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Jeanne T. Nelson
C.A.R. Director



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National Capitol Area Garden Clubs, Inc.
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The Garden Club of Ohio, Inc.
The Garden Club Federation of Pennsylvania

DIRECTOR'S MESSAGE

It is an honor and a privilege to have been elected Director of our Central Atlantic Region. Being C.A.R. Director brings the responsibility to continue the pattern set by my outstanding predecessors in a friendly, caring, dynamic region. It also represents a challenge to present new projects that incorporate both the National Garden Clubs objectives and the Central Atlantic Regional theme, **"Gardening with Pride, Honoring Home, Community & Country."**

Welcome to all those members continuing in a board position and those newly added to the C.A.R. board or taking on a new board chairmanship. Enjoy our newsletter and let us know about interesting and timely events. We will be opening new avenues in the world of service to others.

Our major projects will invite concerned members to be involved in community gardens and local parks as a way of showing community service in the towns where they live. The seven states will continue the challenge of adding to the "Trail of Blue Stars" honoring our nation's service personnel. We will be encouraging members to share their home gardens with neighbors, visiting schools and inviting young people to be a part of the garden club movement, "Sharing the Fun," as well as honoring long standing members for their service to this organization by planting a "native shrub" acknowledging their commitment to garden clubs.

I am looking forward to meeting all the Central Atlantic Regional members in their home states, at Central Atlantic Regional Conferences, symposiums and other state and National Garden Club events. Please encourage all ages to be a part of the largest hobby in America— **Gardening**— and watching nature grow through sharing our knowledge.

"Gardening with Pride, Honoring Home, Community & Country"

Jeanne T. Nelson

Meet
Our
State
Presidents
2011-2013

The National Garden Clubs, Inc., is divided into eight regions. Ohio, Pennsylvania and the neighboring states of Delaware, Maryland, New York, New Jersey and the National Capitol Area (parts of Virginia and all of District of Columbia) are part of the Central Atlantic Region.



Gail S. Corle,
GCFP President

Vivian Morrison, GCNJ



Vivian Morrison,
GCNJ President

“Boot-up the Beauty through Service!” is the 2011 - 2013 theme of **The Garden Club of New Jersey, Inc.** that reflects the **NGC theme, “Proudly Serving our Members and Communities.”** Through our many service projects, we will continue to create and maintain beauty in our communities. With the New Jersey Association of the Deaf/Blind, we will explore and develop opportunities for people with sensory impairments and developmental disabilities to garden and grow their own food.

We hope to establish this opportunity for service in the near future.

We will continue our projects concerning the environment and conservation. Protecting Aquatic Ecosystems has been and will continue to be a part of this committee’s agenda.

I have been a member of the executive board of GCNJ for the past fourteen years serving as district corresponding secretary/date recorder, annual meeting chairperson and vice president.

Prior to and during my board involvement, I served for two terms as President of The Basking Ridge Garden Club.

I look forward to leading GCNJ for the next two years and to the experience and challenge of working with my colleagues from the Central Atlantic Region.

Vivian C. Morrison,
President,
The Garden Club of New Jersey, Inc.

My name is Patricia J. Cargnoni and I was President of FGCNYS in 1993-1995; Assistant Treasurer and Protocol Chairman, FGCNYS in 2009-2013 and will continue to serve as C.A.R. Press Book Chair and National Garden Clubs Habitat for Humanity Chair. For the term 2011-2013, I will also serve as the Home Chairman for Director Jeanne Nelson's theme: “**Gardening With Pride, Honoring Home, Community & Country**”.

I am a Charter member (1969) of the Macedon Garden Club, Macedon, NY, and am an Environ-

mental Consultant. I am a graduate of the Rochester Institute of Technology and recently retired after a thirty year career in the medical field. I enjoy my leisure time gardening, reading, traveling and spending summers on Keuka Lake with my husband, children and five grandchildren.

Patricia J. Cargnoni
Alternate Director



Patricia J. Cargnoni,
Alternate Director

Gail Corle, GCFPA

I have been active in garden club for over 25 years and am an ongoing member of the Bedford County Garden Club, serving on various committees and as Club President. I have held the position of District VI Director and served on the state board in many capacities. I have served as chairperson of various committees on the district, regional and national boards

including the Blue Star Memorial Chairman for Central Atlantic Region (2009-2010) and National Life Membership Chairman for National Garden Clubs (2001-2003). Additionally, I am a NGC Accredited Master Flower Show Judge, a NGC Landscape Designer and a Garden Study Consultant. Currently active in the real estate business, I always find time

to enjoy gardening, landscaping and floral design. I love relaxing and spending time with my family, including my two daughters and five energetic granddaughters. They will always be the most important and most beautiful flowers in my garden.

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My theme as President is **"GCFP: Growing Stronger through Seeds of Service!"** This administration will closely follow the National and the Central Atlantic Regional themes with emphasis of service to our members and our communities. In addition, we will put the efforts of garden club into the forefront of the public with local projects making the garden club's presence known throughout our neighborhoods. Thus, we will be spreading our knowledge of plants and gardening to people of all ages, needs and desires within our communities. And doing so, **"Through Seeds of Service"**—no matter how large or small.

Gail S. Corle

President, The Garden Club Federation of Pennsylvania

I am **Vickie Godwin**, a native of Washington, DC. I grew up in both Arlington and Fairfax Counties, Virginia. Our four district community is composed of 2,816 members from the District of Columbia; two Maryland counties next to Washington, D.C. and counties in Virginia near the "beltway" extending west and south as far as Quantico, Virginia.

