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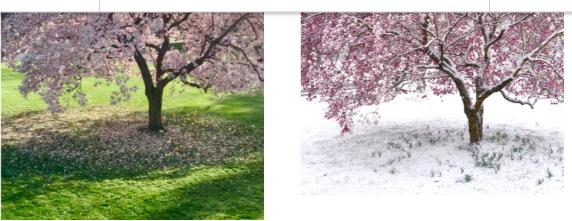
"Plant a Garden" by Edgar Albert Guest

If your purse no longer bulges and you've lost your golden treasure, If at times you think you're lonely and have hungry grown for pleasure, Don't sit by your hearth and grumble, don't let mind and spirit harden, If it's thrills of joy you wish for get to work and plant a garden!

If it's drama that you sigh for, plant a garden and you'll get it. You will know the thrill of battle fighting foes that will beset it. If you long for entertainment and for pageantry most glowing, plant a garden and this summer spend your time with green things growing.

Fresh Cuts From Jennifer

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Dear Ladies of Tuckahoe,

Well, what a difference a day makes!... As I looked out my front window that day in March and watched the majestic transformation of my tulip magnolia tree, with the naturalizing daffodils underneath, change to a snow-covered beauty with pinks and yellows peeking through I was reminded of Mother Nature's will and her ways, over which I have no control! I felt invited to enjoy this incredible surprise and not fret over what I knew would unfold – the wilting of pink blossoms, the massive and premature drop of brown petals and a 'middle time' of waiting for something new, something fresh and green to emerge. And the waiting has paid off for as I sit and write this morning that spring green has come to great me in a remarkable way.

May we all continue to remember that Mother Nature does not disappoint and that patience is a great lesson that she may teach us all if we are ready to learn.

In gardening and in the blessed arrival of springtime... Jennifer

Membership Highlights

March Meeting Highlights

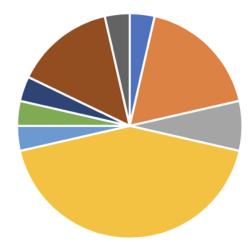
What a treat it was to be back together at the Kent-Valentine House for our March meeting! "The Future Show" brought to us by Jill and Ellen was such a hit – informative, competitive and FUN. And for each of you who shared your creativity through the fabulous offering of exhibits, thank you!

Enjoy highlights from this great morning.

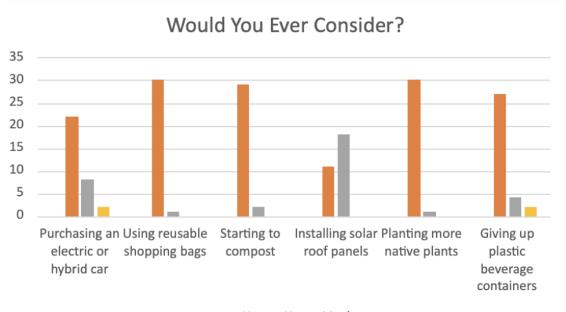


Conservation Survey Results

your conservation lifestyle?



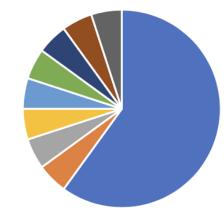
- Reducing the size of my lawn
- Reducing use of traditional mulch
- Driving an electric or hybrid vehicle
- Using alternatives to disposable paper and plastic products
- Using fewer bio-fuel crops
- Reducing water waste
- Using organic mechanics in floral arrangements
- Begin composting
- Adhereing to better recycling standards



■ Yes ■ No ■ Maybe

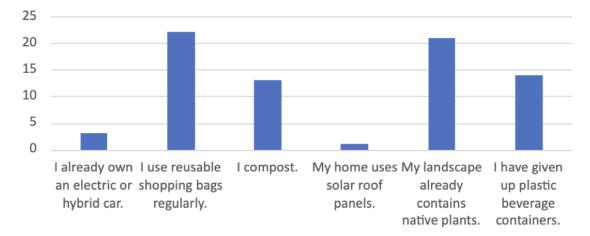
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- Chesapeake Bay water health
- Becoming a Bee City
- Combatting Litter
- Promoting breast feeding (formula production is carbon-intensive)
- Increasing the availability of public recycling bins
- Reducing the laws that protect the environment
- Banning plastic grocery bags
- Increasing reliance on domestic oil
- Banning gas lawn blowers

What conservation practice(s) have you already adopted?



