

# Tuckahoe Garden Club

## Membership Meeting

### September 20, 2023

In attendance: Kelly Armstrong, Anne Poarch, Liz Carden, Margaret Ivey, Christina McCoy, Libby Roberston, Maria Reed, Nan McVey, Jenny Evans, Betsy Carney, Cynthia Ferrell, Ellen Buoyer, Sara Cann, Kathy Watson, Bonnie Cricchi, Sue Thompson, Preston Lee, April Greenwood, Susan Ewing, Tricia Sauer, Martha Moore, Ruth Hill, Karen Gilmore, Charlotte Clarkson, Barrie Edlich, Lisa Burlee, Carey Viego, Susie Benson, Anne Page, Megan Matthews, Betty Jenkins, Peyton Wells, RoseMarie Bundy, Renee Gardner, Jeanine Hinson, Betty McLean, Suzanne Duncan, Betsy Mitchell, Ginni Mackenzie, Linda Hanson, Valerie Coleman, Anastasia Seevers, Lauren Neal, Missy Ryan, Liza Cabell, Joyce Nash, Elisabeth Mullins, Julia Borden Rose, Fran McDermott, Cara Rogers, Caroline Packard, Jennifer Sisk, Audra Boardman, Lisa Elliott, Caroline Williams, Melinda Smith, Susan Blackwell, Katherine Salt, Tibby Gardner, Ruth Cunningham, Dabney McCoy, Jennifer Wilkins, Lynn Jacob, Caroline Marvel, Patricia Hunter, Helen Pinckney, Stephanie Lansing, Catherine Driscoll, Chris Shands, Freddie Gray, Jeanne Ancarrow, Lizzie Cox, Penny Peebles

The September Membership Meeting was held at the home of Maria Reed at 10:00 AM

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

- Thanks to Maria for hosting, and hostesses Anne Poarch, Kate Christner, Liz Carden
- Thanks to Board; had great planning retreat in August
- 2022-2023 TGC all about *Teamwork*; 2023-24 TGC theme is *Engaged*-let's learn from each other and get involved!
- Thanks to Rita Ryan for Greenbook

#### **The May Membership Meeting minutes were approved**

**Reflection- Ellen** Excerpt from Dean King's book, Guardians of the Valley

#### **Memorial Tributes- Betty Jenkins and Ruth Cunningham**

- Rita Liles (Betty), Emma Oppenheimer (Ruth)

#### **GCV Commonwealth Award vote- Ellen**

- Unanimous vote by membership in favor of the Virginia War Memorial proposal

## ***Standing Committee Reports***

### **Treasurer's Report- Kathy**

- Dues may be paid online or by check
- All TGC community gifts for 2022-23 have been made

### **Communications- Betsy**

- Will use link for evites for October meeting and link for bulb workshop sign-up
- Click on "opt out" on evites to avoid getting all RSVPs!
- Send any contact information changes to Betsy
- Attendance policy (2 excused absences per year) back in force

### **Community Projects and Long Term Planning-Freddie and Christina**

- 5 years to TGC Centennial- plant 100 white oaks for our community over time?
- Brief recap by RoseMarie about Virginia War Memorial
- "Gold Star Oak Grove" at VWM- proposing TGC donate 5 white oaks
- Ties in to rich history between GCV and the Virginia War Memorial
- How to pay for this?
  - Bonnie- \$6K was set aside by TGC for centennial project, also have endowment funds that can be used
- TGC November Joint Meeting with JRGC will be held at Virginia War Memorial
- Membership to vote on white oak planting at October meeting

### **GCA Zone VII Meeting-Liz and Martha**

- Doug Tallamy speaking at Lewis Ginter at 3PM on 9/27, carpool from Liz's, need to sign up, limited seats
- Yew cuttings needed for Hort workshop at Leila's on 10/25- no boxwood
- Will work on Hort entries at Leila's for Zone Meeting Flower show- everyone please bring perennials or annuals to enter!
- Peyton in charge of Botanical Arts at Zone Flower Show

### **GCV- Renee**

- "History Blooms"- collaboration between GCV and VMHC 10/6-10/8
  - Lisa Elliott entering the non-judged flower show

### **Membership-Jennifer**

- Welcome Betty McLean, new TGC Affiliate Member
- Membership Update
  - Resignations: Arpie Starke, Jessica King, Kelly Polk, Gordon Gibson
  - Active to Out of Town Member: Frannie Phillips
  - Active to Sustainer: Missy Ryan and Liza Cabell
  - Deceased: Hylah Boyd, Rita Liles, Emma Oppenheimer
- 6 openings for new members
  - Proposals can be submitted starting 10/2 (online)

- All proposals due by 10/18
- Board approval 10/25, membership votes (online) 10/26-11/7
- New members announced at membership meeting on 11/15, invited to December meeting
- Sustainer/New Member Lunch 10/26 at Kelly's (last 3 classes of new members invited)
- Flower Hour- Libby
  - 10/19 at Jennifer Sisk's- Christina and Melinda leading
  - Spring program "Gardening 101"

### **Conservation- Fran**

- Conservation Pop-Up event 11/14 at Ellen's, 7 PM
  - Conservation tips, games, door prizes
- Richmond E-Cycle Day: 9/30 10AM-2PM at 1710 Robinhood Rd- reach out to Linda or Fran for more info

### ***Introduction of Guest Speaker, David Pike, CEO, Witherspoon Roses- Susan***

- Rich history of company, family owned
- Complimentary initial consultation offered for TGC members
- Sign up for new catalogue
- Start small with roses- one bed only

### **Exhibit Results**

#### **Artistic**

Class II

Blue: RoseMarie Bundy

Red: Sue Thompson

Yellow: Christina McCoy

Class III

Blue: Sue Thompson

Red: Julia Borden Rose

Red: Anastasia Seevers

Yellow: Renee Gardner

#### **Horticulture**

Class I

Blue: RoseMarie Bundy

Red: Kelly Armstrong  
Yellow: Martha Moore

Class II  
Blue: April Greenwood  
Red: Sue Thompson  
Yellow: RoseMarie Bundy

Class III  
Late Summer Annual, Collection  
Blue: Sue Thompson

Late Summer Annual, Specimen  
Blue: Liza Cabell  
Red: Martha Moore  
Red (x3): Sue Thmpson  
Yellow: Sue Thompson

Class IV  
Surprise Us!- shrubs  
Blue: April Greenwood  
Red: April Greenwood  
Red: Valerie Coleman

Surprise Us!- other  
Blue- Helen Pinckney  
Red-Christina McCoy  
Red (x3): Sue Thompson  
Red: Liza Cabell  
Red: Liz Carden  
Yellow: Anne Poarch  
Yellow: Valerie Coleman  
Yellow: Sue Thompson

## **Photography**

Class I  
Blue: Kelly Armstrong  
Red: Betty Jenkins

Class II  
Blue: Tricia Sauer

Class III  
Blue: Tricia Sauer  
Red: Kelly Armstrong  
Yellow: Katherine Salt  
White (x2): Katherine Salt

Respectfully submitted,  
Penny Peebles  
Recording Secretary



