



# Laurel Letters

Fall 2019

Laurel District Newsletter



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## *Cultivate the Beauty of North Georgia*

Director's Message...

This Director has been quite busy since being installed as Laurel District Director. Your Director was honored to do the installation of officers for both **Magnolia Garden Club** and **Camellia Garden Club**; the first Executive Board Meeting was held in April to start planning a great two year term; and the month of May allowed me to join **Sope Creek Garden Club** for their annual tour of gardens and a fantastic lunch. Also in May, this Director attempted to attend the Plant Sale presented by **Soque Garden Club**; however, after riding around in the horrible rain for an hour and forgetting directions, that visit did not happen. Other events -The Magnolia Garden Club's Pond and Garden Tour and the special honor of presenting flowers to the oldest senior at the Euharlee luncheon with **Hoe'n in Euharlee Garden Club**. Hosted by **Crabapple Garden Club**, June brought our first combined **Awards and Leadership Workshops** in Gainesville – what a fantastic event. In Forsyth at Rum Creek Conservation Center on July 31, District Directors and CWP (Community Wildlife Project) Chairs took part in a very informative training class. August was all about Cherokee Garden Library Orientation, followed by a wonderful lunch at the Swan House Restaurant.

All of this brings us to our Board meeting. This Director was so happy with such a great turnout and I know at the next board meeting, you will all be ready to give lengthy reports. Start planning now as October is fast approaching and that means our **Fall Fun in the Mountains Annual Meeting in Dahlonega**. As you know, Laurel District is in charge of the "short", one-day convention in Macon in March 2020 – add that date on your calendars and please be willing to help if called upon. We are going to have a great two years. Laurel District's Theme "**Cultivate the Beauty of North Georgia**" means exactly that – spread the beauty of flowers and friendship all across North Georgia.

Lastly, thank you all for your love and support during my husband's illness and death. I received over 100 cards from Garden Clubs across the State. Special messages, calls, meals, flowers, donations to various Children's Gardens and St. Jude Hospital also came in abundance.

Thank you all.

*Marie*



**JOIN LAUREL DISTRICT FOR *FALL FUN IN THE MOUNTAINS***

**Tuesday, October 8, 2019**

Coffee and Registration 9:00 am

Meeting starts 10:00 am

**Forrest Hills Mountain Resort and Conference Center**

135 Forrest Hills Road, Dahlonega GA 30533

***Honored Guest: Barbara Bourque, President of the Garden Club of Georgia, Inc.***

**Featured Speakers**

**Staci Catron**, Cherokee Garden Library Director,

**Mary Ann Eaddy**, Historic Preservationist, will speak on *"Seeking Eden"*

Lodging: **Rooms in the lodge will be available for rental** and hotels nearby are:

Quality Inn & Suites, 127 Beartooth Pkwy, Dawsonville

Holiday Inn Express, 835 Chestatee Street Dahlonega

Comfort Inn & Suites, 234 Highland Pkwy, Ellijay

**Please book early as Fall is peak season.**

**Laurel District Meeting Registration Form**

**Deadline date for Registration and cancellation is September 23, 2019**

**Registrar: Marie Purser, P O Box 228, Adairsville, GA 30103-0228 770-815-6356**

**[mariepurser@comcast.net](mailto:mariepurser@comcast.net)**

**Registration and Luncheon \$42.00**

**Make check payable to Laurel District.**

**Late registration fee is \$10.00**

# REGISTRATION FORM

DEADLINE FOR REGISTRATION AND CANCELLATION IS **SEPTEMBER 23rd**

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City, ZIP \_\_\_\_\_

Phone \_\_\_\_\_ E-mail \_\_\_\_\_

Garden Club Name \_\_\_\_\_

District \_\_\_\_\_

Amount Enclosed: \$ \_\_\_\_\_ Check # \_\_\_\_\_

Please list any special dietary request \_\_\_\_\_

**Please Check All that Apply:**

First Laurel District Meeting     Former State President     State President

National Life Member     State Life Member     Laurel District Director

Laurel District Board Member     Laurel District Council President

**Laurel District Voting Delegate\***     Former Laurel District Director

Laurel District Club President     Laurel District Club Member     State Board Member