We will be promoting a Rain Garden at the U.S. National Arboretum, which is also NCAGC's headquarters.

Over the past 25 years I have held numerous positions in my local garden club; was Assistant Director

and then Director of a 29 club district; a charter member of the Environmental School followed by becoming the first President of our Environmental Council. My affiliation with other National Garden Club Schools is as a Master Garden Consultant and an Accredited Life Judge in our Council of Accredited Flower Show Judges. Additionally, I am a NGC State Life Member. In the Central Atlantic Region, I have held positions as Endangered Species Chairman and Historian/Credentials Chairman as well as the C.A.R. Convention Chairman 2006.

With great pleasure, I proudly look forward to **"Gardening Our Community."**

Vickie Godwin
President,
National Capitol Area Garden Clubs, Inc.



VICKIE GODWIN,
NCAGC President



AGGIE GOSS,
GCO President

I am President of Garden Club of Ohio, Inc. A native of Cleveland, I have lived in many interesting places supporting my husband's Air Force career. After 30 years and 13 moves, we have returned to Cleveland when my husband retired from TWA and I retired from teaching.

Delighted that I could finally garden in a "permanent location," I joined Chippewa Garden Club and Cleveland Flower Arrangers Guild. I have completed Flower Show School and am now

an accredited Master Flower Show Judge.

My theme is **"Plant Seeds of Friendship" . . . to help our garden clubs grow.** The goal is to increase membership statewide and so, there will be a "Plant Seeds of Friendship" award of \$100 to the club in each of the ten Ohio Districts that has the greatest percentage increase in membership.

In this "computer age", people can go on-line to learn answers to

gardening questions, but our clubs offer life-long friendships that are made when we work together on our many community projects. Our clubs work so hard to better our communities and environment, that we often fall short when it comes to publicity.

Therefore, to increase public awareness and hopefully attract new members . . . Garden Club of Ohio members are proudly displaying bumper stickers on

their cars with the state seal and bold letters that say,

"ASK ME ABOUT MY GARDEN CLUB"

Aggie Goss
President,
The Garden Club of Ohio, Inc.

Garden Notes



2011 Perennial Plant of the Year *Amsonia hubrichtii* **Arkansas Blue Star**

Amsonia hubrichtii grow 16" tall and 36" wide in a mounded form. This hardy perennial grows in hardiness zones 4 –9 and is a versatile North American native. Amsonia offers a variety of features throughout the seasons. From late spring to early summer, two to three inch wide clusters of small, light blue, star-shaped flowers are borne above ferny foliage. The alternate-arranged leaves are bright green in spring and summer. Amsonia's golden-yellow fall color is second to none among herbaceous perennials. Plants thrive in full sun to partial shade. They perform best in average, moist well-drained soil but tolerate less moisture. Once established, they can tolerate drier conditions. Arkansas Blue Star is attractive when mixed with ornamental grasses and plants that have attractive seed heads.

Perennial Plant Association

Regina T. Brown, DFGC

"Inspire our communities to embrace gardening through leadership and service"

I was installed as the 27th President of the **Delaware Federation of Garden Clubs (DFGC)** on April 20, 2011.

I retired from E. I. duPont de Nemours & Co., Wilmington, DE in 1992 after 33 years in the accounting, finance, tax and employee relations departments in various assignments from executive secretary to benefits analyst. Taking advantage of the generous tuition reimbursement of my early-retirement package, I attended and graduated from Delaware State University in 1996 with a B.S. in Accounting and a minor in Business Administration. I was recruited by J. P. Morgan Company (later becoming J. P. Morgan Chase) where I worked in the general ledger and tax departments and once again retired in 2005.



**Regina T. Brown,
DFGC President**

After my second retirement, I actively pursued volunteer opportunities in my town of Smyrna serving on several non-profit boards and am currently treasurer of the Friends of Belmont Hall, Inc. and an elected member of the Smyrna Town Council. I am a co-founder of the Duck Creek Horticulture Society, a member club of the DFGC and its current President. The Society has 19 members and is a very active small club.

I am married to a former DFGC President (2001-03), Kenneth P. Brown, and we live in Smyrna, DE in an early 19th century home with our Maltese, Lexie. We have five children--Kenneth, John, Sheri, Robin and Pamela. We enjoy quality time with three of our four grandchildren, Michael, Sarah, and Holden who live nearby. Lauren lives in Florida.

**Regina T. Brown
President,
Delaware Federation of Garden Clubs**

Pamela Foehser, FGCNYS

I graduated from Mt. Ida College in Boston with a degree in Retail Management and have a Bachelor of Professional Science in Counseling, specializing in Developmentally Disabled. I was a social worker and advocate for over 25 years as well as a crime victim's advocate. I received awards from many government agencies for my work with children.

I was one of two representatives from New York State to serve on the Federal Child Safety Committee and am presently Deputy Mayor of Schuylerville, N.Y.

My husband and I have two children and two granddaughters. Having moved to Schuylerville 6 years ago, I am the Past President of Schuylerville Garden Club and have been active in Districts 3 and 4. I was also the past District 3 Director.

I come from a family of gardeners and hopefully, my fond memories are helping me pass down a love of planting and landscaping in my parents' garden to my children.

My theme for the next two years is **"Gardening .. Hands that make Souls Bloom"** with the focus being on more youth involvement, increased membership and community beautification.

