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VFGC PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Happy New Year! We installed the next administration on April Fool's Day. But this isn't an April Fool's prank. We are beginning a new year as garden clubs. Not a calendar year but a fiscal year. So, Happy New Year!

“Today's Actions Pave the Pathway to Tomorrow”

This will be our theme for the 2019-2021 Administration. There may be many ways to interpret this as a Board member and a club member. That is intentional.

Consider what you, as an individual, are doing to pave the pathway of Virginia Federation of Garden Clubs. This could be something in a small, quiet way; or a major activity. The important thing is that we do something – anything. Everything begins by taking that first step.

What are we doing to help pave the pathway for those coming after us? Whatever we do will have either a positive or a negative impact. We all want to be positive.

I am representing all of VFGC and I ask for the support of all of our members for our officers, chairmen, and organization. Support is a two-way street: we ask our club members to support the organization; but we want the organization to support the club members. We will try to be open to any and all questions, comments, and/or suggestions that will guide us on our Pathway to Tomorrow.

I look forward to meeting many of you during the coming two years of our administration.

Mary Sue

2019 - 2021 VFGC ADMINISTRATION

Mary Sue Floyd • President

Mary Sue has been a member of Green Meadow Point Garden Club since 1974 and has held most offices within the club at least once. She has held a variety of positions on the Boards of both Portsmouth Area Council of Garden Clubs and the Tidewater District and has served on the South Atlantic Region Board for the past 16 years. Positions being held during the current administration are Historian/Yearbook/Newsletter in the local club; Yearbook/Newsletter/Corresponding Secretary for the District; and Directory/Newsletter for SAR. As President of VFGC, Mary Sue welcomes your questions/comments/suggestions about our organization.

Mary Sue is an active member of Aldersgate United Methodist Church in Chesapeake, holding a variety of positions during the past forty-five years. She enjoys supporting the activities of her four grandchildren, and spending family time with her two children and their spouses.

I look forward to serving the members of VFGC as President.

Mary Owen • First Vice-President

A Virginia native, my love and appreciation for the garden and floral arranging began at an early age. From my grandmother's garden, I was encouraged to cut and arrange flowers, this instilled in me a love of nature and its need to preserve and protect. That is the basis for what began in 1995 as a Garden Club Member.

With a BS in Business Administration and a Minor in Government I initially pursued positions in the political arena with a Congressional, Attorney General and Gubernatorial Campaigns. Although this was educational, I turned my career to a corporate environment. Working for Shell Oil Corporation as Director of Public Relations /Advertising for a new subsidiary and then to Corporate Advertising and Marketing in Richmond, Virginia.

Then in 1995 a new world opened "Garden Clubbing." This began with offices and responsibilities at the local level including President twice, all club offices, a myriad of chairmanships and the Chairing of three flower shows. From there the Piedmont District started, where I served as President and the Director of Hospitality and Programs. Also, during that time I had the privilege of being a Nature Camp Trustee and Camp Secretary. Following this was the Chairmanship of the VFGC 2011 State Convention, VFGC Third Vice-President, Finance Committee Secretary and numerous Committee Chairmanships. Coinciding with much of my District and State activities, my National level involvement began in 2007. This is where I served on numerous committees from Membership, Nominating Committee to Organizational Study. My last position being the NGC Recording Secretary.

I look forward to serving on the VFGC Board again and doing some serious "Garden Clubbing."

Lisa Robinson • Second Vice-President

Lisa was born and raised in Roanoke and is very happy to be back "home" after living and working in Phoenix, Charlotte, Lynchburg, Raleigh, New Bern, the Atlanta area, and Smith Mountain Lake for 37 years. Since marrying Tom in 1985, she has raised two sons, Matt and Cory, who now live in Seattle and Michigan.

Raised by devout Garden Clubbers, it was no surprise that she was hooked after her first Garden Club meeting, in Alpharetta, Georgia, October of 1999.

Lisa has served in numerous garden club roles for the Garden Club of Georgia including 2nd VP and Treasurer, Awards and Board of Trustees Committees, Community Wildlife Chairman, Scholarship Chairman, Volunteer Chairman 2010 NGC Convention and District President. For VFGC she has held the office of Blue Ridge District President, Vice Chairman of the 2017 NGC Convention, Scholarship Chairman for 7 years and has been an active member of Sugarloaf Garden Club and Blue Ridge Judges Council. For the NGC, Lisa is an accredited NGC Flower Show Judge, served on the Convention Committee, a member Award of Honor Chairman and Awards Committee and is currently serving as Scholarship Chairman. Lisa is also an accredited Daffodil Judge and Show Chairman for the American Daffodil Society.

Having majored in Engineering Technology and Horticulture, she has worked professionally as an Interior and Landscape Designer, planner and consultant for over 30 years and especially enjoys managing her design projects to completion, whether residential or commercial.

Ruth Rider • Third Vice-President

Ruth lives in Warrenton, Virginia and has been involved in Francis Fauquier Garden Club for over 40 years. She has fond memories of being the driver for the “older ladies” as they mentored her and shared their vast knowledge of gardening. Through the years, she has held many offices and has been chairman of numerous committees. FFGC has honored her by giving her a VFGC Life Membership and a Book of Honor listing. She has also been active at the Shenandoah District level serving as Community and Children’s Garden Chairman, Historian, Awards Chairman, Chaplain and other jobs.

Ruth is a graduate of Bridgewater College where she met Charlie, her husband of 55 years. They have two daughters, two sons-in-law, two grandsons and two granddaughters. All of these family members are very important in her life.

Volunteering for various committees including school, athletic, hospital auxiliary, mental health board and many others has kept her active and engaged with her community. The friends that she has made through these activities and her garden club experiences have also added to what she considers to be an exceptional life, filled with many blessings.

Grace Morris • Recording Secretary

Grace lives in Waynesboro, VA and is married to her husband, Harold. They have four children, three grandchildren, and a very special Bengal cat – Tiger Lily. She loves gardening, floral design, garden clubs, painting, and photography. She also does flowers for her church. She retired as an Associate Director at the University of Virginia Medical Alumni Association/Medical School Foundation in 2003 but continued part-time for another year.

