



Laurel Letters

Nurture the Beauty of our Gardens

Laurel District, District 1

Director's Message



Edna McClellan, District Director

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It's been a busy time for Laurels of Light and for your director these past few months. The State Board meeting was held at Unicoi State Park in September where we learned and approved of projects for the Garden Club of Georgia. Also in September, I joined several district directors along with our president, Martha Price, in Macon where we met with members of the Department of Natural Resources. We learned how to improve our state parks and the funding available to us. In October our annual meeting was held in Young Harris with 150 in attendance. It was a lovely setting and the Hiawassee Garden Club did a fantastic job in their planning and execution of this meeting. I attended six of the seven district annual meetings and enjoyed each one. We just completed Course II of Garden Study Course in Rome, Georgia, and Flower Show school Course II is scheduled for March 2017. You can still sign up for these courses. Our Ways and Means project, insulated cooler bags, has been a huge success and we still have some left for sale. If you don't have one yet or want another one, contact our Merchandise Coordinator, Betty Reece, or myself. They make great Christmas Gifts. As we head into the holiday season I wish you and your families a Happy Thanksgiving and a Merry Christmas.

Edna

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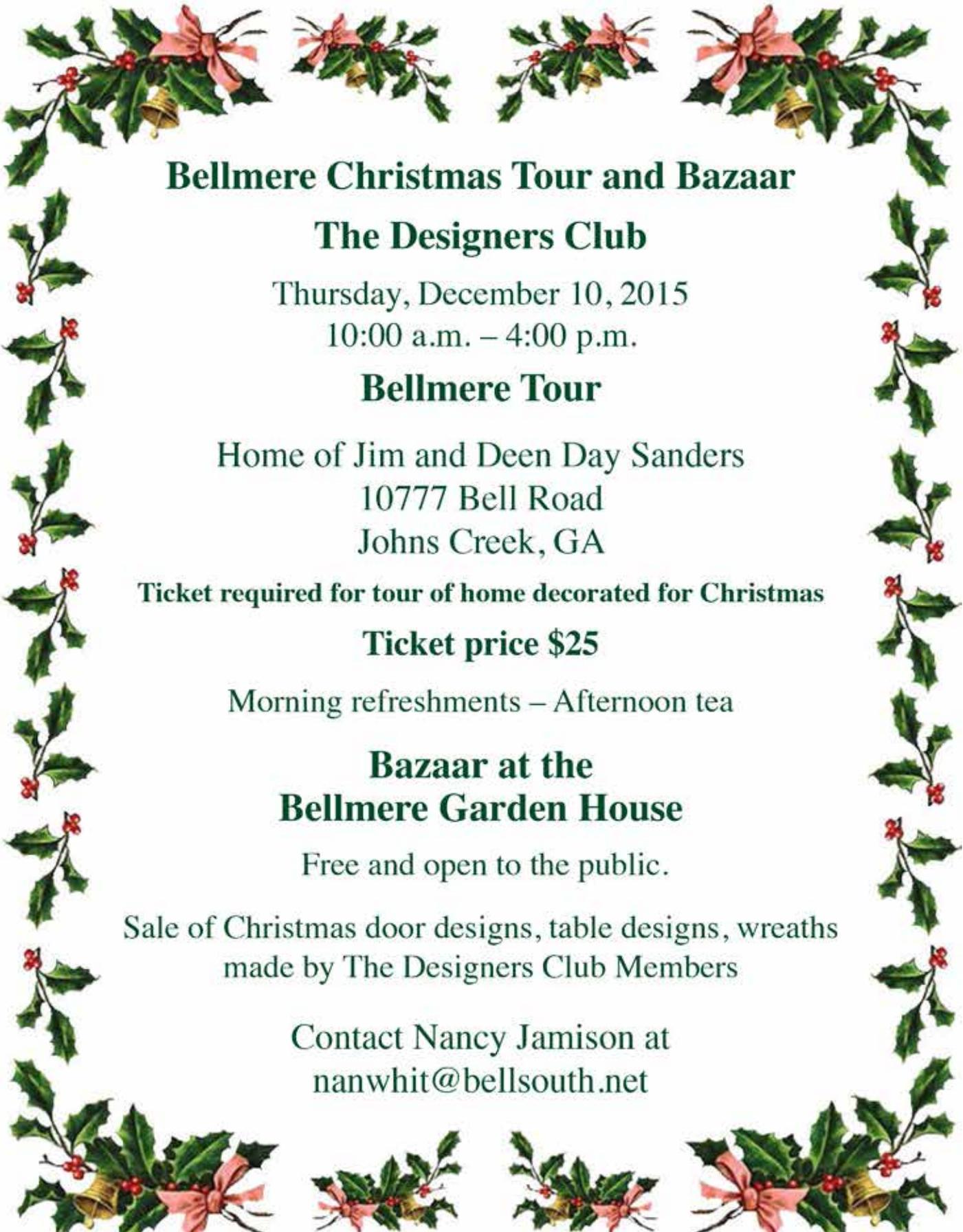
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Bellmere Christmas Tour and Bazaar

