



Richmond Council of Garden Clubs, Inc. **Richmond, Virginia**

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President's Corner

A friend just came back from a Skyline Drive trip and raved about the colorful fall leaves. River City is a little behind, but the Maple trees are giving us a hint that we will soon be treated to lots of color in our neighborhoods.

I hope everyone is winterizing their gardens and getting lots of bulbs planted.

Please come to our November Council meeting on November 4th at Ginter Park Presbyterian Church. Sheila Weisensale is going to demonstrate techniques for using fresh herbs in Holiday cooking. She will share recipes and give us samples and our door prizes will include some food items!

Please remember that your admission to all Richmond Council meetings is free. Your club dues allow you to come and socialize with other garden clubs, enjoy some refreshments and learn from our programs. I do hope to see more members at our next meeting!

Millie Proffitt, our first Vice President and I hope to visit a lot of our clubs to see how Council can be helpful. We very much enjoyed a visit to Salisbury Garden Club last week.

On a somber note, our fabulous Chaplain, Gladys Bowles, is in Regional Memorial Hospital fighting a very bad infection. She is not allowed visitors. Gladys has been inspirational to all of us and we will miss her at our November and December meetings. We look forward to her coming back in February. Cards would be a wonderful way to cheer her up. She is at Regional Memorial Hospital, 8260 Atlee Road, Mechanicsville, Virginia 23116. She is in room #2261. She is very tired, hold off on phone calls. Our prayers are with Gladys.

Ginter Park Garden Club lost a faithful member in October, Sandra Armstrong. Sandra held many offices in the Ginter Park club, several times as Vice President, was a co-president and president and was our historian. She loved daffodils and was an expert teacher. She will be very much missed.

Judy Erdman
President

November 4th 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.

Enhance Your Holiday Dining with
Fresh Herbs
Sheila Weisensale

Refreshments provided by
Crown Grant Garden Club

Open to All Members of
Our member Garden Clubs

Program for November 4, 2022 meeting ~ Enhance Your Holiday Dining with Fresh Herbs - Sheila Weisensale

Tab Tops

The Ronald McDonald House was delighted to receive 11.25 lbs. of tab tops from the clubs of Clay Springs, Ginter Park, Hanover Towne, Hilliard Park, Northam, Old Ivy, Oxford, Sleepy Hollow, Windsor Dale, and Woodland Park. They wish to thank Richmond Council for its continued support. ~ Barbara Covington and Tricia Kreyanus

Habitat for Humanity

Hilliard Park Garden Club will be landscaping a habitat house at 709 N. Center Street in Ashland on Saturday, October 29 starting at 8 a.m. and probably finishing before noon. If anyone in your club is interested in coming to see what is involved or like to help, please come. You don't have to arrive at 8 am!

Please let me know if your club is interested in doing a habitat landscaping project and I will give you all the details. Jean Fender jean.fender@comcast.net

RICHMOND COUNCIL OF GARDEN CLUBS
MINUTES OF OCTOBER MEETING
October 7, 2022

The October meeting was held at Ginter Park Presbyterian Church and President Judy Erdman called the meeting to order at 10:30 a.m. President Erdman led the Pledge of Allegiance.

The September minutes were printed in the newsletter and were approved.

Treasurer Jean Fender gave her report: the balance in the checking account on September 1, 2022 was \$22,649.86 with \$73.00 in receipts and \$1,282.25 in disbursements. The balance as of Sept. 30 was \$27,440.61.

Jean gave the Habitat for Humanity report at this time. Sleepy Hollow GC has been working on landscaping a house and Jean has relayed to Habitat officials that other garden clubs are interested but need help with digging in preparation for planting.

Julie Proctor, Hospitality, thanked Hanover Towne Garden Club for their refreshments.

Bonnie Parker gave the attendance report: 18 clubs represented and 48 members present.

Evelyn Klumb, Conservation, reminded members to mulch and put away pesticides safely. Using leaf mulch (ground up leaves) is animal friendly and helps the environment.