She is a master flower show judge and recently elected President of the Virginia Federation of Garden Clubs Flower Show Judges Council. She served as President of the Shenandoah District VFGC from 2015 to 2017. She is also a former Shenandoah District Flower Show Judges Council President. She has served on the State Board as a former VFGC Symposium Chairman for four years, VFGC Convention Chairman in 2015 and 2018, and also, a former Convention Vice-Chairman in 2010.

Grace has been a garden club member for about 47 years, currently belonging to the following garden clubs: Shenandoah Designers Guild – Incoming President 2019-2021, Dogwood Garden Club of Charlottesville – President 2007-2009 and again 2017-2019, Beverley Garden Club of Staunton – Former President, Thomas Jefferson Garden Club – Former President and Nelson County Garden Club. In addition, she is a member of Ikebana of Richmond and the Waynesboro Newcomers Social Club.

Kathy Ward • Treasurer

Kathy has lived in Virginia for the past 18 years, 17 of which she has been involved with the Salisbury Garden Club. She has served in most positions within the club including president. At the state level, she was the awards chairman for five years and is serving as treasurer for a second term. Kathy is also an accredited NGC Flower Show Judge, a member of the Richmond Designers' Guild, the Piedmont District and Virginia Flower Show Judges Council, a life member of VFGC and a life member of NGC. She has created designs for Fine Arts and Flowers and has given floral design programs and workshops throughout Virginia and a few in North Carolina.

She is a native of Rochester, NY and a graduate of Virginia Tech. Kathy and her husband, Ben, have been married 36 years and they have a son and a daughter.

Kathy has always enjoyed being outside and learned to enjoy nature from a young age. Gardening became a hobby with the purchase of their first home. Since then she has gardened her way through North Carolina, New Jersey, Germany and now Virginia. Kathy also likes reading, creating multimedia art, genealogy, kayaking, and hiking.

VA FEDERATION OF GARDEN CLUBS (VFGC) NEWS

VFGC Awards

VFGC Special Achievement Awards (Biennial)

S-1 Monarch Butterfly Waystations (*chosen from S-15 winners over the two years*)
Rappahannock GC of White Stone (P)

S-2 Blue Star Memorial Landscaping (*chosen from S-25 winners over the two years*)
Town & Country GC of Wise (SW)

S-3 Plant Together Community Garden Project (*chosen from S-28 winners over the two years*)
Madison GC (SH)

S-4 Membership Campaign (*club with the largest % increase in membership over the 2 years*)
Blue Ridge GC (BR)

District Awards

#7 District Flower Show Schedule

B. District over 900 members – Blue – Piedmont District

#8 District Newsletter

Less than 900 members – Blue – Tidewater District
Over 900 members – Blue - Shenandoah District

#9 Smokey Bear/Woodsy Owl Posters

Tidewater District

#11 Penny Pines

Shenandoah District

#12 VFGC Life Membership

Blue – South Central District

Red – Blue Ridge District

Club Awards

#14 Bird Protection

i Blue - Oxford GC (P)

#15 Butterfly

ii Blue - Rappahannock GC of White Stone (P)

#16 Organic Gardening

i Blue – Seasons IV GC (SW)

#18 Water

i Blue - Seasons IV GC (SW)

#19 Litter/Recycling/Reclamation

i Blue – Greenvale GC (SH)

iv Blue – Salisbury GC (P)

#22 Civic Projects with Native Plants

ii Yellow – May Farm GC of Kingston (T)

#24 Civic Beautification/Civic Achievement

i Blue - Seasons IV GC (SW)

ii Blue – Town & Country GC of Wise (SW)

Red – Lake Smith Terrace GC (T)

iii Blue – Lake of the Woods GC (SH)

#25 Blue Star Memorial Landscaping

ii Blue – Town & Country GC of Wise (SW)

#26 Community Landscape Design

i Blue – Violet Bank GC (P)

#28 Plant Together Community Garden Project

i Blue – Seasons IV GC (SW)

ii Blue – Stonehenge GC (P)

ii Red – Abingdon GC (SW)

#29 Historic Preservation

ii Blue – Blue Ridge GC (BR)

Red – Town & Country GC of Wise (SW)

iii Blue – Chesapeake Bay GC (P)

#30 Decoration of Historic Building

i Blue – Violet Bank GC (P)

Red – Colonial GC (SH)

ii Blue – Town & Country GC of Wise (SW)

#31 Horticulture Therapy (No Garden)

i Blue – Cedar Run GC (SH)

Yellow – Amelia GC (P)

ii Blue – Abingdon GC (SW)

Red – Madison GC (SH)

Red – May Farm GC of Kingston (T)

Red - Sleepy Hollow GC (P)

Red – Wayside GC (SC)

iv Blue - Salisbury GC (P)

#32 Horticulture Therapy Garden Project

i Blue – Hilliard Park GC (P)

Red – Green Hills GC (SH)

#33 Membership

Red Hills (SC)

#34 National Garden Week

i Blue – Hillard Park GC (P)

ii Blue – Abingdon GC (SW)

Red – Ye Accawmacke GC (T)

iv Blue - Salisbury GC (P)

#35 Special Achievement

ii Blue - Town & Country GC of Wise (SW)

#36 Vision of Beauty Calendar Sales

A. Based on total #Sold

Blue- Westchester GC (BR)

Red – Four Seasons GC (SW)

Yellow – Midlothian GC (P)

B. Based on Calendars per member

Blue – Westchester GC (BR)

Red - Midlothian GC (P)

Yellow – Four Seasons GC (SW)

#37 Smokey Bear/Woodsy Owl Posters

Green Meadow Point GC (T)

#38 Youth Environmental Education

ii Blue – Rappahannock GC of White Stone (P)

Red – Town & Country GC of Wise (SW)

#39 Youth Horticulture Education

i Blue – Seasons IV GC (SW)

