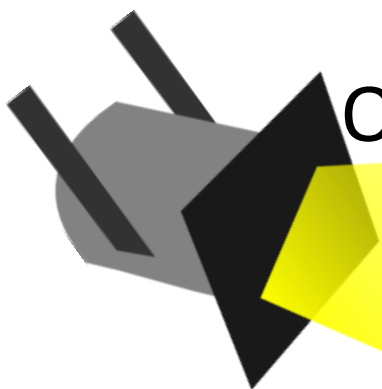




# Oleander Leaflets

September 2019

**Special  
Edition**



## Spotlighting Oleander District Board 2019-2021



**Diana Malone**, District Director, is so proud to represent the Oleander District for the next two years. Embraced with a great slate of officers (Mary Ogden, Bobbie Scott, Sharon Herrin, Kathy Keith, Lucille Braswell, June Thomas) and a wonderful Advisory Board of former District Directors. Our Committee Chairs on the Board are working hard to bring new information to us and remind us of our challenges and responsibilities. We are looking forward to the Oleander District Annual Meeting at New Ebenezer Retreat Center on October 15, 2019, chaired by Betty Waller and her great team. Merchandising Chair, Dottie Yeomans, will have beautiful new aprons to sell that day. The committee for an amazing Membership Appreciation Event (Lisa Hall, Marilyn Cheney, Hilda Rushing, and Mary Ogden) is working hard planning an exciting event for February 27, 2020. We are creating a recipe book of Oleander's favorites. Please send your favorite recipe (with a picture of the dish - if possible) to me. I hope Oleanders are working on gaining new members and subscribing members. Please let me know if I can visit your club meetings to present a program, install officers, or visit and enjoy one of your programs. Also, please let me know about garden tours, home tours, flower shows, or anniversary celebrations. I am a proud member of the Jesup Garden Club in Jesup, GA and the Seedling Garden Club in Swainsboro, GA. In addition to Garden Clubs, I am the treasurer of the Wayne County Garden Club Council, 2nd Vice President of the Governor David Emanuel-Adam Brinson DAR Chapter, and a new member of the Georgia Salzburger Society. You can see that I love to stay busy. I live in a cypress home on 45 acres with my great companion, my yellow lab, Jack. I have three amazing granddaughters! I look forward to seeing ya'll soon! Remember our theme: "Plant and Protect Nature's Gems".

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**Mary Ogden, District Co-Director**, is one BUSY lady!! She fills multiple roles in local, county, district, and state Garden Clubs. In **Oleander** she serves as, Life Memberships, Member Services and Programs and Membership Development; for **GCG Smokey Bear/Woodsy Owl Chairperson**; **Odum Garden Club**, she is **Publicity Chairman**, and **Smokey Bear/Woodsy Owl Chairperson!!** She an elite **Life Member** of the **GCG, DSR** and **NGC**. She was named the 2014 Outstanding Oleander Member of the Year and the Wayne County Council 2015 Wayne County Citizen of the Year. She is a member of Georgia Retired Educators Association and serves as Treasurer of the Wayne County unit. She is an avid world traveler and has been married 54 years to her best friend, Lonnie who shares 4 rescue dogs.



**Bobbie Scott, Jesup Garden Club**, is **Recording Secretary & Parks and Public Lands Chair**. She serves on the **Wayne County GCC** Board where she is the official Tour of Homes Chair. She will keep accurate district records as well as promote and coordinate the applications for the State Parks Matching Grants. More info can be found by clicking below.

<http://gardenclub.uga.edu/pdfs/pplandapp.pdf>



**Kathy Keith, Oleander District Treasurer**, will take care of all of our financial needs and records. Kathy is a member of **Jesup Garden Club** where she also serves as 2<sup>nd</sup> Vice President. She is a retired director of Green Thumb Services. She has 3 children who have blessed her with beautiful grandchildren.



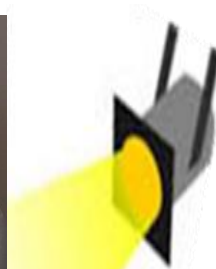
**June Thomas**, Parliamentarian, *Oleander Leaflets* editor, Cherokee Garden Library Chairman & Immediate Past District Director, is from Odum GC. She serves as **GCG/DSGC/NGC Awards Co-Chair**. She is a **Life Member of GCG/DSGC/NGC**. The CGL is located at the Atlanta History Center, & houses over 30,000 books photos, manuscripts, seed catalogs, and landscape drawings. It serves as a research center and promotes the study of gardening and garden history through lectures, workshops, exhibits, and collaborative projects with community partners. Garden clubs can send scrapbooks and other important documents to be housed in the climate controlled environment. Supported by GCG, donations continue to offer resources and programs. Every club that donates \$25 receives a Certificate of Appreciation.