**Pamela Foehser
President, The Federated Garden Clubs
of New York State, Inc.**



**Pamela Foehser,
FGCNYS President**

Linda Masland, FGCM

My husband Bruce and I moved to Harford County, MD, in 1984 and I joined a garden club about a year later. After serving as garden club President and District Director, I moved on to several positions at the state level on my way to the presidency. For the past six years, I have been C.A.R. Penny Pines Chairman. I'm an Accredited Flower Show Judge, a Master Gardener and an active member of many garden related societies. Armed

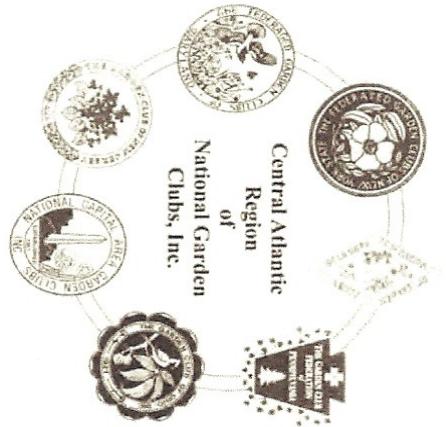
with a Master Gardener Program titled, "Gardening for the Health of It," my husband and I were in great demand for garden club programs all over the state. Our private garden is mostly woods and shade and has been part of numerous tours in support of cancer research. Five amazing grandchildren make life exciting with the oldest granddaughter graduating from Duke University in May 2011.

Sadly, my husband passed away in May 2010, and in loving memory of him, my presidential theme is a salute to the Master Gardener Program we happily presented together so many times. My theme for 2011-2013 is: **"Club-Community-Country... Garden For The Health Of It"**

**Linda Masland
President, Federated Garden Clubs
of Maryland, Inc.**



**Linda Masland,
FGCMD President**



HOTEL INFORMATION

Reservations are to be made directly with the Sheraton Baltimore North Hotel
 903 Dulaney Valley Road
 Baltimore, Maryland 21204
<http://www.sheratonbaltimorenorth.com>
 1-888-627-7147

Rate is \$119 per night + tax
 Request the CAR Symposium block of rooms for Oct. 23 - 25, 2011
Reservation deadline: September 30, 2011

Directions: Baltimore Beltway (1-695) to Exit 27A (Dulaney Valley Road)
 Take second left onto Southerly Road. Hotel is directly ahead.

PROGRAM

Sunday, October 23, 2011
 3:00 PM Registration
 4-5:00 PM Welcome tea
 5:00 PM Lynn Fronk Allied Topic
 "New Design Techniques"
 6:00 PM Gay Austin Allied Topic
 "Natural Remedies of Medicinal Plants"
 7:15 PM Dinner for attendees

Monday, October 24, 2011
 7:30 AM Registration
 8:15 AM Welcome/announcements
 8:30-10:00 AM Gay Austin, Instructor
 Sansevieria and Peperomia
 10:00-10:30 AM Break
 10:30-12:00 PM Horticulture continued
 12:15-1:15 PM Lunch
 1:15-2:15 PM Horticulture continued
 2:15-2:30 PM Break
 2:30-4:30 PM Horticulture Point Scoring Exam
Monday evening's dinner is on your own.

Tuesday, October 25, 2011
 7:30 AM Registration
 8:15 AM Welcome/announcements
 8:30-10:00 AM Lynn Fronk, Instructor
 "Kinetic Designs"
 10:00-10:30 AM Break
 10:30-12:00 PM Design continued
 12:15-1:15 PM Lunch
 1:15-2:15 PM Design continued
 2:15-2:30 PM Break
 2:30-4:30 PM Design Point Scoring Exam

**SYMPOSIUM 2011
 October 23-25, 2011**

Sheraton Baltimore North Hotel

903 Dulaney Valley Road
 Towson, Maryland

The Central Atlantic Region
 Jeanne T. Nelson, Director

National Garden Clubs, Inc.
 Shirley S. Nicolai, President

Federated Garden Clubs of Maryland, Inc
 Linda Masland, President

Lynn Fronk, Design Instructor
 "Kinetic Designs"
 Allied Topic "New Design Techniques"
 Weaving, Bundling, Pillowing, Armatures

Gay Austin, Horticulture Instructor
 Foliage Houseplants

Sansevieria and Peperomia
 Allied Topic "Natural Remedies of Medicinal Plants"

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Registration forms available:
GCFP Web Site
Symposiums & Refresher page
www.pagarandenclubs.org

CAR Web Site
www.ngcCAR.org

Thank you for coming. Have a safe trip home.

GENERAL INFORMATION

Lectures are open to the public for the fee stated on the registration form. Only NGC, Inc. Judges are eligible to take this course for credit. To stay in Good Standing, all Accredited, Accredited Life and Accredited Master Judges must continue their judging education by refreshing every three years. **Send the correct form for refresher credit, 13E, 14E, or 15E to your state Credentials Chairman at least six weeks in advance of symposium date.** Attach a current label from *The National Gardener*. Include a stamped envelope to send the form on to the **CAR Symposium 2011 Judges Credentials Chairman/Registrar:**

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To receive refresher credit for this symposium, Judges must have the current Handbook for *Flower Shows, 2007* with them. Those taking the point scoring exams for credit should bring their own clipboards and pencils.

Judges Council Chairmen, C. A. R.

(DE) Dottie Howatt (NY) Nancy Schopf
(MD) Sande Wolfe (OH) Lynn Fronk
(NCA) Muriel Turner (PA) Jackie Davies
(NJ) Brenda Bingham

CAR SYMPOSIUM 2011 INSTRUCTORS

Lynn Fronk, a retired pediatric nurse, has completed seven Operation Smile Missions and seven Interplast Missions to other continents. She and husband, Dean, are avid square dancers and campers. Lynn has taught in 33 states, as well as Central and South America. In 2006, she was awarded the M. H. Buckingham Award for outstanding service to Garden Club of Ohio. For six years, she served NGC, Inc. as NGC FSS Design Instructors Chairman. Currently, she is GCO FSS Chairman and Vice-president of Creative Flower Arrangers Guild. The CAR is happy to have Lynn sharing a new topic, "Kinetic Designs" with us.

