

Richmond Council of Garden Clubs, Inc. Richmond, Virginia

A Newsletter of the Richmond Council of Garden Clubs, Inc.

Organized 1932

Richmond, Virginia

April 2022

President's Corner

Dear Richmond Council Garden Club members.

Hooray! Spring has arrived. Beautiful flowers are recovering after a wicked quick freeze a week ago and we are all welcoming the milder temperatures.

Please come to our April 1st meeting at the Ginter Park Presbyterian Church. We will be voting on a slate of officers for our 2022-2024 Council. We need presidents and/or representatives to vote. It will be important to have a quorum present. We look forward to the program on "400 Years of Beekeeping in Virginia" presented by Keith Tignor, State apiarist, with the Virginia Department of Agriculture and refreshments provided Lake Anna Garden Club.

Fashion and Flowers and our Annual meeting will be held at First Baptist Church on Monument Avenue on May 6. Don't miss it!!! Fashions are provided by Chico's and modeled by our own RCGC garden club members. Also, there will be a delightful program 'Spring Fling' presented by Brenda McManaway.

Judy Erdman First vice-president



April 1st Meeting



Ginter Park Presbyterian Church 3601 Seminary Avenue, Richmond, VA 23227

Registration and Coffee 10:00 a.m.

Business Meeting begins at 10:30 a.m.

"400 Years of Beekeeping in Virginia" by Keith Tignor, state apiarist, Virginia Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services

> Refreshments provided by Lake Anna Garden Club

Open to All Members of Our member Garden Clubs

RCGC Dues and Yo	earbook Updates
-------------------------	-----------------

It is time once again to pay dues and update the yearbook for 2022-2023.

PLEASE SUBMIT THE FOLLOWING INFORMATION WITH A CHECK (payable to Richmond Council of Garden Clubs) FOR YOUR CLUB'S DUES TO: Jean Fender, 10000 Berry Pond Lane, Mechanicsville, VA 23116, no later than June 1.

Dues: Member clubs with 51 plus members - \$40

Member clubs with 26-50 members - \$30 Member clubs with 11-25 members - \$25 Member clubs with 10 or fewer members - \$15

If there have been any changes to the following since the 2021-2022 yearbook, please update:

Meeting day (ex. 1 st Tuesday),	Number of members
President	Representative
Name	
Address	
Phone (home)	
Phone (cell)	
Email	

Lifetime Membership

Please consider giving a member of your club a Lifetime Membership. For a donation of \$50, the recipient will receive a pin and a membership card. The donation of \$50 goes to Nature Camp. Summer camp sessions will be starting before we know it, and I know the campers as well as the camp administrators would welcome the extra support. ~ For information contact Kay Rafner, Lifetime Membership Chair, at krafner@comcast.net.

Tab Tops

Thanks to the clubs of Canterbury, Ginter Park, Greenfield, Hanover Towne, Hilliard Park, Old Ivy, Oxford, Salisbury, Sleepy Hollow, Windsordale, and Woodland Pond 43.2 lbs. of tab tops were donated to the Ronald McDonald House after the March meeting. How wonderful!!!! ~Barbara Covington and Patricia Kreynus

Awards and Grants

The Richmond Council offers monetary awards and grants to a garden club for local beautification projects. For complete information on the Metropolitan Landscape Design Grant and the J. Malcolm Pace Awards, please refer to the RCGC website: http://rvagardenclubs.com/index.html >>Home>> How We Support These Goals >> See Grants OR reference pages .15-18 in the RCGC Handbook. The deadline for applying is April 1st. Awards will be presented at the May Annual meeting and luncheon.

Please let me know if your club <u>intends</u> to apply for an award or grant so that a judging panel can be secured. ~ Jeanne Stigall, Awards and Grants Chair, <u>silstigall@aol.com</u>.

