



# Cape Fear Clippings

Cape Fear Garden Club

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

October 2009

## President's Message

It was good to see everyone at our September meeting; thanks for coming and getting our year off to a good start. At this month's meeting we will welcome the recipients of our Azalea Garden Tour grants. Donna Pendergrast and her committee have worked hard screening the applications and making good choices for beautification projects all over town.

### "Looking Back"

Cape Fear Garden Club has a long history of giving to our community; following are a few highlights. In 1929 the Club sponsored the construction of a rough walkway around Greenfield Lake. That was quite a project for an organization that had grown from 12 to 100 members in just four years. In 1936 the Club gave framed North Carolina botanical maps to each of the schools in New Hanover County. They also donated grass seed for planting the plazas on Market and Third Streets. The following year a new Civic Committee, the Greenfield Drive Association, was formed and the Club continued its financial support of Greenfield. Money was also given to care for and plant bulbs at the Confederate Monument. During the 1940-41 year, proceeds from the local Pilgrimage (a tour of member's gardens) and a Camellia Show went to the British War Relief Fund. The planting of oak trees at James Walker Memorial Hospital was a project in 1944-45. The first Azalea Garden Tour in 1953 netted \$600. The profits went to the Azalea Festival and the new Elizabethan Garden at Manteo. Thus began our tradition of giving away money earned from our garden tour. This year will be our 56th year of disbursing garden tour funds, a tradition we can all be proud of!

Elaine Henson, President

## GENERAL MEETING

Tuesday, October 27, 2009

Cameron Art Museum, corner of S. 17th & Independence Blvd.

Mini Flower Arrangement Workshops: 9:10 am

Coffee and horticulture judging 9:30 am

Program 10:00 am

Program Title: **The Impact of a CFGC Grant - Bob and Doris Burke Giggle Garden at Davis Health Care Center**

Presenter: Julie Rehder, B.A. UNC; MALS NCSU; Resource Development Director, Cornelia Nixon Davis, Inc.

Devotional: Ann Lawhon

Refreshment Table Arrangement: Patty Lisk

Horticulture Theme: Roses and chrysanthemums

Day Clerks: Mary Ann Beltracchi and Rosalie Hutter

Judge: Jenene Smith

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

- **October 20 District 11 Meeting**, Cape Fear Country Club, Wilmington, NC
- **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.
- **November 20, 21, & 22 - Garden Study School Course III**-New Hanover Arboretum. Curriculum: Factors that influence plant growth, pruning techniques, growing outdoor flowers, classifying plants, and a teaching tour of a botanical garden. You do not have to attend all sessions or take the exam on the 22nd. To register call Polly Kopka at 910-326-6830 or email her at [polly@gibraltar.net](mailto:polly@gibraltar.net)

## COMMITTEE ANNOUNCEMENTS

- **Flower Arranging Committee** will meet October 19th at 9:00 am at Shirley Hardee's house (409 Highgreen Dr.) to work on decorations for the district meeting. They will also meet on November 4th at 1:00 pm at Ann Richardson's house (407 West Renovah Circle) to decide on Christmas decorations for the December 9th Christmas Tea.
- **Garden Therapy Committee** will meet on Monday, November 2 at 1:15 pm at Elderhaus. Andy Humphries 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 Mary Kathryn Turner (205 Yorkshire Lane) on January 12 at 4:00 pm. Please continue to send recipes to Bonnie Faler.
- **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. Contact Alma Fennell 350-0130 with questions.
- **Azalea Garden Tour Committee:** On October 19, 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.
- **Birds and Butterflies Committee** will meet Thursday, November 5 at 7:00 PM at the home of Cheryl Schramm on 8903 Mahogany Run in Porters Neck Plantation. We will be discussing the waterproof digital art by artist Sean Ruttkay to be installed at Airlie Gardens. Please contact Nancy Fitzgerald (686-1119 or [nafitz@ec.rr.com](mailto:nafitz@ec.rr.com)) for more information.
- **Conservation Committee** would like to thank the following ladies for making our Fall litter sweep a success: Eugenia Griswold, Elaine Henson, Suzanne Jenkins, Alma Moore, Caroline Neal, Linda Snider, Melissa Talley, Patsy West, Anita Duren-Swain.

## 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.
- Plans are underway for the "Birds of the Lower Cape Fear Cruise". Sunday, May 2, 2010, has been selected as the date, leaving again this year from Carolina Beach aboard the Winner Cruise Queen. Price remains \$35 per person for adults and \$25 for children 12 and under. Tickets available February 1, 2010.
- Pat Plaskett will be on vacation October 16 until November 12 and unavailable to accommodate emailing for CFGC. Please send your email requests during her absence to Ann Lyon at lyonspaws@gmail.com and she will forward notices to the membership & hold address changes or corrections until Pat's return.
- 2010 engagement calendars have been reordered. Call Dorothy Gaither or Susan Hickman to reserve your copies which will be available after October 20. The \$10.00 price contributes to our N.C. scholarship program. These more-beautiful-than-ever calendars are great for use as gardening logs and for Christmas, hostess or birthday gifts.
- First Christian Church is planning for a Spring plant sale. If you have perennials or bulbs to share please, email or call Millie Griffin at 686-1393 or 540-0216. They have a holding area on the church campus and can gratefully take any thing you don't want when you do your Fall dividing. Please share this with your other gardening friends! It is going to a good cause - the church mission team. Thanks!
- Carrabba's for Lunch after the October general meeting-- Let Shirley know if you can join the fun 686-7305.
- Yearbook- page 51- Please fill out with plantings for this year and mail or hand to Elaine Henson at our next general meeting.

- Belle Dress Vote: Go to [www.starnewsonline.com](http://www.starnewsonline.com) and find the story on the Azalea Belle Dress. The fabric has been chosen and you can see a picture of it in the article. Next to be decided is the skirt design...there are three designs to choose from. Look them over and vote online before October 24th.
- Call Dorothy Gaither for transportation to the October meeting 791-0505.

### Yearbook corrections and changes

new email addresses: Angie Hamlet [angelinahamlet2@gmail.com](mailto:angelinahamlet2@gmail.com)  
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Rosalind Barker new address 1646 Country Club Road 28403  
Shirley Luttmer's cell phone number is (910) 262-1176.  
Elisabeth Ritz Mead phone number 228-6049.

**2009-2010 DUES are DELINQUENT  
if your DUES were not paid in September.**

By-laws of Cape Fear Garden Club  
\$35.00 for ACTIVE MEMBERS  
\$45.00 for ASSOCIATE MEMBERS

Please mail your Dues check now so CFGC will not have to spend money on postage to mail you a delinquent dues notice. Make check payable to Cape Fear Garden Club and mail now to: Cape Fear Garden Club, 8506 Hammock Dunes Drive, Wilmington, NC 28411

**Recycling Tip** - Look for the triangle on the bottom of plastic containers; there should be a number inside the triangle. In the City of Wilmington you can recycle all plastic containers with numbers 1 through 7. If you live in the county, check with your recycler.

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