



March 2025 President's Letter

The sun is shining as I write and there is a promise of warmer weather this weekend. Maybe Spring is coming soon? We can hope!

Our Symposium Chairs, Paige and Tracy have been working so hard to make our upcoming Floral Fete a huge success! Their committee chairs have also been searching for ads, vendors and auction items. The speakers will be arriving on April 21 st , so they will be all ready to present the next day. We are still selling 200 geranium baskets that will make the outside of The Oaks look so festive. Please order your tickets to attend, if you have not done so already. It promises to be a very special day!

Our library garden committee has put the funds from our J McLaughlin fundraiser to good use. They will be announcing it soon.

The end of March is busy. The State Annual meeting is on the 25 th . It will be Susie Middleton's last meeting as State President. I am still taking reservations for this event which is held at Turf Valley Resort until March 11. The next day is our March meeting. The facility has a limited capacity so only the first 45 members to rsvp will be able to attend.

Our beautiful 2024 annual report should be in your hands by now. It is spectacular! I hope you are enjoying it. Thank you, Rita Mhley!

Hope to see you soon. Maribeth

Member News:

Reminder: Annual Meeting 2025

Kay Perkins has graciously offered her home to host our June meeting. The meeting will be held on June 17th .
Please mark your calendars as this is a change from the date in the yearbook.

Reminder from the PR Committee:

Find us on social media...

FACEBOOK: Talbot County Garden Club

INSTAGRAM: Talbot_County_Garden_Club

WEB: www.talbotcountyg.org

Put yourself in the Member Directory! (to add your photo, please refer to the last page in this newsletter for instructions)

February Minutes

The meeting was called to order at 10:00.

The minutes from the January 28th meeting were approved as sent.

President's report:

* The FGCMD State meeting is March 25. A sign up sheet was passed around. As many as possible are encouraged to attend as this is Susie Middleton's last meeting as President.

* Emilie Coakley has agreed to chair the Children's Garden with Hatsie Long. Kim EckertKim will serve as "floral consultant," and Nancy Thompson will be the "irrigation consultant."

Rita Mhley was thanked for the beautiful annual report full of information and images of all that TCGC is involved in.

The Inclusive Gardening program scheduled for March 13 at the Y has been postponed.

TCGC will be represented at the GCA NAL by Pam Keeton and Meg van den Berg.

Vice President's Report:

As Eleanor is still recovering from hip surgery Georgia Adler and Caroline Benson reported on her behalf.

* Georgia explained the Christ Church Projects Grants application. Christ Church, circa 1845, is in a prominent location in Easton, and this project will beautify a space that many people will see. The grant or \$6,630.00 was coordinated by Laurie Makiness, and the application was completed with Janet Mackey's help.

* Georgia reminded everyone that the Projects Grant is an annual grant up to \$10,000.

* Caroline announced that Louise Peterson and Camille Massey have agreed to be the chairs for the 2026 Pilgrimage. She encouraged everyone to say yes when they call for help.

Treasurer's Report:

* operating account: \$68,922.66

* Restricted fund: \$15,846.07

* CD: \$25,488.72

* 208 Symposium tickets have been sold, 31 ads have been sold, 100 geraniums have been sold (there are 100 still left to sell). So far the gross is \$61,300, net is 51,399, but the Oaks has not been paid yet.

Symposium:

* Cindy Pease announced that many jobs are open for day-of volunteers. She had sign up sheets for people to choose/sign up for those jobs.

* Camille announced that she will need volunteers the day before to help with florals.

Corresponding Secretary's Report:

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Cards have been sent to Eleanor Denegre after her hip surgery, to Emilie Coakley expressing sympathy for her father's death, and to Judy Madole and Ann Jelich who have both been hospitalized recently.

Conservation:

* The committee will hold a native plant sale again this year on September 26.

Finance:

The capital account is up 1.8% ytd to \$684,501

Flower Show:

* There will be an in-house flower show in October. The committee will begin planning at their next meeting, March 10th.

Fountain Garden:

* Captains have all been assigned. Virginia asked that anyone who has a preference for when they work in the Fountain Garden that they should let her know.

Garden Therapy:

* Floral arrangements will be taken to Hospice and Interfaith Shelter on March 14. Maribeth will have green vases available on her porch closer to the date.