The Designers Club

Thursday, December 10, 2015

10:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.

Bellmere Tour

Home of Jim and Deen Day Sanders

10777 Bell Road

Johns Creek, GA

Ticket required for tour of home decorated for Christmas

Ticket price \$25

Morning refreshments – Afternoon tea

**Bazaar at the
Bellmere Garden House**

Free and open to the public.

Sale of Christmas door designs, table designs, wreaths
made by The Designers Club Members

Contact Nancy Jamison at
nanwhit@bellsouth.net

Happenings at The Flower Garden Club of Marietta

Previously The Flower Garden Club of Marietta held its annual fund raiser which was a fashion show and luncheon accompanied by a bake sale. Members modeled lovely clothes provided by a local department store while others joined in by serving food from a local vendor to our 100 guests. Members also were very generous donating baked items such as cakes, pies, homemade jellies, and other items.

The Flower Garden Club of Marietta met and voted to donate \$2000.00 from the fund raiser to The Marietta Educational Garden Center at 505 Kennesaw Avenue, Marietta, Georgia where many of the local garden clubs hold their meetings. The money was designated by the club for the purchase of a new rug for the small parlor, also known as the "cake room". The rest of the money was designated to restore the chandelier in the front parlor. Many hours of planning and tireless effort went into raising this money to be donated to The Marietta Educational Garden Center. Many thanks to all of our members who worked many hours to raise the money and to our Fundraising Chairpersons, Charline Race and Carlene Tutwiler.

In September, we had a program called "Getting Ready For Fall"



Pictured above is Norcross Garden Club's club house which was donated around 1958, the year the club was founded. The club has 50 members and has night and day divisions. The current president is Linda Toole (on left in photo above along with Carol MacGregor). A spring plant sale is the club's major project for the year. They also assist in planning the Norcross Community Garden Park.

which was presented by Mickey Gazaway. Many ideas were presented for fall planting themes, and Mickey brought many plants to discuss and demonstrate combinations and colors of plants for fall and winter gardens. Mrs. Gazaway has worked at Pike's for many years and is a very knowledgeable gardener. We always enjoy her presentations.

In October, our club went on a field trip to Green Meadows Preserve Park located on Dallas Highway. It was the most beautiful sun-

ny fall day for our visit. Jim Bearden gave us an overview of the preserve and the Blue Bird Trail and a wonderful talk on Blue Birds. The park is 112 acres containing 25 Blue Bird nest boxes and 10 feeding stations along a 2.3 mile trail. Approximately 220 baby Blue Birds have been hatched at the preserve this year.

The Flower Garden Club of Marietta donated \$100.00 to Green Meadows Preserve for the purchase of a dogwood tree to be planted along the 2.3 mile Blue Bird Trail. The preserve wants to supply more naturally grown food from trees and bushes and other plants to reduce their food costs for the birds so our contribution to help them was the donation of a dogwood tree.