Deep South Board Member     Deep South Life Member     National Board Member

District Director – Other District     Former District Director (Other District)     Guest

**\*Voting Delegate is one member from each club or council**

\*\*\*\*State or District Chairmen wishing to reserve space, please indicate here\*\*\*\*

YES     Each space is **3** feet (Due to limited space, one space per Chairmanship)

NAME \_\_\_\_\_

CHAIRMANSHIP \_\_\_\_\_

# Suggested Themes for Raffle Baskets

Dear Garden Club Members,

We are looking for 15 themed baskets. Tickets are \$1 each or 15 tickets for \$10. Minimum value of basket is \$50. If you are a large club or council we hope you could donate a larger basket.

Please let me know your chosen theme so we can have a nice variety. It is not suggested that clubs go out and purchase items for baskets, but club members or local businesses could be a good source of donations for them. Clubs may choose to go in together and do a large basket.

**Raffle Baskets** will be on display at the October Laurel District meeting. Please let me know as soon possible the theme your club has chosen. *(If your club is unable to donate a basket, a \$25 donation is requested. Mail check to our Treasurer - Edna McClellan, 182 Pacer Court, Unit 9044, Ellijay, GA 30540)*

*Dee Anne Wyse*, Laurel District Ways and Means Merchandising  
[dawyse@bellsouth.net](mailto:dawyse@bellsouth.net) Call or Text:: 770-262-0938

## **Pamper Mom**

Suggested items: Bubble bath, bath salts, towels, candles, a CD of meditative music, gift card to a local salon and/or for a massage. Creative twist: Make the container part of the pampering—use a foot bath or a pretty basket suitable for keeping personal items.

## **For the Golfers**

Suggested items: Tees, golf balls, visor, gloves, book about golf, a gift card to a golf store or to a local course. Creative twist: Present the items in a sports bag.

## **Grillers' Delight**

Suggested items: Utensils, marinades, mitts, charcoal, cookbooks about grilling. Creative twist: Use a small grill as the basket.

## **For a Book Club**

Suggested items: A few bestselling books, wine glasses, wine, gourmet snacks, gift card to local bookstore or Amazon.com. Creative twist: Assemble the items in a pretty book bag.

## **Italian Dinner Night**

Suggested items: High-end pastas, a variety of sauces, Italian bread/bread sticks, Parmesan cheese, a bottle of red wine, and gift cards to an Italian deli and local Italian restaurant. Creative twist: Present the items in a large pasta bowl.

## **For Gardeners**

Suggested items: Garden store gift card, planters, watering cans, gloves, seeds, sunscreen, hand lotion, bags of soil, garden rack. Creative twist: Pack the contents into a small garden cart (available at gardening stores or large stores like Walmart).

## **For the Dogs (or Cats)**

Suggested items: Gift card to a pet store, dog (or cat) toys, dog (or cat) food bowls, pet jersey or sweater, shampoo, other grooming supplies, and a leash. Creative twist: Assemble the contents into a dog or cat bed.

## **Other Basket Ideas**

Coffee Basket  
Christmas  
Halloween

Cooking Basket  
Chocolate Lovers  
Movie Lovers Night

College Fans  
Wine  
Date Night

Have fun with this, get some great ideas on Pinterest, let's see how creative we can be.

# Laurel District Fundraiser

## APRON ORDER FORM



NAME \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone \_\_\_\_\_ Email \_\_\_\_\_

CLUB NAME \_\_\_\_\_

Number of Apron Ordered \_\_\_\_\_ X \$15.00 each \_\_\_\_\_

AMOUNT PAID \_\_\_\_\_ Cash \_\_\_\_\_ Check # \_\_\_\_\_

Make checks payable to: **Laurel District**

Aprons Received By \_\_\_\_\_

*Dee Anne Wyse,*  
Laurel District Ways and Means Merchandising

[dawyse@bellsouth.net](mailto:dawyse@bellsouth.net)

Call or Text:: 770-262-0938



### ORDERS CAN BE MAILED TO:

Dee Anne Wyse  
37 Waterside Drive  
Cartersville, GA 30121

Orders can be picked up at the DISTRICT MEETING in Dahlonega on October 8<sup>th</sup>.

