



# Cape Fear Clippings

Cape Fear Garden Club

member of The Garden Club of North Carolina, Inc. and National Garden Clubs, Inc.

September 2009

## President's Message

Hope everyone has had a wonderful summer...thankfully it has been hurricane free so far and we hope that continues. We are excited to begin another wonderful year meeting at the Cameron Art Museum. Our meetings are always on the fourth Tuesday, but this September meeting will be on the fifth Tuesday, the 29th, due to a scheduling conflict. So mark your calendar and plan to be there on September 29; don't forget to pick up our beautiful new yearbook and pay your dues.

In keeping with my theme "Looking Back", there will be something from our club's past in each newsletter. Mrs. Roger C. McCarl, president 1956-58, quoted a memorial tablet in a Wilmington church in her opening message that read "The memory of the past is the inspiration of the future."

I am really inspired by that and the rest of her message to the members and would like to share it with you and make it my own.

### Looking Back

"..... Let us look back and rejoice in our heritage. May it inspire us to continue the good works of those who have preceded us, and to uphold the good name of the Cape Fear Garden Club.

In this coming year ... I am hoping that each one of you will participate in some phase of the club's work that you especially enjoy, for if one really enjoys what she is doing, it makes for success.

My hope for this year is that we all may have a good time and working happily together, have an outstandingly successful year."

Helen W. McCarl  
July 16, 1956

Elaine Henson, President

## GENERAL MEETING

**Tuesday, September 29, 2009**

Cameron Art Museum, corner of S. 17th & Independence Blvd.  
Mini Flower Arrangement Workshops: 9:10 am (same as last year)  
Coffee and horticulture judging 9:30 am  
Program 10:00 am

Program Title: **Back to the Future - Capturing Rainwater**  
Presenter: Rick Harris, B.S., Ornamental Horticulture & Landscape Design, Harvard Graduate School of Design, NC State University - Limited Impact Development of Rainwater Catchment Association; owner, Cape Fear Rain Water Harvesting, Inc. & Cape Fear Green Solutions, Inc.

Devotional: Tammy Rondinaro

Refreshment Table Arrangement: Shirley Luttmner  
Horticulture Theme: Late summer flowers, vegetables, herbs  
Day Clerks: Linda Alston, Sarah O'Brien  
Judge: Mary Louise Campbell

You are encouraged to bring horticulture specimens and/or arrangements to all monthly meetings.

They should be labeled and in place by 9:15 am.

## UPCOMING EVENTS

- **September 20-21** Garden Club of North Carolina, Inc. Fall Board Meeting, Winston-Salem, NC
- **October 3** 4th Annual Back Door Kitchen Tour - Presented by Residents of Old Wilmington tickets \$15 until 10-2-09 See [www.rowilmington.org](http://www.rowilmington.org). or call 254-6300.
- **October 15** Muriel Scrivener Ikenebo School Guest Speaker Demo/Workshop 10 AM to 12:00 and 1:30 PM to 4 PM For more information, contact Carol Price 395-2681.
- **October 20** District 11 Meeting, Wilmington, NC Registration forms available at general meeting
- **October 30 & 31** Fall Camellia Show and Sale Orton Gardens 10:00 am - 5:00 pm sponsored by Tidewater Camellia Club. Go to [www.ortongardens.com](http://www.ortongardens.com) for more info.