- Red – Rapid Ann GC (SH)
- Red – Green Meadow Point GC (T)
- ii Blue – Green Thumb GC of Callaway (BR)
- Red – Thomas Jefferson GC (P)
- Red – Town & Country GC of Wise (SW)
- iii Blue Chesapeake Bay GC (P)
- iv Blue – Salisbury GC (P)

#40 The Saved Seed

- ii Blue – Town & Country GC of Wise (SW)
- Red – Luray GC (SH)
- Red – Madison GC (SH)
- iii Blue – Chesapeake Bay GC (P)

#41 Pollinator Gardens with Youth

- ii Blue – Town & Country GC of Wise (SW)

Club Awards - Publications and Promotions

#42-A 5 Publication – Club Membership Brochure

- i Blue – Green Meadow Point GC (T)
- ii Blue – Rappahannock GC of White Stone (P)
- iii Blue – Colonial Heritage GC (T)
- iv Blue – Salisbury GC (P)

#42-A 8 Publication – Other, Not Brochure

- i Blue – Cedar Run GC (SH)

#42-B 6 Publication by A District – Calendar

Blue – Shenandoah District

#43-A Club Newsletter – One Page (Two Sides)

- i Blue – Berkeley GC (T)
- ii Blue- Wayside GC (SC)

#43-B Club Newsletter – More Than One Page

- i Blue – Westchester GC (BR)
- Red – Amelia GC (P)
- Red – Green Meadow Point GC (T)
- ii Blue – Madison GC (SH)
- Red – Rappahannock GC 9P)
- Red – Stonehenge GC (P)
- iii Blue – Rock Spring GC (P)
- Red – Colonial Heritage GC (T)
- iv Blue Salisbury GC (P)

#44-1 Club Yearbook (Under 20 Members)

Blue – Green Meadow Point GC (T)
 Red – Francis Fauquier GC (SH)
 Red – Lynnhaven Heritage GC (T)
 Yellow – Hilliard Park GC (P)

Yellow – Keysville GC (SC)

#44-2 Club Yearbook (20 – 29 Members)

Blue – Westchester GC (BR)

Red - Amelia GC (P)

Red – Berkeley GC (BR)

#44-3 Club Yearbook (30-44 Members)

Blue - Wayside GC (SC)

Red – May Farm GC of Kingston (T)

Red – Stonehenge GC (P)

Red – Town & Country GC of Wise, (SW)

#44-4 Club Yearbook (45 – 69 Members)

Blue – Chesapeake Bay GC (P)

Red – Abingdon GC (SW)

Red – Midlothian GC (P)

#44-5 Club Yearbook (70-99 Members)

Blue – Rockspring GC (P)

#44-6 Club Yearbook (100 + Members)

Blue - Salisbury GC (P)

#45 Flower Show Schedule (One Club)

i Blue – Westchester GC (BR)

Red – Glasgow GC (SH)

HM - Keysville GC (SC)

ii Blue – Thomas Jefferson GC (P)

#46 Flower Show Schedule (Two Or More Clubs)

Yellow – Fincastle and Season IV (SW)

HM – Southwest District Judges’ Council

#47 Web Site

i Blue – Francis Fauquier GC (SH)

iii Blue – Midlothian GC (P)

#48 Press Books

A. Club Publicity Press Books

ii Blue - Madison GC (SH)

Red - Town & Country GC of Wise (SW)

iii Blue - Chesapeake Bay GC (P)

B. District Publicity Press Book

Blue - Tidewater District, VFGC

Youth Contests

#Y-2 Smokey Bear/Woodsy Owl Posters

1st Grade: Riley Chapman, sponsored by Madison GC (SH)

2nd Grade: Paetyn Lester, sponsored by Madison GC (SH)

3rd Grade: Adam Putthoff, sponsored by Green Meadow Point GC (T)

4th Grade: Serena Savla, sponsored by Southside GC (BR)

5th Grade: Seth J. Vetter, sponsored by Merrifields GC (T)

#Y-3 Youth Essay Contest

12th Grade: Megan Gabel, sponsored by Madison GC (SH)

#Y-4 Youth Poetry Contest

3rd Grade: Kayleigh Bright, sponsored by Madison GC (SH)

4th Grade: Jordan Cowan, sponsored by Madison GC (SH)

5th Grade: Caroline Wright, sponsored by Madison GC (SH)