Gay Austin is an Accredited Master Flower Show Judge and Horticulture Instructor for the NGC Flower Show Schools and Symposia. She is Past President for The Garden Clubs of Mississippi, Inc. and is currently the NGC Recording Secretary and a Deep South officer. Gay is an active garden club member in McComb, Mississippi, where she also enjoys her time as a Master Gardener and is President of the Pike County Animal Rescue League. She and husband, Will, have three sons, two daughters, four grandchildren, eight dogs and six cats. Welcome to the CAR, Gay. We look forward to your sharing your vast knowledge of plants with us.

CAR Symposium 2011 Committee

Jean Ohlmann (KY) NGC Flower Show Schools Chairman
Julia Clevett (VA) NGC Symposium Chairman
Dorothy Yard (PA) CAR Symposium Chairman
Sandi Piccirillo (NCA) CAR Symposium Local Chairman
Joyce Milberg (PA) CAR Symposium Registrar & Credentials
Brenda Bingham (NJ) Symposium Design Coordinator
Nancy Gahtan (NJ) Symposium Horticulture Coordinator

CAR Symposium Registration Form

Registration is separate from CAR Regional Conference

October 23-25, 2011

Name _____
Address _____
Phone _____ Year of Good Standing _____
E-mail _____
Garden Club _____ State _____
Special _____
Dietary Needs _____

Judging level: Check one
Student Accredited Life
Accredited Accredited Master
Judge Emeritus

Registration Deadline

Monday, October 10, 2011

NO REFUNDS AFTER THAT DATE

_____ Full course for credit \$145
(Includes Sunday dinner and two lunches)
_____ Full Course no credit \$140
(Includes Sunday dinner and two lunches)
_____ Oct. 23rd Allied Topics \$50
(Includes Sunday dinner)
_____ Oct. 24th Horticulture day \$70
(Includes Monday lunch)
_____ Oct. 25th Design day \$70
(Includes Tuesday lunch)

_____ LATE FEE \$10 (Postmarked after 10/10/11)
Total amount enclosed \$ _____

Make checks payable to **CAR Symposium 2011**
Mail to: Joyce Milberg, Registrar
635 Smokey Hill Road

Tionesta, PA 16353-5247

REMEMBERED
Marilyn Whitmore



How Gail Corle, President GCFP, remembers her friend.

How can I possibly explain my feelings for my dear friend, Marilyn. We spent so much time traveling to and from garden club events. She often said we could put our cars on autopilot and the cars could run the turnpike by themselves.

She was my roommate when we traveled. We had done schools and symposiums together, studied together and quizzed each other so we could pass the tests. We were great roommates. She knew I wasn't a morning person, so she would be the one to get up first and get moving and then she would wake me up so I could sleep as long as possible before our early morning meetings.

She was my rock, my encourager, my mentor and told me I could do anything. She was the one I went to if I needed to know any fact or bit of information pertaining to anything and, of course, anything garden club related. She knew just how things were to be handled and the proper way that it should be done. Whether it be local, state, regional or national; she was the expert. She will be missed by many, many people.

As roomies we would talk in the dark after we went to bed just like teenagers at a slumber party—just too wound-up to sleep. But she always ended our day there in the dark by telling me, "Sleep well my friend." So it's now my turn to say; "Sleep well my friend, until we meet again!"

Note: Marilyn Whitmore was very active in the Bedford County Garden Club and was the former President of the Garden Club Federation of Pennsylvania. She was also a Regional Director for the National Garden Club.

REMEMBERED
Patricia Pickett

Patricia Pickett was a woman who wore many hats and did so most successfully. She served as President of the Federated Garden Clubs of Maryland from 1999-2001 as well as Director of District III. She had been the C.A.R. Alternate Director and the C.A.R. Chair for National Funded Projects and National Chair for Gardening Study Schools. She had been Flower Show School Chair as well as being Chair of the Judges Council. An Accredited Master Judge, Master Consultant in both Gardening Study and Landscape Design, Pat was a past President of her garden club, Country of Harford County. Patricia was awarded the 2010 Marie Coulter Bowl posthumously as recognition of her many years promoting objectives of C.A.R. and N.G.C. Her dedication and commitment in the execution of her responsibilities for all of these organizations was exemplary and a model for those who will follow her footsteps.



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A Salute to Carmie DeVito

Thank You

With the beginning of a new term in the life of **Central Atlantic Region**, I would like to take this opportunity to look back and express my thanks to Carmie, as the 2009 – 2011 C.A.R. Director.

Carmie, you have led C.A.R. with a gentle hand as the Director. Your ready smile and gracious ways have made it a pleasure to work with you. Please accept my thanks for generously answering my questions and offering any assistance whenever it was needed.

Thank you from all of us, the members of the Central Atlantic Region, for your time and caring ways.

Jeanne T. Nelson & all the C.A.R. Members

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GENERATIONS GARDENING TOGETHER

A SUMMER FLOWER POWER PROGRAM

Several years ago I had a conversation with Phyllis Slusser of Ohio about her experiences with the Canton Garden Center and school children. At the beginning of the summer school break, she gave seeds to about 50 students, checked on them off and on during the summer growing season and then had them share their harvest in the fall just before school resumed. I filed the idea in the back of my memory for future use. When C.A.R. Director, Jeannie Nelson, contacted me about creating a youth project, I had an “*aha*” moment. I could finally use Phyllis’s concept and build upon it. Thus was the project, GENERATIONS GARDENING TOGETHER born.

