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## *Letter from SACGC President*

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Hello SACGC Members,

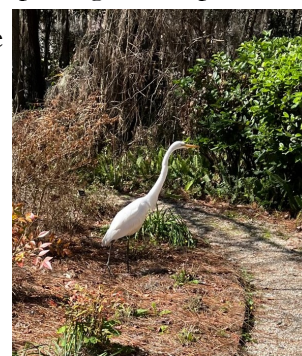
Claire Sherman has been the editor of the SACGC newsletter, "For Garden Sakes", for many years and has done a wonderful job of developing it into its current form. However, for personal reasons, she is unable to continue as editor. We owe her a great deal of thanks for the terrific work she has put in over the years to make the newsletter the fine publication that it is today. Fortunately for us Conni Connan, President of the Windsor Forest Garden Club, has agreed to take over the reins as the new editor. We are truly lucky and grateful to have the torch passed into her capable hands.

Today it is Spring in Savannah! I'm sure we will have some cold days but, hopefully, the worst is behind us. At the Botanical Garden we are preparing for Spring. On Saturday, February 19, a group of us pruned all the

garden roses and we hope to see beautiful blooms in May. The weeds are about to pop so anyone who has some spare time, please come help us get the garden back in shape. If each club would help us out one day a month, we would have the flower beds in shape quickly. A thank you to all who donate their time to the care of the garden and a special thank you to Betty and Larry Ward for all they do to keep the garden open.

Everyone enjoy the good weather and come visit the garden.

Nancy Rosenthal  
SACGC President



Regular Egret Visitor

## *SACGC Meet & Greet or Take a Hunt Through our Gardens!*

Come Join Your Fellow Garden Club Members

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 27

4:30 ~ 6:30

as you hunt through the Garden for Items of Interest

Learn more about YOUR Gardens

by following the Clues

Enjoy Refreshments & Drink (did we mention wine?)



## *Ardsley Park Tour of Homes ~ April 9th*

Join us on Saturday, April 9th for a tour of spectacular interiors and gardens of Savannah's Ardsley Park - Chatham Crescent Historic Neighborhood.

Ardsley Park was developed in 1910 as a residential neighborhood and planned as a twentieth century variant of Oglethorpe's original city plan for Savannah. On this self-guided walking tour, you will stroll down oak lined streets and be treated to exquisitely landscaped squares. Chatham Crescent is a rare example in Georgia of a Beaux Arts influenced type plan with a grand mall, crescent shaped avenues and small circular parks. Built to accommodate the first privately-owned automobiles, these homes boast large gardens and a variety of architectural styles.



Tickets to the Tour are \$45, tour times are from 10am-4pm. To purchase, visit EventBrite and search "Ardsley Park Tour of Homes." [Savannah, GA Ardsley Park Tour Of Homes Events | Eventbrite](#)

As a special part of the afternoon, The Savannah Philharmonic will play in Kavanaugh Park from 12:30 pm -1:30 pm. No ticket is required for this performance.

The Ardsley Park Tour of Homes is proudly presented by the Ardsley Park-Chatham Crescent Garden Club. All proceeds from the Tour go directly towards neighborhood beautification projects.

## *Athens Garden Tour ~ April 5-6*

The Athens Garden Tour via Kelly Tours was custom designed by Lenora Everett, Parkersburg Garden Club V.P. Programs, with Garden Club members in mind.

The overnight tour is scheduled for April 5—6, 2022 and travels to Athens, Georgia from Savannah. It includes a tour of GCG Headquarters led by Bonnie Nash, with

time to explore the Botanical Garden of Georgia, a trip to the UGA Trial Gardens (where there might be plants for sale), and a visit to the Founder's Garden. We hope that you and your friends can join us.

**For reservations and further information call 1(800) 442 - 6152 and reference tour #14836.**





## *The Dirt on Clubs in SACGC*



### **Parkersburg Club**

Ron Jacobs and John Gentry gave a demo on air-layering camellias, followed by a tour of our Camellia Garden. Diana Churchill spoke on attracting birds to your yard. Their card party for February has been cancelled. Their new gardening projects are a pollinator garden at Georgia Regional and a healing garden at Riverview.

### **Garden Club of Pooler**

met outside the Senior Center in January on a beautiful winter's day with a program put on by a group of firemen. They explained how to use a

fire extinguisher, so much more and answered our many questions. In February making flower arrangements to take to the nursing home for Valentine's Day.



### **Windsor Forest**

We've had great programs in 2022, Coastal Botanical Gardens presented a program on getting ready for the spring in our Gardens. February, Thomas Angell from Verdant Enterprises explained the importance of native plants in our gardens and using hardscapes to be more ecologically conscientious. We're looking

forward to Flower Arranging in March. We donated a tree for the Wormsloe's Avenue of Oaks. One of our other members, Barbara Pearson was also a featured speaker at the event on February 19. President Conni Connan was present and helped plant a tree which of course we now consider "WFGC's Tree".

### **Ardsley Park**

Enjoyed the Trustee Garden Club explain the master plan for Forsyth Park. In March they will be preparing for their Tour of Homes.

### **DATES**

#### **TO REMEMBER**

<b>Apr 5/6</b>	Parkersburg Athens Tour
<b>Apr 9</b>	Ardsley Park Tour of Homes
<b>Apr 23</b>	Windsor Forest Plant Sale
<b>Apr 24</b>	2:00 Compassionate Friends Butterfly Release
<b>Apr 30</b>	Wilmington Park Plant, Craft & Tea
<b>May 7</b>	SACGC Plant Sale
<b>May 16</b>	East Georgia Judges Council Meeting & Tour of Gardens

### **Landings**

Will have a program on interior plant design. March the Audubon Society will speak about attracting birds. April many will attend the convention in Macon. To end the year they will host author Laura Martin, *Naturalist's Book of Wild Flowers*.