We really enjoyed Jim's talk and the walk around the preserve, and we marveled at Mr. Bearden's



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Vicki Jones, President of the Magnolia Garden Club in Cartersville, stands before "Laura's Cottage Garden." Many hostas and liriopie as well as begonias were donated to the club on behalf of the garden. Magnolia Garden Club actually planted this garden at Roselawn Museum in Cartersville as a tribute to Laura Jones, wife of renowned Rev. Sam Jones twelve years ago and has lent its beauty to many bridal portraits over the years on the acre plus grounds where Mrs. Jones planted vegetables as well as various roses, thus the name Roselawn. The Mansion, which is now owned by Bartow County and is a museum, was built in 1860 and listed on the National Register of Historic Places in 1973. A marble bench is inscribed with the namesake as well as the garden club contribution. More plants will be added as the season permits.

The Amicalola Garden Club met on Tuesday, November 17, 2015 for their regular meeting at the Tate Community Room. A wonderful Thanksgiving luncheon was prepared by the ladies. Afterward, Linda Allred brought fruit, candy, and baskets to be arranged and taken to the local nursing homes at Grandview, Pruitt, and Wildwood. The ladies had a wonderful time making and decorating the baskets. Later that day, Linda Allred and Anita Poole made the deliveries to the local nursing homes.

The ladies brought items of socks, tee shirts, and underwear for Central State Hospital in honor of the Fig Leaf Program. The Garden Club participates in this program each year. Also, Christmas stockings were hand make by members to be distributed at Central State Hospital in Milledgeville. The Garden Club participates annually in the State Garden Therapy Program.

During the business meeting, members agreed to adopt a family for the Empty Stockings Program. Susan Armstrong is chairman and along with the committee will be buying Christmas presents for a deserving family. Pictured above members Barbara Walters and Linda Allred adding finishing touches to the baskets.

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knowledge of and devotion to the Blue Birds. He has worked many long hours on behalf of the Blue Birds, the Blue Bird Trail, and the preserve.

Pictured on previous page: The Flower Garden Club of Marietta \$2000.00 donation to the Marietta Educational Garden Center.

Pictured left to right: Linda Pou, Mary Alice Greene, Carlene Tutwiler, Georgianne Nestor, Kathy Newman, Clara Howell, Betty Sander, Martha Roth, Charline Race, Barbara George, Judy Bodnar, Linda Bozich, Pril Buege, Judy Nunnally, Ruth Erwin, Peggy Kimball, and Betty Holder.



**The Suzanne Wheeler
Flower Show School**

Sponsored by:
North Georgia Council of
Flower Show Judges

In memory of former GCG President Suzanne Wheeler, North Georgia Council of Flower Show Judges is sponsoring a Flower Show School to be held at Bellmere Garden House in Johns Creek.

Flower Show School is not only for prospective flower show exhibitors and judges, but also for all garden club members and all persons interested in flower design and horticulture. While the primary purpose of these courses is to train those aspiring to become flower show judges, many people attend for information only. Each of the four courses, offered approximately every six months, includes Horticulture curriculum, Design instruction and Flower Show Procedure. The cost for each course is \$125.00. For further information, contact Joy Zaidan, GCG Flower Show Schools Chairman at jzaidan@bellsouth.net or 770-493-8475. Registration form on pg. 13.

Flower Show School

Course II: March 15-17, 2016
Course III: September 27-29, 2016
Course IV: March 28-30, 2017
Fee: Each Course: \$125.00

Venue: Bellmere Garden House
10777 Bell Road
Johns Creek, GA 30097

(Registration limited to 30 students)



The Lawrenceville Garden Club hosted their annual fall silent auction/brunch on November 13th which is a fundraiser for the service projects and GCG projects they support each year. Guest speaker, Edna McClellan, Laurel District Director, and members of the Dogwood Garden Club also attended.



