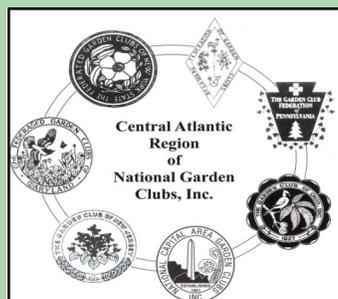


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Jeanne T. Nelson
C.A.R. Director

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DIRECTOR'S MESSAGE

Welcome to the coming glory of the Fall Season:

I hope you have enjoyed the many garden club activities this summer as well as spending time with family and friends. Your Director has visited arboretums, the fabulous World Flower Show in Boston and toured the new Botanical Garden in Naples, Florida. The variety of bromeliads was an education in itself.

It is a pleasure working with the C.A.R. officers and board members. A special greeting and thanks to our seven State Presidents for embracing the many projects in their states. You are all doing a great job. We anxiously await your sharing of events in October at the C.A.R. Conference.

We have completed the "PERENNIAL BLOOM AWARD" honoring club members by individual clubs. We hope that all clubs will take advantage of the C.A.R. website where the application form, rules and a certificate may be printed for club use. The "new" C.A.R. Awards Application with all revised rules is also on line at www.ngcCAR.org. Thanks to those great chairmen and their website expertise. The Scholarship Committee has determined the recipient of the \$2500 scholarship. We have had more applications this year than any previous year, which gives rise to the possibility of raising additional funds for a second scholarship for students who need assistance.

The members of the Maryland Federation are busy preparing for our C.A.R. Conference with programs and events to educate and bring us the fun of shared experiences. Take the opportunity to greet our very own National President, Shirley Nicolai. Be a part of the round table discussions. Let us hear your opinion at lunch on Saturday.

An exciting C.A.R. Symposium has been planned immediately following the C.A.R. Conference. Learn about medicinal plants and designs that involve kinetics. Do they swing and sway?

There are plans in the months ahead for the completion of our own C.A.R. Membership Pin and workshops on developing Community Gardens. The "Trail of Blue Stars" is growing weekly, making us all so very proud of honoring our service personnel. Also, the Organization Study Committee is busy updating our Standing Rules so they are in accordance with NGC.

Our young people have shown their concern for the environment and are looking for ways to improve their communities. Let us be good guides in these ventures. Be a part of the growing need to get children involved in their environment by 'showing and growing' together for a greener tomorrow. Using "Generations Gardening Together" as your slogan, club members could invite parents, grandparents and friends of school children to join in efforts to improve areas surrounding school buildings and playgrounds. Students definitely enjoy the physical aspects of gardening and then seeing the results of their efforts. They even love to weed!

Wouldn't a student project be a wonderful way to bring in new members—members that span the generations! If you have any unique ideas for encouraging individuals to become part of a "Garden Club", please drop our membership chair a quick note describing your thoughts.

A salute to our News Editor for her many talents and bringing all of us together.

Best wishes for a glorious fall with all its many colors and fun events and a joyous holiday season.

Gardening with Pride, Honoring Home, Community and Country

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Knowledge is like a garden: if it is not cultivated, it cannot be harvested.

Meet
Your
C.A.R.
Secretary/
Treasurer



Joy L. Ericson

It has been my pleasure to have been part of this organization, working in many different leadership positions. I was President from 1999-2001, which saw the closure of one century and the beginning of a new one. With the approach of the millennium it was an excellent time to “Savor the Past and Embrace the Future,” my theme. Serving as C.A.R. Awards Chairman, 2001-2003, I developed an awareness and appreciation for how many garden clubs work in their communities to plant and educate residents about gardening.

In 2003-2005 I was elected C.A.R. Regional Director from my state of Delaware. It was an enormous task, but an honor to serve the region and meet outstanding gardeners. In 2007, after the passing of Judy Clemson, Marilyn Whitmore, then C.A.R. Director, appointed me as C.A.R. Secretary/Treasurer that to this day I remain. I acknowledge both Judy and Marilyn for their leadership in our region and miss both of them.