HAND PICKED THIS MONTH

IMPORTANT DATES

MARK YOUR CALENDARS

Monday, April 4th

<u>Wednesday, April 13</u> 9:00 am - 3:00pm TGC Spring Sale

<u>April 23rd-30th</u> Historic Garden Week (HGW)

<u>May 4th</u> 6:00pm TGC Cocktail Party Home of Jennifer Sisk

<u>May 9th</u> 9:00am Board Meeting Home of Jennifer Sisk

<u>May 18th*</u> 11:00 TGC Annual Meeting Home of Chandler Klevana *May 19th Rain Date

Floral workshop at Westminster Canterbury

Meredith and Peyton took their 'show on the road' this month and shared their design gifts with a group at Westminster Canterbury. They demonstrated how alternate non-floral foam mechanics can work with the containers they use to create their lovely arrangements at. They the donated several extra containers as well as the mechanics - grapevine balls of various sizes, grapevine wreath to place on top of a bowl or compote to hold stems, Holly Chapple pillows, etc.with the group to encourage more floral design. Thank you Peyton and Meredith!







New Member floral workshop at Kate Christner's

Kate Christner stepped up and invited all of our newest members to her home for a fun, educational and beautiful morning of hort and floral design learning, graciously lead by two







GCV Daffodil Day



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extraordinary thanks to our very own Meredith Lauter who worked so tirelessly and creatively behind the scenes in writing the schedule, organizing volunteers planning and inspiring so many to participate.

Daffodil Day 2022 Fun Statistics:

- 156 volunteers in Artistic Design
- Novice Exhibitors: 19
- Mentors helping Novices: 8
- Partners working together: 32 in Individual/Partner Division

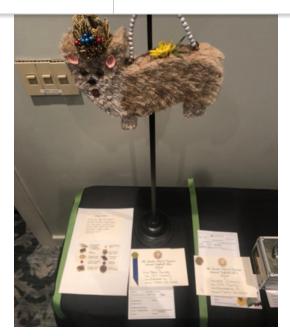
From the Tuckahoe Garden Club of Westhampton, tremendous thanks to:

- RoseMarie Bundy, Renee Gardner, and Penny Peebles for their stunning foyer arch design welcoming visitors to the flower show
- Peyton Wells for her loan of the arch, for mentoring three TGC novice arrangers all of whom won a ribbon - and for judging Botanical Arts
- New members Stephanie Lansing, Kate Christner, and Cara Rogers, who courageously entered for the very first time
- RoseMarie Bundy, Renee Gardner and others for arranging recycled floral materials into posy bouquets for guests and
- Julia Borden Rose for delivering posies to our Westminster Canterbury friends
- Jennifer Sisk, Kelly Armstrong, Patricia Hunter and other TGC members who attended the Woodland Workshop and flower show and supported in numerous ways.

TGC Daffodil Day Awards:

Of the five major silver trophy awards given at Daffodil Day, RoseMarie Bundy of Tuckahoe GC earned the Sandra Sadler Baylor Award for the Most Creativity!!!! Congratulations to RoseMarie and to all who exhibited.

RoseMarie Bundy: Blue Ribbon and Sandra Sadler Baylor Award for Most Creativity, Class 9 "SOS Signals" Botanical Arts Embellished Purse Renee Gardner: Yellow Ribbon, Class 9 "SOS Signals," Botanical Arts Embellished Purse Stephanie Lansing: Red Ribbon, Class 8, "Lady Sybil" Interpretive Kate Christner: Yellow Ribbon, Class 8, "Lady Sybil" Interpretive Cara Rogers: White Ribbon, Class 8, "Lady Sybil" Interpretive





RoseMarie Bundy

Renee Gardner



Stephanie Lansing



Kate Christner and Peyton Wells



Cara Rogers





Woodland Design Workshop



Spring Sale

MEMBERS AND FRIENDS OF TUCKAHOE GARDEN CLUB: PLEASE COME CELEBRATE SPRING AND TAKE HOME SOMETHING BEAUTIFUL FOR YOU, YOUR GARDEN, AND YOUR HOME FROM OUR FABULOUS SPRING SALE! VENDORS, RAFFLE, AND MANY, MANY GORGEOUS PLANTS!

> WHEN: April 13, 2022, 9 AM – 3 PM WHERE: 3904 Exeter Road, Richmond, VA 23221

https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10c0e4fafae2faafec34-spring

Upcoming Program and Calendar Events

May Program

May 18th (Rain date May 19th) - Annual Meeting and Luncheon

Hostesses: *Lisa Brennan, Linda Hanson, Anne Poarch, Liz Carden, Jennifer Wilkins, Jessica King Place: Home of Chandler Klevana, Eight West Glenbrooke Circle Time: 11:00 a.m.

Artistic Exhibits:

Class I: Celebrate the beginning of summer. Create an arrangement for your Memorial Day cookout. May include patriotic elements such as miniature flags, stars, streamers, etc. Container must be red, white or blue.

Class II: Create a floral arrangement using peonies of any color. May include greenery.

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Class I: Roses – Specimen or Collection **Class II:** Peony – Specimen or Collection **Class III:** Shade Perennials

- a. Arum
- b. Solomon's Seal
- c. Poet's Laurel (ruscus)
- d. Hostas
- e. Other

Class IV: Sun Perennials

- f. Phlox
- g. Echinacea
- h. Euphorbia
- i. Baptisia
- j. Other

Class V: Fabulous Shrubs

- a. Witch hazel
- b. Bridal wreath / spirea
- c. Hydrangeas
- e. Mock orange Philadelphus

f. Other

Class VI: Herb collection How does your garden grow?