Flower Show Achievement Awards

FS-1 Club Standard Flower Show

A Blue - Richmond Designers' Guild

B Blue – Thomas Jefferson Garden Club

FS-15 District Flower Show

B Blue – Piedmont District

Red – Tidewater District

South Atlantic Region Winners

SAR #7 Garden Therapy Horticulture Project

Hilliard Park GC*, P

SAR #8 Historic Preservation

Blue Ridge GC, BR

SAR #9 Club Newsletter

Blue Ribbon ii

Westchester GC*, BR

Wayside GC, SC

SAR #11 National Garden Week

Blue i

Blue iv

Abingdon GC*, SW

Hilliard Park GC, P

Salisbury GC, P

SAR #15 Flower Show Schedule

Single Club

Blue i

Two or more clubs

Thomas Jefferson GC*, P

Westchester GC, BR

Piedmont District*

SAR #16 Landscape Design for Church Gardens

Seasons IV GC*, SW

SAR #18 Visions of Beauty Calendar Sales

Westchester GC*, BR

SAR #21 Water Conservation

Seasons IV GC*, SW

SAR #22 Website

Blue ii

Midlothian GC, P

SAR #26 Yearbooks

YB 1-2 Westchester GC, BR
YB 1-4 Chesapeake Bay GC, P

SAR #27 Publicity Press Book

A - Clubs

Blue ii

Blue iii

B - District

Blue

Madison GC, SH
Chesapeake Bay GC, P

Tidewater

SAR #30 Youth Poetry

3rd Grade - Blue

5th Grade*

Kayleigh Bright, Madison GC, SH
Caroline Wright, Madison GC, SH

SAR #31 High School Essay Contest

12th Grade

Megan Gabel, Madison GC, SH

SAR #33 Smokey Bear

First grade

Second grade

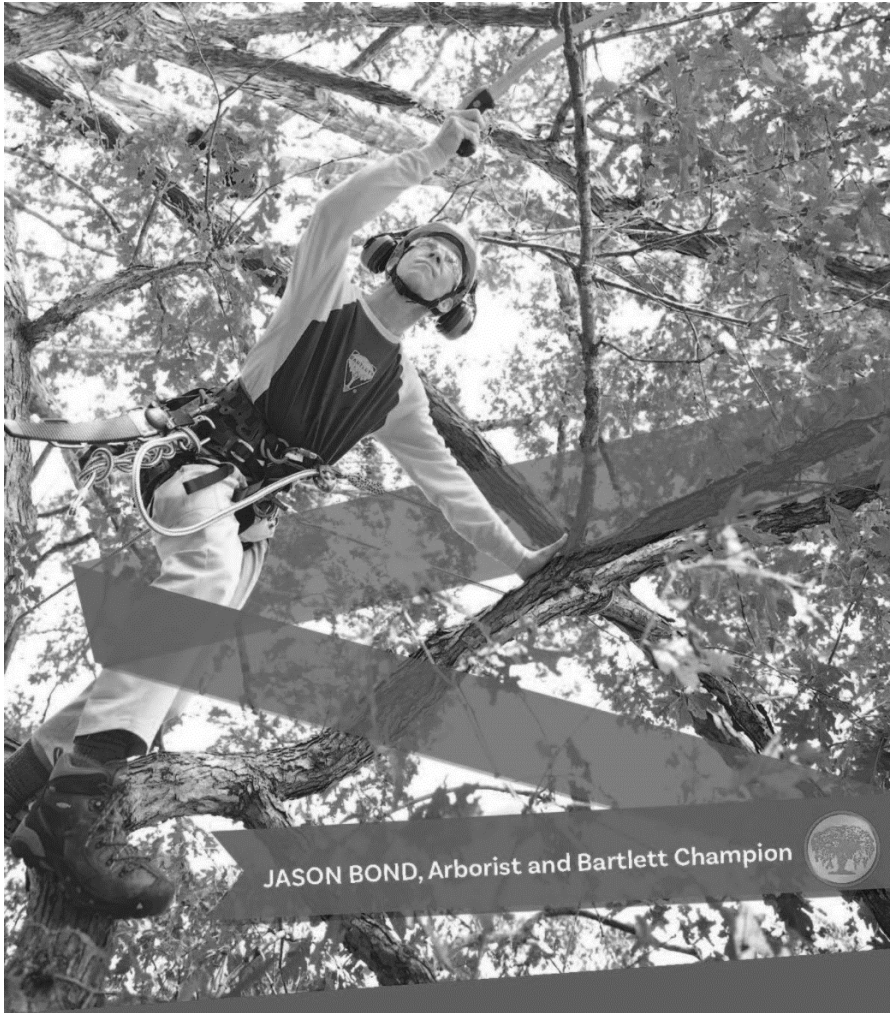
Riley Chapman, Madison GC, SH
Paetyn Lester, Madison GC, SH

A * after the award designates an overall award winner for that award.

NGC Winners will be published in the Fall 2019 ODG edition

VFGC Calendar of Events

June 2- 8.....National Garden Week
September 8 VFGC Finance Committee Meeting..... Roanoke
September 9 VFGC Board of Directors..... Roanoke
September 9 - 12 VFGC Flower Show School Roanoke
Sept. 30 - Oct 1 VFGC Landscape Design School Richmond



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Penny Pines Update

Submitted by Joy Poole, VFGC Penny Pines Chairman



It is a pleasure to report that Nancy Hargrove, our NGC 2017-2019 President; Barbara Ohmsen, VFGC Honorary President; and Mary Sue Floyd, our VFGC 2019-2021 President, were each presented with a Penny Pines Certificate in their honor at our VFGC State Convention in April in Williamsburg, Virginia. At our last VFGC Board meeting, Marty Bowers was presented with a certificate also.

Our VFGC Penny Pines contributions continue to make a difference in our National Forests! Last year, in 2018, we donated 89 plantations of \$68 dollars each, which added up to \$6,052 and the equivalent of planting 17,800 trees. This is a sizable increase as the year before, 2017, we donated but 56 plantations. And all six districts were represented. In 2019, we already have 52 plantations submitted!

Let's try to obtain at least one plantation from each garden club this year to support this worthwhile NGC project. You will find the donation form on the NGC website, and the form has a box to request the certificate to be filled out in honor of, or in memory of, a person. Please contact me if you have any questions at joyful5@aol.com.

The Start of a New Term

Submitted by Jane Sorensen, VFGC Horticulture Chairman

I'm back as the Horticulture Chairman for the 2019-2021 term and hoping to be a help to our VFGC Districts, clubs and members. My job description says that I am to create enthusiasm and interest in horticulture and horticulture projects and programs. So, I will be looking for new developments in horticulture, writing articles for the *ODG*, serving as a resource with suggestions for programs and projects for clubs (on request), and generally supporting excellence in horticulture in flower show exhibits. I ask VFGC Districts and clubs to assist me in fulfilling my job duties by contacting me with information they may have on new horticulture projects and programs, letting me know where they would like more information, and informing me of how I can be helpful.

This summer we can all help to encourage excellence in horticulture through assisting with the horticulture exhibits at our local county fairs. Entering your own items, helping others to maximize their items' quality, and serving as a horticulture judge are all ways to foster excellence—and maybe even attract some new garden club members.

To contact me, send an e-mail to jhsfarm@aol.com. Please include something in the subject line that identifies your message as being horticulture-related.

“KEYS TO THE FUTURE” Youth Project Grants

Submitted by Melissa Damiano, Youth Project Grants Chairman

The “Keys to the Future” Youth Project Grants Program, with a simple application procedure, is sponsored by the Virginia Federation of Garden Clubs, Inc. for new or existing youth-centered programs. All VFGC clubs are encouraged to apply for a one-year grant up to \$1000 for the purpose of working with and helping youth realize the rewards and life lessons from gardens and habitats for becoming good stewards of the earth. The scope of these programs may include benefits to the community, environmental awareness/education, plant-to-food connections, outdoor classroom projects, horticulture education, and the social aspects of gardening.