Horticulture:

* There are still openings for the seed starting workshop on March 11th, and Janet will welcome as many as possible to help start seeds for the Historic Garden. Janet put out a request for plastic mushroom containers and clear plastic clamshell containers to act as greenhouses for the seeds.

Library Garden:

The J McLaughlin fundraiser allowed the committee to purchase a weatherproof picnic table for the children's section of the garden. The table will be delivered next week.

Program:

* The next general meeting will be held Wednesday March 26th at Cloverfields near Wye Mills. Space is limited, so there can only be 45 attendees. Carpooling is a must. Members who want to attend must sign up in advance.

Public Relations:

* TCGC has 48 Instagram followers so far. The IG account has been promoting the Symposium vendors. Information about the vendors is also on the public section of the website.

* The committee has been working to make the website the "Place to Go" for any and all club information. Members are encouraged to upload photos and personal information in the member section.

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Newsletter:

* Alden noted that any announcements should go to her as much as possible for inclusion in the newsletter. The goal is to eliminate extra emails going out between newsletters.

Yearbook:

Madeleine encouraged everyone to look at their information in the current yearbook and let her know by March 15th of any changes. Committee chairs should also have the committee member lists and events to her by March 15th, with a drop dead deadline of April 1st.

She is looking for photos to include in the yearbook, especially photos of pollinators, native plants, etc.

Trips:

* The Philadelphia Flower Show has 15 attending. Those who are not going up the night before were reminded that the tour begins at 8 AM.

* A trip to Chanticleer is planned for April 30. The trip has a limit of 30 attendees. Lunch at the Aronomink Golf Club will follow the garden tour.

* The Hudson River Trip is in danger of being cancelled because there are not enough people signing up. If anyone is interested she should contact Chloe as soon as possible.

Old Business:

* Slate of officers was presented for 2025-2027:

President: Eleanor Denegre

Vice President: Colleen Doremus

Corresponding Secretary: Cherie Carroll

Recording Secretary: Louise Peterson

Parliamentarian: Carolyn Rugg

Member-at-large: Maribeth Lane

The Slate was accepted by unanimous vote.

Maribeth reminded everyone of the 3 projects that were nominated for the GCA Founders Fund grant recipients. The finalists are: Marshlands Conservancy (NY), Virginia War Memorial Green Space (Richmond) and Forsyth Park Educational Shade Garden (Savannah). The club voted for Marshlands Conservancy project. Our club's vote will be forwarded to GCA. The winning project will receive \$40,000.

Everyone was reminded to pick up their copy of the Annual Report.

The meeting was adjourned at 10:45, followed by a program on "Stoneleigh: A Natural Garden" in Villanova, PA.

Respectfully submitted,

Myra Gons



Can You Dig It?

Winter 2025

We are pleased to return and are committed to providing you with engaging, educational, and valuable information.

The winter of 2025 has not been like the past few winters....we have had snow a few times, and we are forecasted to have more...we have had bitter cold, harsh winds, a bit of rain, and some beautiful sunrises and sunsets. Your writers have jumped right in to discuss winter and the effects it can have on your garden, both positive and negative; plants we can enjoy in the winter; designing tips and sowing seeds; a little bit of "This and That"; caring for our bird friends in the winter; why natives; and ending with Pollinators for Beginners.

So sit back and enjoy your favorite coffee or tea and explore what we have to offer!

Trish Reynolds
Editor

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It's a Workshop!



Good afternoon TCGC Members....on a beautiful day like today we are getting excited about Janet Mackey's upcoming **Workshop, "Starting Plants From Seed."**

Date: March 11, 2025

Location: Holy Trinity Parish Hall, Oxford

Time: Tuesday, 10 am – 12 pm

This is a two-part workshop....

- Part 1 will be a power-point presentation on planting seeds.
- Part 2, we will actually be planting seeds.

You may stay for Part 1 if you are only interested in learning about planting seeds or stay for both parts and help us plant seeds for the Historical Society Garden, "plant sit" seedlings already started, or just observe as we plant the seeds.

