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***A Message from Sally Harrison  
President, 2021-2023***

**“At Last, Let’s Get Going!”**



Two years ago, as JoAnn McNabb was writing her first article as Piedmont District President, no one could have imagined that the

world would be engulfed by a pandemic and shut down for months on end. As 2021 Spring flowers bloom, there is renewed hope that the world will be returning to “normal” by Fall. While our clubs and the District could not safely meet in person for the past year, we are all hopeful that we will meet this year.

JoAnn envisioned that Piedmont District clubs “would work to improve our environment, beautify our communities and educate each other with information on all aspects of nature, gardening ... and showcasing nature in floral design.” That is exactly where we need to be, so let’s implement that vision the next two years!

While we have been forced to isolate over the past year, I have found renewed peace in my small garden and walking in nature. Now I can feel things returning to normal. Fine Arts and Flowers at VMFA has been rescheduled for this Fall. Club Program Chairmen are working on meeting ideas.

Beginning this Fall, JoAnn McNabb is planning the programs for our District meetings. I have no doubt they will be wonderful! **Plan to attend our Fall Piedmont District Meeting: October 18.**

Please do contact me to share your ideas and suggestions. Working together, we can realize the vision for the Piedmont District. Many thanks to Club Presidents and all who have agreed to Chair or work on a District or Club Committee.

Gratefully,

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**2021 VFGC Convention Live!**

Mary Sue Floyd’s 2021 Virtual Convention was a huge success, and now everyone can view it online! Just go to the new VFGC website at [www.Viriniagardenclubs.org](http://www.Viriniagardenclubs.org), select the “convention” tab, and view the video of the actual meeting. Also, Hitomi Gilliam produced a design video especially for this occasion, and there are other design and horticulture videos available there, too. And do not overlook the shopping opportunities for floral containers and sculptures!

## A Note from Past President JoAnn McNabb

Last year was definitely “one for the books”, as they say. While I hope we never have another year like the one we’ve just experienced, it’s time we look forward to a new beginning. And a new beginning it will be...in more ways than one. Not only will we be able to meet again (either by Zoom or in person), I will turn over the gavel to my successor, Sally Harrison. I know Sally will bring renewed energy to our district!

Our clubs have been meeting in different ways, either by Zoom, in person by social distancing, field trips and other creative ways. My thanks and admiration go out to our club presidents for managing through this difficult year...they are the true leaders in Piedmont.

It’s been an honor to serve as your president. But I’m not going far! I will continue on the Board as Director of Programs...and I can tell you now that we will have some type of program in October, either virtually or, hopefully, in person. Stay tuned for information in the fall issue of *Footprints*.



## Fine Arts & Flowers – Oct 20-24, 2021

by JoAnn McNabb, VFGC Liaison to FAF

**Fine Arts & Flowers** is a spectacular museum-wide exhibition of floral designs inspired by works in the VMFA collection. Presented by The Council of the Virginia Museum of Fine Arts, the exhibition will include floral designs by the Virginia Federation of Garden Clubs, the Garden Club of Virginia, and this year, Ikebana of Richmond. The exhibition is free and open to the public during museum hours.

Related special events requiring tickets include a Gala celebrating the re-installation of the Mellon collections, luncheons, a fashion show, floral design workshops, and exhibition tours.

- The speaker on Thursday, October 21<sup>st</sup> is Kiana Underwood, founder of “Tulipinia,” an internationally renowned floral design studio. Her color combinations and floral varieties are unique, and she is the author of *Color Me Floral*, which showcases her secrets to designing show-stopping monochromatic arrangements for each season. Find Kiana on Instagram: @tulipinadesign.
- On Friday, October 22<sup>nd</sup>, Susan McLeary of “Passion Flower Sue” will be the guest speaker. She creates imaginative arrangements with exciting dimension and an artist’s awareness of color and texture. She is the author of *The Art of Wearable Flowers*, which provides how-to instructions for a stunning collection of flower and plant-based designs. Find Susan on Instagram: @passionflowersue.

