

# *The Daffodilly Newsletter*



**Midlothian Garden Club**  
Member of the National Garden Clubs  
**May 7, 2019**



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

Meeting – 10:30, Lunch 12:00

**Program: “Flower Power – a behind-the-scenes look at  
Wild Flowers**

Donna Cottingham is a Master naturalist, nature writer, and amateur nature photographer. Through her power point presentation, we will explore nature’s amazing wild flowers, learn about some unusual plants, plant’s pollinator relationship, propagation, and some strange characteristics of flowering plants. Find out some plant history and where some of our non-natives came from.

**Lunch Hostesses:** Mary Ann Todd\*, Susan Austin, Amy Boshier, Kathy Gunther, and Linda Kreynus

**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: May 28,** at Carol Bridgforth, 9:30 for refreshments and 10:00 for the meeting. Please let Carol know you are coming, 379-8451, carolbridgforth@veriozn.net.

**FROM YOUR PRESIDENT May 2019**

April always seems to speed by to me. We are all so busy finally getting to work in our gardens. This year all the rain has made everything green so quickly. We are already at the beginning of May, when our gardens will reward us for all of our hard work.

A wonderful way to give back to our community is the Pie Party that we sponsor at Ginter Hall South on May 9. Be sure to let Wilma Heafner know that you will bake or bring a pie as part of our Garden Therapy program.

Congratulations to the team of Barbara Hollister, Betty Dols, Carol Bridgforth, and Karen Patterson, who submitted a spectacular floor design to the Salisbury Garden Club Flower Show, “Pages From Our Past” on May 1 and won First Place and the Flower Show Award Club Competition. If you were able to see the work done by our talented ladies, I know you were impressed.

Let me say that this year has been an exciting one for me. I have enjoyed being your president for the past two years and getting to know many of you better and working with so many gifted women. Thank you for the privilege. Let’s bring all of our support to Carolyn Bartsch, who will assume the presidency in June. And remember,

Plant What Grows  
Jennifer

### **TREASURER’S REPORT April 23, 2019**

Balance as of 3/26/2019	\$5,546.93
Deposits	\$1,460.00
Disbursements	\$274.73
Bank Service Charge (April)	\$4.00
Balance Ending 4/23/2019	\$ 6,728.20



### **Midlothian Garden Club Electronic Library May, 2019**

1.). It is possible to plant a tree we can see mature and enjoy sooner than later.

[www.fastgrowingtrees.com](http://www.fastgrowingtrees.com)

2.). We can plan ahead to plant winter flowering plants for color and and to have flowers for the December flower show and house tour.

[www.winterfloweringplants.com](http://www.winterfloweringplants.com).

## May/Summer Gardening Tips:

- Start a garden journal. Record new plants you have planted, the date planted, and the scientific name. At the end of the season record how well they performed.
- Fertilize spring bulbs after blooming with prepared bulb food.
- If you buy plants that are bare root, soak in water 2-6 hours before planting.
- Familiarize yourself with common plant pests and diseases and how to treat them. (slugs, Japanese beetles, lace bugs, spider mites and powdery mildew)
- Feed container plants weekly with a half strength fertilizer solution.
- Empty water sources, such as gutter, bird baths, buckets, etc., to reduce mosquito population.
- Continually check plants for water and WEED, WEED, WEED.



## Lewis Ginter Events

During the spring and summer months Lewis Ginter Botanical Gardens offers a wide range of events. If you want something to do this summer go to <https://www.lewisginter.org/events/list/>

and check out what is going on at the gardens.

### DATES TO REMEMBER:

**May 8, 2:00 PM, Garden Therapy at Ginter Hall, *PIE DAY!*** If you are unable to attend you can drop your pie off at Ginter Hall or with a member that is attending (Contact Wilma Heafner, 749-1279)

**May 23, 10:00 a.m., Field Trip** to the Gillette Gardens at Meadowbrook Country Club. \$5.00 per person. It will be a guided tour

**May 31.** Last Day to pay Club Dues. Give checks to Linda Greer.

**June 4, Our Annual Luncheon and Installation of Officers,** at Salisbury Country Club.

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SUMMER  
FUN!