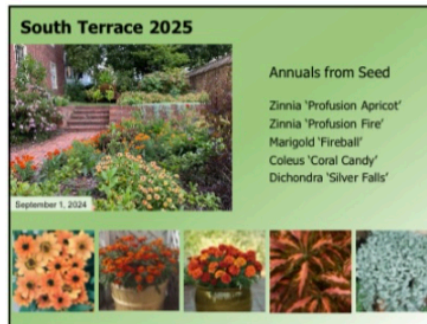
This promises to be a really fun and educational experience, and we hope you will come.

Please RSVP to Trish at pk26998@gmail.com and indicate if you want to come and participate in growing seeds.

Janet has provided three of her slides to give you an opportunity to see what we will be growing for TCGC and the Historical Society Garden.

She has also provided us with the following information:

- For the HSG, we will have folks grow the following seeds:
 - ✓ French marigold 'Fireball'
 - ✓ Zinnia 'Profusion Apricot'
 - ✓ Zinnia 'Profusion Double Fire'
 - ✓ Chives 'One Mix'
 - ✓ Cosmos 'Sensation'
- For the HSG, we will have folks grow seedlings of the following plants:
 - ✓ Coleus 'Kong Rose'
 - ✓ Coleus 'Sun Crimson Gold'
 - ✓ Coleus 'Kong Lime Sprite'
 - ✓ Coleus 'Sun Coral Candy'
 - ✓ Petunia 'Tidal Wave Silver'
 - ✓ Dichondra 'Silver Falls'



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All workshop participants will be able to select from seeds including the following:

- ✓ French marigold 'Alumia Vanilla Cream' or 'Red Morph'
- ✓ Various zinnias, Various cosmos

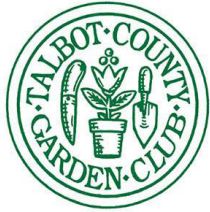
They also can select to grow from the following *seedlings*:

- French marigold 'Red Morph'
- Genovese basil

Hope to see you there.

Janet & Trish

The Hort Committee Invites you:



**The TCGC Horticulture Committee
invites you to the "Starting
Plants from Seed" Workshop,
presented by Janet Mackey**



• **March 11, 2025**

• **10 AM till noon**

• **Holy Trinity Parish Hall, Oxford** •

Our presenter, Janet Mackey will go through the entire process of seed starting with a photo-filled presentation. Then we will get our hands dirty, planting seeds and potting up seedlings for participants to take home. TCGC will provide the materials – you bring the enthusiasm!

RSVP To Trish, pk26998@gmail.com, by Feb 20, 2025 – please indicate if you want to plant seeds – we will limit this part of the workshop to 20 participants.

Free Tickets!!

Be our guest
with a

COMPLIMENTARY TICKET
TO THE



MARYLAND
HOME & GARDEN
+ CRAFT SHOW

MARCH 1-2 & 7-9, 2025

TIMONIUM FAIRGROUNDS
TIMONIUM, MD
COW PALACE AND EXHIBITION HALL



2025 SHOW FEATURES

- 7 Landscaped Feature Gardens
- Annual Orchid Society Show and Sale
- 450+ Local Home Experts
- **HGTV CELEBS ON STAGE:**
Leslie & Lyndsay, *Unsellable Houses*
Chris Lambton, *Going Yard*
- 125+ Crafters in the Exhibition Hall

HOW TO GET YOUR TICKET

- Go online at **MDHomeAndGarden.com**
- Click "Buy Tickets Online"
- Enter Promotion Code: **GARDEN**
- Fill out the information on the form and click "Complete My Order"
- You will receive an emailed receipt with a link to the ticket. The ticket can be scanned at the show from your phone or you can print the tickets to bring to the show.

MDHomeAndGarden.com | MARKETPLACE
EVENTS

Ready for a Road Trip: Cloverfields!



Here are the details for the event on 3/26 at Cloverfields 9-11:30 am.

Members to arrive at 9 am for meeting.

Presentation by Devin Kimmel and landscape team from Kimmel and Associates, begins at 10 am to conclude with a tour of the gardens.

The facility can only hold 45 people. We are therefore requesting members to RSVP if they plan to attend by March 14th.

Email for RSPV to Ildi Watkins:
talbotcogardenclub@gmail.com
CLOVERFIELDS

Directions:

The address is 500 Foreman Landing Road, Queenstown 21658 - Even though the address is Queenstown it is in Wye Mills.