Tickets for special events went on sale May 1<sup>st</sup>...early advance purchase is recommended, as special event tickets sell out quickly. For tickets and a complete schedule, visit [www.VMFA.museum/FAF](http://www.VMFA.museum/FAF)

## Making the Most of “New Normal”

by Pam Mann, Piedmont District Chaplain

There was a magnificent sunrise this morning, but I was too busy to bask in its beauty. I became preoccupied with other things. Later, I thought about that sunrise and realized I lost an opportunity for worship. Communing with nature is a source of love. While unfurling leaves offer hope, baby seedlings offer promise for the future.

In the midst of the “busyness” and stresses of our days, there are patches of such beauty all around us. Sprinkled here and there, they give glimpses of God’s goodness. These are the places in the walls of the universe where heaven is breaking through, if only we will take the time to stop and reflect upon God’s love for us.

What if Moses had taken only a fleeting glance at that burning bush but “was not consumed”? (Ex.3:2) What if he had ignored it and hurried on to other more important work? He would have missed an epic, life-changing encounter with the living God. (vv.4-12)

Above all, Jesus used nature to teach. He told us to consider the grass, examine the fig tree, observe the fox, the ant and the rose. He said to listen to the roar of the waves, feel the wind, absorb the warmth of the sun, and toil in the soil.

Sometimes in life we must hurry. But overall, life should be less hurrying and more noticing. Life is the present. Life is being aware; it is seeing God’s love breaking through. It is turning aside to the miracle of something like a sunrise. Something transitory yet symbolic of the eternity awaits us.

Yes, it’s a new day. Yes, the pandemic is waning. And yes, you will be struggling once again with choosing to say yes or no to new responsibilities. It is hard when it’s for a good cause and directly related to helping others. We must have sound reasons for carefully selecting our priorities. Just remember that according to Ecclesiastes 3:1-8, wisdom recognizes that everything in life has its

own season—in human activities as in the realm of nature. “There is a season and a time for every purpose under heaven.”

For many of us, gardening is our biggest pleasure, but it can become our worst nightmare. The pandemic has added the words “new normal” to our lives. Things have changed and decisions are constant as we seek to funnel our energy in new ways.

I offer this prayer:

*Heavenly Father, give me the wisdom  
to know what I need to for this season of my life.  
Guide me in all that I do.  
That I might bring honor and glory to you.  
Amen*



‘Daffodil Delight’ at the Anniversary Garden, Christ of the Redeemer Church -Salisbury Garden Club’s meeting place  
*Photo by Fran Judd*

*Look at everything always as though you were seeing it either for the first time or the last time. Thus is your time on earth filled with glory.*

B. Smith, [A Tree Grows in Brooklyn](#)

## CALENDAR

- June 6-12 National Garden Week
- June 30 VFGC Yearbook Sponsor deadline
- Aug 1 Deadline Footprints and ODG
- Sept 13-16 VFGC Flower Show School I
- Sept 15 Deadline Grants to Beautify & Restore
- Sept 15 Deadline Youth Project Grants
- Oct 18 Piedmont District Fall Meeting
- Oct 20-24 VMFA Fine Arts & Flowers,

## Piedmont District Dues Deadline May 31

It's time to renew your garden club's membership in the Piedmont District VFGC. The annual dues and communication fee is \$20 per club. If your club has not yet paid its dues, please complete the dues form included in this newsletter, or download the form from our website:

[PiedmontDistrictVFGC.org](http://PiedmontDistrictVFGC.org). If you have any questions or concerns, please contact Linda Nau, Piedmont District Treasurer at [naule@aol.com](mailto:naule@aol.com) or 804-514-0095. Thank you!