Collection of 3-5 cut herbs in container of your choice

Photography Exhibits:

Class I: "Spring Showstoppers" (annual) - a photograph of your favorite annual from your spring garden.

Class II: "Spring Showstoppers" (perennial) - a photograph of your favorite perennial from your spring garden.

Budget Presentation

Please click below to view the budget. We will be voting as a club in May.

TGC Budget

Historic Garden Week



HGW is right around the corner on April 26th - 28th! Thank you all for signing up via the Sign Up Genius! We still have a few open spots to fill if you are available we would appreciate your help .Please remember that you are responsible for a substitute if you are unable to meet your shift and PLEASE let Chandler and Maria know of any changes to the SUG. We have attached the link as a reminder!

https://www.signupgenius.com/go/70a0a4bada8238-hgwhostess



May Cocktail Party

Please RSVP to ritamryan247@gmail by APRIL 22!

As we move club business out of monthly meetings, it is crucial that each member take responsibility for staying informed and up-to-date on vital club news by reading the committee reports contained here.

These reports represent much hard work by your fellow members. Please contact Jennifer or the appropriate committee head with any questions or comments.

Community Projects





CARITAS in Bloom!

TGC Meeting Attendance Expectations

programming and want to clarify expectations for our club this year. As last year we were deep in the throw of covid and followed guidelines set forth by the CDC and the Commonwealth of Virginia, attendance for our programming was not recorded. As restrictions have lifted we will move back to our by-laws for attendance which state: **a member may miss up to two meetings per year.**

This being said, if you are not able or comfortable attending a program in person it is your responsibility to notify Charlotte Clarkson to receive an excused absence. Note that we will continue to provide some flexibility around the 'required' maximum of two absences this year, but notifying Charlotte IS REQUIRED.

Members please send any updates to your contact information to Molly Revere <u>Molly.revere@gmail.com</u> as soon as possible.

As a reminder, any changes in membership status are due May 31st.



2022 GCV Calendar Highlights

Paula Pryke Floral Demonstration May 12, 2022 Virginia Museum of History & Culture

Horticulture Field Day, Alexandria May 18-19, 2022

Alexandria, VA

Lilies in Bloom 2022 June 14, 2022 Rappahannock Valley Garden Club

Horticulture Field Day, Alexandria

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which features a Beatrix Farrand design; five private gardens in Alexandria; a special tour at Mt. Vernon with Director of Horticulture Dean Norton, and a "Kitchen Garden" presentation from nationally known author and garden designer, Ellen Ecker Ogden (pictured)

This promises to be a fantastic event that you won't want to miss. Details and Registration



This event is open to the public and free <u>RSVP here</u>



The GCA annual meeting will make history as the first live broadcast of an inperson GCA event! Everyone is invited to <u>register for the virtual experience</u> with offerings like the <u>online flower show</u> or pop-up boutique in the GCA Marketplace.

From GCA's Program Committee On Demand Series Virtual Programs on the GCA Virtual page. Go to read, watch, shop on the Member page and go to Videos. These are all great 30 to 40 minutes programs which are educational and will fill you up with great ideas for the coming months on how to give back to our communities!

"Making of a Flower Flash Creating Goodwill" with Lewis Miller " Planning your Kitchen Garden for the year" with Nicole Burke March 1, 2022 "Vitamin N Isn't Just for Kids! On Children, Adults and Nature- Deficit Disorder" with Richard Louv

IDEAS for your club and GREAT WINTER READS!

WATCH INSPIRE GIVE BACK

The Program Committee hopes you will utilize the *On Demand* Video programs to inspire exciting new activities for your clubs. Start with a small group of members or include your whole club. Think about how we can give back!

A few ideas for our club

- Start a book club watching the videos **inspiring** the reading of each of the speakers' featured books and **giving back** to your communities with a selected activity.
- Ask our Projects Committee to organize a Flower Flash in your community much like Lewis Miller did in NYC.
- Encourage our Horticulture Committee to start a planting project either with a nearby school or club members to initiate a kitchen garden for the spring.
- Initiate a raised bed project growing food within your community where the need might be the greatest using Nicole Burke's "Kitchen Garden Revival".
- Create nature projects with and for children and adults using Richard Louv's "Vitamin N" book

Here are some good winter books to read which tie in with the GCA Program Committee's On Demand Virtual programs. Get reading and consider the possibilities!



Tuckahoe Garden Club 2021-2022 Guidelines for Health & Safety

As we continue to navigate through Covid-19, please note that the wearing of masks will continue to be encouraged for anytime we are gathered in enclosed/indoor spaces, regardless of vaccination status.

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As we all prepare to plant for spring, here is a helpful list of plants that our deer friends DO NOT enjoy!

https://njaes.rutgers.edu/deer-resistant-plants/



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