On the National Garden Club Board I have been Credential’s Chairman, Nominating Committee Chairman, Strategic Planning Committee member and currently a member of the Vision of Beauty Calendar Committee as C.A.R. representative. In the past year most of my efforts have been Co-Chairing the Memorial Garden at the Center for Families of the Fallen at Dover Air Force Base. It was a gratifying project and a special tribute to our service heroes and their families.

Over the years my family has been supportive of my love of gardening. I have been blessed to have a wonderful husband, John, a son, Eric, and two daughters, Amy and Martha, who have provided me with nine very active grandchildren.

Meet
Your
C.A.R.
Parliamentarian



Wanda Davis

It is going to be an exciting two years, serving as the Central Atlantic Region’s Parliamentarian and working with the Region’s Board of Directors. I am also serving on the NGC Finance Committee for 2011-2013, the Delaware Federation of Garden Clubs Board of Directors, Co-Chairman of the DFGC Flower Show Schedule Committee, Vice-President for the Delaware Judges Council and Parliamentarian for The Sussex Gardeners Garden Club, Rehoboth Beach, DE. In 1996 I joined The Sussex Gardeners and it has been an interesting learning experience..

Meeting people from throughout the United States and South America, sharing ideas, learning, traveling and making dear friends has been a stimulating adventure. Thank you for allowing me to have this opportunity to serve you.



Barbara Campbell
C.A.R. Awards Chairman
bcdeerpath@aol.com

C.A.R. AWARDS 2011

I hope to see many more of you participating in the C.A.R. awards program now that NGC and C.A.R. have simplified their forms and procedures.

BOOKS OF EVIDENCE are only required for

Flower Show Achievement and the Publicity/Press Books. Now you can all enter by filling out a simple form with a three-page limit. Then send it to me via email and include your photographs. These changes are effective immediately. How easy is that??

I am looking forward to seeing what fabulous things you are all doing in your communities.

Check out our C.A.R. website for details and deadlines.

- ◆ There is a 3 page limit, using only the front of each page.
- ◆ Binders and vinyl sheet protectors are no longer required or allowed.
- ◆ Applications will not be returned. Exceptions noted.
- ◆ Submit applications electronically to the State Awards Chairman and the C.A.R. Awards Chairman, where applicable.
- ◆ Details and forms are available on NGC website, www.gardenclub.org
- ◆ C.A.R. forms are on our website, www.ngcCAR.org.

Here is the new scale of points for all C.A. R. awards except Publicity/Press Books and Yearbooks:

Presentation 5 pts. - neat, concise, includes all required information on the C.A.R. Awards Application Form (3 sheets allowed) or the Book of Evidence, if required.

Achievement 65 pts. - scope of project; need and fulfillment; benefit; accomplishment; comprehensiveness of work; activities to attain goals; evaluation of goals reached; educational; prior planning; very brief history, if continuing project; financial report; other.

Participation 15 pts. - size of club; involvement of members, community, government agencies, professionals, youth, residents in facilities, others. Not all of these have to be involved.

Record or Documentation 15 pts. - supporting data (as applicable)-- clear, well-labeled and neatly attached before & after photographs(if applicable), landscape plan (does not have to be professionally drawn), financial report, letters of appreciation, community awards, newspaper/magazine articles (if possible), radio or TV script (if possible), etc. Photocopies are permitted.

TOTAL 100 points



As the next editor of the newly renamed "Regional Review", I hope to bring you articles and information that you agree are interesting and important to you as a member of the Central Atlantic Region. If you have events or important information that you feel should be shared with our member states, please contact me at ruthkorn@verizon.net .



I am currently the editor of News Leaf, the newsletter for the state of New Jersey and was most pleased that our C.A.R. Director, Jeanne Nelson, asked me to take on the Regional Review. I hope I prove worthy of her choice.