**Sharon Herrin**, Corresponding Secretary, is from Odum Garden Club where she serves as the **Garden Therapy Chairman** and Co-chair of Peaches to Beaches fundraiser. If Odum GC has a project or event, Sharon is always on board to help in any way. She loves spending time with Noah Kate, her beautiful granddaughter. She is a world traveler, her most recent trip being Australia.



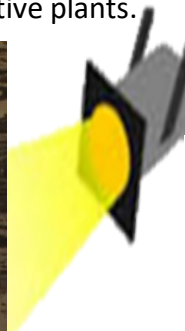
**Lucille Braswell**, Assistant Treasurer, is from **Seedling GC** in Swainsboro where she is serving as president for her 2<sup>nd</sup> term. She will work diligently with Kathy Keith and Diana Malone to keep our finances and budget in great shape.



## Welcome New Board Members

**Sylvia Durden, Roadside Beautification Chairman,** is a newcomer to the board . She hails from **Glad GC** where she has served as president for 6 years. Her club landscaped and maintains 6 city entrance signs which have something blooming in all seasons. Sylvia urges you to support her committee by implementing Roadside Beautification project in your community.

**Veronica Kent Cowart, Horticulture: Native Plants and Wildflowers Chairman,** is a member of the **Millen Garden Club**, lives on a farm in Jenkins County. She retired from education in 2006 after 33 years with experience as a teacher, system administrator, and consultant. She is currently serving in the second term as President of the Millen Garden Club and is a member of the **Millen Garden Club Council**. In addition to garden club she enjoys volunteering in the community activities including member of the Millen Woman's Club, Elam Baptist Church, Jenkins County Retired Educators, Beta Zeta, and Friends of Magnolia Springs State Park. Veronica has been married to James Carlton Cowart for 46 years. They have a son and daughter and five grandchildren. Veronica encourages members to get involved with clubs and civic leaders and encourage them to landscape their city roadsides, schools, businesses, and State Parks with Georgia native plants.



**Genelda Reese** from **Sprig & Dig GC** is our **Environmental: Wildlife Resources & Endangered Species Chairman**. Genelda is a ball of fire who serves on the **Bulloch Garden Club Council**.



### The Country Store

*"please share your summer  
canning with **Oleander**"*





# Welcome New Board Members



**Dottie Yeomans**, a board newcomer, is the **Merchandising Chairman**. Dottie is a member of **Jesup GC** where she serves as 1st Vice President. New items for us this year is *Grown in our Gardens-Favorites of Oleander Cookbook*, a full front apron along with the official Oleander pins & miscellaneous Oleander items. Be sure to drop by Dottie's booth at ODAM in Rincon.



**Diane Clary of Jesup GC** is the **Scholarship Chairman**. She encourages all clubs to donate to the scholarship project through Dollars for Scholars, Patron or Named Scholarship, or Life membership. For more info click this link.

<https://gardenclub.uga.edu/scholarships.html>

Diane is a retired teacher so she knows the value of the scholarship program.



**Tony Jordan, Reidsville GC**, is also a new comer to the board. Tony is the **Garden Weeks Chairman** and she encourages all clubs to celebrate Garden Week in GA during April 19-25 and National Garden Week during June 7-13. Garden Weeks are an excellent tool in which garden clubs can promote the important role of gardening in our communities. Tony's family owns & operates a pecan farm in Reidsville.



The **Oleander Country Store** needs canned goods, dried floral pieces, crafts, potted plants, bulbs, etc. We love buying each others **STUFF!!!**



# Spotlight on the 2019-21 Board

**Jill Harris** from **Odum Garden Club** is the **Chaplain**.

She delivers a devotion at all district functions. She has the solemn job of preparing a memorial for our deceased members and selecting a distinct manner in which to honor them. Jill serves as **Annual Supper Chair, Pull A Tab for Odum GC**. Jill asks that you please email her your members who have passed away since October 2018 so they may be included in the 2019 Memorial Service. If possible please send name, club and birth-death date. Please send to Jill by October 1 to [jwharris@windstream.net](mailto:jwharris@windstream.net)



**Betty Benner** is **President of Odum Garden Club & Wayne County Council Secretary & Scholarship Chair**. She is **GCG Awards-Youth Sculpture Chair & GCG/DSGC/NGC Awards Chair**. In the **Oleander District** she chairs the **Environmental: Air and Water Quality**. Her goal is to inform members of Issues which threaten our natural resources as well as government legislation intended to protect our air, water, and land. Betty is a world traveler who just made the 3 hour Sydney Harbour Bridge climb in Australia.