PLEASE SUPPORT THIS LAUREL DISTRICT FUND RAISER.

The aprons are a canvas weight and washable. They would make a great Christmas gift for the avid gardener, friends and family.

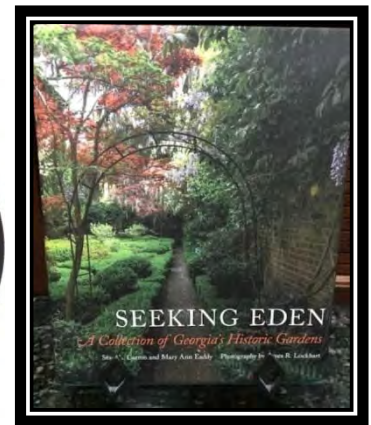


# Orientation

## Cherokee Garden Library for District Directors

### And Cherokee Garden Library Chairman

#### Lunch at the Swan House



On August 19 orientation to the **Cherokee Garden Library** was conducted by Staci Catron, Cherokee Garden Library Director. The facility, part of the **Atlanta History Center**, houses more than 32,000 works including books, photographs, manuscripts, and landscape drawings. In addition to the extensive collections, the library offers lectures, exhibitions, tours, and collaborations with partner agencies. It is accessible to anyone interested in exploring gardening, landscape design, garden history, floral design, botanical art, and plant ecology, among other topics. More than fifteen officers of Garden Club of Georgia's seven districts, along with state President Barbara Bourque, participated in the orientation.

Attending from Laurel District were Marie Purser, District Director, and Linda Hardie, of Cumming Garden Club, who serves as Laurel District GCL Chairman.

Orientation was followed by lunch at the Swan House, adjacent to the library.

Current projects underway at the library include collections of postcards of Georgia landscapes, gardens, and scenes from days-gone-by. Individuals and clubs are encouraged to consider sharing their historic "finds" with the library for consideration.

Lee Dunn, Library Chairman for GCG, noted that she is available to present programs to local clubs and councils about the library's resources. There is no charge; however, a donation to the library would be appropriate. Lee's contact information is [lee@dunnshouse.com](mailto:lee@dunnshouse.com).

*Linda Hardie  
Cumming Garden Club*

# CHEROKEE GARDEN LIBRARY LECTURE

In partnership  
with The Garden  
Conservancy

Deborah Nevins  
*Groundbreaking Design:  
Where Beauty &  
Sustainability Meet*

Wednesday  
October 16, 2019  
7:00pm

Atlanta History Center  
130 West Paces Ferry Road NW  
Atlanta, Georgia 30305

Tickets are \$25  
[atlantahistorycenter.com/lectures](http://atlantahistorycenter.com/lectures)

[dnalandscape.com](http://dnalandscape.com)



At the Cherokee Garden Library's fall lecture—in partnership with The Garden Conservancy—Deborah Nevins' talk will feature the work of her New York-based landscape design firm, Deborah Nevins & Associates, including examples of the firm's purpose to go beyond solely being beautiful in their commitment to sustainability.

Nevins' design work is steeped in her vast knowledge of architectural and landscape history. After earning a Master of Art History from Columbia University, she lectured on landscape history at Barnard College and the Cooper Hewitt Museum for a decade, later morphing her passions into an extraordinary career in garden design.

Her firm is known for its expertise in working with fragile natural environments using indigenous plant communities in harmony with the local ecology—especially wetlands and protected areas in the U.S. and beyond. Key principles in the firm's approach to sustainability include ease of maintenance, function and performance, safety, and universal accessibility.