Ball Ground Business & Community Association Lunch & Learn
Sponsored By The Ball Ground (Anetsa-Ga-Da) Garden Club
Evelyn Foster, Publicity Chairman

The monthly Ball Ground Business & Community Association meeting was held on the future grounds of our Botanical Garden, already in planning and PLANTING stages. A local business or group sponsors this regular meeting each month, providing refreshments and program. On July 15, 2015 the garden club hosted this meeting for the purpose of telling local businesses and attendees the details about our upcoming Botanical Garden. Details were given about visions being planned for layout, hardscapes, various gardens to be established, trees, shrubs, and kiosk information for Ball Ground history & donor honorees. Also given was information about purchasing bricks and donor opportunities for anyone interested. Brick order forms were displayed and disbursed, and a layout plan was displayed for all to see. A lovely day in the park, this event was well attended and as always, the garden club was welcomed as a viable part of the Ball Ground community. Pictured above Garden Club Members present.



Laurel District Meeting

Eight members of Cumming Garden Club attended the 57th Annual Meeting of the Laurel District held October 13, 2015 in Hiawassee.

Edna McClellan, District Director, presided over the meeting, which included a memorial to those Garden Club members who had passed away last year. Hosting the meeting was the Hiawassee Garden Club, assisted by the Blairsville Club. After a welcome by Bill Kendall, Towns County Commissioner, Cathy Cox, president of Young Harris College, spoke to the estimated 180 people attending.

Cumming Garden Club members pictured above clockwise: Charlotte Dewberry, Shirley Thomas, Terra Manton, Linda Hardie, Carolyn Nugent, Diane Morgan, Heidi Stuckman (Susan Roof not shown).



Ho'e'n in Euharlee celebrated our 10th birthday on November 14th with a cake at our fall Basket Lunch. We are proud to say one of our charter members, Betty Jane Tilley, is still active in the club.



Fleur de Lis

The Fleur de Lis Garden Club met at Elachee Nature Science Center in Gainesville for its October meeting. Members were treated to a presentation by Peter Gordon on "Birds" and "The Ongoing Programs at Elachee". All had the opportunity to reflect on how this program transcends ecology. Elachee's Mission to promote environmental under-

standing through education and conservation is so comprehensive. They also model their education mission through reaching 31,617 k-12 school children this past year through day visits, camp, special programs, Lake Lanier Aquatic Study, Habitat, Animals & Astronomy. The program models its conservation through treating and maintaining 28 acres of Nature Preserve with treatment of exotic invasive plants to prevent them from choking out our native plant species. Elachee has received accreditation from SACS (Southern Association of Colleges and Schools). This is the only such accredited nature center in the southeast! The Fleur Ladies recognize the Elachee Program as a REAL JEWEL and wanted to make this Jewel SHINE by highlighting its origin to all of you.



Masse Lane, Fort Valley, Georgia



Arboreta, Botanic and Memorial Gardens

Please encourage your club members to support the Arboreta, Botanical and Memorial Gardens. Donations of \$10.00 or more, if received by March 1st, 2016, will receive a certificate at the Garden Club of Georgia State Convention. Include club name and number, district name, club president's name and complete address.

Gifts in honor and memorials are encouraged. Please send name and address of person being honored or memorialized and name and address of family or person to receive acknowledgement card.

If you desire an individual or club membership to the State Botanical Garden, please go to GCG's web site

<http://gardenclub.uga.edu/> look up state chairmanships in the new GCG *Guide* then Arboreta, Botanic and Memorial Gardens for the different memberships that you or your club might consider. This site also has instructions of where to send your check for membership.

Thank you for supporting our gardens.

Ruthellen Anderson
State and Laurel District
Arboreta & Botanical Gardens Chairman

Garden Club of Georgia

Garden Club _____ Club# _____ District _____

President: _____ Phone: _____

Treasurer: _____ Phone: _____

Check # _____

Donations to the following GCG programs may be sent to the State Treasurer

Make check payable to Garden Club of Georgia and mail to:

Brenda Griner, GCG Treasurer

244 Satilla Drive

Brunswick, Georgia 31523.

Donation Amount \$ _____

Arboreta/Botanical and Memorial Gardens- For Certificate of Appreciation, send \$10.00 or more by March 1.