**Lisa Hall** is the district chairman for **Publications, Publicity Press Book, Scrapbook and Yearbook Awards**. Please contact me if you need any help applying for these awards! In **GCG** I am **2<sup>nd</sup> Vice President**, the **GCG chairman for Plant America** and I encourage you to plant! Plant containers, community gardens, vegetable gardens, therapy gardens, pollinator gardens and many more! Also, consider applying for a **Plant America Grant** to aid in planning a community gardening project. Applications due October 15! Let me know how I can help!

[Hall7796@bellsouth.net](mailto:Hall7796@bellsouth.net), 912-598-9504.







**Judy McWhorter** is in the **Seedling Garden Club** in Swainsboro. As **Natural Disasters Chairman**, I would like to encourage each garden club in the District to make a donation to help areas that have been hit by Natural Disasters. Grants of up to \$500 per project may be awarded to local or state clubs to help restore parks, municipal gardens, and other garden related sites that have been destroyed by natural disasters caused by floods, hurricanes, tornadoes, wildfires, etc. This fund is supported solely by the generous donations of garden clubs and their members. More information can be found on The National Garden Clubs, Inc. website. To receive a certificate, make a \$25 donation before March 1, For more info contact Judy @ .478-237-9465 or [judymc@nctv.com](mailto:orjudymc@nctv.com)

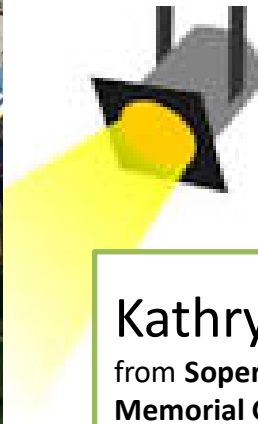


**District Awards**  
**due October 1**



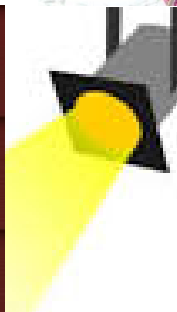
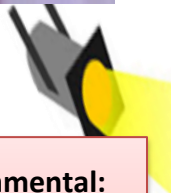
**Hilda Rushing**, is **Blue Star Marker Chairman**, a project which honors service men and women who have served , are serving or will be serving in our armed services. This program was adopted in 1945 by the National Garden Club and since then markers have been placed along highways in United States, Alaska and Hawaii, as well as, in national cemeteries, parks, veteran's facilities and community civic facilities. I would like for Oleander to work towards placing one or two markers in our district this term. If you have any suggestions for a site, please let me know. I also serve as **Gardening School Chairman** and help members become accomplished horticulturists by enrolling in courses covering all aspects of growing from soil preparation, to pruning, to plant identification, etc. One can become a Gardening Consultant by completing required courses. If anyone is interested in a Gardening School in our district, please let me know. I'm looking forward to working with fellow Oleanders over the next two years to keep our District the BEST!!!





**Kathryn Rachels Fowler**, from **Soperton Garden Club** is the **Founders Memorial Garden Chair**. Her passion is Natives & Wildflowers coupled with photography. She presents a pictorial program on wildflowers in our state for Garden Clubs & is available to speak to yours. She has been a cat rescuer for numerous years.

**Susie Reed** serves as **Environmental: Energy Conservation, Natural Resources & Land Use Chairman**. Susie is president of Pine Forest GC in Baxley. She is a retired science teacher and is very active in the Appling County Retired Educators Association.



**Priscilla Jordahl**, **Garden Therapy Chairman**, is a member of the **Magnolia Garden Club in Brunswick**. Her goal this term is to familiarize clubs with the new opportunities available. Garden Therapy offers matching grants for qualified projects, and inspires them to take advantage of them. She is also **GCG Garden Therapy Co-chair**.





