



Richmond Council of Garden Clubs, Inc.
Richmond, Virginia

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The President's Corner

Barbara Hollister

The clocks have sprung forward and spring is trying to arrive. My daffodils were gorgeous the end of February and now their poor little heads are bowing downward. Our plum tree was full of blooms, but the cold has taken a bite, the blossoms are black! I don't expect to have any plums this summer.

Please make sure you have "Fashions with Flowers" on your calendar. The date is April 13, 2018 (inclement weather date April 20, 2018), and will be held at the First Baptist Church, located at Boulevard and Monument Avenue, Richmond, Virginia 23220. Dillard's will be sponsoring the fashions. Each club is being asked to make one table arrangement and to donate a garden item for the silent auction.

The "Night to Shine", Ted Tebow Foundation has been **raving** over the boutonnieres and wristlets done by the Richmond Council of Garden Clubs members. The "Night Tebow Foundation has asked if RCGC would like to participate again in 2019?"

Don't forget to honor someone in your club with a Life Membership. Contact Connie Zuidema soon as possible so she can have the proper paper work completed and a pin for the recipient.

Applications for the J. Malcom Pace Award and the Metropolitan Landscape Grant need to be given to Jeanne Stigall, by April 6, 2018. Hurry, hurry, you cannot receive any awards or grants if you do not apply.

I am looking forward to seeing you in April.

Barbara Hollister

April Meeting



Friday, April 6, 2018

***Ginter Park Woman's Club
3016 Seminary Avenue
Richmond, Virginia***

Registration and Coffee 10:00 AM

**Refreshments by: *Newfound River and Glebe Point
Garden Clubs***

Business Meeting begins at 10:30 a.m. followed by:

***Diana Crook
Shipp and Wilson Landscaping***

***"Maximizing Your Home's Curb
Appeal"***

**Open to All Members of
Our member Garden Clubs**

Richmond Council of Garden Clubs, Inc. - Regular Meeting
Ginter Park Woman's Club
3016 Seminary Avenue
Richmond, Virginia 23227
March 2, 2018

President Barbara Hollister called the March Meeting for the Richmond Council of Garden Clubs to order at 10:31 A.M..

Gladys Bowles gave the invocation, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America. A moment of silence was observed for Martha Saunders, a RCGC past president, whose husband recently passed away.

1st Vice President Pat Merson reported that the upcoming "Fashions with Flowers" will be held on April 13, 2018 (inclement weather date April 20, 2018) at the First Baptist Church, located at Boulevard and Monument Avenue, Richmond, Virginia 23220. The Council is asking clubs to donate one centerpiece for a table and a garden item for the silent auction. Dillard's will be sponsoring the fashion show.

Bonnie Parker reported that 27 Clubs and 90 members are in attendance today. The Salisbury Garden Club was welcomed.

Hostess Chairman, Karen Patterson, was absent. Barbara Hollister thanked Old Ivy for the wonderful refreshments and beautiful flower arrangements.

2nd Vice President, Judy Futch introduced Peggy M. Singlemann from Maymont, who will present today's program on "Going Native in Your Garden".

Recording Secretary. Johanna Gilbert reported that the minutes were published in the February newsletter. As no corrections to the minutes were given, then they stand approved as published.

Corresponding Secretary Linda Hardwicke reminded members to send in information for the newsletter no later than March 15th.

Treasurer Debbie Peaks gave the Treasurers report. Balance on hand in checking account as of February 1, 2018 is \$16,926.97. Income is \$1,680.00. Disbursements are \$980.00. Balance as of February 28, 2018 is \$17,626.97. CD holdings: New Horizons Bank two CDs, \$100,000 and \$50,000, Davenport \$100,000 and Wells Fargo Services \$100,000. Any questions for the treasurer report. There being none, then the report will be filed for audit.

Standing Committee Reports:

Awards Chairman Jeanne Stigall reported that she has received one entry. She reminded clubs to send in the information for the J. Malcom Pace Award and Metropolitan Landscape Grant by April 1. The amounts are listed in the yearbook on page 18.

Conservation Suzanne Spooner-Munch placed flyers in the chairs.

Barbara reminded clubs about **Life Memberships**. This is an opportunity to bestow life membership on individuals who have made contributions.

Meals On Wheels Chairman. Chairman Lu Cavallaro reported that we have exceeded the budgeted funds. However, the finance committee has indicated that if there are any monies left over from other projects it will be divided among the remaining clubs that have made MOW arrangements.

Nature Camp. Chairman Sandra Walker received money from one club for nature camp.

Tab Tops. Chairman Barbara Covington, reported that we are on schedule to achieve the 80 pound goal for Tab Tops for the year. She thanked clubs that contributed. They are listed in the newsletter.

