

The Daffodilly Newsletter



Midlothian Garden Club
Member of the National Garden Clubs
January 8, 2019



Bethel Baptist Church
1100 Huguenot Springs Road, Midlothian, VA 23113

Meeting – 10:30, Lunch 12:00

Program: “*Underwater Designs and Workshop*”

Carol Medlin will demonstrate, to Flow Show specifications, this design type through three examples. Members will then be led in a hands-on workshop.

Lunch Hostesses: Ann Shannon* Becky Huffman, Poll Gregg, Del Carrell and Karla Ogden.

Associate members staying for lunch and members bringing a guest, notify the head hostess. Lunch cost is \$4. There is no cost for first time walk in visitors.

Board Meeting: January 22, Hostess Kathy Gunther, 9:30 for refreshments and 10:00 for the meeting. Please let Kathy know you are coming, 739-1229, kgunther24@gmail.com .

FROM YOUR PRESIDENT

Happy New Year to all of you. In looking at last year’s January message, I noticed that we had some very cold weather, and our January meeting was actually cancelled due to the weather. This year, the weather is unusually warm – such a change. However, we can’t forget the birds who are wintering with us. Be sure to keep your feeders full and provide water. Don’t forget that next month is the Great Backyard Bird Count, a fun way to spend an hour or so identifying our backyard feathered residents. Let Jo Wagner know about your feeders, plantings and water features that benefit the birds.

Our December meeting was a wonderful display of creative designs for the Holidays. Let’s try to continue to have ways to use our imagination in

design. Our water design workshop this month is another way to stretch our creativity. Check out our web site for other web locations curated for us by Susan Gaskill, our electronic librarian for more creative ideas.

Another reminder for you is that Richmond Council of Garden Clubs does not meet in January.

Remember that all of us are the best ambassadors for our Club. Continue to bring your friends to our meetings when you can. We love visitors.

Plant What Grows,
Jennifer

TREASURER'S REPORT January 8, 2019

Balance as of 11/26/18	\$ 6,753.33
Deposits	45.00
Disbursements	213.25
Bank Service Charge (Sept.)	4.00
Balance Ending 1/8/2019	\$ 6581.08



Midlothian Garden Club Electronic Library January 2019

January is a good time to contemplate the benefits of growing and having house plants. Finding time to take care of house plants in the spring and summer when our gardens call to us, make winter a good time to give our plants some tender loving care, and/or to select some new plants, for aesthetics and health benefits. Also in winter a slightly warm shower for most house plants is a great idea for healthy plants (as well as putting some moisture in our homes). If repotting, make sure to scrub your container and let soak in a little bleach solution to kill potential problems. Gently wash the plant in some mild soapy water by submerging the plant and not forgetting to include gently washing the back of the leaves.

1. <http://www.guide-to-houseplants.com/house-plants-encyclopedia-a-z.html>

2. www.mnn.com/health/healthy-spaces/photos/15-houseplants-for...

3. <https://www.houseplant411.com/houseplant>

January Gardening Tips:

- Remove any remaining foliage from last year's perennials and dispose in a trash bag. This will reduce the chance of any pest from infecting your new growth this spring.
- Check perennial plants for frost heave; tamp down and apply mulch, if needed.
- To prevent breakage, remove snow from evergreen braches as soon as possible by gently tapping the underside of braches with a broom before snow freezes on the branches.
- No fertilization of plants indoors or outside is required in January.
- To protect your fingernails when gardening, insert into each garden glove fingertip a rubber fingertip cover like the ones used by bank tellers use to count money. This will help your manicure as well as your fingernails last a little longer.

SAVE THOSE BAGS



Barbara Holms is again collecting plastic bags for Robious Middle School. You can bring any bags you have to future meetings and Barbara will take them to her daughter, who works at Robious.

Lewis Ginter Events

- **Half-Price Admission Days, From January 14, 2019 @ 9:00 am - Thursday, February 28, 2019 @ 5:00 pm**, All Garden visitors enjoy half-price admission through Feb. 28.
- **Arranging with Market Bouquets, Monday, January 14, 2019 @ 6:00 pm - 8:00 pm**. Learn how to take a standard market bouquet and make it your own creation. David Pippin shares tips and composition guidelines.

- **Escape From Winter, Terrarium, Wednesday, January 16, 2019 @ 9:30 am - 12:00 pm** Use small water-loving plants like ferns and mosses to create a terrarium to remind you of warmer climates during winter!
- **Basic Floral Design, Part 1, Thursday, January 17, 2019 @ 6:30 pm - Thursday, January 31, 2019 @ 8:30 pm.** Learn how to create the basic shapes and styles of floral designs.
- **Floral Design with Tropicals, Wednesday, January 23, 2019 @ 6:00 pm - Wednesday, January 30, 2019 @ 8:30 pm** Brighten up gray winter days with tropical flowers and greens.
- **Arranging for the Altar, Saturday, January 26, 2019 @ 9:00 am - 12:00 pm**, Designer David Pippin helps you learn how to design and execute exciting and long-lasting arrangements for religious settings that are also appropriate and inexpensive.
- **Indoor Plants, Saturday, February 2, 2019 @ 9:00 am - 11:30 am** Are you a plant lover without a garden and dread winter's lack of green. Join Elise Benhase to discuss different types of houseplants, how to keep them alive, and how to find a place for them in your home.



For more information on these events go to, www.lewisginter.org. and click on calendar

DATES TO REMEMBER:

Jan. 4th, Richmond Council of Garden Clubs

DOES NOT MEET IN JANUARY.

Jan. 9th, Garden Therapy at Ginter Hall South

Feb. 1st, Richmond Council of Garden Clubs meeting. Program will be "How to make a Corsage" and "Growing Succulents", by Eli Green, Fullpocket Farm