I have created a flyer with details/information, that garden clubs can use to establish this program. However, the basic guidelines are:

- ◆ Find a local schoolteacher willing to send home a sign up sheet. (A third grade or fourth grade class is best as they usually study plants as part of their curriculum.)
- ◆ Send home a sign up sheet with project information.
- ◆ Assign garden club members to mentor interested students. These members give seeds/plants to participating students, set up a visiting schedule, and look in on the students during the summer offering encouragement and gardening advice.
- ◆ Finally, before the start of the school year, hold a flower show/fair which gives the children opportunities to share the harvest successes.

My mantra has always been, “Everybody has the power to matter in the life of a child.” This project offers an opportunity to do just that.

Jo Sellers

josellers@cox.net

Because... every new member matters!”

This is a “Call to Action” for our members to recruit and inspire new members.

Every new member *does* matter in order to sustain our organization.

Every new member *does* matter in order for our garden clubs to progress into the future.

Every new member *does* matter in order for our organization to remain the financially viable, educational resource that promotes the love of gardening, floral design, and civic and environmental responsibility.

The future of the garden club isnew members.

New members will help us

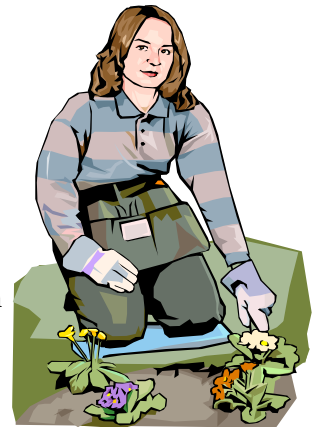
- grow
- spread goodwill
- educate our communities
- protect our environment

New members are the garden club’s hope for the future.

Mary Warshauer

C.A.R. Membership

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Growing Community Gardens

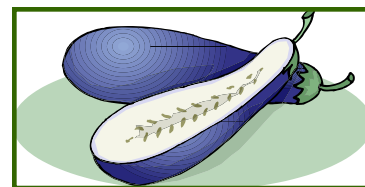
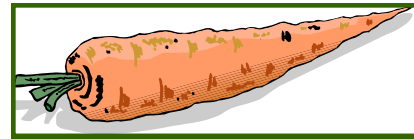
We are spreading the word that Community Gardening is front and center in the C.A.R. Administration under our new Director, Jeanne T. Nelson. There are so many positives derived from establishing a community garden that if one isn't in operation in your area of your state, it may be time to help implement one. The physical and psychological benefits and community spirit generated by such a project more than justifies the time and effort involved.

Region wide we are beginning a new journey that will help communities establish new community gardens, while keeping established ones strong.

- We will become an advocate for local garden centers, nurseries, farmers and farmers' markets.
- We will provide funding ideas while partnering with the agriculture industry to develop ongoing "Garden Day" events, workshops and seminars at local garden centers, nurseries and public venues.

Our goal is to "grow new members" for garden clubs and "grow new customers" for our local farmers, nurserymen and garden centers. This is accomplished by being a part of "**Growing Community Gardens.**"

For more information on establishing a Local Community Garden Committee or a State Community Garden Committee, please contact C.A.R. Community Garden/Garden Therapy Chair, Jeannie Geremia at (908)782-6091 or jeannieg42@earthlink.net. Check out the "*Gardener News*" website at: www.GardenerNews.com for articles on Community Gardening in the March, May and June 2011 issues under my byline, [Jeannie Geremia, Garden Club of New Jersey.](#)





C.A.R. "PERENNIAL BLOOM AWARD" Honoring long-time Garden Club Members

Many of our best-loved flowers are perennials that spring up afresh year after year, making an outstanding contribution to the beauty of our gardens.

We, in our Garden Clubs, have been privileged to have longtime members who, like the faithful perennials in our gardens, have made our clubs grow and bloom with their continuous support of our goals and objectives.

Serving as officers and chairpersons over the years, their love of gardening has planted many a seed for garden club programs and events while their contagious, enthusiastic leadership has inspired members to nurture these seeds into successful bloom. In grateful appreciation for their years of support, this "Perennial Bloom" Award will be presented to them and a tree or shrub is to be planted in their honor.

Application Form

NAME: _____

ADDRESS: _____

NAME OF CLUB: _____

STATE: _____ REGION: Central Atlantic

OFFICES HELD: _____

CHAIRMANSHIPS HELD: _____

ACHIEVEMENTS: Please place on separate sheet.