TRAIL OF BLUE STARS TRAIL OF BLUE STARS



*All to see, lest we forget,
those who help to keep us free.*

With the planting of 8,000 Dogwood trees in 1944 by the New Jersey Council of Garden Clubs, so began a living memorial to veterans of World War II. In 1945, the National Council of State Garden Clubs adopted the program and began a Blue Star Highway System that stretched across the continental United States, sea to shining sea, and to Alaska and Hawaii with large metal Blue Star Memorial Highway Markers placed at appropriate locations along the way. The Blue Star became an icon in World War II, seen on flags and banners in homes, churches and businesses honoring sons and daughters away at war. Appreciation for those who defend our country has continued to the present day with markers placed at veterans' facilities, national cemeteries, parks and civic and historic sites.

Where does the Central Atlantic Region stand along this "Trail of Blue Stars?"

In C.A.R. there are currently 203 markers in the seven states that make up the Region. They honor the men and women who had served, were serving or would serve in the armed services of the United States.

Delaware Federation of Garden Clubs has 4 with the fifth being at the Dover Air Force Base. **Federated Garden Clubs of Maryland, Inc.** has 27; **National Capitol Area Garden Clubs, Inc.** has 13 and **The Garden Club of New Jersey, Inc.** has 30 markers.

The Federated Garden Clubs of New York State, Inc. has 47 while the **Garden Club of Ohio, Inc.** has 27. Finally, the **Garden Club Federation of Pennsylvania** has placed 55 markers in their state.

What better way to honor our service men and women who are defending our country than to install a Blue Star Memorial Marker in your community. I am creating a trifold that will display the seven states in the Central Atlantic Region with blue stars indicating where the Markers are located in each state.

Will I be able to add a blue star for you? If you need any information, please send me an email at edipietro33@aol.com.



Elaine DiPietro
C.A.R. Blue Star Memorial Chairman

DVD from WAFG's World Flower Show in Boston

Featuring over 600 fabulous designs from the World Association of Floral Arrangers' World Flower Show last June in Boston. DVD was created by Jill Coleman, NGC Master Flower Show Judge and Chairman of the Judges Council of Southern California.



Buy the DVD for yourself or use the DVD as a raffle prize, club or district program or as a gift to a floral designer. Cost is only \$10 (plus \$2 for shipping). Place orders with Jill Coleman, 5512 Malvern Way, Riverside, CA 92506. Make checks payable to "Judges Council of Southern California."

Central Atlantic Region Website

It's for You!!!

- Need to take a course in one of the schools offered by National Garden Club in one of the seven C.A.R. states?
- Check out the Education Page on C.A.R.'s website.
- All courses registered with National Garden Club are listed and there might be one in a C.A.R. state near you—Delaware, Maryland, National Capitol Area, New Jersey, New York, Ohio, Pennsylvania
- Take advantage of this feature offered by our website and use the link: www.ngcCAR.org/education.html.

Additionally, our website has information about

- C.A.R Awards
- Rules and application forms
- Links to every project sponsored by National Garden Clubs as well as the Youth Contests.

Save yourself some “surfing time”! Visit the Central Atlantic Region website: www.ngcCAR.org

If you have a problem, please contact me at posst@aol.com.

Poss Tarpley

The Creative Garden

Now is the perfect time to start thinking about new garden ideas to put the “**WOW**” factor in your garden! Many times, a lovely garden is “**all in the presentation**”.

THE CREATIVE GARDEN—*Setting the Stage with Practical and Clever Ideas*, the National Capital Area Garden Clubs Landscape Design Council's award-winning new fundraiser, has many great ideas which will work in every state across the country. Published just seven months ago, **THE CREATIVE GARDEN** is flying off the shelves!

It was written to spark creative ideas for those of us who are passionate about “**setting the stage**” in our home garden. Filled with many examples and solutions to enhance your outdoor

spaces, this new picture book promises to be an inspirational springboard to get your creative juices flowing. The 130+ **full color** photographs offer a wide range of options -- some to add a touch of drama, others to double the garden's view, create elegant flourishes or an eye-catching feature, camouflage less-than-lovely objects, apply new uses to old items or illustrate common-sense **ah-ha's** for those difficult areas which each garden seems to have. It is a 44 page book written by Nancy Burns and Poss Tarpley.

