

Tuckahoe Garden Club Monthly Board Reports November 2022

Dear Officers and Standing Committee Members,

Please submit your monthly report to the Board in the Google form below. Keep in mind your report should be concise- sharing essential information, dates, links to further information and any action items that should be highlighted- and presented in a bullet-format if possible. If you have no report for the month, please note "NO REPORT". Thank you all!

OFFICERS

First VP/Ellen Buoyer

I am learning the ins and outs of tax reporting for the club with Kathy Watson. Much goes on behind the scenes to keep our 501c(3) status polished.

Second VP/Database /Rita Ryan - No report.

Recording Secretary/Penny Peebles

Approval of September 28th Board Meeting minutes

Communications Director/Betsy Carney

Many thanks to the board for their patience with various issues accessing and/or editing the google doc. I'm working on it, and if you do have an issue please just email me as opposed to responding all.

Please take a moment to check the online calendar to make sure your committee event dates are accurate.

Treasurer/Kathy Watson

About two thirds of the dues have been collected to date.

Working on putting together all of the documents requested by our accountant to file our return for the 2021/2022 fiscal year.

I will be meeting with Bonnie on Friday to get the Endowment piece in order.

BOA checking balance \$29,864

BOA savings balance \$51,756

STANDING COMMITTEE CHAIRS

Communications/Stephanie Lansing and Lisa Burlee

Reminder to please submit minutes, pdf of newsletter, and any other document that resides monthly on the website. Working on management of photos at an upcoming meeting.

Community Projects and Long Range plans/Freddie Gray

Christina and Melinda planted planters at Caritas 10/18. Freddie attending Virginia War Memorial Coffee 10/27 to learn more about the possibility of a Long Range Plan Project. Betsy is going to work on a potential Community Project collaboration with Anna Julia and relay to committee. The committee is meeting with Kelly on 10/31 to discuss Long Range prospects thus far.

Conservation/Linda Hanson and Fran McDermott

Fran attended a meeting at the Byrd Park Round House regarding the Bee City initiative.

Below is her report:

City of Richmond Mayor Stoney and the city council are in support of the Bee City USA initiative. Capital Trees, City of Richmond, and Three Chopt Garden Club have been major supporters. One opinion was that as our state's capital, Richmond needs to set an example for the rest of the Commonwealth. The primary objective is to protect our native pollinators. Another objective is to promote our state's pollinator habitat by educating the public about the importance of using native plants. If you lose native plants, you lose native pollinators.

At this time, Richmond needs to complete and file an application to Bee City USA. The application fee varies depending upon the size of your city. If your city's application is accepted to become a Bee City, there is an annual fee, again depending upon your city's size.

In my opinion, this is a wonderful cause for our club to support. An idea that intrigued me re: community support was the suggestion of garden clubs adopting a highway through VDOT. Have members volunteer to remove litter to make room for pollinators and their habitat.

Finance/Kathy Watson and Kelly Armstrong

No report.

Governance/Katherine Salt

No report.

Gifts/Preston Lee

Fundraising/Chandler Klevana and Lisa Brennan (Holiday) and Cynthia Ferrell (Spring)
Chandler and I are busy planning a great Christmas workshop, sale and party. An informational email has been sent to the club as a whole with information about a wreath making workshop, ordering greens online and an invitation to the lunch and sale. This is the first time we have offered online ordering for preorder greens and food. Response seems good so far. Looking forward to getting back to the tradition of by the wreath making workshop and the party and sale as a two-day event.