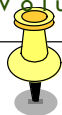
AWARD DEADLINE: For Club: _____

(Optional if top Regional Award is to be given)

Deadline for State: September 1 Deadline for Region: October 1

Send State applications to Adrienne Langan, C.A.R. Chairman
27 Strawberry Lane, Lakewood, N.J.
EMAIL: LanganA@aol.com





Stately News

Stately News

- July 26-27** Flower Show Symposium, Greensburg, PA
 Registrar: Barbara Lotito, 724-327-0501. baklflowers@live.com
 Design-Jo Krallman, Topic- "Creativity, Let It Challenge You", Allied Topic-"Toolbox 101", Horticulture-David Robson, Topics-"Hostas and Collections/Displays", Allied Topic -"So You Think You Know the Handbook?"
- July 29-31** Flower Show School, Course III, Annandale, VA
 Registrar: Poss Tarpley, 703-660-8661. Instructors: Design-Judy Monnot; Horticulture & FSP-Dot Yard (Foliage Container/Woody Perennials)
- August 4-5** Landscape Design Drawing/Graphics Workshop-Refresher Course at Norwich Township Safety Services Building, 5181 Northwest Parkway, Hilliard, OH 43026 Registrar: Sandy M. Anderson-landers4@Columbus.rr.com, 614-876-4743
- August 11-12** Environmental Studies School, Course III, Series III, Germantown Nature Center, 6910 Boomershine Road, Germantown, OH 45327 Registrar: Pat Rupiper, 740-642-3682
- September 7-9** Flower Show School, Course II, East Brunswick, NJ
 Registrar: Nancy L. Gahtan, 908-879-7991, nlgahatan@msn.com
 Instructors: Design-Jackie Davies, Horticulture & FSP-David Robson (Roses & Container-Grown Foliage Plants)
- September 12-13** Fall Conference, RIT Conference Center, Rochester, NY
- September 27-29** Flower Show School, Course IV, Cornell Cooperative Extension, Oriskany, NY
- October 3, 4, 5** Flower Show School II, Cleveland, OH

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Two for One--- in October in Maryland

Event One:

Mark your calendars and get ready to join members of seven states when the state of Maryland hosts the **C.A.R. Conference in Towson, MD, on October 21– 23, 2011.**

- ✓ Be a part of a walking tour of a 270 acre city park with wonderful features
- ✓ Learn the pros and cons of meadows instead of lawns
- ✓ Enjoy the story of the first commercial garden establishment and oldest seed house in America that still harvests heirloom seeds
- ✓ Enjoy a floral design program by Jane Godshalk and a discussion by Ellie Altman on “Gardening Earth’s Mantle”.

Event Two:

On **October 23 – 25, 2011**, the **C.A.R.** sponsored **Symposium** follows the C.A.R. Conference in **Towson, MD**, at the **Sheraton Baltimore North Hotel**.

This **Symposium** is for the continued education of judges and is also open to non-judges who enjoy new ideas on medicinal plant remedies or want to learn about “New Design Techniques.”

We know you can’t wait to see the lush plants and floral displays, so join us.

◆ More information on both events may be found in this issue of the Review.

For HOTEL RESERVATIONS for either event please call **(888) 627-7147**.



Garden Notes

Grow a link to the past by planting a descendant of an historic tree in your backyard. While Washington’s cherry tree may be a little more than a myth, American Forests (historic.trees.org) offers the chance to perpetuate his legend with a tulip poplar grown from the seed of a tree the first president planted with his own hands.

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Timetable
[subject to revision]

Friday, October 21	- Sheraton Hotel
2:00 - 8:00 PM	Registration and Hospitality
2:30 - 8:00 PM	Set-up of Floral Tributes and Educational Exhibits
6:00 PM	Presidents dinner Dinner on your own
Saturday, October 22	- Sheraton Hotel and Vollmer Center
7:00 - 8:30 AM	Registration
8:00 AM	1st of buses to Vollmer departs, with additional departures every 30 minutes through 11:00 AM
8:30 - 11:30 AM	Registration
8:30 AM - 4:30 PM	Vendor Shopping
8:45 AM	CAR Exec. Board Mtg.
9:00 AM - 3:00 PM	Optional Guest/Spouse Tour departs/returns
9:15 AM	CAR General Session
11:00 AM	Last bus to Vollmer departs
11:30 AM	Social Hour
Noon	Luncheon and Program by Ellice Altman
3:00 PM	1st bus to Sheraton departs
3:30	Choice of Walking Tour or Seminar
4:45 PM	Last buses to Sheraton depart
6:00 - 6:30 PM	Registration
6:00 PM	Social Hour
7:00 PM	Banquet and Program by Great Kids Farm
Sunday, October 23	- Sheraton Hotel
9:30 AM - noon	Optional Tours depart/return
10:00 AM - 4:00 PM	Vendor Shopping
11:00 AM - 12:30 PM	Registration
11:30 AM	Social Hour
12:30 PM	Luncheon and Program by Jane Godshalk
3:00 PM	Take-down of Floral Tributes and Educational Exhibits; Conference attendees depart

Informational Pricing
Conference Events

- Transportation between venues provided for hotel guests
- ~~\$230~~ - Full-time Registration, includes all activities listed in Overview of Conference Events, p. 1
 - Part-time Registration, - \$20 registration fee, plus costs for individual events:
 - \$80- Saturday General Session, Social Hour, Vendor Shopping, Luncheon and Program, with choice of Tour or Seminar a, b or c
 - \$70- Saturday evening Social Hour, Banquet and Program
 - \$60- Sunday Vendor Shopping, Social Hour, Luncheon and Program
 - \$60- Sunday Registration, Open only to Federated Garden Clubs of Maryland members or to registrants for the October 23 - 25, 2011 Symposium. Includes Sunday Vendor Shopping, Social Hour, Luncheon and Program

Optional Events

- Transportation, admission and snacks provided
- ~~\$35~~ - Saturday Guest/Spouse Tour
- ~~\$45~~ - Sunday Tours - Limited to 30 persons per tour; choice of i, ii or iii.

