

## **Talbot County Garden Club**

## **Press Release**

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## Talbot County Garden Club was 'Putting on the Glitz'

EASTON, MD (April 18, 2017) – The Talbot County Garden Club held its biannual Symposium on April 18, 2017, at the Milestone in Easton, MD. It was a sell out event with 245 attendees, 32 patrons and 14 sponsors. The majority of the attendees were from Talbot County and the surrounding areas, but quite a few travelled in just for the event.

The all day affair titled *Putting on the Glitz* featured three nationally acclaimed guest speakers who spoke on an array of topics ranging from Landscape design to Style to Floral Artistry. The day kicked off with Chris Olsen - Master Designer from Little Rock, Arkansas. Chris shared amazing ways to take your landscape from "Drab to Fab", emphasizing color, shape and size in the landscape. Bettie Bearden Pardee - lecturer and garden connoisseur from Newport, Rhode Island, followed Chris. Bettie took everyone through the beautiful mansions and gardens of Newport, Rhode Island, sharing excerpts from her book "Living Newport". The final speaker of the day was Paige Canfield – owner / designer of Sumner B. Designs in Washington DC. Paige's presentation was chock full of bits of information on floral design which she demonstrated through a handful stunning arrangements. Between speakers, attendees were treated to a farm to table lunch, and they were able to shop on "Roseo Drive", a marketplace consisting of 14 vendors selling items including home décor, pottery, jewelry, and other accessories. It was truly a day of day full of style and entertaining, enjoyed by all.

The event is this year's largest fundraiser for the Talbot County Garden Club. The funds support the club's projects throughout the community.

## **About the Talbot County Garden Club**

The Talbot County Garden Club was established in 1917 to enrich the natural beauty of the environment by sharing knowledge of gardening, fostering the art of flower arranging, maintaining civic projects, supporting projects that benefit Talbot County and encouraging the conservation of natural resources. Noteworthy projects include maintaining the grounds of the Talbot Historical Society, Talbot County Courthouse, Talbot County Free Library, the fountain and children's gardens at Idlewild Park and numerous other gardens and activities. There are currently a total of 101 active, associate and honorary members.



Bettie Bearden Pardee speaking at the Talbot County Garden Club's Spring Symposium (Photo Credit: Marsie Hawkinson)



Chris Olsen sharing how to take your home and garden from Drab to Fab at the Talbot County Garden Club's Spring Symposium (Photo Credit: Marsie Hawkinson)