Horticulture chairman, Jackie McDonnough thanked everyone who brought acorns and they will be delivered today so they will soon be sprouting trees for planting.

Janice Bailey, School Gardening chair, gave a rundown of RCGC's work over the years with the Extension Service in Chesterfield, Powhatan, Hanover, Henrico, and Richmond City. RCGC sends donations to these programs and supports education in composting, pollinators, bugs as well as various gardening programs and 4-H clubs in schools. RCGC received many thank you notes from these programs. Janice thanked past chairmen for keeping good records on

this program and suggested changing the name from “School Gardening” to “Youth Gardening” since the donations go to the Extension Service and then out to school programs.

Sandra Walker, Chairman of Nature Camp, read a thank you note for a \$335.00 donation which was used as a scholarship for Nature Camp. The recipient of this scholarship sent a note thanking RCGC for the wonderful experiences from Nature Camp.

Barbara Covington reported taking 24 pounds of aluminum tab tops to Ronald McDonald House.

Pat Merson reported that First Baptist Church in Richmond has been secured for Fashions and Flowers on May 5, 2023.

President Erdman reminded members to share pictures or memorabilia for the RCGC’s 90th Birthday in December.

NEW BUSINESS

President Erdman reported she would be gathering a committee to work on by-law changes.

The meeting was adjourned at 11:05.

First VP, Jane VanDenburgh reminded members that Sheila Weisensale will be the November speaker. The topic will be “Enhancing Your Holiday Dining with Fresh Herbs for the Holidays”. Sheila will share recipes and samples.

Jane introduced our speaker, Carol McGrath, Master Gardener, Henrico Extension Service and her topic “Vegetable Gardening in Small Spaces.”

The program concluded at 11:45 a.m.

2022-2023 Yearbook Corrections/Additions

Thanks so much for sending me corrections or additions to the yearbook. They are listed below. Please let me know if there are any more changes to be made. Jean.fender@comcast.net

P. 6 -Add cell number for Jane VanDenburgh **441-0984**

p. 8 -Correct spelling for Parliamentarian Susan **DelSordo**

p. 20 -Correct zip code for Jan Neifeld - **23831**

p. 21 -**Ginter Park GC** change number of members to **25**

Add representative: **Joyce Parker** **513-7268**

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p. 23 -**Lake Anna Garden Club** change number of members to **25**; **delete website**

p. 24 -**Midlothian GC** delete **Mary Ann Todd** as representative

Add representative: **Vickie Botkin** **379-8102** **no cell**

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p. 24 -Change cell number for Jane VanDenburgh to **441-0984**

p. 25 -**Oxford GC** add: **Joyce Williams** as co-representative **320-1291**

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p. 25 -**Powhatan GC**, correct meeting time from evening to **daytime**

delete Katherine George as representative

Add co-representative: **Vickie Botkin** **379-8102** no cell

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Add co- representative: **Jeanette Ridings** **357-8202**

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p.28 -**West Hanover GC**, correct Lorraine Hooper's email to: ljhooper1@verizon.net

14TH ANNUAL

CROWN GRANT GARDEN CLUB

HOLIDAY DESIGN WORKSHOP

MONDAY, DECEMBER 5, 2022

6:30-7:00 pm Heavy Hors d'oeuvres
7:00-9:00 pm Workshop

RIDGE BAPTIST CHURCH

1515 Eastridge Road, Henrico, VA 23229
(across from Kroger)

TICKETS?

Text / Call Debbie: (804) 337-1983

CONTRIBUTION

\$45.00 proceeds support CGGC community projects!

Calendar of Upcoming Events!

November 4, 2022 - RCGC meeting, program, Enhance Your Holiday Dining with Fresh Herbs, Sheila Weisensale will demonstrate techniques for using fresh herbs in delicious dishes for the Holidays. Her recipes will be shared, and samples provided during the program.

December 2, 2022 – RCGC meeting, RCGC 90th birthday party and Holiday Designs, Sally Harrison of River Road Garden Club and Richmond Designers Guild will delight us with floral designs for the Holidays.

No January RCGC meeting

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