

# The Daffodilly Newsletter



**Midlothian Garden Club**  
Member of the National Garden Clubs  
**September 13, 2022**



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

Meeting – 10:30, Lunch 12:00

**Program: *African Violets-“Cultivation and Care of African violets”***

Bill Schmidt, a Master Judge & Show Chairman, from “The African Violet Society of Richmond” will present a slide presentation on growing African Violets. He currently raises 50-60 varieties! He is thrilled to share his passion with us and will bring several of his beauties to view. A raffle will be held at the conclusion of the presentation.

**Lunch Hostesses:** Carol Bridgforth\*, Carolyn Seren, and Linda Nelson

## **FROM YOUR PRESIDENT**

Difficult as it is, summer's end is nearing and fall is around the corner. Excitement is in the air for a new beginning for the Midlothian Club new year ahead.

Dotsie Williams has been busy planning our programs for the year ahead. Jennifer Wester has challenging designs for us to try and Vicky Bodkin has updated our horticulture guidelines for exhibiting our specimens. Thank you, ladies, for your hard work. Dale Harris and Karen Patterson are planning a fall yard sale. Carol Bridgforth has graciously agreed to have the yard sale in her driveway. Club members please note this will only be as successful as your support and participation in this project. Date is October 22, 2022.

Thomas Maine attended the fourth session of Nature Camp in Vesuvius, VA. He is excited to come to our September meeting and share his

experiences with you. Thomas was selected the BEST all-around camper for his session and received an honorary Notebook Award. Looking forward to seeing each of you today.

*Joyfully planting and growing,  
Barbara Hollister, President*

**\*\*\*\*\*PLEASE NOTE NEW PARKING GUIDELINES\*\*\*\*\***

**Members who arrive between 9:15 am and 9:45 am must park in front of the church and use the front entrance. If you arrive after 9:45, you may park in the normal spaces. This change will decrease congestion and provide a safer drop off area for the preschool.**

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**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.
- Keep hummingbird feeders filled until November 1.
- Do a fall clean-up of flower beds.
- Save and label dried seeds.
- This is a good time of year to plant bulbs, trees and shrubs.

## **Midlothian Garden Club Electronic Library      September 2022**

Living in Virginia affords us to have extended beautiful weather and particularly to be able to continue our love of gardening. Fall does not begin officially until September 22 and on December 20th Winter begins. With Fall, we automatically think of the plantings of trees and shrubs. Our locally own Doug Hensel has written a wonderful concise, short, but very informative blog on Japanese Maples. There is always a perfect place to plant a beautiful Japanese Maple with its many colors, variety of leaf shapes, and especially sizes!

<https://www.meadowsfarms.com/great-big-greenhouse-gardening-blog/gardening-info-from-doug-planting-and-growing-japanese-maple-trees/>

### **Dates to Remember:**

**September 14 (TOMORROW) – Garden Therapy** at Ginter Hall, 10:00am. Let Elfried Gould know if you can come and help (804-405-5744).

**September 27**, MGC board meeting

**October 7**, Richmond Council of Garden Clubs Meeting, Ginter Park Presbyterian Church, 3601 Seminary Ave, Coffee at 10:00 am and Meeting at 10:30am

**October 15, Midlothian Day Festival**, MGC is again participating in the annual Midlothian Day Festival. We will be giving away seeds from our gardens and raffling a basket of goodies full of fall-themed items. Bring seeds in bags with labels to help with their planting (sun/shade, variety, etc.) and fall themed items (can be gardening, but can also be decorating, Halloween, Thanksgiving, etc.) to our October meeting. Contact Jennifer Wester at [jswester@aol.com](mailto:jswester@aol.com) or (804) 276-7543 with any questions. Jennifer will also have a sign-up sheet for you to help tend our booth.

**October 17, The Fall Piedmont District Meeting**, at the DoubleTree by Hilton, 1021 Koger Center Blvd. Cost to attend is \$35.00 and includes a luncheon and design presentation. Details and a Sign-up sheet will be available at our September meeting. Checks are to be made payable to Midlothian Garden Club. Our deadline for payment is **September 27**. If you have questions, contact Amy Boshier, Treasurer.

**October 22, MGC fall yard sale**, more info will be shared at the meeting.



**MGC members having fun on the summer field trip**