From Easton: take 50 to Rt 662. Left on 662. Go through Wye Mills - at the end veer to the left. Foreman Landing Road will be on the left.

Please encourage ride sharing/carpooling.

This event is limited to 45 people MAX.

~ Camille & Marjory

ALMOST SOLD OUT!



Floral Fête

presented by The Talbot County Garden Club



Tuesday, April 22, 2025
The Oaks Waterfront Hotel
Easton, Maryland



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**Tickets are now available for
purchase – exclusively for
TCGC Members through January 6!**

**The day promises to be an elegant
and inspirational event,
and the community of our members
will be a huge part of its success.**

Get your tickets NOW!

**Tuesday, April 22, 2025
from 9:30 am to 3:30 pm**



**25876 Royal Oak Rd,
Easton, MD**

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Speakers

**“The Art of the Possible: Stories and Lessons
from a Self-taught Gardener”**

Linda Jane Holden (prolific garden design author,
self-taught garden historian, educator,
and Bunny Mellon gardens insider and expert)

**“French Blooms: Floral Arrangements
Inspired by Paris and Beyond”**

Sandra Sigman (second-generation floral designer
and author of *French Blooms*, founder and operator
of Andover, Massachusetts’ *Les Fleurs* and
curator of all things French)

“Pressing Botanicals: Harvesting Nature’s Bounty”

Anne Thompson Blackwell (trained artist
and plantswoman, using centuries-old traditions,
her preserved foliage and flowers are collected from
some of the most picturesque regions of the eastern US)

TICKETS:

Individual Floral Fête ticket, \$175 per person,
open seating. **Limited number of VIP Reserved
tables will be available, \$200 per person.**

Enjoy the day with family, friends or colleagues in a
choice of either eight- or ten-person capacity tables.
Tables are center-stage, premium seating for the best
vantage point for the Floral Fête's expert speakers.

Reserve your tickets at:

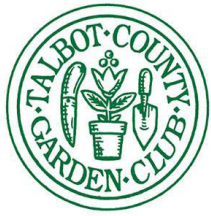
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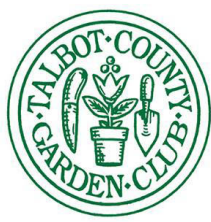
Think Geraniums!



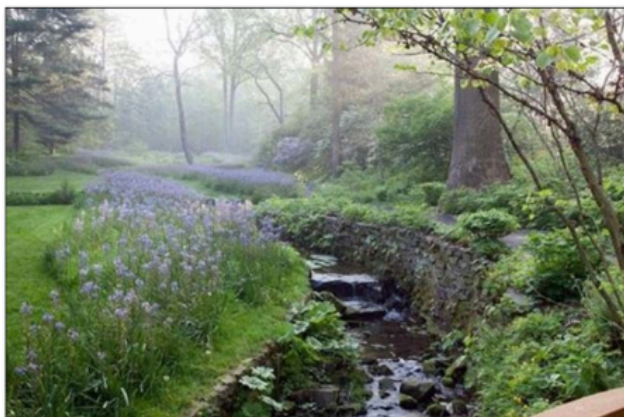
It's that time of year to start thinking about your spring and summer planters! We are excited to announce that we have a limited stock of geraniums for purchase online to be picked up at the Symposium. These exclusive beauties, priced at \$25 for a 12" pot, come directly from Landcraft Growers and are grown exclusively for our Club. Don't miss out on this unique opportunity! Appleblossom Geranium in 12" green pots.



<https://buy.stripe.com/60E509cIpeGa8Tu5kt>



Trip to Chanticleer Wayne, PA



**THE TALBOT COUNTY
GARDEN CLUB**
is planning a bus trip to
Chanticleer Garden in Wayne PA
on Wednesday, April 30, 2025.

This 48-acre estate on
Philadelphia's Main Line
is a refined,
sophisticated garden full of
fabulous and varied plants,
stately mature trees,
many different themed gardens
and wonderful decorative pots.

This is a docent-led tour
and limited to 30 people.

**Chanticleer is truly inspiring
and ranked by many as
The Best Public Garden
in the
Eastern United States.**

The cost of the trip is \$120 each.
This includes the bus, entrance to
Chanticleer and a buffet lunch
at nearby Aronimink Golf Club.