## Winette Almon is chairman of LeConte-Woodmanston Plantation & Historic Preservation.

There have been many changes within the past few months to this historic site. Hurricane Matthew caused considerable damage to the site. Efforts are being made to clean up and restore the site. It is included in Georgia's Camellia Trail sponsored by the Georgia Department of Economic Development. The Garden Club of Georgia owned the site and maintained it until 1993 when it deeded the property to the LeConte-Woodmanston Foundation. The GCG continues to support the project, encouraging donations from garden clubs throughout the state. Every club that contributes \$25 to LeConte-Woodmanston each year receives a Certificate of Appreciation. Your continued support is appreciated. Donations can be made to LeConte-Woodmanston P.O. Midway, GA 31320.

**Betty Waller** of the **Springfield GC** is the **ODAM 2019 Chairman and Grand Gardeners Chairman**. The **ODAM** committee has been working continuously to make ODA 2019 the BEST and hopes to see you in Rincon on October 15.



**Deborah Potter**, Land Trust, Marshal Forest Chair & Wayne County Garden Club Council Liaison, is president of the **Ruby Riggins Camelia Garden Club** (Jesup) and the **Wayne County Garden Club Council**. Deborah enjoys spending as much time as possible with her grandchildren and of course, gardening during all seasons.





**Debra Mallard Fenn**, is a retired educator. She serves as the **Oleander District Youth Poetry chairman and the Oleander High School Essay Contest chairman**. Mrs. Fenn and her family attend Altamaha Baptist Church. She lives in Odum, Georgia with her husband, Jeff. The joy of her life is her son Josh, his wife Larissa, and grandchildren Morgana and Holden. She and her family deeply miss their oldest son, Jamie, who was killed by a drunk driver in 1991. Mrs. Fenn can be reached at [dfenn27@gmail.com](mailto:dfenn27@gmail.com) or 912-294-0567.



**Bring those tabs  
to Rincon!!!**



**Miriam Murray**, serves as **Parliamentarian** in the **Odum Garden Club**. As **District Smokey Bear/Woodsy Owl Poster Contest Chair**, she intends to make Garden Club work fun, informative and helpful. She joined Odum Garden Club and learned this club never stops working which keeps one excited & adventurous!! She is a graduate of Mercer University & GSU Grad School. She was an English teacher and high school counselor for 39 years!! She was a former Delta Kappa Gamma state officer, Coastal Pines Technical College Foundation treasurer, Wayne County Retired Teachers past president, and DAR-Altamaha Chapter Regent.





## Kathy Gay, School

### Grounds Improvement

**Chairperson**, has been a member of Millen's **Green Thumb Garden Club** for 9 years and is currently serving as President. She spent 26 years working at Georgia Southern University and retired in 2016. While there, she graduated summa cum laude with a BA in Anthropology. She and her husband divide their time between home, visiting grand children and traveling in the US and abroad. One of her goals for Green Thumb is to add at least 5 new members under the age of 50!

**Francene Roberson, District Awards Chair**, is from **Sea Oats GC** in Brunswick. Awards are the recognition of the achievement of an individual, club or group of clubs. They represent awareness on the part of the applicant of the objectives of The Garden Club of Georgia, Deep South, and The National Garden Club. The District Awards year is October 1 to October 1, annually. Let your members, club or council be recognized for the outstanding contributions they make to their communities



**Sara Lanier** is a member of **Hamilton Plantation GC** on SSI. Her jobs are: **GCG Leadership Workshop Chairman**, **GCG Executive Board as Advisory Council Liaison**, and **GCG Awards Advisor**. On the **District Board** she is **Basic Design Chairman and Leadership Chairman**. Former GCG State President, Former DSGC Director and Former Oleander District Director. She has held many chairmanships through out the years in GCG and Oleander.



**Rosemary Maulden, Oleander & GCG Garden Club Councils Chairman, GCG Assistant Treasurer, DSGC, Inc. Youth Sculpture Contest Chairman.** Rosemary encourages councils to apply for GCG Award #31 Garden Club Councils which is due February 1, pay GCG dues by March 1, and send in Annual Club Council Activity Report by March 15 to be eligible to receive Standard of Excellence. Her goal is that all 5 Oleander Councils apply for awards and achieve the Standard of Excellence.

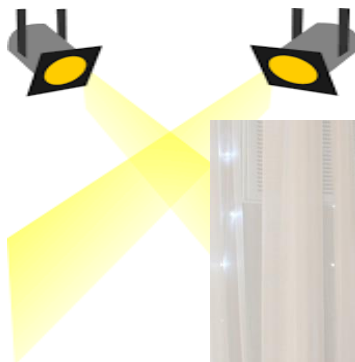
**Irene Michaels** As the **Oleander District Garden Centers Chairman**, this year I added a new Mini Garden Center sponsored by **The Garden Club of Pooler**. If you have a place that could be a new Activity Garden Center or Mini Garden Center, please let me know and I will be more than glad to help you make it officially one through the Garden Club of Georgia. If you already have a Garden Center, there are several awards you could earn. Please get in touch with me for this, also. Thank you.