\$ _____ .00 donation for the State Botanical Garden in Athens

\$ _____ .00 donation for the State Botanical Children's Garden in Athens

\$ _____ .00 for the Atlanta Botanical Gardens

\$ _____ .00 for Other Garden - list _____

Cherokee Garden Library: For Cert. of Appreciation, send \$25 or more prior to March 1.

Founder's Memorial Garden: A certificate will be issued for clubs sending \$25 or more prior to March 1. Why not plan a club field trip to one or more of the gardens listed below; we are fortunate to have so many beautiful gardens here in Georgia.

Arboretums

Lockerly Arboretum	1534 Irwinton Road Milledgeville 31061	478-452-2112
Smith-Gilbert Arboretum	2382 Pine Mountain Road NW Kennesaw 30152	770-919-0248
Thompson Mills Forest	8755 Highway 53 Braselton 30517	706-654-2666
The Coastal Plain Research Center	2356 Rainwater Road Tifton 31794	229-386-3351
UGA Campus Arboretum	Athens, Georgia 30602 Campus Arboretum Map	706-542-0842

Botanical and Memorial Gardens

Atlanta Botanical Garden	1345 Piedmont Avenue NE, Atlanta 30309	404-876-5859
Atlanta Botanical Garden	1911 Sweetbay Drive, Gainesville 30501	404-876-5859
Augusta Botanical Garden	1100 Reynolds Street, Augusta 30901	706-724-4443
Barnsley Gardens	597 Barnsley Garden Road, Adairsville 30103	770-773-7480
Callaway Gardens	Highway 27, Pine Mountain 31822	800-225-5292
Chatham County Garden Center and Botanical Garden	1388 Eisenhower Drive, Savannah 31406	912-355-3383
Columbus Botanical Garden	3603 Weems Road, Columbus 31909	706-327-8400
Founders Memorial Garden	UGA Campus, 325 S Lumpkin Street, Athens 30602	706-542-4948
Fred Hamilton Rhododendron Garden	1311 Music Hall Road, Hiawassee 30546	706-896-4191
Garden Station Research and Education Garden	1109 Experiment Street, Griffin 30223	770-228-7243
Georgia Perimeter College Botanical Garden	3251 Panthersville Road, Decatur 30034	678-891-2668
Georgia Southern Botanical Garden	Georgia Southern University, 1505 Bland Avenue, Statesboro 30548	912-871-1114
Gibbs Garden	1987 Gibbs Drive, Ball Ground 30107	770-893-1881
Masse Lane Gardens (American Camellia Society)	100 Masse Lane, Fort Valley 31030 http://www.camellias-acs.com	478-967-2358
The State Botanical Garden of Georgia	2450 South Milledge Avenue Athens 30605	706-542-1244
Vines Botanical Gardens	3500 Oak Grove Road, Loganville 30052	770-466-7532
Waddell Barnes Botanical Gardens	100 College Station Drive, Macon 31206	478-471-2780

Dollars Support Scholars

The Garden Club of Georgia, Inc. has named January as “Scholarship Month”. As you know, one of GCG’s missions is Education. One of the ways this mission is fulfilled is through the scholarship program. Last year we were able to award 30 deserving students \$62,600.00 in scholarships. An additional \$4,000.00 each for two students from Georgia was received from NGC.

In order for us to reach our scholarship goal this year, we are asking all club members to support the scholarship program by contributing \$1.00 per member to scholarships during the month of January. The “Dollars Educate Scholars” is a supplement to the Named and Patron of Scholarships and other scholarship giving programs; it is not to replace them.

This is the way it works. All club members are asked to contribute \$1.00 per member during the month of January to scholarships. The monies collected from the members are given to the club treasurer. These funds will be deposited in the club’s account. Write one check from the club payable to GCG and send it to Assistant Treasurer, Susan Turner, with the information below before the end of January. Susan will email you when she receives your check with an electronic thank you note. Clubs with 100% participation will receive additional points for the “Club Standard of Excellence” on the President’s Report.