We will leave the firehouse
parking lot off of
Creamery Lane in Easton
at 7:30 am sharp and return
no later than 5:00 pm.

To reserve your spot,
send your check for \$120 to TCGC,
PO Box 1524, Easton MD 21601.
Mark Chanticleer in the memo line.

Or... pay by Stripe.

<https://buy.stripe.com/60E3g137P41w5Hi0oe>

An Invitation from The Lake Forest Garden Club:



Dear Visiting Gardens Chairman,

The Lake Forest Garden Club would love to have you join us for our 68th walk this June 18 & 19th. The theme this year is “Seeds of Change” showing 4 historic properties each with a unique story, 3 designed by notable architects, David Adler, Howard Van Doren Shaw and Ike Colburn.

A Save the Date will be mailed in March and Invitations will go out via email in April. To receive an invitation or for questions, please send an email to housewalk@lakeforestgc.com or me Cathie Denckla, visitinggardens@lakeforestgc.org

I am happy to provide accommodation ideas, other places in the area to visit, for example The Chicago Botanic Garden 15 minutes from Lake Forest, which will be in full bulb display, a beautiful 12 acres Japanese garden in Rockford IL, <https://andersongardens.org>, and of course Millennium Park in Chicago.

Hope to see many of you in June.

Warmly,

Cathie Denckla
Visiting Gardens Chairman
Lake Forest Garden Club
Zone XI

Final Notice:



TCGC Members – You are all invited to attend the
96th FGCMMD Annual Meeting on March 25, 2025,
at Turf Valley Resort in Ellicott City.

We will be celebrating and thanking our own Susie Middleton, FGCMMD President, as she ends her two-year term. Susie has set a high standard with all the innovations that she introduced in leading the organization. She has worked tirelessly for the State, Districts and Clubs, visiting as many as she could during her time in office. She has worked very hard to strengthen the sense of membership belonging at all levels. Susie's theme as FGCMMD President, "Sustaining Mother Earth....One Action at a Time", has led to clubs and members to be more conscious of our environment. Her State Project, "Sustaining Maryland – Grants for Garden Clubs", has provided funds to assist clubs in sustainability. So please come and join me in attending the FGCMMD Annual Meeting to thank Susie Middleton for her efforts!

~ Maribeth

Important Information

~ Cost: \$52 Please send your check to Maribeth Lane - checks MUST be sent by March 3.

(mailto: 115 S. Harrison Street, Easton 21601)

~ Make Checks payable to FGCMMD, note in memo line- FGCMMD Annual Meeting

~ When replying to Maribeth, please indicate if you are Gluten Free

For more information on the Annual Meeting, please see next page.



The Call

96th Annual Meeting Federated Garden Clubs of Maryland Tuesday, March 25, 2025, Turf Valley Resort and Hotel

All FGCMD members are invited to attend this year’s State Annual Meeting and welcome our special Guest of Honor, National Garden Clubs President Brenda Moore. President Moore will install the new FGCMD Officers, who will lead our Federation for the 2025-2027 term. The Nominating Committee, chaired by Liz Williams, proposes the following slate for your confirmation:

- President, Donna Miller – Mountain Laurel Garden Club/District V
- First Vice President
- Second Vice President, Randy Low – Gunpowder Garden Club/District III
- Treasurer, Anna O’Kelly – Crofton Greenery Garden Club/District II
- Recording Secretary, Mary Hutchins-Danna - Mt. Airy Garden Club/ District V
- Corresponding Secretary, Shirley Santora – Chartwell Garden Club/District II

A vote to accept the proposed slate will be called for at the Business Meeting. **BUSINESS MEETING VOTING:** Only State Executive Board Members, Former State Presidents, current Club Presidents and one delegate per club chosen by the Club President are eligible to vote.

Registration	8:00am	-	11:45 am
located in the Lobby of the Hotel’s Main Entrance			
Vendor shopping	8:00am	-	3:00 pm
Silent Auction	9:45am	-	12:00 noon
Business Meeting	9:30am	-	11:00 am
Cash Bar	11:00am	-	2:00 pm
Luncheon	11:45am	-	12:45 pm
Program	1:00pm	-	2:00 pm

We will present some awards at the Business Meeting, and additional ones at the luncheon meeting. District and Youth Awards will be presented at each District’s Annual Meeting. At the Business Meeting, District Directors will present a three-minute report. Except for the Treasurer, all Officers and Chairmen are asked to submit written reports to the Recording Secretary. A request for oral report time must be submitted to the President by March 6th.

