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President's Corner

Dear Richmond Council Garden Club members,

I recently talked to Linda Hardwicke and she wanted you all to know that she misses everyone and looks forward to being back in the president's chair. In the meantime, due to horrid covid, we need to make some plans about our meetings, at least through this fall.

I would like all board members and committee chairs to meet at the Mechanicsville Branch library on 7461 Sherwood Crossing Place at 10am on Friday, October 1. We will have a meeting until about 10:45 to discuss future plans and ideas. Please feel free to email me at Judy.c.erdman@gmail.com with any questions or concerns you may have.

I invite all presidents of our clubs or their representative to join us at 10:45 with their suggestions about programs and meetings. We will then have our program with Brent Heath of Brent and Becky's Bulbs via zoom.

There is a kitchen facility at the library, but we will not be serving snacks, so please bring your own snacks or beverages.

I know that many of you are not comfortable being in a group, and may not want to attend in person. Come or not, whatever makes you comfortable. The link to join via zoom is on the following page.

Thank you for letting me fill in for Linda and I hope you all are well, enjoying some early fall weather and hope to see you soon.

Judy Erdman
1st VP



October Meeting



Helenium (Sneezeweed)

Friday, October 1, 2021

**Mechanicsville Library or via
Zoom**

Business Meeting begins at 10:30 a.m.

**Bulbs as Companion Plants
Brent Heath
of Brent and Becky's Bulbs
Gloucester, VA**

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

If you decide to join the RCGC October meeting via zoom, here is the info you need:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/83753776579?pwd=TXQ4SjFFNVdhQlZNZTdERURGM3NLUT09>

Meeting ID: 837 5377 6579

Passcode: 042327



RCGC Yearbooks

The RCGC Yearbooks were printed and ready to hand out at the September meeting. I have given some to members of clubs that I see to pass on to the President and Representative. Please make the following correction in your yearbook when you get it: Newfound River Garden Club: Susan Jones is listed as representative, but is now the President. The Representative is Margie Wasseen, 129 Chase Lane, Bumpass, VA 23024, mwasseen@gmail.com. Delete Pat Swinson. ~ Jean Fender

Bulbs as Companion Plants

Brent Heath of Brent and Becky's Bulbs in Gloucester will join us by Zoom with "Bulbs as Companion Plants". Whether you are starting a new flower bed or want to add to an established one, Brent will show how to include bulbs to create a garden with three seasons of beauty. A list of slides identifying the bulbs being used is attached to this newsletter.

Tab Tops

What a nice surprise it was to receive some September Tab Tops from Ginter Park Garden Club. Many clubs have let us know they continue to squirrel theirs away until the council meets in person again. Many thanks for your club's continued support of this worthy project. ~ Barbara Covington and Trisha Kreynus

Diaper Mission

Epiphany Church advises they are continuing their diaper ministry/drive and would definitely appreciate any that we could contribute. ~ Judy Erdman

**RICHMOND COUNCIL OF GARDEN CLUBS
MINUTES OF SEPTEMBER MEETING
September 10, 2021**

The September meeting of Richmond Council of Garden Clubs was held at the Atlee Library in Mechanicsville in person for officers and committee chairmen and via Zoom for others. Due to the illness of President, Linda Hardwicke, the meeting was conducted by First Vice President, Judy Erdman.

Judy called the meeting to order at 10:30 a.m. She opened the meeting with the pledge of allegiance to the flag and the Lord's Prayer. Judy and Jean Fender were the only 2 present along with the speaker, but approximately 15 tuned in on zoom which constituted a quorum.

A motion was made to dispense with the reading of the minutes of the June annual meeting. Jean Fender gave the Treasurer's report for the period June 1, 2021-August 31, 2021. The balance in the checking account is \$16,581.72 which includes \$447.12 in the Habitat for Humanity Fund. We also have our investments in Davenport and TradePMR and 3 certificates of deposit. Jean reminded 6 clubs that she had not received their dues.

Jean received 2 newsletters and a letter from Nature Camp thanking us for our donation we mailed them in May. Two of the campers that were helped with these funds had written thank you notes which were read. Jean also said she had received thank you letters from the City of Richmond, Powhatan, and Chesterfield for the school gardening donations we had sent them. Jean briefly told about the Habitat for Humanity project completed by Hilliard Park Garden Club, West Hanover GC, Clay Springs GC, and Town and Country GC. She sent articles into the RCGC newsletter, Footprints, and the Old Dominion Gardener publications which all gave RCGC credit for fully funding the project.

Judy explained that the October meeting will feature Brent Heath on Daffodils. We will let everyone know if we can meet in person or have our meeting and program on zoom.

There was no other business and Judy introduced our speaker, Heidi Molano from Boulevard Flower Gardens to present our program. Heidi decorated a ribbon with dried flowers to be used as a hat band and also made a small dried arrangement in a glass covered container. She then made three lovely fall flower designs which were to be raffled off but Jean and Judy were the lucky recipients.

The meeting and program were over by 12:30 pm.

Jean Fender,
Acting Recording Secretary

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