Questions? Contact Dot Williams, Scholarship Chairman at 478-477-1742; email d.williams@bellsouth.net or Pat Hathaway, Co-Chairman at 706-722-3018 cell: 706-564-4315;

The Scholarship Committee will meet in February to award scholarships to scholarship applicants. Please submit the information below along with your club’s check to be received before the end of January to be counted in this years giving.

Thank you!

<p>“Dollars Educate Scholars” TRANSMITTAL FORM</p> <p>MAKE CHECKS PAYABLE TO</p> <p>THE GARDEN CLUB OF GEORGIA, INC. OR GCG</p> <p>Please complete the following information and mail</p> <p style="text-align: center;">with your club’s check to</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Susan Turner P.O. Box 810 Conyers, Georgia 30012.</p>		
Name of Garden Club:		
Name of Garden Club President/Representative:		
Email Address		
Number of Members in your club:		
District:		
100% Participation? Circle one.	Yes	No
Amount Enclosed:		

email successaugustal@aol.com
Thank you for helping the Scholarship Committee to reach its educational goals. You can be proud

that you have thrown out a lifeline to deserving students to obtain their education.

Stonehedge Garden Club Updates

Jean Bowen



The Stonehedge Garden Club met on September 2, 2015. We enjoyed getting back after a long summer break. Most of us socialized with tasty refreshments and refreshing conversation. We caught up on exciting summer events and heard plans for the future programs and events to enjoy in 2015 and 2016. Our program was given by Allison Miller Johnson, an ovarian cancer survivor. (September is Ovarian Cancer Awareness Month.) Her first-hand information kept each club member sitting on the edge of her seat. Mrs. Johnson gave facts and information in a dialog that left us with vast amounts of data. She was upbeat and factual about the silent killer disease. We feel that we are better informed today than we would have been by our physicians and our reading materials. She left no stone unturned and we are the best informed garden club in the state. We recommend that each club enlist Allison Miller Johnson to come and give them this infor-

native program. A life saved from ovarian cancer is a happy family.

October meeting was held on October 6, 2015. Our speaker was Shelly Cowan from Naturescapes Landscaping Company. She gave a very informative program about flower beds: preparation, caring for the beds, and planting the beds. Gardening is never a one season deal, one must keep digging in the dirt to have the best results. We learned what to add to our soil and when to add what, to make the most beautiful flowers, bulbs and shrubs.

November meeting was held 2, 2015 at the lovely home of Brenda and Travis Pruitt. This was our annual fundraiser. Each club member brought a silent auction item to be auctioned off to the highest bidder. These monies are used to pay guest speakers and other garden projects. There were many lovely Christmas items that found homes and will no less become traditions in a new home. Our very own Monika Wegner created a masterpiece flower

arrangement for the foyer. You will note that is is a magnificent piece of art. The hostesses out did themselves with the tasty delicious one of a kind recipes.



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Summer issue e-mailed June 1
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Fall issue e-mailed September 15
(Fall deadline August 30)

Winter issue e-mailed December 1
(Winter deadline November 15)

Spring issue e-mailed March 15
(Spring deadline February 29)

*Submit your reports and articles to:
risingstar@ellijay.com Be sure to let
me know it's for Laurel Letters.*



2016 Deep South Region Convention
"Southern Bouquet"
 Hosted by The Garden Clubs of Mississippi, Inc.
March 6-7-8, 2016
 Horseshoe Hotel and Resort
 1021 Casino Center Drive
 Robinsonville, Mississippi



Last Name _____ First Name _____
 Address _____
 City _____ State _____ Zip _____
 Phone _____ Email _____
 State Federation _____ May we email your registration confirmation? Yes
Dietary Restrictions for Extreme Health Issues Must Accompany Registration Form

CREDENTIALS - PLEASE UNDERLINE ALL THAT APPLY

Deep South Officer	Former Deep South Region Director	State President	Delegate
Deep South Council Member	NGC Board Member	Garden Club Member	Alternate
Deep South Life Member	NGC Life Member	Guest/Spouse	

