

The Daffodilly Newsletter



Midlothian Garden Club
Member of the National Garden
September 14, 2021



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

Meeting – 10:30, Lunch 12:00

Program: *Perennials for Fall/Winter Interest*

Kathy Griffin, a designer of Cottage Gardens, will delight us with her multi talents on style using a variety of smaller containers and varieties of perennials harvested in autumn through the colder months. Members may participate in a raffle for the Cottage Gardens.

Lunch Hostesses: Aleta Jenkins*, Carol Bridgforth, Del Carrell, and Janet Roe

Board Meeting: September 28, 10:00am at Jennifer Wester's. Please let her know if you are coming. (276-7543, jswester@aol.com).

FROM YOUR PRESIDENT

Welcome to our first regular monthly meeting in almost a year and a half. I have missed our comradery and fellowship together, plus sharing our garden club adventures and ideas.

Some important dates to remember – September 17/18, 2021 Richmond Horticultor Association Plant Fest, located at the Lewis Ginter.

Richmond Council of Garden Clubs, Inc. – October 1, 2021 The program will be presented by Brent Heath.

VFGC Landscape Design School – October 11/12, 2021

Midlothian Garden Club Regular Meeting- October 5, 2021

The Piedmont District Fall Meeting – October 18, 2021

Fine Arts and Flowers at VMFA – October 20/24, 2021

Midlothian Garden Club Board Meeting – October 26, 2021

Violet Bank Garden Club – Design Show and Luncheon - November 10, 2021

The Midlothian Garden Club sponsored Thomas Maine III, for Nature Camp in Vesuvius, Virginia in August. Thomas will present a short presentation today on his Nature Camp experience.

Please remember to wear your mask today during our meeting and keep your distance.

*Joyfully planting and growing,
Barbara Hollister, President*

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 Susan's and coneflowers for the finches.

Midlothian Garden Club Electronic Library September 2021

Hello to our Midlothian Garden Club members this new term!

Last May I sent you a good article on a fungus raising its head on our beloved dogwoods. In late July, it was upsetting that a dogwood nearby was exhibiting the tell-tail signs! I recommend that you definitely read this site on our precious and much coveted Dogwood Trees.

1.) Dogwood Diseases and Insect Infestations: Now is the time to treat the problem. Clemson University in South Carolina has completed a study of Dogwoods and their diseases which you will find most helpful. <https://hgic.clemson.edu/factsheet/dogwood-diseases-insect-pests/>

2.) Preparing your roses for the coming winter seasons....including pruning!

Learn more about the flower that has inspired poets, painters, gardeners and crafters alike.

<https://www.hgtv.com/outdoors/landscaping-andhardscaping/everything-you-need-to-know-about-roses>

See why you should prune your roses when it's chilly outside.

<https://www.hgtv.com/outdoors/gardens/planting-andmaintenance/pruning-roses-during-winter>

Dates to Remember:

September 28, MGC board meeting at Jennifer Wester's, (804-276-7543)

October 1, Richmond Council of Garden Clubs Meeting, Church of Epiphany, 8000 Hermitage Rd, 10:00am <https://www.rvagardenclubs.com>

October 13, Garden Therapy at Ginter Hall, 10:00 am. Let Elfriede Gould know if you can come and help, (804-405-5744).

October 17, Midlothian Day Festival, MGC is planning to raffle a gift basket of fall-themed items as a fund raiser for our Club. Donations to fill the basket will be accepted at the September Board meeting and the October general meeting. A sign-up sheet will be available soon to help staff the booth. Contact Jennifer Wester for further information.

Events, Classes and Workshops:

- **September 14**, The Humane Gardener: The Shrub layer, virtual series presented by Lewis Ginter Botanical Garden, 6:30-8:00pm, \$10
- **September 17-18**, Fall Plant Fest, Lewis Ginter Botanical Garden
- **September 18**, Fall Gardeners' Fair, Great Big Greenhouse 10am-2pm, free
- **September 25**, Edible Landscape, Cross Creek Nursery 10am, \$20
- **September 28**, How to Build a Native Forest in Your Front Yard, virtual series presented by Lewis Ginter Botanical Garden, 6:30-8:00pm, \$10

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



Installation of New Officers