Night to Shine

The Night to Shine, sponsored by Tim Tebow was held February 5, 2022. This was the 8th year, to celebrate the Kings and Queens with an unforgettable parade style Shine-Thru event was held at the Hope Presbyterian Church,

12445 Patterson Avenue, Richmond, Virginia 23238. All participants stayed in their cars, rode through the parking lot and stopped at different stations. Stations were to pick up their crowns, corsages or boutonnieres (silk), and other gifts. On February 11, 2022 the Kings and Queens enjoyed a virtual Night to Shine in their homes with 3-D animation, Celebrity drop-ins, sing and dance alongs and a virtual crowning with Tim and Demi Tebow! Here is hoping the very special event can return to "normal" in 2023. ~ Barbara Hollister





Stonehenge Garden Club Plant Sale

Stonehenge Garden Club is having it's annual Plant Sale on Saturday, April 23, 2022 from 9:30 AM to 2:00 PM at Stonehenge Golf and Country Club, located at Rt 60 and Farnham Drive, Midlothian, VA 23113 Follow the signs!

There will be a variety of plants donated from club members' gardens as well as donations from various nurseries and retailers. There will be both indoor and outdoor plants - some plants for sun and some for shade. Come enjoy shopping among the plants, garden and yard items! ~ Millie Watson, VP Stonehenge Garden Club



Canterbury Garden Club Plant Sale

Canterbury Garden club is having a plant sale on Saturday, April 30 from 9-12 at 1405 Giltspur Rd in the Canterbury subdivision. ~Claudia Frank

Richmond Council Garden Clubs, Inc. Fashion with Flowers XXIII and Annual Meeting Update Pat Merson, Chairman

Fashion With Flowers XXIII and the Annual Meeting will be held on Friday, May 6, 2022, at First Baptist Church, 2709 Monument Ave. Richmond, Va. at 10 a.m. The annual meeting will be followed by Fashion with Flowers XXIII.

Floral Designer, Brenda McManaway will present a floral design program, "Spring Fling". She will make 6 floral designs. She is an outstanding floral designer who presented a program at the Piedmont District Meeting. Opportunity Tickets will be sold for the floral designs.

Fashions for the event will be provided by Chicos. Models will be our own RCGC members.

Lunch will be provided by First Baptist Church. The menu: Chicken Caesar Salad/Dressing, Breadsticks, Choice of Chocolate or Apple Pie, Coffee, Tea, and Water.

There will not be a Silent Auction.

The cost will be \$35.00 per person. Johanna Gilbert is the registrar for the meeting. Please send one check payable to RCGC from each garden club with a list of attendees. The attendee limit is 132. There will be 6 seats at each table. A registration form is attached. The registration form and checks need to be sent to: Johanna Gilbert, 8423 Shannon Green Ct., Henrico, Va. 23228. Johanna's phone: (804) 270-6056 and email: omagilbert@aol.com Checks will be cashed after the May 6th event.

REGISTRATION DEADLINE- Friday, April 22, 2022

Each RCGC garden club is being asked to donate a flowering plant for a table centerpiece. Plants need to be brought to the church by 9 a.m. on the morning of the meeting. Opportunity tickets will be sold for the plants. Thank you in advance for the donation.

Covid 19 guidelines will be monitored during March and April.

Let's have a GREAT	turnout for RCGC's	"Fashion with Flo	owers XXIII" and	Annual Meeting on	n May 6 th as v	ve
celebrate SPRING!				_		

FASHION WITH FLOWERS AND ANNUAL MEETING REGISTRATION FORM

GARDEN CLUB NAME-			
GARDEN CLUB CONTACT PER	SON		
CONTACT PERSON'S – PHONE	NUMBER/EMAIL		
NUMBER OF ATTENDEES	CHECK NUMBER	CHECK TOTAL-	
LIST OF ATTENDEES			

PLEASE SEND REGISTRATION FORM AND CHECK TO JOHANNA GILBERT, 8423 SHANNON GREEN CT., HENRICO, VA. 23228

REGISTRATION DEADLINE: FRIDAY, APRIL 22, 2022

RICHMOND COUNCIL OF GARDEN CLUBS

Minutes of March Meeting March 4, 2022

The March meeting of the Richmond Council of Garden Clubs was held at Ginter Park Presbyterian Church in Richmond. The First Vice President, Judy Erdman, called the meeting to order at 10:30a.m. Judy asked Gladys Bowles to give the invocation. Gladys gave an interesting story and song about St. Patrick's Day. She led the Pledge of Allegiance and then the club sang "God Bless America".