FULL-TIME PACKAGE PLAN	
Includes Registration Fee, 2 Luncheons, 3 Banquets and 4 Workshops Must be Postmarked by February 5, 2016	
Deep South Region Member Package Plan	\$240.00 \$ _____
GCM Members Package Plan	\$225.00 \$ _____

PART-TIME PLAN	
Circle days attending Must be Postmarked by February 5, 2016	
Deep South Member Registration	Sunday Monday Tuesday \$25.00 per day \$ _____
GCM Member Registration	Sunday Monday Tuesday \$15.00 per day \$ _____
Spouse/Guest	Sunday Monday Tuesday \$10.00 per day \$ _____
Sunday Dinner	\$45.00 \$ _____
Monday Luncheon	\$40.00 \$ _____
Monday Awards Banquet	\$45.00 \$ _____
Tuesday Luncheon	\$40.00 \$ _____
Tuesday Design Banquet	\$55.00 \$ _____
Registration Postmarked AFTER February 5, 2016 Must Add late Fee of	\$25.00 \$ _____
TOTAL AMOUNT DUE	\$ _____

MAIL CHECK, PAYABLE TO: NATIONAL GARDEN CLUBS, INC., DSR WITH REGISTRATION FORM TO:
 Margaret Fancher, Registrar, 619 Van Buren Ave., Oxford, MS 38655 *662-234-1359 *fancherm@bellsouth.net
 Confirmations will be emailed. For USPS mail acknowledgment of registration, enclose a self-addressed stamped envelope.

No refunds after February 5, 2016. Registration Fee is non-refundable - No Walk-ins
YOU MUST BE REGISTERED TO ATTEND ANY PROGRAMS, MEALS, OR WORKSHOPS.

Hotel reservations must be made directly with the Horseshoe Hotel
Special rate of \$75.00 plus taxes for a Deluxe room

All reservations made via the telephone call center will be assessed a fee of \$10 per reservation – 866-635-7095
 Use the link below for hotel reservations free of charge - link also on Deep South Region website www.dsregion.org
<http://www.totalrewards.com/hotel-reservations?propCode=UTU&groupCode=S03NGC6>

**2016 Deep South Region Convention
Tentative Schedule of Events
"Spring Bouquet"
March 6-8, 2016
Horseshoe Hotel and Roadhouse Hotel**

Sunday, March 6

3:00 pm – 6:00 pm	Convention Registration	Horseshoe Hotel Lobby
3:00 pm – 6:00 pm	Educational Exhibits Setup	Roadhouse 2 nd Floor Meeting Room
6:15 pm – 7:15 pm	Cocktails, Cash Bar	Horseshoe Founders Club
7:00 pm – 8:30 pm	Dinner	Horseshoe Founders Club
8:30 pm – 9:00 pm	Executive Committee Meeting	Horseshoe, Founders Club

Monday, March 7

8:00 am - 10:00 am	Cash Breakfast Bar	Roadhouse 2 nd Floor Foyer
8:00 am - 5:00 pm	Convention Registration (closed during lunch)	Roadhouse 2 nd Floor Foyer
8:00 am - 8:00 pm	Flower Workroom Open	Roadhouse 2 nd Floor Ballroom
8:00 am - 7:00 pm	Vendors Open	Roadhouse 2 nd Floor Foyer
9:00 am - 10:00 am	DSR Council Meeting	Roadhouse 2 nd Floor Meeting Room
10:15 am – 11:45 am	DSR Business Meeting Open	Roadhouse 2 nd Floor Meeting Room
12:00 pm - 1:30 pm	Opening Luncheon	Roadhouse 2 nd Floor Ballroom
2:00 pm – 3:00 pm	Workshop 1	Roadhouse 2 nd Floor Meeting Room
3:15 pm – 4:15 pm	Workshop 2	Roadhouse 2 nd Floor Meeting Room
6:15 pm - 7:15 pm	Cocktails, Cash Bar	Roadhouse 2 nd Floor Foyer
7:00 pm	Awards Banquet	Roadhouse 2 nd Floor Ballroom