### **Wymerly**

February will be a chocolate and wine meeting. They had a quarterly evening meeting and it was so successful, they will continue. They generously donated \$100 to the Botanical Gardens A bake sale before Mother's Day is planned with signature pies or cakes.

## *Spring Plant Sale ~ MAY 7*

### **Semi- Annual Plant and Container Sale**

#### **Plant Sale Saturday May 7, 2022**

1388 Eisenhower Drive

9:00 am-2:00 pm

We will need volunteers for  
The following days and times

#### **Wednesday, May 5**

10:00 am-1:00 pm

repotting and identifying plant day

#### **Friday, May 6**

Set-up and pricing Day

9:30 am - 1:00 pm

#### **Saturday, May 7**

2 shifts

8:30 am-11:00 am

11:00 am- 2:00 pm



We need your extra plants. Please start separating some of your pot bound plants to share with us. We need any pots that are ceramic, clay or decorative plastic. No nursery black or any color plastic pots. We will be collecting the plants and pots the week of the plant sale.

We will be selling plants that we have ordered from a wholesale nursery

This sale is very important to the Botanical Garden. We do this twice a year and the money we raise goes toward the upkeep of the garden and the Reinhard Farmhouse.

If you can volunteer at any of these times, please let me know  
so I can put you on the Schedule.

Thanks, Nancy Rosenthal [nrosent892@aol.com](mailto:nrosent892@aol.com) or 912 598-0411

## *Happenings around the Garden*

**ROSE TRUST** All dead rose bushes have been replaced with Harry Howard's donated plants. Paths around the rose bushes will be refurbished with pebbles (around five tons) by Larry. Bushes in the Garden were pruned February 19th.

**MUSEUM SUNDAY** On Museum Sunday even with a gloomy day eleven people toured the gardens: five toured the house. Joe Stahl left Garden brochures at the Garden City official Georgia site and the Day-enport House.

**BRICKS:** The company that engraves the bricks is once again up and running. (So we can now finish the unfilled orders and actively solicit orders. Bricks are \$50.00 each.





## More Happenings around the Garden

Thanks to a grant from **The William T. Morris Foundation**, established in 1937 a private philanthropic organization that supports arts & culture, education, health care, and quality we will be able to extend the paved pathway from the Children's Garden to the Main Gardens

Mike Stewart will give extra cement from jobs to complete the circuit of attaching all pathways; approximately 192 by 4 wide is needed to make us handicap accessible. In February a movie was filmed at the Gardens. Docents enjoyed watching the filming.

Eileen Galley, from Wilmington Island GC will take over booking of weddings in March. Barbara Stahl will assist. Volunteers are needed to occasionally help with an event..

## Word from Garden Center Director

I would like to thank everyone who has been helping at the Garden. The roses have been pruned. Jane and Gretchen and all the volunteers did a great job! Parkersburg has refreshed their garden. The Camellias have never been better. Thank you to my husband, Larry, who moved the office to its new location downstairs. Thanks, Conni, for doing a newsletter for us and planning an event for the Clubs to get to know the Garden better.

We have a lot of weddings in the spring and the Garden will look great. Eileen Galley will be taking over the weddings and events in March. Thank you to her also.

*Betty Ward*

Garden Center Director



Visitor Feeding the Stray Cats

## Want Wildlife in Your Garden?



Most gardeners spend a lot of time trying to figure out how to keep deer out of their gardens, but there are some of you that want to attract deer to your yard fast.

Watching wildlife as it moves through your yard is exciting, especially for little ones, and deer are always looking for their next meal.

Instead of waiting for deer to come around and destroy a garden, then plant a garden that is meant for the deer to enjoy.

After all, we plant gardens that are meant for birds, butterflies and bees to feast on, so why not deer?

There are 5 plants that attract deer to your yard. These are some of the plants that deer naturally love to eat and will bring them back to your garden property over and over again once they know there is a ready supply of plants intended just for their enjoyment.

Here are the plants that deer enjoy the most.

*Petunias ★ Sunflower ★ Clematis*  
*Impatiens ★ Hydrangea*

## *Oleander District Updates*

### *GCG State Convention "Gardening in Macon"*

**Oleander District is sponsoring  
the Garden Club of Georgia, Inc.'s 94th Convention  
"Gardening in Macon", at the Marriott Macon City Center in Macon  
on Tuesday and Wednesday, April 12-13.**

It has been three years since the last convention.

**Registration information is available through Garden Gateways, Board Briefs, District  
Newsletters, GCG Listserv, and GCG Communications.**

You can complete your registration online or by mail.

**Our honored guest will be NGC President Mary Warshauer.**

**Featured speakers will be Bonnie Satterthwaite, Stan Gray, and Laura Martin.**

You will enjoy visiting the exhibits & vendors as well as the floral designs from each district.

**The Awards Banquet will be held on Tuesday night honoring all clubs  
who participated in the awards.**

**The Membership Luncheon will be on Wednesday,  
recognizing all GCG members as well as new life members.**

**The GCG Raffle drawing will be held at the luncheon,  
as well as the drawing for a 4-day condo getaway at Hilton Head Island.**

**Condo tickets are now available for \$5 each.**

You do not have to be present to win for either drawing.

**Deadline to register for the convention is March 28,  
and the hotel registration deadline is March 25.** Register now to get the special rate.  
Come join us and enjoy visiting garden club friends from all over the state.

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## *January Meeting*

The January Oleander District Board Meetings were held in Statesboro at the lovely Forest Heights Country Club. Coffee and cake started the day followed by two business meetings. A luncheon was served with salads and dessert.