## COMMITTEE ANNOUNCEMENTS

- There will be a planning dessert meeting of the **Birds and Butterflies Committee** on Monday, Sept. 21 at 7 PM at Nancy Fitzgeralds, 400 Wild Dunes Circle, Porters Neck Plantation, 28411 Tel. 686 1119. We will be discussing adding weatherproof artwork of bluebirds to the 6 birdhouse posts that we donated to Arlie Gardens and other activities for the 09-10 season.
- The **Conservation Committee** needs volunteers to help with the Fall Litter Sweep. Our area to clean up is Medical Center Drive. On Thursday, October 1, 2009 we will have our safety meeting at 9:00 a.m. at the Dunkin' Donuts on 17th Street after the meeting we will proceed to the Delaney Radiologist Parking Lot to begin our clean up. Volunteers please contact Anita Duren-Swain @ (910)547-0765 or Becky Varner @ (910)395-4161
- **Garden Therapy Committee** will meet on Monday, October 5th at 1:15 pm at Elderhaus. Julie and Eugenia will be presenting the program. For more call Eugenia Griswold (799-3629) or Julie Futrell (256-2639).
- **Cookbook Committee:** The next "tasting party" will be hosted by Pat Plaskett at her home at 3413 Tansey Close Drive on Tuesday, October 6 at 4:00 pm. If you are not on the committee but would like to help, please call Bonnie Faler 763-7592.
- **Hospitality Committee:** Please bring refreshments at 9:15 am for our general meeting. All refreshments should be placed on a serving plate ready to be placed on the table. Also, please, include the recipes for the food you bring. We are starting a cookbook of Cape Fear Garden Club recipes. Contact Alma Fennell 350-0130 with questions.
- **Azalea Garden Tour Committee:** On October 19, 2010, the Tour Committee will meet at the side parking lot at

Steinmart at 10:00 a.m. for our day of touring the gardens for the committees. Jeanne Lessing, Brenda Moore, and Donna Pendergast will be preparing a lunch for us that we will eat at Airlie Gardens; costs to follow. Please contact Gayle Ward, 799-5701, with your lunch reservations.

- **Yearbook corrections and changes** new email address: Angie Hamlet angelinahamlet2@gmail.com

## CLUB NEWS

- There will be a basket at each general meeting to receive any print material concerning Cape Fear Garden Club. Remember the club name **MUST** appear in the article to be used. The Historian and the Awards Chair will make use of the material.
- Philadelphia Flower Show Feb. 27th - March 1, 2010. If interested, call Shirley Hardee 686-7305.
- 2010 engagement calendars printed by the State Garden Club are ready for purchase. The price is \$10 - Make checks payable to Cape Fear Garden Club. Call Dorothy Gaither (791-0505) for more information. The proceeds help provide horticultural scholarships for students attending NC universities.
- Shirley's Lunch Bunch will be going at Carrabba's after each General meeting--Jonathan has offered to open for lunch just for us with a special \$15.00 menu. **EVERYONE** is welcome. Please e-mail or call me if you would like to join the fun. sealady@bellsouth.net or 686-7305
- **Needed:** A few ladies to bring their snippers and put together small teacup arrangements for the Pink Ribbon breakfast on October 7 at 10:00. We will supply the flowers and the items you need to make the arrangements. We are also looking for donations of 5 or so arrangements for the luncheon tables. The Pink Ribbon Day is October 8th. Please contact Leslie Hales 256-2014 or lsleanne@aol.com if you can help.
- Do we have garden club members who are artists? If you are, please contact Gayle Ward at general meeting or 799-5701 or gaylelongward@ec.rr.com.
- Please direct any changes or corrections to your name, address, phone, email during the year to Pat Plaskett at plaskett123@mac.com or 350-1149. Thanks!
- Call Dorothy Gaither for transportation to the September meeting 791-0505.

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## Memorial

The following books have been donated by CFGC to the New Hanover County Library:

Given in memory of Becky Simmons Henry  
*Rain Gardening in the South: Ecologically Designed Gardens for Drought, Deluge and Everything in Between*  
by Helen Kraus and Anne Spafford

Given in memory of Elizabeth Fussell Corbett  
*Parks, Plants and People: Beautifying the Urban Landscape*  
by Lyndon B. Miller

### DUES FOR 2009-2010 YEAR ARE DUE NOW!

\$35.00 per year for ACTIVE MEMBERS

\$45.00 per year for ASSOCIATE MEMBERS

Bring your check to the September 29 meeting or mail to:

Cape Fear Garden Club

8506 Hammock Dunes Dr.

Wilmington, N. C 28411

**Due by September 30, 2009.**



Happy Birthday  
to Jane Mitchell  
Who turns 100 on  
September 20th

Reminder: The September meeting will be on September 29.