Programs/Martha Moore/ Susan Ewing/ Cara Rogers/ Patricia Hunter

Thanks to those who went on the October Field Trip. Please write a personal note to

THANK the homeowners if you have time:

Mrs. Gail Babnew and Mr. Joel Silverstein

Springfields

19210 Springfield Farm Road

Gordonsville, Virginia 22942

Mr. and Mrs. Bruce Upton (Jacqueline)

Rocklands

17439 Rocklands Drive

Gordonsville, Virginia 22942

Mrs. Susan Landin- luncheon

2641 Palmer Drive

Keswick, Virginia 22947

Plans are well underway for the November Program with Jane Godshalk on Wednesday November 16th at 1:00 pm . The workshop is filling up on Thursday November 17th at 9:30. Please sign up if you want a spot- currently there are 8 spots left ! sign up online and send check for \$65 to Kathy Watson. Jane will be staying with Jennifer and we will have a team of people to prep flowers for the demonstration on Wednesday as well as the workshop on Thursday. Jane will review basic design principles at the program with a quick power point at the beginning of the program (less than 15 minutes) and then she will then create 5 beautiful arrangements. Jane is an experienced teacher at Longwood Gardens and will give us all some ideas on how to create fresh designs from nature.

We need volunteers Tuesday afternoon November 15th to help set up and cut a few greens . We also need help at the end of the workshop on Thursday to help clean up. Please let us know if you are available.

Membership/Jennifer Sisk

New Member Proposal Update:

- We have received 11 proposals for 6 available spots in membership. The proposals will be reviewed at the board meeting and approved to move forward with membership voting beginning October 22 and ending November 11.
- The board will discuss a by-laws provision that deals with the required two-year Richmond residency as a prerequisite for membership.
- New members will be announced at the November 16 membership meeting.

Sustainer Bulb project:

- The bulbs have arrived and Tricia has graciously taken on the organizing of this fun project! Our committee along with the last two classes of members will meet at Tricias on November 3 at 9:00 to pot and package bulbs. They will then be delivered to our 40+ sustainers!
- Working on collecting 8" terracotta pots for planting . PLEASE BRING TO BOARD MEETING IF YOU HAVE!

Sustainer/Tricia Sauer

Sustainer Bulb Project

- We will plant the bulbs on November 3rd and deliver shortly after

GCV/Meredith Lauter

Historic Garden Week

TGC Board Report for 10/21/22

Held Steering Committee meeting on 10/11. Finally have all positions filled!

Volunteers Chairs visited most of the homes on tour to estimate Hostess and Flower needs. Assignments are being made to the 4 clubs + all job descriptions and guidelines being prepared.

Took driving tours (including with our Shuttle company) to determine best shuttle routes. Awaiting UR permission for our desired bus stop on campus.

Home descriptions and detailed Logistic writeups turned in to GCV

Working on UR Contract for HQ day

J. McLaughlin will host a Sip and Shop on November 3 with 15% of proceeds to benefit HGW – Richmond. Mark your calendars!! See invitation attached.

Freida Rothmann Jewelry event will take place on November 9 and 10 at Veronika Walmsley's home, 4201 Oxford Circle East Richmond, VA 23221. 15% of sales go to Richmond Tour. Invitation coming soon - Veronika is abroad. We would love your support!

Marketing and Social Media has begun for the Richmond Tour. All tours Marketing meeting at The Woman's Club Thursday, November 17, 10 am to 1 pm.

And the **big news**, with huge thanks and praise to Libby Robertson and Meredith Lauter and their existing relationships with Towne Bank, we have secured a Sponsorship of \$12,500!! This is designed to support our Shuttle Bus cost! Wonderful news, but additional sponsors are still much needed!

J. McLaughlin

SIP & SHOP

TOAST THE SEASON

Join us with hostesses Meredith Lauter and Bonnie Cricchi
in support of the Historic Garden Week – Richmond Tour.
Enjoy festive sips and one stop holiday shopping!

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 3

12 – 5PM | SIPS AND BITES

5 – 6PM | SIGNATURE COCKTAILS

J. McLAUGHLIN

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15% OF SALES will benefit

Historic Garden Week – Richmond Tour



Enjoy curbside pickup, complimentary gift wrap and shipping.

GCA/Liz Carden

No report.

Hoping to get all our TGC members on GCA website this fall.