LUNCHEON MENU

- Market Salad Market V & GS-Mixed greens, zucchini, Carrots, Tomatoes, Peppers, Onion , Herb Vinaigrette
- Herb-Roasted Chicken GS with Wild Rice Medley, Sauteed Squash, Creamy Dijon Sauce
- Double Layer Carrot Cake V

Note: GS means Gluten Sensitive, V means Vegetarian

PROGRAM

The luncheon program is: “The Exciting New World of Houseplants” featuring Ron McIntosh. He is a Horticulturist and Landscape and Gardening Advisor in Pennsylvania. He will lead you into the world of houseplants as you explore the varieties from around the globe as well as traditional ones from the past. Discussion will cover the selection and care of indoor greenery from containers, soil and fertilizers to pest control and propagation. **Plus, all the plants he displays will be for sale!**

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**REGISTER TODAY FOR
FGCMD's 96th ANNUAL MEETING**

Come see our featured luncheon presentation by Ron McIntosh

“The Exciting World of Houseplants”

Whether you're a seasoned plant parent or just starting, this event will provide valuable insights into the joys and challenges of growing indoor plants.

Why Have Houseplants? Did you know that in addition to adding beauty to your home they have been proven to improve air quality, boost mood and productivity as well as reduce stress and promote well-being?



Come learn how to avoid/solve common Houseplant Problems – like

- yellowing leaves
- drooping plants
- brown leaf tips
- pests

Ron McIntosh, a gardener/landscaper for most of his life will present “The Exciting World of Houseplants.” Ron will focus on recent introductions and cross breeding as well as the efficient use of tissue culture propagation which has made the foliage plant industry an exciting one.

Because of this technology, availability in garden centers is better than ever. However, plant selection is key to keeping them happy and healthy. The foundations of plant care including watering, fertilization, potting soils and pest control are key topics. Helpful tips and demonstrations will provide you with a better understanding of growing indoors. Ron will provide lots of samples of new and interesting varieties.

Ron is a horticulturist and landscape and gardening advisor in Pennsylvania where he realized his passion for plants at an early age. He studied agriculture in high school and has been a horticulture consultant in his hometown of Johnstown, Pennsylvania for many years.

His gardening segments on the local NBC affiliate WJAC-TV gave viewers helpful tips each week.

**All plants used in his presentation will be for sale.
Deadline for registration is March 11, 2025**



Final Notice:



DISTRICT I – FGCMMD, INC. ANNUAL MEETING

~Hosted By Somerset County Garden Club~

**WEDNESDAY, MARCH 5, 2025
THE FOUNTAINS WEDDING AND
CONFERENCE CENTER**

1800 SWEETBAY DRIVE, SALISBURY, MD
21804

FOR DIRECTIONS: [HTTPS://FOUNTAINSEVENTS.COM/CONTACT/](https://fountainsevents.com/contact/)

ITENARY

9:15 AM

REGISTRATIONS, PASTRIES & COFFEE

9:45 AM

BUSINESS MEETING FEATURING REPORTS, MEMORIAL SERVICE
FOR PAST GARDEN CLUB MEMBERS, AWARDS, & INSTALLATION OF
DISTRICT OFFICERS

NOON

BUFFET LUNCH

CHICKEN CAESAR SALAD, PASTA SALAD, ROLLS, BUTTER,
SMITH ISLAND CAKE, COFFEE, TEA & WATER

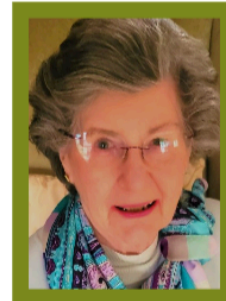
1:00 -2:15 PM

PROGRAM FEATURING RENOWN
NGC FLORAL DESIGN INSTRUCTOR

JULIA CLEVETT

“SPRING HAS SPRUNG”

FLORAL DESIGN CREATIONS TO BE
RAFFLED



SILENT AUCTION – 50/50 RAFFLE – FLORAL DESIGN
RAFFLE

*BRING YOUR CASH/CHECKBOOKS!