### "A Year Like No Other"

An NGC Standard Flower Show

presented by  
**Chesapeake Bay Garden Club**

Rice's Hotel/ Hughlett's Tavern  
Tavern Meeting Building  
73 Monument Place  
Heathsville, VA 22470  
804-580-3377

**Saturday, May 15  
9AM – 1PM**

*Free and Open to the Public*

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VFGC Yearbook – 2021-2023**

**Deadline: June 30, 2021**

*See application at end of this newsletter*

SAVE THE DATE  
May 1-3, 2022



2022 VFGC Convention  
Richmond, VA

## VFGC Lifetime Membership



Celebrate a member or members of your garden club by presenting them with either a VFGC Life Membership or put their name/s in the Book of Honor. The cost is \$50.00

and is a tax-deductible donation to the VFGC scholarship fund. Go to

[http://www.virginiagardenclubs.org/VFGC/Life\\_Memberships.html](http://www.virginiagardenclubs.org/VFGC/Life_Memberships.html) for the applicable form/s or call or email Jane Denton, Life Membership Chairman, at 804-435-6877 [denton@va.metrocast.net](mailto:denton@va.metrocast.net).

## Grants Available for Historic Gardens Restoration

*by Judith Harrison Smith, Committee Chair*



*Photo by J. Smith*

Have you taken a good look around the public spaces of historical interest in your city or county recently? The Piedmont District encourages our member clubs to seek out local historic or memorial gardens in need of restoration or preservation and to develop plans for undertaking these projects. District grants are available to help defray the costs of approved proposals.

Our goal is to promote the preservation of historic buildings and homes, with an emphasis on the restoration of gardens surrounding these structures, and to promote the preservation and restoration of gardens that were formerly connected to historic buildings, where the buildings are no longer standing.

The counties and cities that comprise the Piedmont District have been the sites of many of our commonwealth's and nation's most historic events. Garden lovers often peer past the carefully manicured entrance gates of the well-known attractions, looking down the side streets or country roads to garden ghosts that we restore to life in our imaginations.

The Historic Gardens Restoration and Memorial Gardens Committee would love to hear from local

clubs about possible projects for garden preservation or restoration. Some members also belong to historical societies or other groups interested in preservation, which makes you natural leaders for this kind of project.

The general grant application, available at [piedmontdistrictvfgc.org](http://piedmontdistrictvfgc.org) forms, will be used to apply for financial assistance with restoration and preservation projects. Applications will be due in February of 2022, with grant winners announced at the district spring meeting in March 2022. Projects should be planned for completion by March of 2023. To explore ideas, please contact Judith Smith, Historic Gardens Restoration and Memorial Gardens Committee chairman, at [JudithMHSmith@gmail.com](mailto:JudithMHSmith@gmail.com).

## Habitat for Humanity Landscaping Projects

*by Sue Essad, Chair*

Habitat for Humanity throughout the country needs volunteers to help with landscaping completed Habitat for Humanity homes. This is a great opportunity for garden clubs to give back to their communities. Visit your local Habitat for Humanity organization's website to learn about volunteering.

**Richmond Area Opportunities:** Jean Fender of Hilliard Park Garden Club is looking for local clubs interested in helping landscape six houses sometime in May and June. Richmond Council has funds available to help defray the cost of landscaping. Contact Jean at [Jean.fender@comcast.net](mailto:Jean.fender@comcast.net) for more information.

If your club is currently working on Habitat landscaping projects, please contact me at [dessad234342@comcast.net](mailto:dessad234342@comcast.net) I would love to hear about your projects and share photos and ideas with other clubs.

## Piedmont District Grants

by Jean Fender-District Grants Chair

We did not have any applications for Piedmont District Grants this year, most likely due to the pandemic. However, we are pleased to report that Violet Bank Garden Club, one of the recipients of last year's grants, was able to complete the landscaping for their project at White Bank Park in Colonial Heights. See the beautiful bed with the plants all grown.



Violet Bank Garden Club's project at White Bank Gardens  
Photo by Jan Pingel

The Violet Bank club built a raised bed butterfly garden in the Maddie Mann Play Park for Accessible Play and dedicated it in memory of Gita Agrawal, a long-time member who passed away in January 2020.

