active member is eligible to propose a candidate for membership provided she has not done so during the previous Club year. A Club year is defined as June 1st through May 31st. An active member may endorse one candidate for membership annually. No member of the Executive Committee or a member of a candidate's immediate family (mother, mother-inlaw, sister, sister-in-law, aunt) may sign as proposer or endorser for such candidate. The proposal shall be made by membership to the Membership Chairman who will present it to the Board for approval. Upon such approval, it shall be sent to the membership, preceding the November meeting. There shall be a maximum of 6 new active members voted into membership in any year.

A special election may be called by the President with the Executive Board's approval in the event that vacancies occur after the November election.

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ALL members of the Tuckahoe Garden Club save these dates for GCV's Centennial Celebrations:

**September 24-25, 2019** - Join us at Natural Bridge for "Horticulture, Hiking and the 61<sup>st</sup> Annual Conservation Forum: Canopy of Conservation." Register is open **now** on the GCV website.

October 22, 23 or 24, 2019 - Celebrate GCV's 100<sup>th</sup> Birthday at the Low Line. There will be a tree planting, birthday cake, meet GCV's President- Jean Gilpin and a speaker to inform us of Lincoln's landing at the Low Line. Date to be determined.

May 12-14, 2020 - Founders Day celebrations to be held in Richmond:

Monday, May 12, 2020

Evening reception at the Kent-Valentine House for GCV members and guests.

Tuesday, May 13, 2020

Speaker Thomas Woltz, FASLA, is the owner of Nelson Byrd Woltz Landscape Architects in Charlottesville, VA. Mr. Woltz is currently working on these projects: Hudson Yards (NYC), Memorial Park (Houston), Aga Khan Garden (Alberta, Canada), and Cornwall Park (Auckland, New Zealand). He will speak at the Virginia Museum of History and Culture.

Luncheon at VMFA.

Visits to local restoration sites.

Evening Gala and Grand Opening of "A Landscape Saved: The Garden Club of Virginia at 100" at the Virginia Museum of History and Culture. GCV members and guest are invited.

Wednesday, May 14, 2020

Speaker Paula Pryke, O.B.E. (Order of the British Empire) is a world renowned British floral designer. She will give her talk and demonstration at the Virginia Museum of History and Culture.

#### Centennial Due Dates:

- 1) GCV Centennial Humorous Memories Project The deadline for the submission of humorous GCV stories has been extended to June 1, 2019, Please share your wonderful stories with Macon Willingham.
- 2) Time Capsule Items may be dropped off at the KV House any time.
- 3) Centennial magnets are being spotted around the state! Please remember to put one on your car!

### **Standing Rules and Procedures**

### Section 2, Procedures Related to By-Laws

#### Article V

### Section 11. Voting for New Active Members

All voting shall be by **electronic** ballot. New Active members may be elected once a year at the November meeting and also when the President calls a special election, according to Article V, Section 1. Those receiving the most votes will be elected. In the event of a tie, a separate electronic ballot will be sent to members for a run-off vote. Miscast ballots will not be counted.

### Section 13. Ballots

Ballots shall be **sent electronically to active members** ten days before the November meeting. The Membership Committee shall **include with** the ballot **instructions for** voting **online**. **All votes must be electronically cast by midnight the day prior to the November membership meeting**.

Betty and I had the pleasure of attending the GCV annual meeting in Portsmouth, Virginia, May 7<sup>th</sup> thru the 9<sup>th</sup>. I was amazed at what a charming, interesting and busy place Portsmouth is. It has enjoyed a period of positive growth recently. It is full of history, interesting shops, and an clean revitalized waterfront. We were treated to a city tour, a port tour, dinner aboard a paddlewheel boat, great food, entertaining speakers, fun garden club ladies with loads of talent and shopping! (Please check the GCV website for exciting CENTENNIAL merchandise including Tervis tumblers, ties and the beautiful GCV scarf).

Of course much information was shared about GCV's centennial celebration, the daffodil show (our own Tricia Sauer won the Novice photography award and her photo is being used by the Daffodil Society in their journal) In the show 1419 individual flowers were entered and 489 ribbons were given. The upcoming lily show is at St. Mary's Episcopal Church on June 17, 2019. Please take the time to visit the GCV website which has a wealth of information about projects and upcoming events. It was also announced that the winner of the Bessie Bocock Carter Conservation Award was the Winchester Garden Club for their Abrams Creek Wetlands Preserve and Judy Perry won the Delacy Gray Conservation Medal.

### One member shared ten reasons to LOVE GCV:

- 10. Kent Valentine
- 9. Conservation education.
- 8. GCV awards
- 7. Research fellowships.
- 6. Horticulture education
- 5. Historic Garden Week
- 4. Restorations
- 3. Community Beautification
- 2. Virginia State Parks
- 1. Friendships!

Betty and I and members of other Richmond clubs had a great time. If you are asked, say "yes" to attending one of these meetings.

Report for Garden Club of America

Boston, May 17-19

I was very fortunate to attend the 106<sup>th</sup> annual GCA meeting in Boston with Betty this past weekend. As a first time attendee to the meeting, I was completely overwhelmed and overjoyed to learn of all of the important work that the GCA is doing.

There were 600 attendees and 400 volunteers. This incredible group of women (and a few men) are accomplished, powerful, passionate and so friendly. No one took themselves too seriously and all were anxious to share their Garden Club stories and all of the commonalities which we share.

Meeting highlights and things we learned include:

- 1. How useful and what a great resource the GCA website is. There are amazing tips, trips and "how to's" on everything you need for Garden Club. Opportunities abound for learning and travel and there will be an on line shopping "Market Place" opening in June.
- 2. The Abrams Creek Wetlands Preserve won the Founders' Award. You may recall that this project to stop invading trees from extinguishing many rare and endangered plants also won the GCV Commonwealth Award and received the most votes from our Club.
- 3. Keynote speakers David Rockefeller, a philanthropist and Douglas Brinkley, a noted writer, historian and educator gave incredible addresses.
- 4. There were ten amazing Medalists with careers in medical research utilizing plant based medicines; conservationist Carl Fowler, father of the Global Seed Vault; and others including internationally renowned oceanographers, landscape designers and floral designers.
- 5. A wonderful flower and horticulture show.
- 6. Many Garden tours in Boston and surrounding New England towns.
- 7. Last, but certainly not least, was the large contingent of our Zone 7 delegates who swayed through the audience waving state banners and branches of dogwoods at the close of the Business Meeting. We were singing to the sound of "Ain't No Mountain High Enough" with a background video produced by our amazing Peyton Wells showcasing the 2020 GCA Meeting in Asheville.

The power of the united voice of GCA was highly evident.

As they say in Boston, we ate some "lobsta" and had a "wicked" good time!

Respectfully submitted by:

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Delegate