**PROGRAM: WE WILL BE FEATURING
JULIA CLEVETT, A RENOWN NGC DESIGN INSTRUCTOR
WHO WILL BE PRESENTING HER PROGRAM “ SPRING
HAS SPRUNG” USING FLORAL MATERIALS AS HER
MEDIUM. JULIA IS FUNNY, CREATIVE, TALENTED, AND
YOU WILL HAVE A CHANCE TO WIN OF HER 8 DESIGNS!**



**REGISTRATIONS REQUESTED:
DEADLINE: FEBRUARY 7, 2025**

***PLEASE MAKE CHECKS PAYABLE TO MARIBETH LANE, 115 S.
HARRISON STREET, EASTON, 21601**

- Late registrations sent after above date require additional \$10 late fee per person. No Refunds after 2/17/25
~We cannot accommodate Walk-Ins without registration~

\$50/person

NAME: _____

Email Address _____

District I Board – 2025-2027 - l to r, Bob Howatt, Treasurer; Marilyn Reedy, Corres. Sec.; Ann Stree, District Director; Linda Elias, Asst. Director; Ellen Rice, Rec. Sec.



Federated Garden Clubs of MD:



JOIN US FOR A SPECIAL EARTH DAY EVENT

8:00 to 8:45 Registration & Refreshments
8:45 to 9:00 Welcome

April 24, 2025 - 8 am to 12 noon
Vollmer Center at Cylburn Arboretum
Baltimore, MD

9:00 AM - 9:50 AM

Ecological Landscaping for a Climate Resistant Watershed

Stacy Small-Lorenz, Specialist for Residential Landscape, UMD Extension

Learn about Maryland's climate forecast and delve into practical steps we can take as individuals and neighborhoods to become better stewards of the land, water, and atmosphere, in a shared quest for climate-resilient, sustainable landscapes that support native biodiversity and enhance our human connection to nature.

10:00 AM - 11:00 AM

Beauty, Biodiversity and Resilience

Lisa Kuder, Native Plants & Landscape Specialist, UMD Extension

Explore naturalistic design and how to select native plants that can tolerate deer pressure, as well as a range of environmental conditions such as drought, flooding, and salt intrusion. Try your hand at applying what you've learned in a group garden design project.

11:10 AM - 12:00 PM

Protecting Pollinators and Beneficial Insects Amid Climate Change

Madeline Potter, Specialist for Entomology & IPM, UMD Extension

Connect the dots between Climate Change, native plants, pollinators, and beneficial insects while hearing actionable advice for gardeners. From habitat creation to learning about fascinating insect-plant relationships, discover how your greenspace can become a refuge for biodiversity.

MAIL-IN REGISTRATION FORM

Name: _____

Email: _____

Phone: _____

\$30 Registration. Please make checks payable to: FGCMD
Earth Day Event

Mail this registration form and payment to:
FGCMD, PO Box 65172, Baltimore, MD 21209

Native plant sale by Herring Run Nursery

Several conservation organizations will have exhibits with information about their activities and missions, with staff members available to answer questions.



Eventbrite online Registration
\$33.85 includes \$3.85 processing fee

Pre-registration is required & must be
received by Friday, April 18
Note: Fees are non-refundable



"Approved Maryland Master Naturalist &
Master Gardener Advanced Training Event"

Federated Garden Clubs of MD:



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Delmarva Chapter of the National Nonprofit 'Wild Ones' Seeks Members and Collaborators

Wild Ones Delmarva is seeking chapter members and collaborators to create an inclusive community of diverse voices and backgrounds interested in learning, growing, and connecting people and native plants for a healthy planet. Wild Ones Delmarva aims to promote native plants and natural landscapes throughout the Delmarva Peninsula through advocacy, education, and collaboration. The chapter, formed in August 2024, would like to highlight the ability of native plants to help protect and restore biodiversity, improve air and water quality, provide people with year-round aesthetic landscaping and wildlife with quality food and shelter.

Those interested in attending programs and activities can connect with chapter representatives at Delmarva.WildOnes.org/events, wildonesdelmarva@gmail.com, or by calling 410-656-9713.