The original plan was to build the raised bed out of pressure timber, but a decision was made to use retaining wall concrete stones. The wall was built by the Colonial Heights Recreation and Parks Department. The garden club purchased and installed two 'Lo and Behold' butterfly bushes, a hardy *lantana*, *coreopsis*, *rudbeckia*, and butterfly weed. A memorial sign was designed by the Violet Bank Garden Club and printed by a local business.

The next round of Piedmont District grant applications will be due February 15, 2022.

## VFGC Grants Available

Does your garden club have projects planned for 2021-2022 but not enough funds? Consider applying for one of two VFGC grants by Sept. 15, 2021. All clubs are encouraged to apply for a one-year grant of up to \$1000. This can be for a new or ongoing project. A club can apply for more than one grant in the same fiscal year if it is for a different project. If the project is ongoing, a club can apply more than one time for a grant for the project (different VFGC fiscal years.) First time applicants receive priority over clubs that have received previous grants. The two grants have different applications, chairmen, and judging panels. Grant applications can be found on VFGC website [www.VirginiaGardenClubs.org](http://www.VirginiaGardenClubs.org) or contact the appropriate chairman listed below. (Note: A club cannot apply for both grants for the same project in the same VFGC fiscal year.)

**Grants to Beautify and Restore:** This grant provides financial support for clubs to restore gardens that have been damaged by natural disasters within Virginia OR beautify areas within Virginia garden club communities. Priority is given to natural disaster restoration. For more information on Beautify and Restore Grants contact: VFGC Chairman Judy Ann Fray, [ja.fray@verizon.net](mailto:ja.fray@verizon.net), 540-948-4220.

**Youth Project Grants ('Keys to the Future'):** This grant provides financial support for club members to work with youth and help them realize the rewards and life lessons from gardens and habitats, becoming good stewards of the earth. The scope of these programs may include benefits to the community, environmental awareness education, plant-to-food connections, outdoor classroom projects, horticulture education, and the social aspects of gardening. For more information on Youth Project Grants contact: VFGC Chairman Melissa Damiano, [mtdamiano@aol.com](mailto:mtdamiano@aol.com), 804-796-3287

## Preparing to Host Birds

by Philippa Smith

Summer is fast approaching, and the trees have leafed out. We have a pair of beautiful bluebirds nesting in a birdhouse in the backyard!



Eastern Bluebird

Bob Schamerhorn, [www.iphotobirds.com](http://www.iphotobirds.com)

Several things are important to attract the birds:

**FOOD** - Many birds depend on hanging feeders, but there are also many birds that are ground feeders and prefer it that way, doves, for example. What you want to have in your yard to feed these other birds: a habitat that encourages insects! Choose native flowers, shrubs and trees which have berries, seeds and offer nectar. Plant coneflowers, and watch the goldfinches have an eating frenzy!

**WATER**- Most of us are not on a lake, pond or creek, but we all can place a birdbath somewhere in the yard. Birds splashing around are almost as enjoyable to watch as the feeders. Just make sure you rinse it out every day and refresh the water. There are also water agitators on the market which add to the attraction, as birds like moving water better than still.

**SHELTER** - The only thing left to do to make your bird habitat complete is shelter. Bushes, trees, and shrubs should be readily available for your visitors. If you want to attract nesters and their families, birdhouses and nest boxes are essential to protect them from danger.

And now that you have enhanced your backyard, get a pair of good binoculars and enjoy your visitors. Just a few tweaks can make your yard a come-to spot for your feathered visitors.

## Know Your Natives... Spectacular Native Trees for Your Landscape

by Carolyn Shifflet, *Native Plants Chair*

Native trees reduce water run-off and erosion. They keep your home cool in summer and reduce air conditioning costs, especially if planted on the west side of the home. Try sitting under a native shade tree in summer to reduce stress. It works! Here are two native trees you might consider for your garden.

*Oxydendrum arboretum*, Sourwood, Sorrel Tree, is a large shade tree growing 30-70 feet tall. It has white lily of the valley blooms in July and deep red fall foliage. It is beneficial to honey bees, and honey made from its flowers is prized. It is disease free.