Cost is **only** \$10 each for NGC members and Master Gardeners; \$14 for non-members.

Order Form

Name _____ Telephone _____ Email _____

Address _____ City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Name of NGC Garden Club or Master Gardener County: _____

Number of copies (NGC member/Master Gardener): ____ x \$10 = \$ _____

Number of copies (non-member): ____ x \$14 = \$ _____

Add Shipping/Handling: (\$2.50 for 1 copy. For _____ = \$ _____

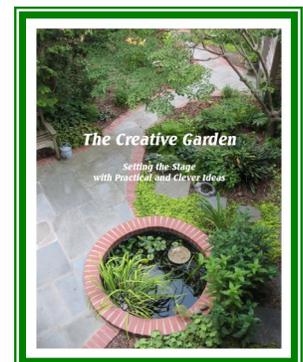
2-5 copies: \$4.95 total. Over 5, please e-mail n.burns@cox.net for reduced shipping charges).

Total amount enclosed: _____ = \$ _____

Please make checks payable to fundraiser: “Landscape Design Council.”

Mail order form and check to: **The Creative Garden, 3702 Bethwood Court, Upper Marlboro, MD 20772-7787**

Questions~~contact n.burns@cox.net



Two for One--- in October in Maryland

Event One:

Mark your calendars and get ready to join members of seven states when the state of Maryland hosts the **C.A.R. Conference in Towson, MD, on October 21– 23, 2011.**

- ✓ Be a part of a walking tour of a 270 acre city park with wonderful features
- ✓ Learn the pros and cons of meadows instead of lawns
- ✓ Enjoy the story of the first commercial garden establishment and oldest seed house in America that still harvests heirloom seeds
- ✓ Enjoy a floral design program by Jane Godshalk and a discussion by Ellie Altman on “Gardening Earth’s Mantle”.

Event Two:

On **October 23 – 25, 2011**, the **C.A.R.** sponsored **Symposium** follows the C.A.R. Conference in **Towson, MD**, at the **Sheraton Baltimore North Hotel**.

This **Symposium** is for the continued education of judges and is also open to non-judges who enjoy new ideas on medicinal plant remedies or want to learn about “New Design Techniques.”

We know you can’t wait to see the lush plants and floral displays, so join us.

For HOTEL RESERVATIONS for either event please call **(888) 627-7147**.

Please Note:

Registration forms for the C.A.R. Symposium and the C.A.R. Conference is on each state website and C.A.R. website (as listed below) for your ease in duplicating.

www.ngcCAR.org C.A.R.
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www.fgcofmd.org MD
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www.fgcny.com NY
www.gardenclubofohio.org OH
gardenfairie@mac.com PA

- ◆ Registrants at C.A.R. Conference are to ask for a block of rooms under **FEDERATED GARDEN CLUBS OF MARYLAND**
- ◆ Registrants at C.A.R. Symposium are to ask for a block of rooms under **C.A.R. SYMPOSIUM**



SCHEDULES

The Basis of a Successful Flower Show

Many of us were fortunate to see "THIS GLORIOUS EARTH", the WAFA Flower Show in Boston this past June. While not a NGC Standard Flower Show with horticulture and education divisions, the schedule for the show was of utmost importance. Participants from the 30 member countries chose from the 25 classes listed in the schedule. Young people, ages 6-17, from the member countries also participated. Each class had a title or theme to interpret, such as "Fire"; "Wind"; "Storm" or "Water". Although there was not a scale of points as we know it, interpretation was most important. A sketch of the props with dimensions was provided.

The International World Show Rules for both divisions were listed in the schedule. The schedule also provided a necessary floor plan for designers, judges and public to navigate the enormous venue of the Seaport Convention Center.