[savannahnana@comcast.net](mailto:savannahnana@comcast.net)



**Sherle Beck, Blythe Island Garden Club and Glynn County Council member, serves as Oleander Civic Improvement Chairman.** After serving as **Garden Club of Georgia Civic Improvement Chairman** since 2005, Sherle retired from that position and serves as **GCG Organic Gardens Chairman**. She is ready to serve with advice and programs. Sherle has been on Oleander District Board since 1976 serving in several capacities including **Oleander District Director 1989-1991.**





**Willie Burch**, Lily GC in Screven, is **Horticulture: Container, Indoor Gardening Chair**. She is on the **Wayne County Garden Club Council** board. She loves her family, farming, gardening, community activities and serving in her church.

## Nancy Trawick,

**Environmental: Birds & Butterflies Chairman** is very active in the **Brooklet Garden Club**. They will celebrate their 10<sup>th</sup> birthday on September 10.



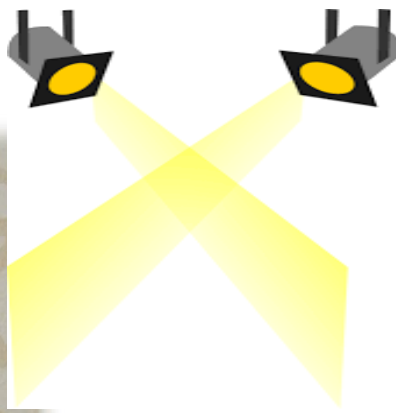
**Geri Shaw** I am looking forward to my new role as **Community Wildlife Chairman**. Over the past six years I have served as secretary, one term, and treasurer, two terms. On the **GCG Board** I am currently **Board Meeting and Convention Coordinator**. Past experience on the GCG Board include **Chairman of the 2015 State Convention and Chairman of the 2019 Deep South Convention**. In my local club, **St Marys Garden Club**, I am currently the **web master, former President & treasurer**. I enjoy gardening, golf, stained glass, oil painting, gardening, etc. However, my heart belongs to my adopted home here in St. Marys. Thus, I am often involved in and support local programs projects.



Mail those Awards Apps by **October 1!!**  
**Application** and descriptions are in this newsletter.  
Make **YOUR** club a **STAR** at ODAM in **Rincon!!!**



**Tabatha Higgs** is the **Litter and Recycling Chairman** for the Oleander District of GCG. She is a member of the **Ailey Garden Club**. I retired from teaching school after 33 years. My greatest joy in life is spending time with family. I also enjoy reading, painting, gardening and anything crafty. Please contact me if I can help your club with your litter or recycling projects. [tabathahiggs@yahoo.com](mailto:tabathahiggs@yahoo.com)



**Lori Hurlebaus**. As the **Oleander Listserv Manager**, I facilitate communication throughout the district by forwarding emails from the Oleander Director, board members and various district clubs and councils. I have been a member of the **Brooklet Garden Club** since its inception in 2009, and am on the **Bulloch Council Flower Show Committee**. I enjoy gardening, sketching pet portraits, painting watercolors, and just being creative!



**Sandra Williams** is I have been a member of **Brooklet Garden Club** since it's beginning in 2009 and was the first Brooklet Garden Club president, serving for four years. I also served as **President of the Bulloch Council of Garden Clubs** for four years and was the Bulloch Council's secretary for four years. I am the **Environmental Chairman** of our club and am continually reminding my club members to "Reduce, Recycle, and Reuse". I am the current **Pull-A-Tab Chairman** for the **Oleander District**. Other than garden club membership, I am a member of the Brooklet United Methodist Church, Brooklet United Methodist Women, the Staying in Stitches Quilt Guild and the Arcola Homemaker's Club. My hobbies include quilting and crafting.



# Outstanding Oleander Board



**Kay Peacock** is the Oleander Leadership/Awards Workshop Chairman and the GCG Natural Disasters Chairperson. Awards Workshops are held every other year (beginning of the new administration). Kay was **1999-01 Oleander District Director**, former president of **Seedling Garden Club** (3terms). She has also served on The Garden Club of Georgia Board since 1997, serving as chairman of many different projects.