*Amelanchier Canadensis*, Canada Serviceberry, June berry is a small tree growing 25-30 feet tall with white flowers in March thru May and brilliant fall color ranging from yellow to orange to red. Forty bird species enjoy the red to purple fruit which ripens June through August. Cardinal, cedar wax wings and Towhees find it appealing. It is also beneficial to bees.



## Raising Black Swallowtail Butterflies in My Backyard

by Jan Pingel, Butterfly & Pollinator Education Chair

When I tell my friends that I raise black swallowtail butterflies, they get a quizzical look and ask how I do that. The key to raising butterflies is providing host plants on which butterflies lay their eggs and larvae. I have found the best host plants to be dill, rue, parsley, fennel, and other members of the carrot family. Butterflies that come into my backyard are most attracted to fennel. The most popular nectar plant is my perennial lantana.

After hatching from egg to larvae stage, caterpillars begin eating the host plant. At this stage, they are vulnerable to several predators such as birds, praying mantises, and reptiles. To protect them, I cover the plant with tulle netting. The caterpillars crawl out from under the netting when they are ready to pupate.

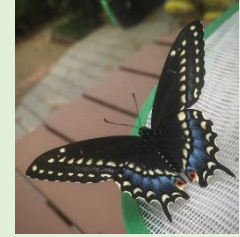


Munching on Fennel

When caterpillars reach their fifth stage and begin to pupate or form the chrysalis, they will hang in a curved shape from a stick or plant stem. The caterpillar will attach itself with a mat of silk at the base of its body and spin a string of silk to hold the chrysalis in place. Underneath the caterpillar's skin, the pupal shell is developing. The final exoskeleton will split and reveal the chrysalis, either light green or brown for a black swallowtail.

The swallowtail will be in the chrysalis for about 14 days, turning darker in color. When the butterfly emerges, the wings are folded, and the butterfly will hang from the chrysalis or a stem while it takes about an hour to pump its wings full of fluid. Then the swallowtail can fly and immediately begin to feed on flower nectar. In early fall, black swallowtail caterpillars pupate and spend the winter months in the chrysalis, emerging the following year in April, seven months later.

This past year, I put five caterpillars in my butterfly cage in October when they were starting to pupate. They formed chrysalises, and I kept the cage on my back porch through fall and winter. During the last two weeks of April, swallowtails emerged from four of the five chrysalises.



Ready to Fly

## Protect Aquatic Ecosystems

by Rebecca Elston, Committee Chair

When Sally Harrison asked me to chair this committee, I accepted because I live in the Northern Neck of Virginia, an area that is impacted by adverse effects to the aquatic ecosystems.

I am not a scientist, but I always like to trace any subject back to the beginning. I was curious about what impacted water quality. According to *Deep Ancestry inside the Genographic Project* (Spencer Wells), modern humans were still living in Africa until about 60,000 years ago. As they spread across the globe, they lived as hunter gatherers. About 10,000 years ago, people in the Middle East abandoned their hunter gatherer life and began to grow their own food.

How, you ask, does this relate to aquatic ecosystems? I speculate that until modern times, it did not matter. Today, the excess use of chemical and natural fertilizers, as well as pesticides, degrade water quality. Excess carbon dioxide is responsible for global warming, increasing the acidity of seawater, challenging growth and survival of oysters and other shellfish.

Good news: researchers at William and Mary's Virginia Institute of Marine Science have initiated a three-year project to understand the vulnerability of shellfish aquaculture systems. This is one of many such projects underway across the nation.



## Invasion of the Killer Plants!

by Donna Cottingham, Native Trees/ Heritage Plants Chair

Wouldn't you think kudzu might have taught us a lesson years ago? It is easy to forget about kudzu when there are so many other invasive plants around us today. Invasive plants can be thugs that form gangs and take over a territory, displacing our native trees and heritage plants. In addition, they destroy natural wildlife habitat and degrade the land.