While NGC Standard Flower Show Schedules have more requirements, the WAFA Show Schedule was similar in that it was the "back bone" or basis of the extraordinary international show.

The National Garden Club educates its members and the public in flower design, horticulture and environmental conservation through its flower shows. **The schedule sets the direction and level of excellence for our shows.** Whether a Small Standard Flower Show, a Standard Flower Show or an Advanced Standard Flower Show, a well written schedule brings creativity, order and direction to those participating and to those viewing the show. Refer to Handbook for schedule writing requirements.



The schedule need not be "fancy" or expensive...a single page on 9x11 card stock, front and back, is sufficient to write a schedule for a Small Standard Show. The theme selected for the show should be evident throughout the schedule, including Design, Horticulture and Special Exhibits Divisions. Spacing and a variety of fonts makes a schedule easy to read. The cover should show the date, time and place. Rules clearly stated, table of contents, numbered pages, committee lists, awards offered all contribute to a successful schedule. Avoid repeating class requirements and class rules...remembering that economy of space and simplicity are economical and appealing to the participant and the public. Keep it simple!

C.A.R. is pleased to offer monetary awards to the most outstanding Flower Show Schedules in our region. Please submit the schedules from the clubs in your state to receive the regional and national awards.

Brenda Bingham
C.A.R. Schedule Awards Chairman

Poetry Contest

2011 Theme-"Colorful Fruits" or "Tasty Vegetables"

2012 Theme- "Protecting Our Aquatic Friends"

Now is the time to excite and encourage our Youth to express & explore their creative thoughts through different types of poetry. This term's NGC Poetry Contest entitled above, enables our Youth to embrace their creativity through the art of writing! Let them see their poetry on the printed page of a booklet!

Eligibility: Special Education & English as a Second Language: Kindergarten through Ninth Grade
General Education: Kindergarten through Ninth Grade

Contest Rules: 1. All entries must be typed and titled. 2. Include name, address, age, grade, school of participant on the back of entry. 3. Sponsoring garden club and state federation/club name must also be identified. 4. "Generations of Gardeners" sponsoring garden club may be that of a grandparent. 5. All entries become the property of NGC, Inc. 6. Poems do not have to rhyme. 7. Poems may be traditional verse, acrostics, blank verse, cinquains, diamond poems, limerick or Haiku.

Scale of Points: Title – 10; Content – 40; Creativity – 30; Style – 20

Deadlines: Entries to YOUR State Youth Chairman – Observe Your State Deadline. State Winning Entries to Regional Junior Chairman – January 1, 2012/2013; Regional Winners to National Chairman – February 1, 2012/2013. Johnna-Claire Metz, Youth Activities 718- 377-7263

President's Project 2011-2013 **PROTECTING AQUATIC ECOSYSTEMS**

Protecting Aquatic Ecosystems is one of NGC's Special Projects for 2011 - 2013. This project recognizes that it is of utmost importance and urgency that members of National Garden Clubs, Inc., identify and address critical water issues at local, state, regional, national and international levels because Water equals Life.

Aquatic Ecosystems:

1. Rivers
2. Lakes and Ponds
3. Streams and Creeks
4. Marshes and Bogs
5. Wetlands
6. Coastal Estuaries
7. Aquifers
8. Floodplains
9. Springs

NGC WATER CONSERVATION PLATFORM

National Garden Clubs, Inc. believes it is imperative that we support and undertake proactive initiatives for the protection, conservation and restoration of the quality of the Nation's coastal waters, wetlands, aquifers, watersheds, lakes, rivers and streams, through educational programs, conservation efforts, increased advocacy and partnerships with related government agencies, and state and national grassroots water coalitions. Adopted 2008 NGC Fall Board Meeting

More information will be found on the NGC website by clicking "SPECIAL PROJECTS" on the side menu. You will find projects for action and education with special pages on the following subjects:

[What is a Watershed?](#)

[How Water Works for Us?](#)

[Aquatic Ecosystem Facts](#)

[Strategies for Protecting Aquatic Ecosystems](#)

Mary Sue Colvin jhcolvin2@bellsouth.net

NGC Chairman Protecting Aquatic Ecosystems

President's Project-Plantings for Public and Special Places

Water Facts: You can survive about 3 weeks without food, but only 3 days without WATER!