## Shirley Lewis

Is a **District Advisor** who served as Director from 1985-87, GCG State Convention Chair in 1987, 1994 and 2001, and Deep South Region Convention Chairman in 2013. She is a Life Member of GCG, DSR and NGC. Other credentials include Master Gardening Consultant, Environmental Education Facilitator and Team Leader for NGC & USDA Forest Service, Master Flower Show Judge and an accredited Landscape Design Consultant. To learn more contact her at [jandslewis@comcast.net](mailto:jandslewis@comcast.net)



## Linda Byrd,

**Riggins Ruby Camellia Garden Club** in Jesup, is the **Oleander Arboreta, Botanical & Memorial Gardens** Chairman.

## District Awards



Deadline **October 1**  
Application is in this  
**Leaflets.**

**Paula Karrh**, from **Seedling Garden Club** in Swainsboro, has been gardening almost her entire life and has been in garden club for over 50 years. Paula is the **Basic Designs Chair**. You may email her at [pfkarrh@bellsouth.net](mailto:pfkarrh@bellsouth.net) if you have any questions.



## Jane Johnson,

**Flower Show Grants Chairman**, is from **Millen Garden Club**. The Garden Club of Georgia offers a matching grant to clubs who have never sponsored ( or not in the last 5 yrs.) a flower show in the amount up to \$200. The application and guidelines for this grant are in the forms section of the GCG, INC . Guide.



**Needed- wares**  
for **Country Store** in  
Rincon.  
We ❤️ to shop!!



**Brenda Griner** is **Oleander Youth Garden Club Chairman, Former District Director, Master Flower Show Judge, and GCG Financial Officer**; a Charter member of **Blythe Island Garden Club** and member of **Glynn County Garden Club Council** in Brunswick, GA where she has held many positions throughout the years. I have chaired many flower shows sponsored by Glynn County Garden Club Council. She loves growing and designing flowers & enjoys decorating Hofwyl-Broadfield Plantation Historic house each Christmas. I am active in CenterPoint Church where I am Treasurer and member of Leadership Team. I still work in accounting at Sonny's BBQ restaurant.







## Marilyn Cheney

serves as **Trees & Shrubs Chair & 2020 Membership Appreciation event.** She was the 2013-2015 **Oleander Director** and she is a member of the **Reidsville Garden Club.**

Bring  
those  
tabs to  
Rincon!



**Lana Lanier,** the **Horticulture: Community, Herb, Vegetable Gardening Chairman.** A retired educator, Lana is a member of the **Metter Garden Club.** She loves the outdoors and would rather dig a hole and stick a plant in it than do anything inside-can't stand to throw away anything that might be a future plant (seeds, cuttings, baby plants). She also loves hunting deer & turkeys with her husband & son. In fact they're busy getting ready for deer season right now.



**Bobbie Reid,** a retired educator & a member of the **Millen Garden Club,** serves as **Oleander Flower Show Schedules Approvals Chairman.**



# Oleander Leadership/Awards Workshop

86 Attendees!!



**Special Guests**

**GCG President**

Barbara Bourque

**Leadership Workshop Chair**

Sara Lanier

**Awards Workshop Leaders**

Betty Benner, June Thomas, Mary Ogden

**June 27**

**Watermelon Creek Vineyard**

Glennville, GA



**Counter Clockwise:** Oleanders gather to receive the 2019-2021 GCG Awards Book, to get updates and to learn how to complete an awards application to suit the evaluators. Glad GC, GC of Pooler, workshop leaders, Ailey GC, & Lily GC. Betty Benner & June Thomas from Oleander are the GCG/DSGC/NGC Awards Chair & Co-chair.







# Oleander August Board Meeting

50 Present

August 15

*Under the Chandelier*

Jesup, GA

Hosted By

Jesup Garden Club



## Top to Bottom:

1. Beth Mosley, Betty Waller & Elizabeth Lewis give a hearty welcome to the ODAM in Rincon on October 15
2. Brooklet GC Board Members
3. Jesup GC was wonderful hostess.
4. Glynn County Garden Clubs: Sea Oats, Blythe Island, Magnolia & Urbana board members



Bring your tabs  
to Rincon  
October 15.



Ronald is  
counting on  
YOU!!