IMPORTANT INFORMATION: Please return completed Registration Form available at www.fgcfofmd.org to attend all or any Conference events; no telephone or walk-in registration will be accepted. Registrations postmarked October 1, 2011 or later are subject to a \$20 late fee. Preferred method of confirmation will be by email. For inquiries, contact Susan Palmer, Registrar - susmpalmer@aol.com or (410) 821-0755. Hotel accommodation is not included in above pricing. Room reservations may be made directly with Sheraton Baltimore North only by telephone at (888) 627-7147 [www.sheratonbaltimorenorth.com]. Reference group name 'CAR' and make reservations by September 30. A limited number of rooms are available on a first-come/first-served basis at \$119 per night before applicable taxes. Discounted valet parking at \$5 per day per car is provided to hotel guests. Cancellation Policy: Registration cancellations received by September 30 are refundable after deduction of a \$25 fee; no refunds after October 1. Room cancellations are subject to hotel policy.

The Call



Friday, October 21 - Sunday, October 23, 2011

Sheraton Baltimore North
903 Dulaney Valley Road
Towson, MD 21204-2686

Vollmer Visitors Center at Cylburn Arboretum
4915 Greenspring Avenue
Baltimore, MD 21209-4542

Shirley Nicolai, President - National Garden Clubs, Inc.
Jeanne Nelson, Director - Central Atlantic Region

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Linda Masland, President

Jacquelyn Handley, Conference Chairman
14205 B Greencroft Lane, Cockeysville, MD 21030
(410) 785-2068 • jhandley09@aol.com

Nickola Schwab, Conference Vice-Chairman
P.O. Box 10, Gibson Island, MD 21056
(410) 437-6979 • mako251mom@aol.com

Susan Palmer, Conference Registrar
1729 Circle Road, Towson, MD 21204-6443
(410) 821-0755 • susmpalmer@aol.com

Overview of Conference Events

Transportation between venues provided for hotel guests

Friday

- 2:00 - 8:00 PM Registration and Hospitality; Set-up of Floral Tributes and Educational Exhibits

- Sheraton Hotel

Saturday

- 7:00 - 8:00 AM Registration - Sheraton
- 8:30 - 11:30 AM Registration - Vollmer
- 9:15 AM General Session, Social Hour, Vendor Shopping, Luncheon and Program by Ellie Altman
- 3:30 PM Choice of Tour or Seminar - Vollmer

a. *Walking Tour of Cylburn grounds*, now a 270-acre city park of beehives, formal and children's gardens and gardens devoted to shade, roses, vegetables and butterflies. Trails wind through 2-1/2 miles of woodlands, with 161 identified bird species including the Baltimore Oriole and Bald Eagle.

Cylburnassociation.org

b. *Landreth Seeds: an Heirloom Story*. Barbara Melera will speak about this first commercial garden establishment and oldest seedhouse in America. Landreth educated founding fathers on gardening practices, and continues to harvest heirloom seeds today.

landrethseeds.com

c. *From Lawns to Meadows*. David Korbonits, Meadow Horticulturalist for 20 years at the non-profit Greenville, DE Mt. Cuba Center for the study of native Piedmont region plants, will present information on the pros and cons of meadows as an alternative to lawns. Dave will include discussion of uses for some of his favorite meadow plants. mtcubacenter.org

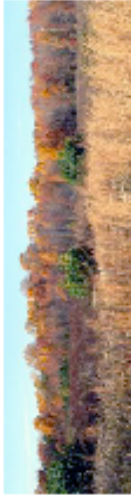
• 6:00 PM *Social Hour, Banquet and Program by Great Kids Farm*, which provides opportunities for Baltimore City Public School students to understand and participate in every aspect of food preparation from seed to fork, and prepares them to lead 21st century sustainability efforts. www.greatkidsfarm.org

- Sheraton

Sunday

- 10:00 AM *Vendor Shopping, Social Hour, Luncheon and Program by Jane Godshalk*
- 3:00 PM *Take-down of Floral Tributes and Educational Exhibits; Conference attendees depart*

**Saturday Luncheon Program
'Gardening Earth's Mantle -
Living Graciously on our Planet'**



Ellie Altman holds graduate degrees in education and landscape architecture, and is Executive Director of Adkins Arboretum, a 400-acre preserve and native garden on Maryland's Eastern shore dedicated to conservation of Mid-Atlantic coastal plain plants.

Ellie expands the definition of gardening to include land development, storm water management, ecological restoration and wildlife protection to inspire adoption of a land ethic for better human habitat. She makes the case for focusing on nature's resilience and our desire to celebrate it, concluding her talk with a virtual tour of the seasons at Adkins. adkinsarboretum.org

**Sunday Luncheon Program
'Revering Nature's Inspiration in
Floral Design'**



by Philadelphia area floral designer Jane Godshalk. Jane is the 2010 recipient of the American Horticultural Society's Frances Jones Poetzer Award in recognition of her many contributions to floral design in publications, on the platform and to the public. She is a talented and tireless demonstrator, as well as an instructor in Longwood Gardens' Certificate Program. An AIFD member, Jane continues to study floral design in Europe and the US. janeGodshalk.com

Optional Events

Transportation, admission and snacks provided

- **Saturday 9:00 AM - 3:00 PM Guest/Spouse Tour in** downtown Baltimore begins at Oriole Park at Camden Yards, home of the Baltimore Orioles and first of the 'retro' ballparks constructed in the 1990s - early 2000s. Lunch will be at world-famous *Lexington Market*, a focal point for both the community and visitors since 1762. The tour will wind up with a visit to the *Baltimore Museum of Industry*, with its exhibits of early life in the port city that include a 1910 pharmacy, dockmasters shed, oyster cannery and the only operating steam tugboat in the country. baltimore.orioles.mlb.com/bal/ballpark/index.jsp; www.lexingtonmarket.com; thebmi.org