APPLICATION DEADLINE: September 15, 2019 *Must be submitted by a VFGC member garden club.*

HOW TO APPLY: Please fill out the application form, include a budget and mail to
Melissa Damiano
VFGC Grants Committee
9436 Park Bluff Terrace
Chesterfield, VA 23838-8957 **or** email mtdamiano@aol.com

PURPOSE: The purpose of “Keys to the Future” Youth Project Grants is to provide financial support for clubs working with youth on a specific project.

PROGRAM CRITERIA: In evaluating grant applications, priority will be given to programs that emphasize one or more of these elements:

- number of youth participating/reached
- benefits to the community
- environmental awareness/education
- horticulture educational focus or curricular/program integration
- plant-to-food connections
- social aspects of gardening such as leadership development, team building, community support, or service-learning
- Club member support and participation

FUNDING GUIDELINES: Grants will NOT be provided for the following projects in which the club does not participate in some aspect

- salaries or benefits of school personnel
- field trips outside Virginia
- political action programs
- Eagle Scout projects
- capital drives and building funds
- scholarships
- endowments
- lawsuits and litigation
- overhead costs
- consumable, one-time use items or giveaways, such as T-shirts, tote bags, food, admission fees or tuition



APPLICATION "KEYS TO THE FUTURE"
VFGC Youth Project Grant
DEADLINE: SEPTEMBER 15, 2019

Date: _____ VFGC District: _____

VFGC Club: _____

Contact Person submitting application (Name, address, phone number, email):

Chairman will email you that your application was received.

New Project: Yes _____ No _____

Beginning date: _____ Expected Completion date: _____

Amt Requested: \$ _____ Amt Club Provides: \$ _____ Total Project Budget: \$ _____

Number of Youth Involved in Project _____ Number Reached by Project _____

Briefly Describe Project, how funds will be used include the following if applicable:

1. What is the youth population you are working with & how will they benefit?
2. Briefly describe the project
3. Approximately how many Garden Club Members will be involved in this project and in what roles?
4. Brief statement of any in-kind or volunteer services, please list organization & their role:
5. Location of Project: Ex. If a garden or greenhouse is to be built/used, where is it located?
6. Does your project require special approval of authorizing groups (i.e. school board)?
7. Description of how the funds will be used. Please provide reasonable estimates. If you have access to wholesale prices, use those in the budget.

NOTE: Grant funds can ONLY be used for the stated project. Unused grant funds MUST be returned to VFGC by May 15 with the Final Report.

Judging is based on the following Scale of Points:

Scope of Project	35
Club Member Involvement	35
Criteria Met (read Guidelines)	10
Budget complete	15
Application Form Complete	5

Save the Date!

***Green Spring Garden Club's
60th Annual Christmas Home Tour***

Saturday, December 7, 2019

Visit greenspringgardenclub.org for details



Hear Ye Hear Ye
Flower Show School Course I

Submitted by Val Story, Flower Show School Chairman

Flower Show School Course I will begin September 9, 2019 at The Holiday Inn Tanglewood in Roanoke, VA. Darlene Newell is returning to teach flower show procedure & horticulture. Jackie Davies will be joining us to teach design. Garden club members wanting to become judges must start with Course I, thereafter any order of a class may be attended. Current judges should attend to learn more about the handbook.

Flower Show School – Course I

September 9 - 12, 2019

The Holiday Inn Tanglewood

4468 Starkey Road, Roanoke, Virginia 24014

888-217-5507 or 540-777-4400

Flower Show Procedure & Horticulture: Darlene Newel

Darlene instruction will teach both Flower Show Procedure and Horticulture will emphasize mums and hostas. Darlene is a NGC Master Flower Show Judge, Landscape Design Consultant and Master Gardner She is a Horticulture, Flower Show School Procedure and Symposium Instructor.

Design: Jackie Davies

Jackie instruction will emphasize Traditional Designs. Jackie is a NGC Master Judge and Landscape Design Consultant and currently serves on the NCG Board of Directors as a member of the Flower Show Schools Committee as FSS Handbook Examination.

In addition to the registration form being in this issue of the ODG it can also be found on the VFGC website www.virginiagardenclubs.org. Schedule:

Monday, Sept 9	3:45 – 6 p.m.	Flower Show Procedure
Tuesday, Sept 10	8:45 a.m. – 3:30 p.m. 4 – 6 p.m.	Horticulture Point Scoring Test
Wed., Sept 11	8:45 a.m. – 3:30 p.m. 4 – 6 p.m.	Design Point Scoring Test
Thursday, Sept 12	9 a.m. – noon	Written Examination

Hotel Information: Room rates are guaranteed through August 25, 2019 at \$95 (includes breakfast) per night either single or double occupancy plus applicable taxes. Ask for the VFGC block. Questions – contact Val Story (valstory@aol.com, 540.349.2348 (c) 540-272-0975)

Flower Show School – Course I Registration

Name _____

Address _____

City/State/Zip _____

Phone (Home & Cell) _____

E-mail _____

Club _____

District _____

Credit _____ Non-Credit _____

Full Course with/without exam (Includes tuition, two lunches, and reserved seating on Front rows)	\$130 _____
Flower Show Procedure (Mon.)	\$20 _____
Horticulture & Lunch (Tues.)	\$65 _____
Design & Lunch (Wed.)	\$65 _____
Manual will be e-mailed (free of charge)	
Printed Manual available at Registration	\$5 _____
TOTAL	_____

No refunds after September 2, 2019

Make check payable to **Virginia Federation of Garden Clubs, Inc.** with **Flower Show Schools** in the memo line and mail to: Pat Carswell, Registrar 8103 Lake Rillhurst Road, Culpeper, VA 22701-9763. Pat can be reached at 540-547-9158 OR mamala@comcast.net.

In addition to the registration form being in this issue of the ODG it can also be found on the VFGC website www.viriniagardenclubs.org.