Even though they are invasive, many of these plants are unfortunately available for purchase. There may be good news on the horizon: this spring the Virginia House of Delegates passed a resolution by a vote of 98 to 0 to study invasive plants, with the goal to reduce or eliminate sales.

There are about 90 plants on the Virginia Department of Conservation and Recreation invasive species lists. Like kudzu, many invasive plants are easy to spot, including Japanese honeysuckle, *Lonicera japonica*, English ivy, *Hedera helix* and Japanese or Chinese wisteria, *Wisteria floribunda* and *W. sinensis*. These vines are detrimental to the health of our native trees: blocking sunlight, restricting growth, breaking branches and can eventually strangle and kill an otherwise healthy native tree. Yet these readily available vines dominate large areas in Virginia.

There are several common trees and plants that pose a threat to our native trees:

- Tree-of-heaven, *Ailanthus altissima*, which was introduced in the 1700s as an ornamental from China. A single female tree can release up to 300,000 seeds into the wind every year. Growing up to 80 feet tall, the tree also spreads by suckers, making it easy to overtake the surrounding area. It is found throughout Virginia and in 42 other states.

- Burning bush, *Euonymus alatus*, introduced in the 1800s, produces seeds that birds eat and widely disperse. Each plant is capable of producing many viable seeds. Often used in commercially developed sites because of its bright autumn color, unwanted sprouts of new growth soon begin to crop up nearby.
- Chinese Privet, *Ligustrum sinense*, Autumn Olive, *Elaeagnus umbellata* and Thorny olive, *Elaeagnus pungens*, can be found in most of our area parks, along roadsides and in many other areas far from residential landscapes. There are entire fields densely packed with these shrubs that block out native tree seedlings and desirable native plants.
- Garlic mustard, *Alliaria petiolata*. A prolific seed producer, it forms dense monocultures in our woodlands, allowing little room for our native wildflowers. It reproduces rapidly and can often be found in the same habitat as our beloved Virginia Bluebells, *Mertensia virginica*, which are an important nectar source for early pollinators.
- Chinese silvergrass, *Miscanthus sinensis*, is a common ornamental that goes by many names: maiden grass, Japanese silvergrass, *Eulalia*. It produces an abundance of seeds that are spread by wind. Not only does the ornamental grass displace native plants, it is extremely flammable and can pose a serious fire risk.

Invasive plants are almost impossible to eradicate once they become established. As responsible homeowners and gardeners, it is important to be mindful when landscaping your property, and to select native plants instead of destructive, invasive thugs. The decisions we make today will impact the land around us for generations to come.



Photo: A mockingbird eating Chinese Privet berries.  
by Bob Schamerhorn, [www.iphotobirds.com](http://www.iphotobirds.com)

## Garden Clubbing in the Piedmont

**Chesapeake Bay Garden Club (CBGC)** is pleased to announce the success of their plant sale held at Heathsville Farmers' Market on April 17, 2021. Mother Nature created a beautiful day for the event. Jacque Penny and Anne Crawley were in charge of the project.

Work began long before the sale. In early March seeds were planted in different home gardens. During the early days of April, members and some husbands went to the gardens of Helen Bell of Coles Point. Other members replanted plants from their gardens for the sale. The club was advised by Carolyn Quinn from Dug-in Farms. Plants were sold cheaper than the "big box" stores. Some plants were purchased from the Mennonite Farms (a wholesaler). Debbie Gillespie organized the purchased items. In all, there were over 500 plants for sale.



*Photos by Debbie Gwaltney*

It took a lot of organization and hard work from many members of CBGC: sign painting, set up, selling and clean-up., During the sale, members offered expert advice on the plants. Customers not only went home with healthy plants but good advice on how to grow them. Customers, husbands, pets, and club members all enjoyed the beautiful day and getting together.

*Submitted by Karen Luzuriaga*

## Landscape Design School Will Return This Fall

*by Jane Earle, Horticulture Chair*

VFGC's affiliation with NGC offers each member endless opportunities to achieve community goals by learning from professionals dedicated to teaching based on research and experience.