# Oleander August Board Meeting More Shots @ *"Under the Chandelier"*

## Top to Bottom:

1. Seedling GC, Glad GC, Millen GC and Green Thumb Board Members  
2. Metter GC, Reidsville GC, The Landings GC, Sprig & Dig GC & Spartina GC representatives

## 3. Oleander Officers

L-R: Dottie Yeomans, Merchandising; Sharon Herrin, Corresponding Secretary; Diana Malone, Director; June Thomas, Parliamentarian; Kathy Keith, Treasurer; Mary Ogden, Co-Director; Bobbie Scott, Recording Secretary.

## 4. "The Fountain of Knowledge"

**Former District Directors:** Rosemary Mauldin-2001~03; Brenda Griner-2005~07; June Thomas-2017~19; Sara Lanier-1995~97; Shirley Lewis-1985~87; Hilda Rushing-2015~17; Winette Almon-2009~2011; Marilyn Cheney-2013~15; Paula Karrh-1979~81; & Sherle Beck-1989~91.







## Please help Sandra Williams, Pull A Tab Chairperson

1. Pack tabs in 1 gallon Ziploc bags.
2. Write Club name on the bag or label.
3. Weigh bags & write weight on bag or label.
4. Pack bags in a cardboard box and tape securely.
5. Write your club name & total weight of the bags on the box.
6. Drop off with District Chairperson @ District Meeting in Rincon on October 15.

Sample  
label for  
gallon bags

Club Name	
Bag	
Weight	



Please use a good tape to secure the label to the bag of tabs. We want you to get credit for all your tabs.



Put the **SPOTLIGHT** on  
your club  
**Awards deadline**

**October 1**

Email or mail your  
applications  
to Francene.  
Clubs will be recognized  
at the Oleander District  
Annual Meeting on  
October 15  
in Rincon.







**Tuesday, October 15, 2019**

## Oleander 2019 District Annual Meeting

**New Ebenezer Retreat Center**

2887 Ebenezer Road  
Rincon, Georgia 31326



9:00-10:00 AM	Registration * Coffee * Country Store * Exhibit Set-up * Silent Auction
10:00 AM	Welcome Special Guest - Barbara Bourque, GCG President
10:30 AM	Keynote Speaker - James Carlson
12:00 Noon	Lunch - Catered by New Ebenezer Retreat
1:00 PM	Business and Awards Meeting

**Memorial Service-**  
By October 1, please  
email names of members  
deceased since October,  
2018 to  
Chaplain Jill Harris.  
[jwharris@windstream.net](mailto:jwharris@windstream.net)



**A Block of Rooms has been reserved at:  
New Ebenezer Retreat Center**

2887 Ebenezer Road  
Rincon, Georgia 31326

Email: [retreat@newebenezer.org](mailto:retreat@newebenezer.org)  
Website: [www.newebenezer.org](http://www.newebenezer.org)  
Ph: 912-754-9242 Fax: 912-754-7781



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Store Items!**

**NOTE DEADLINES on forms included!!**

- Registration Form
- Exhibit Reservation Form
- Country Store Form

**ODAM Committee Clubs: Springfield GC, Rincon GC, Richmond Hill GC, GC of Pooler, Pembroke GC, Morning Glory GC.**

# Oleander District Annual Meeting Registration Form

## New Ebenezer Retreat Center

2887 Ebenezer Road  
Rincon, Georgia 31326



Tuesday, October 15, 2019

9:00 AM – Registration

10:00 AM – Meeting Begins

Mail completed registration form and a check for \$30.00 made payable to  
*Oleander District*

To: Elizabeth Lewis, 104 St. Thomas Dr., Rincon, GA 31326

Registration Deadline: October 8, 2019

Name \_\_\_\_\_  
Address \_\_\_\_\_  
City, State Zip Code \_\_\_\_\_  
Badge Name Preference \_\_\_\_\_  
Email \_\_\_\_\_ Phone \_\_\_\_\_  
Garden Club \_\_\_\_\_ District \_\_\_\_\_

**\*\*\*IMPORTANT\*\*\* Please check all that apply to you:**

<input type="checkbox"/> Club Member	<input type="checkbox"/> Former District Director	<input type="checkbox"/> GCG Life Member
<input type="checkbox"/> District Board Member	<input type="checkbox"/> GCG President	<input type="checkbox"/> Deep South Life Member
<input type="checkbox"/> GCG Board Member	<input type="checkbox"/> Former GCG President	<input type="checkbox"/> NGC Life Member
<input type="checkbox"/> Deep South GC Board Member	<input type="checkbox"/> Former Deep South Director	<input type="checkbox"/> Club Voting Delegate
<input type="checkbox"/> NGC Board Member	<input type="checkbox"/> Club President	
<input type="checkbox"/> 1st Time Attendee District Meet		
<input type="checkbox"/> District Director	<input type="checkbox"/> Council President	
<input type="checkbox"/> New Garden Club Member in 2019		

**Seating is limited to the first 188 responses.**

Lodging: The committee has arranged for a special group rate for Monday night (October 14) at the Ebenezer Retreat Center.