FSS is open to ALL. You may attend a single session or the entire course.

Save the date!

*Virginia Federation of Garden Clubs
2020 Convention
March 29 - 31, 2020
The Hotel Roanoke & Conference Center*

Landscape Design School • Course II, Series XXVIII

Mon. & Tues. Sept. 30 & Oct. 1, 2019

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Submitted by Glenda Knowles, Landscape Design Chairman

Laurie Fox, Ph.D.: Laurie Fox is a faculty member in the Horticulture department at Virginia Tech and is based at the Hampton Roads Agricultural Research & Extension Center in Virginia Beach, VA where she has extension and research responsibilities. She received her BS & MS degrees in Horticulture from North Carolina State University, with an emphasis on landscape design, ornamental plant production, and weed science, and her Ph.D. from Wageningen University, the Netherlands. Laurie is an author and the publisher of *Best Plants for Hampton Roads - A Landscape and Garden Companion*. For the past several years Laurie has served as the chairman of the Virginia Flower & Garden Expo held in Virginia Beach.

Gordon W. Chappell, FASLA: Gordon Chappell has taught Landscape Design School for many years in several states. From Georgia, Gordon is a graduate of the University of Georgia, a former garden director at Colonial Williamsburg, and a Fellow in the American Society of Landscape Architecture. His private practice of landscape architecture in James City County focuses primarily on historic properties.

Jack Douglas, ASLA: Jack is the President and Founder of Douglas Associates, a professional landscape design and architecture firm in Richmond, VA. He taught as an instructor for the University of Richmond, Georgetown University and the University of Virginia. His garden designs have been featured in *Southern Living* and *Southern Accents*. Jack received a bachelor's degree in Landscape Architecture from the University of Georgia and a master's degree in Landscape Architecture from Harvard University.

Trevor R. Buckley, Landscape Planner: Trevor is a landscape planner and designer with a keen interest in bringing ecological design principles to bear on projects at all scales. His education and research have taken him across the American West, Europe, and Southeast Asia. After graduating from the College of William & Mary with a B.S. in Geology, he pursued farming and gardening for several seasons. This work led him to the Conway School's graduate program in sustainable landscape planning and design, where he earned a M.S. in Ecological Design. As a member of the landscape architecture studio at Timmons Group, based in Richmond, VA, Trevor works on a wide array of public and private sector projects in MD, VA, and NC.

Neal Beasley, ASLA, ISA Certified Arborist: Neal is a Landscape Architect and Certified Arborist with over 25 years of experience in the fields of Horticulture, Arboriculture, Irrigation, Landscape Construction and Public Gardening. Neal studied horticulture at N. C. State University and was formerly the Manager of Horticulture at the Lewis Ginter Botanical Garden. As an Arborist, he assesses trees during the site analysis to best determine protection strategies or removal. Neal is also on the team of the Timmons Group in Richmond. Neal is the co-author of "Recycling Urban Storm water: 1050K Street, NW Washington, DC" 2007.

Landscape Design School Schedule

Monday, September 30, 2019			
Time	Activity	Chap	Instructor
8:00 – 8:20am – 8:20am	Registration Welcome		
8:30am – 9:30am	Structures in the Landscape	11	Neal Beasley
9:40am – 10:40am	Landscapes as a Learning Experience	19	Trevor Buckley
10:50am – 11:50am	Landscape Design Process	3	Jack Douglas
11:50am – 1:30pm	LUNCH (The Café is convenient – take time to tour the LG Botanical Garden)		
1:30pm - 2:30pm	Community Landscape Management	34	Trevor Buckley
2:40pm – 3:40pm	Special Interest Topic – Explore our Senses in the Garden	SIT	Neal Beasley
3:45pm	We will tour a specific garden within Lewis Ginter Botanical Garden to continue the Special Interest Topic!		
6:30pm	Group Dinner – place to be announced		
WEDNESDAY - October 1, 2019			
8:30am - 9:30am	Site Design and Landform	4	Jack Douglas
9:40am - 10:40am	Development of Landscape Design in Early America	23	Gordon Chappell
10:50am - 11:50am	Plants in the Landscape	5	Laurie Fox
11:50am - 1:00pm	LUNCH (The Café is convenient)		
1:00pm - 2:00pm	Plants Selection	13	Laurie Fox
2:10pm - 3:10pm	Preservation of Historic Sites and Structures	35	Gordon Chappell
3:15pm	Review – consultants not taking the exam may leave.		
3:30pm	Exam		

The text for the entire series of Courses I-IV is *Stewards of the Land: A Survey of Landscape Architecture and Design in America*, published by NGC, Inc. Order through National Garden Clubs, Inc., 4401 Magnolia Ave., St. Louis, MO 63110, 800-550-6007 or 314-776-7574. Cost is \$40.00 plus shipping & handling. To order, scroll to the bottom of this webpage: <http://nationalgardenclubs.org/schools/landscape-design.aspx>. A new curriculum has been approved by NGC; however, this course will use the textbook.

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SYMPOSIUM

Date: November 6 - 7, 2019

**Location: Four Points by Sheraton, 4700 S. Laburnum Avenue,
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submitted by Frances Thrash, Flower Show Judges Symposium

Design: Fay Brassie

Fay Brassie is an NGC Accredited Master Flower Show Judge and Design Instructor. She is from Georgia & a life member of GCG. Fay has a Bachelor's, Master's, and Specialist Degree in Art Education, Bachelor of Science in Home Economics, and has taught art for seventeen years in levels from kindergarten to college. She is a Master Gardener and daffodil judge. She has worked with many famous designers from all over the world. She's had designs published in "Vision of Beauty", GC of GA calendar, and has been the GA Designer of the Year.

Horticulture: Pam Braun

Pam has been a garden club member for over 40 years. She is currently a member of Leipers Fork Garden Club of Franklin, TN, which she founded in 2004. She is a board member for the TN Federation of Garden Clubs, TN District II, and the Deep South Region. She is an NGC accredited master flower show judge, member of 14 different plant societies and judge for 4 of them. She specializes in exhibiting collections and displays of numerous different plant groups and has won numerous top exhibitor awards for her horticulture. Besides horticulture, she enjoys floral design and has been a speaker, leader of workshops, or exhibitor at all levels from district to internationally.