Landscape Design School will reconvene in October at the Four Points Sheraton, Richmond. Dates and registration details will be announced in *The Old Dominion Gardener*.

Familiar names and faces as well as new ones will be on the registration form. Marty Bowers, former VFGC president and former LDS chair, will co-chair LDS along with Glenda Knowles, who has led LDS the last six years. Lou Dummering is the new VFGC LDS Registrar.

*The National Gardener* quarterly publication contains excellent articles about evolving Landscape Design School curriculum, as environmental changes require instructors and school administration to expand approaches to landscape beautification and conservation.

Anyone interested in learning the principles of design to change your landscape, how to use a Landscape Architecture Designer's Master Plan and Plant List, please contact Marty Bowers, [martbw@gmail.com](mailto:martbw@gmail.com).

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## Get to Know New District President Sally Harrison

- A Richmond native who left for 20 years but returned in the year 2000
- A member of River Road Garden Club and Richmond Designers Guild
- An accredited Flower Show Judge
- A VMFA volunteer since 2007, working with Hirschler Flowers and Fine Arts & Flowers
- Has a grown son who has rediscovered the joy of gardening after living in Washington and New York (He loved to play in the dirt as a little boy.)
- Favorite garden/ design experience: studied with the National Cathedral Flower Guild in Washington, DC



Sally's interpretative design at VMFA's Fine Arts & Flowers 2018

Photo, G Goodrich Harwood

## Calling All Photographers!

Gardeners and Floral Designers are by nature, energetic photographers. Now's your chance to snag a cover shot! *Something new:* we will be using member photographs for *Old Dominion Gardener* cover art – and creating a “gallery” (in color) on inside pages. This will showcase member talent and allow us all to appreciate gardens and plants from around the Commonwealth.

- Select seasonal photographs to complement the ODG seasonal publication schedule: Fall, Winter, Spring, Summer (take photos now for *next summer's edition*; look at your *old photos* for the next three issues) Select either long shots or close-ups
- Send 300 dpi jpegs – if submitting a phone photo, and your email provides choice, select “Actual” or “Large”
- Photographs for the cover must be ‘portrait’ orientation; inside gallery photos may be either portrait or landscape orientation
- If your photograph is not of your own garden or plant(s), please gain permission to print in the *ODG*
- Send to the *Footprints* editor by the deadline (see below) – include your name and club name; add a caption including location of the photo
- Submission will be considered permission to print
- Deadline for the Fall issue: August 1

## FOOTPRINTS & ODG

Send articles and photos in separate files to:

Gail Goodrich Harwood, Editor

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Articles are due before the following deadlines:

AUGUST 1, 2020- FALL

NOVEMBER 1, 2020 – WINTER

FEBRUARY 1, 2021- SPRING

MAY 1, 2021- SUMMER

Please mark your calendars to allow time to meet the due dates. Electronic transmission preferred, photos and graphics encouraged. Please submit photos in jpeg format as separate files, not embedded in text. Submit text in Word format, non-pdf. All articles welcome: club projects, special events, announcements about upcoming events.

Mark the subject of your e-mail submission “Footprints” or “ODG” – ordinarily the same article will not appear in both publications, but some announcements and some parts of articles may appear in both.

*Footprints* masthead art: Black-eyed Susan and Bordered Patch butterfly © 2021 G Goodrich Harwood

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**PIEDMONT DISTRICT DUES 2021-2022**

Club Treasurer, It's time to renew your 2021-2022 Piedmont District membership. Annual Dues and Communication Fee total \$20 per club. Thank you for using this form which is also provided on the Piedmont District Website, [www.PiedmontDistrictVFGC.org](http://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, 2021; please mail it today so it is not forgotten. We look forward to working with you in the upcoming year. Thank you!

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Club's Piedmont District Representative 2021-2022. (This is NOT the president. This is a second person in your club to also receive email notifications from the Piedmont District.)

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

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**Deadline: June 30, 2021**

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