- **Sunday 9:30 AM - noon, Tours**. Limit of 30 persons per tour; select one:

i. *Howard Peters Rawlings Conservatory and Botanic Gardens*, Baltimore City. Designed by George Frederick and first opened in 1888, major renovations in 2002 - 2004 added 2 new pavilions. The historic Conservatory contains 5 distinct areas: the Orchid Room, and the Palm, Mediterranean, Tropical and Desert Houses. baltimoreconservatory.org

ii. *Irvine Nature Center*, Baltimore County. Situated on 116 beautiful acres of natural woodlands, wetlands and meadows, Irvine is a leader among Maryland's environmental education centers, providing a unique and comprehensive focus on stewardship and interactive study of the natural science of the Piedmont region. explorenature.org

iii. *Hampton National Historic Site*, Baltimore County. Built in 1783 - 1790, the Ridgely family home reflects classic Georgian symmetry, with terraced Italianate gardens in place by 1802. In the 1830s - 40s, heirs added exotic trees to the landscape, including a Cedar of Lebanon reportedly carried from the Middle East in a shoebox. Outbuildings include an icehouse, smokehouse, stables, granary and workers quarters. nps.gov/hamp

“Memorial Garden for the Fallen for Our Heroes and their Families”

Memorial Day, a time to honor the nation’s fallen heroes, had barely passed when an aircraft touched down at Dover Air Force base early Tuesday evening. It was bearing the body of one of the country’s most recent heroes, lost to the war in Afghanistan.

“He’s a soldier from Riverside, Calif. — Army. He died in Afghanistan in the last 48 to 72 hours,” said Air Force Major Richard Komurek, a public affairs officer.

The soldier was among five members of the military whose bodies were delivered on Tuesday to the Dover Air Force Base mortuary, the Defense Department’s only mortuary in the continental United States. The remains of more than 55,000 troops have been prepared there for funeral services since 1955.

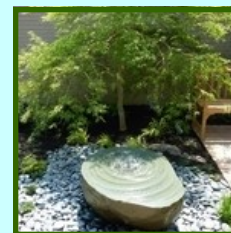
The fallen California soldier’s loved ones had decided to avail themselves of a program started shortly after President Barack Obama took office in 2009, through which they were able to witness the dignified transfer of their loved one’s remains from the aircraft to the mortuary. Tuesday night, they may well have been the first family to find comfort in a memorial garden that was dedicated at the base just hours before their loved one’s body was brought home.

A project of the Delaware Federation of Garden Clubs, the “Memorial Garden for the Fallen for Our Heroes and their Families” was the brainchild of former federation president Alice Witterholt of Wilmington, DE, who decided to make the garden her president’s project during her two-year term that ended in April. When she learned that a Center for the Families of the Fallen was being created from a 6,000-square-foot former Armed Forces exchange facility to provide a comforting space for families awaiting the arrival of their loved ones’ remains, she thought they should also have a garden in which to seek solace.

The 28-by-50-foot garden, which is at the corner of U.S. Route 13 and the Air Force Base’s Atlantic Street, can be accessed only through the Center for the Families of the Fallen. Designed by landscape architect Rodney Robinson, it is divided into two “rooms” defined by two Virginia magnolia trees. One area has three plantation teak chairs and a bench, and the other, situated near a Japanese maple tree and a fountain softly spilling over a rock, has three benches. Small boulders provide further privacy amid plantings for all seasons, including blue plumbago, lady’s mantle, hosta and hellebores.

The fundraising efforts, first documented in the Delaware County Daily Times last September, spread to 43 states with garden clubs from across the nation raising more than double the \$125,000 the Delaware Federation of Garden Clubs members had hoped for. Over \$303,000 has been donated and they are still counting.

Renee Blaschke, immediate past president of the National Garden Clubs Inc., noted at Tuesday’s dedication ceremony, attended by about 90 garden club members, members of the military and other dignitaries, that the 200,000-member gardening organization was designating the memorial garden a Blue Star Memorial By-Way as a tribute to the Armed Forces of America. Excerpts from The Delaware County Daily Times article by Patti Mengers





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- October 4-5** Gardening Study School, Course II, Merrifield Garden Center, Fair Oaks, VA. Plant Diseases and Garden Pests, Container Gardening, and other topics. Chairman: Billie Trump, 703-960-1476
- October 12, 13, 14** Gardening Study school, Course I, Series VI, Canton Garden Center, 1615 Stadium Park NW, Canton, OH 44718-3517
For information/brochures, contact Debbie Sickmiller, 419-281-4336, sickmiller@zoominternet.net
- October 21-23** C.A.R. Conference, Host State Maryland, See page 13-14
- October 23-25** C.A.R Symposium —See pages 5 and 6
- October 31, November 1-2** Landscape Design Study Program, Course III, Derwood, MD. NCA School Chairman: Dianne Gregg, 301-299-6456, glassknob@aol.com
- November 2-4** Horticulture School, District VIII, NY
- November 7-8** Flower Show Symposium, Mount Stirling, OH Registrar : Mickie Marquis, 513-850-1653
- November 9-10** Environmental Studies School, Agricultural Farm Park, 18400 Muncaster Road, Derwood, MD 20855
- April 20-11, 2012** American Daffodil Society Convention & Show at Sheraton Baltimore North Hotel, Towson, MD. Horticulture and design show! Explore Baltimore in April! More to come!

Please Note:

Registration forms for the C.A.R. Symposium and the C.A.R. Conference will be placed on each state website and C.A.R. website (as listed below) for your ease in duplicating.

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