The average daily requirement for fresh water in the U.S. is about 338 billion gallons.

Be a Positive Force—Join a Garden Club!

President's Project 2011-2013

PLANTINGS FOR PUBLIC and SPECIAL PLACES

Plantings for Public and Special Places is a 2011-2013 President's Project. Representing three areas of interest— Gardens with Edibles, Container Gardens, Trees and Shrubs. These plantings can beautify, have environmental value or provide sustenance. Possibilities exist for every garden club, regardless of its size, resources and energy levels. Clubs, districts and regions will be awarded Certificates of Appreciation and Participation by the NGC President. Details regarding categories and monetary awards will be printed on the NGC website. To receive this recognition, participants are asked to submit an online form (available on the NGC website), along with a *before* and *after* digital photo. Updates and TIPS that will inform and stimulate your creative gardening minds will be posted on the NGC website, as well (www.gardenclub.org).

Garden clubs may submit online forms for any or all of the three (3) areas of interest. Submission deadlines are April 1, 2012, and April 1, 2013. Plantings for Public and Special Places aligns extremely well with other areas of interests of our garden club outreach: Blue Star Memorial Markers, Habitat for Humanity Gardens, Penny Pines, Plant It Pink, Sage and Roses and Arbor Day Ceremonies, to name a few. Imagine the possibilities!

With NGC Chairmen Pat Rupiper (Gardens with Edibles), Susan Robinson (Container Gardens) and Lissa Williamson (Trees and Shrubs), we are off to a terrific start.

Let's first look at what can be included in the area for which I am responsible- Gardens with Edibles

1. Have you heard about Truck Farming? This interesting concept has legs (wheels) that offer a mobile teaching tool, right on the spot! Supported by Slow Foods, Inc. and Kitchen Gardeners International, farmers across the country are planting old pickup trucks with vegetables and driving them around to urban areas. City-dwellers (especially youth) get to see how vegetables are grown and how wonderful fresh vegetables taste. Visit www.truck-farm.com to read about a Truck Farming National Project. As they are a not-for-profit organization, drivable old trucks or other support are needed. For more information, contact Natalie Morris, Wicked Delicate Films, LLC, Brooklyn, NJ, 917-392-0842 or go online to www.wickedelicate.com, www.thecitydark.com.
2. Receive permission from the city government to plant annuals into local tree spaces – then add some vegetables such as kale, swiss chard, cabbage, etc. Start in a small localized area to determine how much work to maintain.
3. Create a vegetable and flower mix in large planter boxes at public libraries (or other city buildings). Be ready to switch out lettuce, carrots, beets, etc as they mature.
4. Help erect raised beds at schools and libraries and work with the students to identify and taste what you have planted. Many times the National Honor Students (or other school groups) need to have service hours and they can help. Make these beds small enough to manage efficiently. Try planting and tasting with story hour kids and their parents.
5. City Park Departments might have an area for a display garden; your garden club could work with those employees to prep the bed. The club could plant and maintain or work with a service group to have volunteers harvest for the hungry they serve. It is a wonderful scout project.
6. Work with the Master Gardeners to create a planting area and educate students.
7. As a garden club – ask the local farmer's market about a booth for a day. Bring a potted edible garden and educational materials for hand out. **Maybe you will get new members!**
8. Host a flower show in a public place and include a section on edibles-both harvested and potted plantings. Have contact information and culture information available for handout. Make it more than one day for the greatest exposure. **Once again – you may be rewarded with new members to your club.**

[Remember, as the garden grows, so does the gardener!](#)

Patricia Rupiper arupiper@bright.net

President's Project-Plantings for Public and Special Places
NGC Chairman Gardens with Edibles

THE CLEAN WATER FEDERALISM ACT OF 2011

How I Got Involved!