Old Business:

Linda Hardwicke, Chairman of the Nominating Committee, reported the proposed slate of officers for the term of 2018-2020 as follows:

Historian	Jean Fender, Hilliard Park GC
Treasurer	Debbie Peaks, Wyndham GC
Corresponding Secretary	Jeanne Stigall, Oxford GC
Recording Secretary	Open
Second Vice President	Barbara Boor, Clay Springs GC
First Vice President	Judy Hodges, Thomas Jefferson GC
President	Linda Hardwicke, Crown Grant GC

Habitat for Humanity Homes. Chairman Jean Fender reported on the Habitat house in Mechanicsville. A family consisting of a mother and her two daughters has moved into the Mechanicsville house.

Barbara Hollister reported on the following:

“Night to Shine” – Co-Chairman, Debbie Peaks, Wyndham Garden Club/Co-Chairman, Mary Ann Taylor, Highland Springs Garden Club. The workshop held at the Berea Baptist Church was a great success. Levi and Mary Green, from the Full Pocket Farm, instructed the volunteers had to make the boutonnières and wristlets. Terry Strange-Boston, volunteer coordinator, from the Ted Tebow Foundations was present with snacks, a big smile and even assisted in making the boutonnières and wristlets. A very special thank you, to all the members of RCGC, for their time, and talents so willing shared helping to making this workshop a huge success.

St. John’s Church Landscaping Consulting Project, Churchill – Cindy Rustin and committee have been to the site. They recommend two large trees be removed before any other issues are addressed.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 11:13 A.M.

Johanna Gilbert

PARLIAMENTARY RULES are the rules of order for all meetings of the Richmond Council of Garden Clubs.

1. Before proceeding to speak you must first be recognized by the Chair. Then and only then are you supposed to proceed.
2. **NEVER** attempt to speak over the Chair or while the Chair is speaking.
3. **MOTIONS** – Before a member can present a motion, she must obtain the floor by addressing the Chair and must wait for recognition. When you have been recognized by the Chair, stand, give your name and garden club name, and then proceed.
4. Always Use the two words “**I MOVE**”. Never say “**I MAKE A MOTION.**”
5. To second a motion, say ‘**MADAM PRESIDENT, I SECOND THE MOTION**’ without rising and without waiting for recognition.
6. Wait until the Chair states motion before speaking to it. Then you must be recognized by the Chair. When your turn to speak comes, please stand, state your name and garden club name, and then proceed.
7. It is not only inappropriate to shout or speak over the Chair but a matter of being “**Out of Order**”.

Don't Forget the RCGC Wholesale Accounts

The Council has two wholesale accounts one at the Roy Houff Co., at 2414 Anniston Street, Richmond, VA 23223 and the second one is at Floramax, 1106 North Boulevard, Richmond, VA 23220.

The accounts at Roy Houff Co. and Floramax are under the Richmond Council of Garden Clubs, Inc., but you do not charge anything to RCGC. You may use your own credit card, pay by check or cash.

TAB TOPS

The Tab Top donations at Council's March meeting pushed us to a total of **105 lbs.** Following are the garden clubs that made donations:

Ginter Park
Lake Anna
Woodland Pond

Hanover Towne
Old Ivy

Hilliard Park
Sleepy Hollow

Huntington
Windsordale

Thanks to everyone – your contributions have set an ALL TIME record of donations. Please continue your contributions to TAB TOPS!!!!

Barbara Covington, Chairman

Ginter Park Garden Club's Annual March Into Spring Market, March 24, 2018

The Ginter Park Garden Club is hosting its 5th Annual March Into Spring Market at the Ginter Park Woman's Club, 3016 Seminary Avenue, Richmond, VA. Admission is \$2 and the hours are 10 AM to 4 PM. There will be 30 talented local artisans and vendors and there will be a Bake Sale.

Canterbury Garden Club's Annual Plant Sale, Saturday, May 5, 2018

The Canterbury Garden Club is hosting its annual Plant Sale this year on Saturday, May 5th from 9am to 12noon at [1405 Giltspur Road](#) in Henrico County's West End. Please plan to stop by for a wonderful variety of perennials for sun, part-sun, and shade successfully grown in our members' gardens. Selections include hostas, lilies, irises, ground covers, ornamental grasses, cut flower perennials, small shrubs. Vendor selections include herbs from Lavendar Fields and showy perennials and annuals from Ashwood Gardens. Free admission and free on street parking. Great prices! Raffle opportunity. Rain or shine. All proceeds go to our club projects.