About Wild Ones:

Wild Ones is a national nonprofit organization that advocates for the use of native plants in landscaping to combat the loss of biodiversity. With over 120 local chapters and more than 10,000 members, Wild Ones provides education, resources, and support to help individuals and communities make environmentally beneficial choices for their local ecosystems. Learn more at WildOnes.org.

About the Delmarva Chapter of Wild Ones:

Wild Ones Delmarva was formed in August 2024 by a small coalition of like-minded individuals, organizations, and businesses on Maryland's Eastern Shore. It serves communities on the Delmarva Peninsula and adjacent areas. You can connect with this chapter, see upcoming events, and become a member by visiting Delmarva.WildOnes.org, calling 410-656-9713, or on social media at [@WildOnesDelmarva](https://www.instagram.com/WildOnesDelmarva).

To learn more, click here to read about our short history and mission:





Landscape Design School Course 1



Wednesday & Thursday
May 7 & 8, 2025
DoubleTree by Hilton
5485 Twin Knolls Road, Columbia, MD 21045

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Dear Gabby....

Spotted lanternfly lay egg masses on trees and other smooth outdoor surfaces such as outdoor furniture, campers, and grills. The egg masses are white when fresh and dry to a mud-like consistency. To prevent large quantities of spotted lanternfly hatching in the spring, it is vital to check for egg masses and destroy them. If you find an egg mass, use a stiff card (similar to a credit card) or a putty knife to scrape the egg mass into a Ziploc bag or other disposable container. To ensure the eggs are destroyed, add rubbing alcohol or an alcohol-based hand sanitizer. Then, seal the bag or container and discard it.



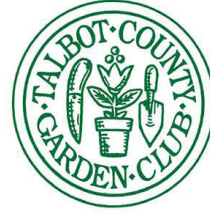
"Dear Gabby Gardener,"

This column is a community information column for our Club. It will include plant questions, swaps or anything else garden related. Examples:

- ~ I'm dividing my Black Eyed Susans, anybody want some? or
- ~ My peonies are in full bloom, come see them on Sunday? or
- ~ I've got 10 pairs of clippers I'm selling. Anybody interested? or
- ~ Anybody have suggestions for what to plant in an area that floods in my yard?

Please submit anything by the 20th of the month.

Add your photo to the TCGC website:



Newer members want to know who's who in TCGC! Take a moment to put your photo on the TCGC website!

Did you know that only 15% (ok we didn't count but it's not many) of the members have their photos in the members' directory online?

It's a great help to your fellow newer TCGC colleagues when your photo is up so they can get to know more of you and not flounder for names or stare at name tags at meetings and events. Please take a few minutes to find a picture of yourself that you can live with, and upload it to the members' directory here:

<https://talbotcountygardenclub.org/members/>

Here's all you need to do:

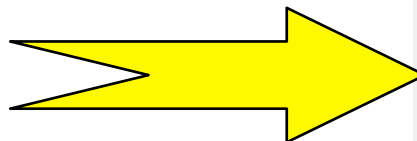
1. Log into the "Members Section" at the right of the menu at the top of the page. Find "Account Settings" in the dropdown menu.
2. On Account Settings, hover over "Howdy," which appears with your name at top right.
3. Tap "Edit Profile" in the dropdown menu to open your profile.
4. Scroll down to "Member Info" and follow instructions to add a photograph and edit information.
5. Tap "Update Profile" key at the bottom to save your input.
6. Tap "Log Out" in the dropdown menu top right.
7. To check your upload, log back in to the "Members Section."

But what if I forgot my password....


Forget Your Password? It's Easy to Reset It!

Go to the website and click in the "Members" box in the menu to bring up the log in page.

Below the boxes where you would enter your user name and password is a question, "Lost your password?" Click there and yet will take you to a reset page.



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Username or Email Address

Password

Remember Me

Log In

Lost your password?

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Follow TCGC on Facebook!

To get instant updates on TCGC activities – news of coming events and photos from events of the day – log on to our Facebook page. You can find us by searching for TALBOT COUNTY GARDEN CLUB.

Blossoms and Blooms Deadline: The 20th for the following month's issue.
Please submit photos and articles to: newsletteroftcgc@gmail.com

***Taken any fun photos of our members at work or play?
Submit them for our next edition!***

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