Let me start by stating that I am not a political person, frankly because I don't have the mind for it. So, the first thing I did after reading the article about the Clean Water Act sent to me by Marion Hillard, Chairman Environmental Concerns/Legislation National Garden Clubs, Inc., was to start researching the whys and wherefores of it. You need to understand something before you react to it.

The online site for the Act gave details-- none of which I understood. My next search led me to simple terminology and explanations of the many acronyms that give pause to a layperson. Here are brief descriptions of what I learned.

(EPA) Environmental Protection Agency: An independent agency of the federal government, overseeing many other agencies.

(OW) The Office of Water: Office protects and guards our drinking water, aquatic ecosystems and oceans, in that it is responsible for executing the Clean Water Act and Safe Drinking Water Act, among many other acts. The OW works with the ten EPA offices and other federal and local agencies.

(NPDES) Nation Pollutant Discharge Elimination System: A permit program regulating pollutant sources that discharge into the waters of the United States.

Bill H.R. 2018 (Clean Water Act) severely limits the EPA and OW from disapproving or negating state-made decisions regarding clean water laws.

Areas of concern are intermittent streams, playa lakes, prairie potholes, sloughs and wetlands.

States such as West Virginia and Florida have mining and farming organizations supporting this bill.

Do your own research and see if you agree with me!

Vote NO on H.R. 2018. Write to your representative and check out the website: www.house.gov



Jane Madis

C.A.R. Legislation Chairman

NGC VIDEO

GROWING OUR WORLD

GREENING OUR COMMUNITIES

National Garden Club is offering a professionally produced video designed to educate existing members and attract new members. It can be shown at club, district and state meetings, flower shows, fairs and other events. It demonstrates the quality projects carried out by members of the NGC throughout the country as we proudly serve our communities. The cost is only \$5.00, including postage and handling. This is a 12-minute sampling of what makes our organization so special.

Sharon Yantis

sharon.yantis@sbcglobal.net

NGC Communications-Print/Publicity Chairman



We grow plants for many reasons: to please our eye or to please our soul, to challenge the elements or to challenge our patience, for novelty or for nostalgia—but mostly for the joy of seeing them grow! **Join us in this adventure.**

Become a member of a garden club and learn about the beauty of a garden.

Stately News

Stately News

2011

- September 20-25 NGC Board Meeting, St. Louis, MO, St. Louis Marriott Airport
- September 27-29 Flower Show School, Course IV, Cornell Cooperative Extension, Oriskany, NY
- October 3-4-5 Flower Show School, Course II, Hampton Inn, Grove City, PA
- October 3-4-5 Flower Show School, Course II, Cleveland, OH , 703-960-1476
- October 4-5 Gardening Study School, Course II, Series VII, Merrifield Garden Center, Fairfax, VA, 703-968-9600
- October 6-7-8 Landscape Design School, Course I, Series XIII, Mason, OH, 614-890-4627
- October 11-12-13 Flower Show School, Course III, Toledo, OH
- October 11-12-14 Gardening Study School, Holly House, East Brunswick, NJ 08815,908-879-0232
- October 12-13-14 Gardening Study school, Course I, Series VI, Canton Garden Center, Canton, OH 44718-3517, 419-281-4336
- October 21-23 ****C.A.R. Conference**, Host State Maryland
- October 23-25 ****C.A.R Symposium (See Page 6)**
- October 31-
- November 1-2 Landscape Design Study Program, Course III, Derwood, MD, 301-299-6456
- November 2-4 Horticulture School, District VIII, NY
- November 7-8 Flower Show Symposium, Mount Stirling, OH, 513-850-1653
- November 9-10 Environmental Studies School, Agricultural Farm Park, Derwood, MD 20855

2012

- April 20-21 American Daffodil Society Convention & Show at Sheraton Baltimore North Hotel, Towson, MD.
- April 17-18-20 Landscape Design School, Holly House, East Brunswick, NJ 00815
- May 18-19 National Convention in Buffalo, NY, Adam's Mark Hotel
- June 3-9 National Garden Week
- September 26-29 NGC Board Meeting, The Peabody, Little Rock, AR

Where do you Stand?