Fashions with Flowers XX Information for Garden Clubs

1. Table Flower Arrangements or plants need to be at First Baptist Church - 2709 Monument Ave. at 8:30 a.m. Someone will be at the entrance to the parking lot beside the church to take in the arrangements and plants.
2. Silent Auction Items can be brought to the April 6, 2018 meeting or brought to the church the morning of the Fashions with Flowers at 8:30 a.m.
3. Silent Auction will start at 9:00 a.m.
4. Doors to the hall where Fashion with Flowers will be held will open at 9:45 a.m.
5. Only Handicapped Parking will be in the Parking Lot beside the church.
All other parking will be on the street or the church parking lot one block from the church on Monument Ave.
6. Registration Deadline: Friday, March 23, 2018 Seating Limit: 192

If you have any questions, please contact: Pat Merson - Email: prwtm@aol.com or Phone: (804) 796-1132

Richmond Council of Garden Clubs, Inc.

Presents

Fashions with Flowers XX

“Buds, Blooms, and Blossoms of Springtime”

Friday, April 13, 2018, 10:00

Inclement Weather Date – Friday, April 20, 2018

First Baptist Church

2709 Monument Ave., Richmond, Va.

Cost: \$30.00 – Fashion Show by Dillard's, Floral Designs, Silent Auction, and Lunch

Floral Design Program by Marguerite Slaughter



The lunch menu will be a grilled Chicken Caesar salad, breadsticks, French silk pie, Dutch apple crumb pie, tea, and coffee. Each club is asked to donate a table floral design or a flowering plant, and one or more garden themed items or a plant(s) for the silent auction. Please send 1 check from each garden club made payable to Richmond Council of Garden Clubs, Inc. to RCGC's Treasurer, Debbie Peaks, 11725 Olde Covington Way, Glen Allen, Virginia 23059, Phone – 564-9842, Email – realestateexpert@aol.com by Friday, March 23, 2018 with the name of the garden club and the names of the attendees. Seating is limited to 192. Please contact Pat Merson– Phone – 796-1132 or Email – prwtm@aol.com with any questions. Please send this form with the club's reservations.

Name of Club: _____

List of Names: _____

Number of Reservations: _____ Check Number: _____

Richmond Council of Garden Clubs, Inc.

Invites You To

Celebrate Springtime - Luncheon and Annual Meeting

Friday, May 4, 2018

**The Dominion Club
6000 Dominion Club Drive, Glen Allen, Virginia 23059**



Floral Design Program – Diane Burgess and JoAnn McNabb

Registration and Coffee begins at 9:30 a.m.; meeting begins at 10:15 a.m.

Luncheon cost is \$30. Please send 1 check from each garden club payable to Richmond Council of Garden Clubs, Inc. with the name of the garden club and the names of the attendees to Debbie Peaks, RCGC Treasurer, 11725 Olde Covington Way, Glen Allen, Virginia 23059 by April 20, 2018.

Luncheon menu will be announced at the April 6, 2018 RCGC meeting.

Richmond Council of Garden Clubs, Inc. Annual Luncheon – May 4, 2018
Garden Club _____ Amount Enclosed \$ _____
Print Names of Attendees:

Calendar of Upcoming Events

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April 8-10, 2018. VFGC Convention 2018, Westin Hotel, Richmond, Virginia. The featured speakers are Tony Todesco and Ellen Ogden. For more information see, VFGC, *Old Dominion Gardener*", Spring 2018, Volume 49, No. 4, pages 2-5.

April 13, 2018. Richmond Council of Garden Clubs, Inc. will hold its annual "Fashions with Flowers" at the First Baptist Church, Monument Avenue, Richmond, VA. Mark your calendar.

April 16, 17, 2018. Landscape Design School, Course III, Series XXVII, The Woodlands Hotel & Suites Conference Center, 105 Visitor Center Drive, Williamsburg, VA 23185. A registration form can be found at the VFGC Website and also in the Winter issue of the *Old Dominion Gardener*.

May 4, 2018. "Celebrate Springtime," the Richmond Council of Garden Clubs, Luncheon and Annual Meeting will be held at the Dominion Club, 6000 Dominion Club Drive, Glen Allen, Virginia 23059. Registration and coffee begins at 9:30 AM. The Floral Design Program will be presented by Diane Burgess and JoAnn McNabb. The luncheon cost is \$30. Please send 1 check from each garden club payable to Richmond Council of Garden Clubs, Inc. with the name of the garden club and the names of the attendees to Debbie Peaks, RCGC Treasurer, 11725 Olde Covington Way, Glen Allen, Virginia 23059 by April 20, 2018.

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June 4, 2018. District's Flower Show Judges'. "Here comes Summer" a standard flower show will be held at the Historic Inn at Montross, 21 Polk Street, Montross, VA 22520. For information contact Flower Show Chairman, Jane Denton, 804 435-6877 or denton@va.metrocast.net.

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