Schedule:

Wednesday, November 6

8:00am – 9:15am

9:30 – noon

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Shenandoah District Spring Meeting

Submitted by Val Story

Shenandoah District held its spring meeting at Stonewall Jackson Hotel and Conference Center in Staunton on March 18, 2019.

The great hall sparkled and looked lovely with the spring flower arrangements created by Nelson Country Garden Club. The names tags were created by Beverley Garden Club and the lovely memorial arrangement was made by Town and Country Garden Club: Stuarts Draft. Shenandoah District and other clubs had an array of items for sale. An added bonus was the donation/sale of a handmade quilt by Jane Hicks.

President Jill Quinley thanked members for attending this meeting, and recognized Shenandoah as an exceptional District. Clubs have been active in projects as reiterated by Jill. VFGC President Marty Bowers gave a warm and welcoming talk. Marty thanked all the club members for all the friendly responses and diligent work competed.

Val Story, Heidi Sage and Jill Quinley presented the District Awards. Congratulations were given to all the award winners. Many awards were presented, as well as scrapbooks and Smokey Bear certificates.

The new slate of officers was voted upon and installed by Val Story. They are as follows: President, Amy Thorpe; Director/Secretary, Valerie Vaughn; Director/Treasurer, George Ann Birkhofer.

Another special treat was having the recipient of the Shenandoah District Scholarship for a raising second year community college student. Rachel Chamberlain was the winner.



From left: Heidi Sage, scholarship recipient Rachel, and Jill Quinley.

Hoe and Hope GC Christmas Celebration

Submitted by Sue Knight



The Hoe and Hope Garden Club of Waynesboro celebrated Christmas at the beautiful home of Earline Perkinson whose decorating skills are so wonderful and made us feel as if we were in a winter wonderland. After a dinner which we all participated in preparing, there was a Chinese Christmas featuring their creative efforts using live offerings. Thank you, Earline. What a special party!

Lynnhaven Heritage Garden Club Arbor Day Ceremony

Submitted by Adele Lundquist, Tidewater District Editor

On April 26, 2019, members of the Lynnhaven Heritage Garden Club (T) participated in Arbor Day ceremonies at the Bayside Recreation Center, Virginia Beach. Because of the inclement weather, a black gum tree was planted earlier in the day before the celebration took place.



Participants from Left: Sherry Kern (LHGC), Katie Stegall (Sherry's granddaughter), Bev Hunter (LHGC), Susan French (City Arborist), Kenneth Chandler (Assistant City Manager), Adele Lundquist (LHGC), Robbie Lewis (Virginia Department of Forestry) and Michael Kirschman (Director, Virginia Beach Parks & Recreation).

Salisbury GC

Submitted by Martie Parch

On Wednesday, April 10, 2019, Delegate Dawn Adams presented a framed certificate to President Lorna Boucher and other members of the Salisbury Garden Club board. Honoring our 50th anniversary, this commendation was an expression of the Virginia House of Delegates' admiration for the members of Salisbury Garden Club for their longevity and commitment to horticulture and civic beautification.



South Boston GC Celebrates 60 years

Submitted by Gail Bosiger

The South Boston Garden Club celebrated its 60th anniversary on Wednesday, February 13, 2019 at the home of Frances Harrell. Dressed in hats, gloves, and pearls, members were attired similar to the original founders of the club when they held their first meeting in January 1959 at Main Street Methodist Church.

There were 45 members who attended that first meeting. Today the club has a membership

of twenty-eight. In 1960, the South Boston Garden Club joined the Virginia Federation of Garden Clubs.

Eleven past presidents were in attendance. Ann Cassada, a past president who now resides in Richmond, is a charter member who attended the first meeting in 1959. She came from Richmond to be part of the 60th anniversary celebration.

Tom Robb offered greetings and a thank you from the town of South Boston for the various improvement projects completed by the club. Marty Bowers, Virginia Federation of Garden Clubs President, Ann Meyers, former President of VFGC, and Mary Sue Floyd, President-elect of VFGC, also offered greetings from the state board. Ms. Bowers presented the club with a Certificate of Achievement from VFGC.

The South Boston Garden Club has received numerous awards and grants. These awards along with member's dues have been used in a variety of civic improvements for the town of South Boston. When entering the town on route 360 or route 501 you see crepe myrtles and day lilies in the median which were planted by the club. Also, when entering the town from the south via route 501, the Blue Star Memorial

is seen. The South Boston Library's knock-out roses were planted and are regularly cared for by the club. The club has spent many hours cleaning, planting, and caring for the Crossing of the Dan site. The Crossing project will continue to be addressed by the club.

As a part of garden therapy, each year a program is planned that includes one of the assisted living facilities in



the area. Residents and club members work together to make a flower arrangement for their rooms. Other programs include discovering and arranging the new design categories, flower gardening, appropriate trimming of shrubbery, and other flower and plant related topics. At each meeting members have an opportunity to display artistic arrangements and horticulture exhibits. These are judged and ribbons awarded.

Bird Studies

Submitted by Sandy Yun

Wise County Christian School Jr. Gardeners participated in a study of birds project and learned about the discipline known as Ornithology, commonly called bird watching. With the help of binoculars, the students were able to get an up-close encounter with our fine feathered friends soaring in the sky. After the field trip observation students wrote about their experiences in their journals and did artistic renderings. This group is sponsored by Town and Country Garden Club of Wise.