Julie Proctor thanked the members of the Woodland Pond Garden Club for the wonderful refreshments.

Minutes were posted on line. There being no additions or corrections, the minutes stand approved.

Jean Fender gave a treasurer's report of \$28,601.03. There being no questions, the treasurer's report was filed.

Jeanne Stigall reminded all club Presidents to share the RCGC Newsletter with all of their members.

Judy announced Meals- on-Wheels was temporarily canceled because of the pandemic. It was suggested that plants or arrangements could be sent for the time being. This will be discussed later.

Sandra Walker thanked the clubs for their donations to Nature Camp.

Barbara Covington thanked everyone for the Pop-Tops and reminded the members to keep saving.

Bonnie Parker gave the attendance report: 22 clubs were represented and 52 members were present.

Due to the cancellation of the February meeting, the nominating committee was announced. The club voted and all passed. The members are:

Jean Fender, Chairman, Member of Board of Directors Pat Merson, Member of Board of Directors Erica Gilliam, River Road Garden Club Carolyn Snyder, Ginter Park Garden Club Johanna Gilbert, Windsordale Garden Club

The nominating committee announced the slate of officers for 2022-2023 which will be voted on in April and the installation will be at the May luncheon. All individuals have agreed to be nominated in accordance with the By-Laws Section 1C.

President- Judy Erdman, Ginter Park Garden Club

1st Vice President- Millie Proffitt - Ginter Park Garden Club

2nd Vice President- Co 2nd VP - Jane VanDenburgh, Old Ivy Garden Club

Co 2nd VP - Erica Gilliam, River Road Garden Club

Recording Secretary- Karen Fritter, Clay Spring Garden Club

Corresponding Secretary-Jeanne Stigall, Oxford Garden Club

Treasurer-Jean Fender, Hilliard Garden Club

Historian-Pat Merson, Chester Garden Club

Pat Merson announced the annual luncheon is being combined with the Fashion with Flowers program on May 6 at First Baptist Church, 2700 Monument Ave. Richmond at 10 am. The cost is 35 dollars and the registration forms are in the RCGC Newsletter.

There being no more business, the meeting was adjourned at 11:00a.m.

Jane VanDenburgh introduced William Sawyer the guest speaker for the day. William gave a very interesting slide and talk presentation on "The Eastern Bluebird". The meeting and program were over by 12:00.



An NGC Small-Standard Flower Show

Presented by the River Road Garden Club

at

River Road Presbyterian Church Kemp Hall 8960 River Rd, Richmond, VA 23229 804-740-7083

> April 8, 2022 1:00pm - 4:30pm

Member of the
National Garden Clubs, Inc.
South Atlantic Region
Virginia Federation of Garden Clubs, Inc.
Piedmont District, Virginia



Calendar of Upcoming Events!

April 1, 2022 - RCGC meeting, program, ""400 Years of Beekeeping in Virginia" presented by Keith Tignor, Virginia state apiarist

May 6, 2022 – RCGC Annual Meeting and Luncheon and Fashion with Flowers and program, 'Spring Fling' by Brenda McManaway to be held at First Baptist Church, 2709 Monument Avenue, Richmond

Learn about the Richmond Council of Garden Clubs, Inc. ~ their history, goals, calendar, newsletters and more.

Visit the website - http://rvagardenclubs.com/



RCGC Newsletter Jeanne Stigall 2333 Woodmont Drive N. Chesterfield, VA 23235-3339

FIRST CLASS MAIL

TO: