



FOOTPRINTS

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A Message from JoAnn McNabb, Piedmont District President

This week, the Governor has extended the stay-at-home order until June 10, which will encompass National Garden Week. It is a strange time. Never has my calendar been quite so open. But I am optimistic that the actions we are all talking will make a positive difference..

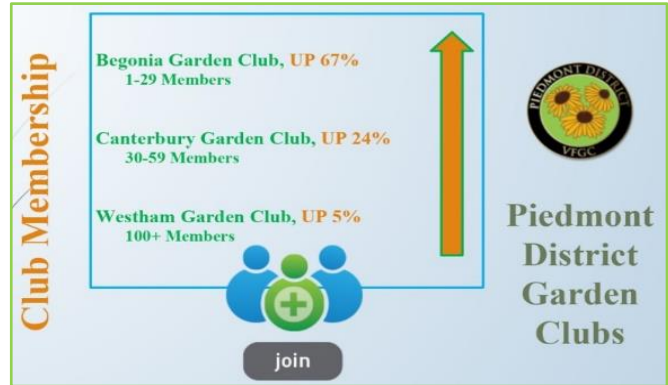
As the days of isolation wear on, my spirits are lifted by the glorious Virginia spring beginning to unfold. My garden – and I’m sure many of yours – is full of beautiful early spring blooms. And my back aches from shoveling mulch. I am grateful for my life as a gardener.

I missed seeing everyone at the spring meeting and missed the opportunity to celebrate the many accomplishments of our clubs. This special edition of *Footprints* is intended to applaud those accomplishments in the best way we can right now.

I mentioned in the spring issue that I had served as an awards evaluator. It was so inspiring to read about all the club projects and the ways our clubs are making a difference in communities across the Piedmont District. The VFGC state awards are also included in this issue. I have to say I am bursting with pride and feel very privileged to be surrounded by such resourceful and talented club members.

Now, how about the National Awards? The national awards committee is preparing certificates for all winners. Each state president will receive a packet containing that state’s awards. It is planned that they will be mailed out around the time the national convention would have been held, around May 11. Shortly after that, the winners will be posted to the NGC website. Fingers crossed!

I want to especially call out the club membership blue ribbon winners that would have been recognized at the state convention.



I know that all clubs are beginning to actively plan programs and projects for the coming year. I encourage you to include membership growth as a priority. You might contact the clubs recognized for growth to gain new insights into how to increase your club’s membership.

Don’t miss the opportunity to share club project successes in the summer edition of *Footprints* or *Old Dominion Gardener*. Both deadlines are May 1. ODG articles should be sent to our *Footprints* editor Gail Harwood by mid-April.: Send articles and jpg images via email to: Footprints@piedmontdistrictvfgc.org.

Looking to 2020-2021, clubs please complete the attached dues form and send to Linda Nau, Treasurer Piedmont District, by May 31, 2020.. Her address is on the form. The form is also on the website. Thank you!

I look forward to seeing everyone at our fall meeting on October 19th. We will hold our traditional Memorial Moment as part of that meeting.

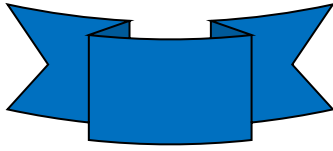
To all, stay safe and healthy during this once-in-a-lifetime situation. Happy gardening.

JoAnn

Piedmont District Fall Meeting
Monday, October 19, 2020

2019-2020 Club Awards

Submitted by Joanne Wallace, Awards Chair



Blue Ribbon Awards

Amelia County Garden Club

Club Newsletter
Club Yearbook

Chesapeake Bay Garden Club

Youth Horticulture Education
Flower Show Schedule

Hilliard Park Garden Club

National Garden Week
Club Yearbook

Midlothian Garden Club

Club Newsletter
Club Yearbook
Website

Rappahannock GC of White Stone

Butterfly

Rock Spring Garden Club

Club Newsletter
Club Yearbook

Salisbury Garden Club

Plant Together Community Garden Project
Horticulture Therapy
Membership Brochure
Club Newsletter
Club Yearbook

Sleepy Hollow Garden Club

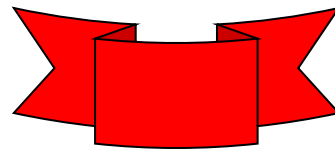
Horticulture Therapy
Membership Brochure

Thomas Jefferson Garden Club

Bird Protection
Horticulture Therapy Garden Project
Club Yearbook

Violet Bank Garden Club

Community Landscape Design



Red Ribbon Awards

Cartersville Garden Club

Club Yearbook

Chesapeake Bay Garden Club

The Saved Seed
Club Yearbook
Website

Crown Grant Garden Club

Club Newsletter
Club Yearbook

Ginter Park Garden Club

Club Newsletter

Hilliard Park Garden Club

Club Newsletter

Lake Anna Garden Club

Club Newsletter

Oxford Garden Club

Membership Brochure
Club Yearbook

Rappahannock GC of White Stone

Membership Brochure

Rock Spring Garden Club

Youth Horticulture Education
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Youth Horticulture Education

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Stonehenge Garden Club

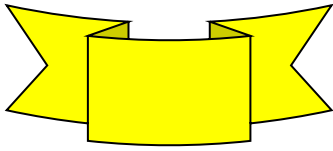
Club Yearbook

Thomas Jefferson Garden Club

Youth Horticulture
Club Newsletter

Violet Bank Garden Club

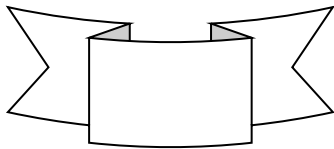
Club Yearbook



Third Place Awards

Rappahannock GC of White Stone
Youth Environmental Education

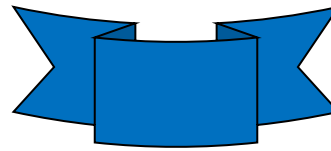
Salisbury
Littering, Recycling, Reclamation



Honorable Mention Award

Chesapeake Bay
National Garden Week

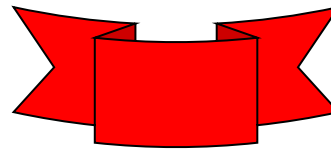
2019-2020 Membership Awards



Begonia (small 1-29 members) Up 67%

Canterbury (medium 30-59 members) Up 24%

Westham (large 100+ members) Up 5%



West Hanover (small)

Stonehenge (medium)

Salisbury (large)

Piedmont District 2020 Grant Awards

Submitted by Jane Fender, District Grants Chair

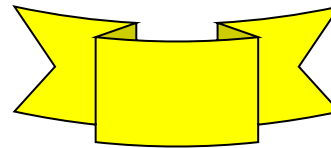
Congratulations to two clubs being awarded Piedmont District grants:

Violet Bank Garden Club

\$300 is granted to Violet Bank Garden Club for their project to build a raised bed of plants and bushes that will attract and nurture native butterflies at Maddie's Magnificent Play Park for Accessible Play located in White Bank Park in Colonial Heights.

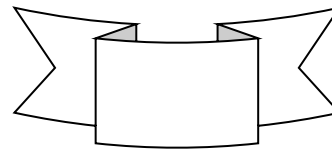
Hilliard Park Garden Club

\$500 is granted to Hilliard Park Garden Club for their project to install a Mediterranean style garden in 2 sections of a courtyard in the back of Christ Lutheran Church in Lakeside next to the handicap ramp.



Surry (small)

River Road (medium)



Kilmarnock (small)

Wyndham (medium)

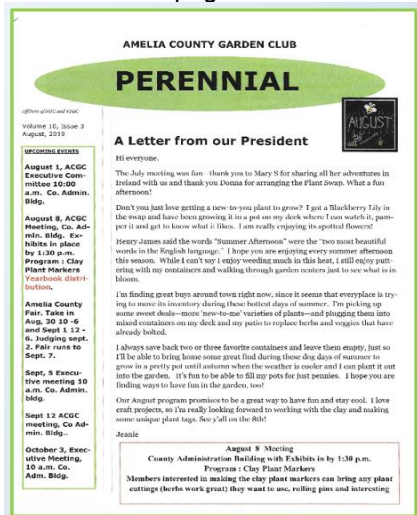
Congratulations to Piedmont District Clubs Honored with State Awards



Hilliard Park Garden Club Club Yearbook – under 20 Members



Amelia County Garden Club Club Newsletter 3-12 pages 29 members or less



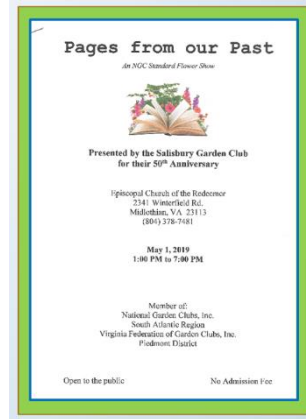
Midlothian Garden Club Club Website



Salisbury Garden Club Plant Together Community Garden Project



Salisbury Garden Club Club Flower Show Schedule 100+ members

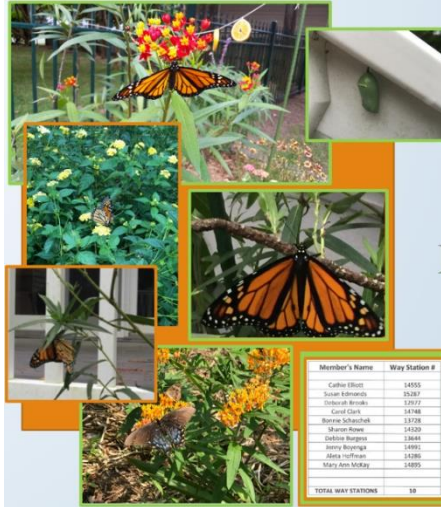


Chesapeake Garden Club Club Flower Show Schedule 30-59 members



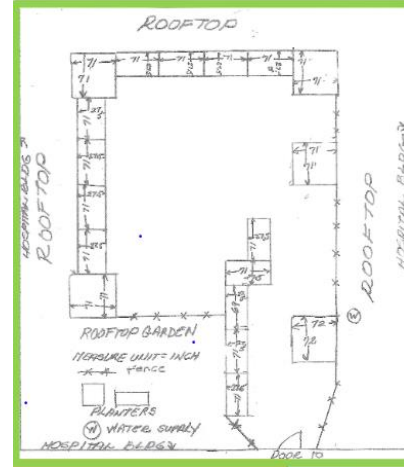
Rappahanock Garden Club at White Stone

Butterfly



Thomas Jefferson Garden Club

Horticulture Garden Therapy



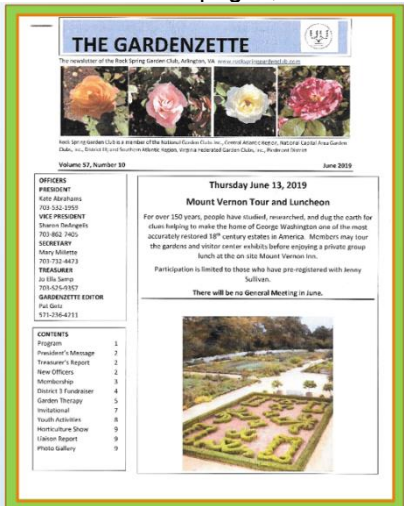
Thomas Jefferson Garden Club

Bird Protection



Rock Spring Garden Club

Club Newsletter 13+pages, 60-99 members

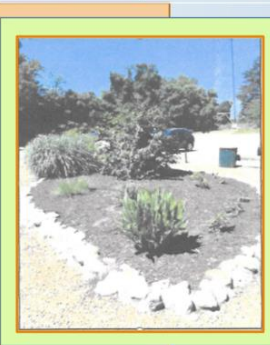
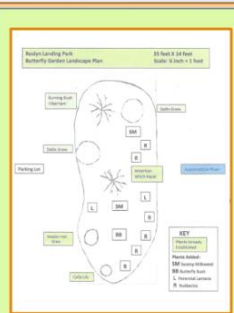


Violet Bank Garden Club

Community Landscape Design

It began with a plan...

The planting is finished. For the next two weeks, we watered the new plants from the river using buckets...



...and the Butterflies came

Sleepy Hollow Garden Club

Horticulture Therapy



Commonwealth Senior Living Project

**PIEDMONT DISTRICT DUES
2020-2021**

Club Treasurer,

It's time to renew your 2020-2021 Piedmont District membership. **The annual dues fee is \$20 per club.** Thank you for using this form which is also provided on the Piedmont District Website, www.PiedmontDistrictVFGC.org.

Please mail this completed form and your \$20 check payable to **Piedmont District VFGC** to:

Linda Nau, Treasurer	804-514-0095
1810 Ethelred Court	naule@aol.com
Midlothian, VA 23113-3400	

Payment is due no later than **May 31, 2020**, so please mail it today so it is not forgotten.

We look forward to working with you in the upcoming year. Thank you!

Club Name: _____

Club President 2020-2021: _____

Street Address: _____

City, State, ZIP: _____

Phone Number with Area Code: _____

Email Address: _____

Club Treasurer 2020-2021: _____

Street Address: _____

City, State, ZIP: _____

Phone Number with Area Code: _____

Email Address: _____

Club's Piedmont District Representative 2020-2021. (This is NOT the president. This is to be a 2nd person in your club to also receive email notifications from the Piedmont District.)

Name: _____

Phone Number with Area Code: _____

Email Address: _____