Cabins sleep 12: 6 rooms with twin beds with bathroom. Cabins have small commons area with small refrigerator.

Rate: \$49/person.

If you have 20 people, arrangements can be made for full breakfast.

## New Ebenezer Retreat Center

2887 Ebenezer Road  
Rincon, Georgia 31326



E-mail: [retreat@newebenezer.org](mailto:retreat@newebenezer.org)  
Website: [www.newebenezer.org](http://www.newebenezer.org)  
Ph: 912-754-9242 Fax: 912-754-7781



## **Due: October 1**

Oleander District recognizes OUTSTANDING OLEANDERS at the Annual Fall District Meeting. Your club, council or a member could be a **WINNER!**  
Just complete the application and submit to Oleander Awards Chairman.



### **Oleander District Annual Awards Descriptions**

#### **Sara Lewis Award**

To the INDIVIDUAL who has proficient achievement in the field of HORTICULTURE.

#### **Nelle Pope Award**

To a CLUB or GROUP OF CLUBS that has excelled in the field of HORTICULTURE.

#### **Shirley M. Lewis Environmental Awareness Award**

To a CLUB or GROUP OF CLUBS that has accomplished the most in the ENVIRONMENTAL field.

#### **Mary Helen Ray Beautification & Historic Preservation Award**

To an INDIVIDUAL or CLUB who has made superior influences in the area of BEAUTIFICATION & HISTORIC PRESERVATION.

#### **Martha Miller Butterfly Award**

To a CLUB or GROUP OF CLUBS that has made outstanding environmental contributions through planting and maintaining a butterfly garden.

#### **Louise Stewart Membership Award**

To the CLUB that has the greatest number of new members over previous year's membership.

#### **Expressions Calendar Award**

To the CLUB who marketed the highest number of GCG Expressions calendars. *(Info is provided by 2018 GCG Calendar Chairperson)*

**Awards All Star:** To the CLUB that has applied for and/or won the greatest number of Garden Club of Georgia, Deep South Garden Clubs and National Garden Clubs awards. *(No District form is required. Info is obtained from the Annual GCG President's Report which is sent to the Oleander director by February 15.)*

#### **Outstanding Youth Garden Club of the Year**

A CLUB must have submitted an application for GCG Youth Garden Clubs Standard of Excellence. Junior, Intermediate or High School Clubs will receive equal consideration. Sponsored by a member or club affiliated with the Garden Club of Georgia, the youth club must have at least five members and must meet at least four times annually. Youth club programs should be balanced, providing instruction in the areas of Horticulture, Environmental Education and Conservation. Activities should be varied and may include Nature Study, Flower Arranging Workshops, Arbor Day Planting, Garden Therapy, Litter Control or other civic outreach.

#### **Outstanding Garden Club of the Year**

To the CLUB receiving the highest score on the annual GCG President's Report. In the event of a tie, the winner will be determined by the descriptions of the following President's Report questions: 18, 19, 23, 24, 40, 42 & 50. *(No District form is required. Reports are sent annually to the GCG president and Oleander director by February 15.)*

#### **Outstanding Garden Club Member**

To a garden club MEMBER who has demonstrated outstanding service to garden related activities.





## Oleander District Garden Clubs Award Application 2019

Award Name:

Applicant Name:

Club Name:

Club Town:

Club Contact Person:

Email:

Phone:

Home Address:

City:

Zip:

Please complete each topic, if applicable. Use numbering as below when completing form.

(Application is limited to three pages including this form – front of pages only.)

1. New Project: ☐Yes ☐No Beginning date:

Completion date:

2. Brief summary and objectives of project:

3. Involvement of club members and other organizations:

4. Project expenses and means of funding:

5. Continuing involvement, follow-up, maintenance:

6. Insert supporting materials:

Application should be sent to	
Email Deadline-October 1 Francene Roberson fjrr3@comcast.net (Send only in pdf format)	Mailed paper copies must be in the hands of Francene by October 1. Francene Roberson 209 Lillie Way Brunswick, GA 31525