Natural Bridge Garden Club

Submitted by Diane Weaver

The Natural Bridge Garden Club has enjoyed a year of wonderful programs and field trips arranged by Doris Frederickson for our members. Our Designs and Exhibits Chair, Linda Baron, guided and educated us through a variety of monthly exhibit design choices from symmetric, asymmetric, horizontal, vertical, cascading, and Oriental line design to our workshop of Fancy Feet and Purses (decorating shoes, purses and hats with fresh flowers!) We had so many lovely exhibits, as well as designer's choice and horticultural exhibits, too! The annual May Plant Sale fundraiser will be held on May 11 in partnership with our fellow Garden Club from Lexington. This event is a favorite among the Lexington community to purchase plants cultivated by the ladies of the garden clubs. We will conclude our year by gathering for our annual picnic in the lovely home (La Vue) of past president, Maureen Becker, reminiscing this fun and informative year and looking to the future.

While we extend our sincere thank you to the outgoing Board of Officers and Committee Chairs for their service, we welcome our new Officers and Chairwomen and wish them all the best in their endeavors in keeping up the tradition of fine leadership we have enjoyed the past 86 years. We are saddened to lose another of our members recently. Mrs. Virginia Leach, past President (1979-80). A quote from our member, Ann Nay, remembering Virginia said "A lovely lady who would tackle any job she was asked to do and do it with total dedication. Her floral arrangements were always blue ribbon!"

She will be missed. The Natural Bridge Garden Club will convene again in September and begin our 87 year of friendship, leadership and community service as we strive to stimulate the knowledge and love of gardening through our meetings, programs and activities for our membership.

Tending to the Rain Garden at the Cancer Center

Submitted by Sandy Yun

Members of the Town and Country Garden Club of Wise took time to spruce up the Rain Garden at the Cancer Center. There were plenty of unwanted weed guest that needed to be plucked and pulled. This will be helpful in the implementation of growth for the important flowers in the garden landscape.



Arbor Day Celebration at Wise Primary School

submitted by Sandy Yun

On Friday, April 26, 2019, 15 members of the Town and Country Garden Club of Wise visited the kindergarteners at Wise Primary School to celebrate Arbor Day.



National Arbor Day is celebrated every year on the last Friday in April to inspire people to plant, nurture, and celebrate trees. The garden club provided the students with a video entitled Arbor Day: The Holiday that Makes a Difference, produced by the National Arbor Day Foundation, prior to the visit.

During the visit, garden club volunteers and the kindergarten students discussed the parts of trees and the essential ingredients to help them grow - water from rain, light from the sun, and food from the soil. Students named many different types of trees, including trees that provide food for our tables, shade for our yards, and beauty in all four seasons of the year. Each class

received an inflatable palm tree to remind them of trees that grow in places other than Southwest Virginia! They also enjoyed listing the many products that are made from trees, and each student received a wooden pencil.

After reading the book, Curious George Plants a Tree, by Margaret and H. A. Rey, volunteers shared samples of leaves, seeds, fruits, and flowers from a wide variety of trees. After viewing the seeds that create a star pattern inside of an apple, students enjoyed sampling delicious apple slices.

As a gift from the club to the students, volunteers planted a small tree seedling in a pot for the students to watch and care for in their classrooms, hopefully to be planted in a special place outside at the end of the school year.

This Annual Arbor Day event at Wise Primary School is a wonderful opportunity for the garden club members to share their love and knowledge of nature with the younger generation. Volunteers included: Teresa Adkins, Martha Blackburn, Tricia Cahoon, Margaret Craft, Betty Dotson, Emily Dotson, Kathy Dotson, June Dotson, Brenda Edwards, Pauletta Hubbard, RoseAnn Kennedy, Patsy Stephens, Frances Sturdavant, Anne Sturgill, and Sandy Yun.



South Central District Visits Philadelphia Flower Show

Submitted by Barbara Wheeler

South Central District Garden Clubs participated in an exhilarating visit to the 190th Philadelphia Flower Show on March 3-4, 2019. The Flower Show began in 1829 as the first National Flower Show in the United States. This year's theme was "Flower Power."



Members from Appomattox, Brookneal, Buckingham, Chatham, and Farmville enjoyed a delightful excursion organized by Barbara Wheeler, co-President of the Buckingham Dillwyn Garden Club through Travel-in-Style of Midlothian, VA. In addition to horticulture exhibits and botanical arts, flower arrangements ranged from tea cups and mini dresses made from flowers, moss and natural materials.

Members from Appomattox, Brookneal, Buckingham, Chatham, and Farmville enjoyed a delightful excursion organized by Barbara Wheeler, co-President of the Buckingham Dillwyn Garden Club through Travel-in-Style of Midlothian, VA. In addition to horticulture exhibits and botanical arts, flower arrangements ranged from tea cups and mini dresses made from flowers, moss and natural materials.



A highlight of this year's Show was the 2019 FTD International World Cup Competition represented by 23 countries. It was a 3-day competition with two floral designs each day. All their designs were displayed at the Show. On the way home to



Virginia the group stopped to view the beautiful "Orchid Extravaganza" at Longwood Gardens, Kennett Square, PA.



Art and Blooms

Submitted by Karen Luzuriaga

On April 5 and 6, the Rappahannock Art League of Kilmarnock had an art show entitled Art and Blooms. The show took place at 19 N Main Street at the Rappahannock Art League Studio Gallery in Kilmarnock. Members of Rappahannock Garden Club, Kilmarnock Garden Club, the Northern Neck



Garden Club, and the Chesapeake Bay Garden Club (CBGC) exhibited flower designs that were interpretations of various pieces of art. This event is similar to the Fine Arts and Flowers that is held in Richmond at the Virginia Museum of Fine Arts. CBGC had four members that participated in this community event. Carol Medlin created a mass design of warm colors, and Sharon



Stieber's design was a cascade of roses. The black and silver luminary design with allium was an interpretation of a black and white photograph of a winter scene. Kathie Truxall created this unique design. The line design was created by Patsy Sylvia. It was an interpretation of a tree of driftwood created by her daughter, Brenda Sylvia. These members of CBGC did an outstanding job with their designs.



Saturday, April 6th was a reception from five to seven. Guests got to meet the artists and the floral



designers. Appetizers and drinks were served during this time. Many members from the different garden clubs came out in support of their participating members. It was enjoyable admiring the art work and the interpretive floral designs. The community continues to be inspired by the local artists of the Northern Neck.



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