In any organization, "Standing Rules" can change and must be updated from time to time. At the C.A.R. level, we have had six revisions of our "Standing Rules," the last being in May 2007. There will always be changes in "Standing Rules" as they are related to the details of the administration of an organization, rather than to "Parliamentary Procedure."

Any organization once established, will have a need to adopt standing rules which may be adopted by a majority vote at any meeting, amended by a majority vote with notice or 2/3 vote without notice and can be suspended for the duration of any meeting.

Within this new administration, we will be revising our standing rules to update the revisions of National Garden Clubs and our own Central Atlantic Region. When the final revisions are completed, you will be notified of these changes and then be able to vote your wishes at our annual business meetings.

The following will serve on this Organization Study Committee:

Joy L. Ericson; Shirley Nicolai; Marilyn June Litvack; Joan H. Baden; Marie S. Coulter; Joan G. Bonine and two Member-at-Large members, Wanda S. Davis and Janet Kinney; appointed by our C.A.R. Director Jeanne Nelson.

Carmie DeVito

C.A.R. Organization Study Committee Chairman

Corrections to C.A.R. Directory

Page 4 Under State Presidents, Delaware Federation of Garden Clubs-
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C. A. R. "PERENNIAL BLOOM" AWARD

Presenting an award is a way to celebrate, recognize, and honor someone who has made outstanding contributions in a particular field of endeavor. It is a "smile of thanks" in appreciation for a job well done! In this instance, the Central Atlantic Region has chosen to showcase long-time Garden Club Members with the "Perennial Bloom" Award.



Many of our most loved flowers are perennials that spring up afresh year after year making an outstanding contribution to the beauty of our gardens. We have been privileged to have long-time members in our Garden Clubs who, like the faithful perennials in our gardens, have made our clubs grow and bloom with their continuous support of our goals and objectives.

Serving as officers and chairmen over the years, their love of gardening has planted many a seed for garden club programs and events while their contagious, enthusiastic leadership has inspired members to nurture these seeds into successful bloom. In appreciation for their years of support, this "Perennial Bloom" Award is to be presented to them by their club, and a flowering tree or shrub is to be planted by the club in their honor.

AWARD RULES ARE AS FOLLOWS:

1. A club may choose to give this Award to one or more than one of its members each year. However, only one member may be selected to go on to the District Director or District Awards Chairman in competition for the C.A.R. "Golden Perennial Bloom" Award. The deadline for this is August 1. The club will present this member with a 'Perennial Bloom" Certificate which is available on the website, as well as plant a tree or flowering shrub in his or her honor, at a site selected by the club.
2. Each District Awards Committee will send the member they have selected from all Club entries in their District to the State Awards Committee by September 1.
3. The State Awards Committee will select one "Perennial Bloom" Award Winner from candidates submitted by all Districts to go on for the top C.A.R. "Golden Perennial Bloom" Award. Each State Award Winner's application and supporting data is to be sent to C.A.R. Chairman, Adrienne Langan, 27 Strawberry Lane, Lakewood, New Jersey, 08701, LanganA@aol.com, by October 1 deadline, for final review and determination of the Central Atlantic Region's "Golden Perennial Bloom" Award Recipient. This Award will be presented each year at the Fall C.A.R. Conference.

APPLICATION FORM

NAME: _____

ADDRESS: _____

NAME OF CLUB: _____ STATE _____

OFFICES HELD: _____

CHAIRMANSHIPS: _____

ACHIEVEMENTS: **List on separate sheet**

AWARD DEADLINES: CLUB: July 1, DISTRICT: August 1, STATE: September 1, REGION: October 1



Deadline: October 1, 2011

Send State Entries to C.A.R.Chairman: Adrienne Langan,
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