Tuesday, March 8

8:00 am - 9:00 am	Cash Breakfast Bar	Roadhouse 2 nd Floor Foyer
8:00 am - 5:00 pm	Convention Registration (closed during lunch)	Roadhouse 2 nd Floor Foyer
8:00 am - 7:00 pm	Flower Workroom Open	Roadhouse 2 nd Floor Ballroom
8:00 am - 5:00 pm	Vendors Open	Roadhouse 2 nd Floor Foyer
9:00 am - 11:30 am	DSR Business Meeting (resumes)	Roadhouse 2 nd Floor Meeting Room
12:00 pm – 1:30 pm	Luncheon	Roadhouse 2 nd Floor Ballroom
2:00 pm – 3:00 pm	Workshop 3	Roadhouse 2 nd Floor Meeting Room
3:15 pm – 4:15 pm	Workshop 4	Roadhouse 2 nd Floor Meeting Room
6:15 pm - 7:15 pm	Cocktails, Cash Bar	Horseshoe Bluesville
7:00 pm	Floral Design Banquet	Horseshoe Bluesville

The Horseshoe Hotel and Casino and the Roadhouse Hotel and Casino are next door and easy walking distance apart. All of Sunday's activities will be held in the Horseshoe and all of Monday's activities will be held in the Roadhouse. All activities on Tuesday will be held in the Roadhouse, EXCEPT evening cocktails and the Floral Design Banquet, which will be in the Horseshoe.

A block of rooms is currently being held until February 5, 2016 at the Horseshoe Hotel. Please refer to the website, www.dsregion.org, for complete hotel reservations and convention registration information.

Suzanne Wheeler
FLOWER SHOW SCHOOL

Course II

Registration Deadline:
 March 1, 2016

NO REFUNDS AFTER FEBRUARY 14, 2016

Course II: March 14-17, 2016

(The 2007 Handbook is required for credit)

Name _____

Address _____

E-mail _____

Phone # _____

Garden Club _____

Make Checks Payable To:
NGCFSJ Flower Show School

Mail to: Cookie Roland,
 Registrar & Co-Chairman
 2771 Ansco Court,
 Snellville, GA 30078-3005
 r_cookie@att.net

(Check one)

Student, Full Course (with exam)\$130

Student, Full Course (no exam)\$115

Student, 1 Day Auditing\$65

Judge's Auditing Special, Full Course, ..\$90

Judge's Auditing, 1 Day, Tues., Hort\$55

Judge's Auditing, 1 Day, Wed., Design ..\$55

Total Enclosed\$ _____

Fees include lunch and snacks
 on Tuesday and Wednesday



Garden Club of Ellijay members at the Laurel District annual meeting. Pictured above left to right: Betty Reese, Kelly Altman, Barbara Dunson, Edna McClellan, GCG President Martha Price, Ruth West, Bonnie Waldren, Frankie Willis and Linda Ragland.



Flower Show Schedules

*Victoria Chandler, Laurel Flower Show Schedules Chairman
 risingstar@ellijay.com, 229 Rising Star Rd., Ellijay GA 30536*

This chairman's job is to assist Laurel District Flower Show Committees in writing schedules and advise them on rules and regulations for a Standard Flower Show as found in the *Handbook for Flower Shows, 2007 Edition*.

At least four months before your show date, send the following to me: two preliminary flower show schedules, a list of invited judges, indicate if show is to be evaluated, award applying for, and a stamped envelope for return of the corrected schedule. I will check the schedule making any corrections or suggestions and verify the good standing of judges invit-

ed and then select the show evaluators from the list of invited judges. I will return one corrected schedule and the names of the evaluators.

The corrected schedule is returned to the show committee, who are to incorporate the corrections to the schedule.

Two copies of the corrected schedule, a stamped self-addressed envelope for return of approved schedule are sent to Jane Johnson, State Flower Show Schedules Chairman who rechecks the schedule and suggests any further changes. The final schedule may be printed after the State Chairman approves.

