



The Daffodilly *Newsletter*

Midlothian Garden Club
Member of the National Garden Clubs



September 10, 2019

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

Meeting – 10:30, Lunch 12:00

Program: *The Art of Pressed Flowers*

Sheila Weisensale will give a unique program on the art of harvesting, pressing, and storing plant material. Garden club members will be given the opportunity to browse and shop for Mrs. Weisensale's unique, one of a kind pressed flower items.

Framed Botanical Arts will be on our January schedule.

Lunch Hostesses: Aleta Jenkins*, Margaret Gregg, Sandy Howells, Del Carrell, and Janet Roe

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: September 24, 9:30 for refreshments and 10:00 for the meeting. Please let Linda Greer know if you are coming. (897-4204, lmgreer@comcast.net).

FROM YOUR PRESIDENT

September means back to school, back to college, back to working in the yard! I greatly look forward to cooler mornings with a little nip in the air. I'm tired of this heat and humidity. I want cups of coffee on the deck wearing a sweater, listening to the leaves rustle, and watching them change into beautiful fall colors.

We begin a year in the Garden Club that is filled with new and interesting programs. We will be busy preparing for the October

19th Midlothian Day Festival by collecting flower seeds and packaging them to give away. We will also be potting our plants to sell! All members are encouraged to participate, and we will need a group to set up, work, and break down the day of the event. Please be of help.

That will be followed by our Holiday House Tour and Standard Flower Show on December 7. This is our MONEY MAKER for the next few years, and we need it to be a HUGE SUCCESS!! All members need to participate in several ways: working a hostess shift, making a design or wreath for one of the homes, bringing in horticulture, and helping decorate the other sites that will be open. We will journey from Hallsboro to Huguenot Springs and back just as the original French Huguenots did.

So, to prepare for all that is to come, I remind myself of my theme, “My Garden Feeds My Soul”.

Think that’s where I’ll go now. *Carolyn*

TREASURER’S REPORT August 27, 2019

Balance as of 5/28/2019	\$ 6,178.57
Deposits	1,641.00
Disbursements	1,874.34
Bank Service Charge (June, July)	8.00
Balance Ending 8/27/2019	\$ 5,937.23

Midlothian Garden Club Electronic Library

*This is dedicated as a review **and** for new members of our garden club. Each is a National Garden Club, INC. site (NGC...concise, very informative beginning of learning or reviewing how to design flower arrangements*

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Readying for an NGC Standard Flower Show:

- 1.) Photos of designs of National Garden Clubs of a Standard Flower Show
You may click on the photo to enlarge and study the design.

<http://www.gardenclub.org/schools/fss-design-examples.aspx>

- 2.) The principles of an NGC Standard Flower Show, the Study of Design,

(prepared by Bartram's Garden Club in PHL)

Classes included in a flower show,

Principals of design, Examples of designs,

Educational exhibits,

Horticulture <https://bartramgardenclub.org/new-page>

3.) Basic Flower Show Designs in the National Garden Club (NGC) way
<https://davesgarden.com/guides/articles/view/4538>

4.) Web site for your convenience of the National Garden Clubs, INC.
<http://gardenclub.org/>

September Gardening Tips:

- Replace spent annuals with cool weather annuals, such as pansies, flowering cabbage, marigolds, candytuft, begonia and petunias.
- Divide perennials and transplant soon so systems can become established before winter.
- Get a soil test if it has been 3-4 years since your last one.
- Do a fall clean-up of flower beds.
- Save and label dried seeds.
- This is a good time of year to plant bulbs. Add a pinch of Epsom salts to the hole. It helps get bulbs started and keeps the squirrels and moles from digging them up.
- Plant trees and shrubs.
- Keep hummingbird feeders filled until November (1-part sugar to 4 parts water) and leave the seed heads from your black-eyed susans and coneflowers for the finches.

Events, Classes and Workshops:

- **Until Oct 14**, Butterflies Live, Lewis Ginter Botanical Garden
- **September 13-14**, Fall Plant Fest, Lewis Ginter Botanical Garden
- **September 14**, Grow Your Own Food, Cross Creek Nursery 10-11am, free
- **September 21**, Heritage Harvest Festival at Monticello
- **September 21**, Fall Gardeners Fair, Great Big Greenhouse 10am-2pm with special guests, Chesterfield Master Gardeners and Sharp Again.

Seminars: Gardening with Natives at 10am and Moving Houseplants Back Inside at 12 pm, free

- **September 28**, Creating an English Cutting Garden, Cross Creek Nursery 10-11am, free

Click on these links for more information: www.lewisginter.org, www.heritageharvestfestival.com, www.crosscreeknursery.com, www.greatbiggreenhouse.com



Dates to Remember:

September 11 (TOMORROW), Garden Therapy at Ginter Hall, 10:00 am. Let Elfriede Gould know if you can come and help, (804-405-5744).

September 24, MGC board meeting at Linda Greer's, (804-897-4204)

October 4, Richmond Council of Garden Clubs Meeting, <https://www.rvagardenclubs.com>

October 14, Piedmont District Fall Meeting, Four Points Sheraton, cost is \$30. 8:30am registration/shopping, 10:00 General Meeting, 12:00 Lunch, 1:00 Program: "Travels with Auntie Mame" by Kathleen Hawryluk. Make check payable to Midlothian Garden Club and give to Jennifer Wester by October 1 meeting.



Photo from Susan Gaskill's Garden