Nevins' firm designs projects all over the world, ranging in size from compact urban gardens to a ranch of several thousand acres. Major projects include the 40-acre Stavros Niarchos Cultural Center and Park in Athens, Greece, in collaboration with Italian designer Renzo Piano's firm; the expansion of the campus of the Museum of Fine Arts, Houston; and significant gardens and estates throughout the United States, the Caribbean, and Europe, including those of Michael Eisner, David Geffen, and Tommy Hilfiger. Deborah Nevins is revered among designers and clients throughout the world.

Join us after the illustrated presentation for a reception.  
For information or tickets, please call 404.814.4150.





# Jonquil Garden Club Fall Plant Sale



## Smyrna Market Village Farmers Market

200 Village Green Circle, Smyrna

**Saturday, October 5**

8:00 a.m. – Noon

*Rain or Shine*

Sun and Shade Perennials, Hostas, Ferns, Hellebores,  
Small Trees, Annuals, Groundcovers and a wide  
selection of Natives and Herbs for sale.

Master Gardeners will be available to answer your fall planting questions. Our “**little red wagon**” brigade will help you get your plants to your car.



The plant sale funds a yearly scholarship at Chattahoochee Tech for a student majoring in Horticulture. Thank you for your Support!

We hope to see you there!





# Spalding Garden Club

Cordially invites you to attend

## “Fresh”

*A Seated Luncheon, Floral Demonstration,*

*Live Auction and Book Signing*

*@City Springs,*

*1 Galambos Way, Sandy Springs, GA*

*Wednesday, October 23, 2019 10:00am-2:00pm*

*Featuring renowned Birmingham floral designer and author*

### *Sybil Sylvester*



Photo by Bryan Johnson

The go-to floral designer and event planner, Sybil built her business on Southern sass tempered by graciousness, local blooms, sometimes from her own garden, and a global sense of what’s hot in the world of international floral design. Her newly published book, *fresh*, will be available for sale and signing.



Photo by Becky Luigart-Stayner

**Tear off and include with ticket order-Please Print Clearly**

Last Name \_\_\_\_\_ First \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_ City/State/Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Email \_\_\_\_\_

Number of tickets@ \$100 each \_\_\_\_\_ Total \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Send check and form to **Sandra Salem 1743 Withmere Way, Dunwoody, GA 30338. Telephone: 404-386-6031, [markandsandra88@bellsouth.net](mailto:markandsandra88@bellsouth.net).** Make checks payable to **Spalding Garden Club**. Or visit [www.spaldinggardenclub.com](http://www.spaldinggardenclub.com) to purchase tickets online. **All reservations will be held at the door.** Proceeds benefit Spalding Garden Club’s community projects. **Tickets are limited.**

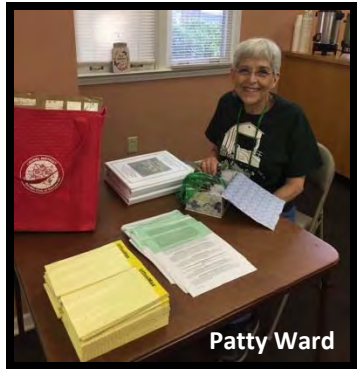
# Laurel District Board hosted by Hoe'n in Euharlee



Linda Craft and Dot Brett



Laurel District Director  
Marie Purser presiding  
Laurel District Board Meeting



Patty Ward

The **Hoe'n In Euharlee Garden Club** hosted the August 22, 2019 Laurel District Board meeting at the old **Emmie Nelson Library**. There were 35 members in attendance. Each member was presented a canvas tote bag with the Covered Bridge on the front filled with goodies. Lunch was served at 11:30 with Turkey club sandwiches with all the fixing's along with cold slaw , fruit kabobs, carrot cake for dessert. Tea and coffee were also provided.

*Dianne Myers, President  
Hoe'n in Euharlee Garden Club*



Marie Purser and  
Betty Jane Tilley



# Magnolia Garden Club Celebrates 70<sup>th</sup> Anniversary



The Magnolia Garden Club celebrated the club's 70<sup>th</sup> Anniversary at Roselawn Museum on Sunday, August 25.

GCG President Barbara Bourque pictured with Magnolia Garden Club Members.



Honorary member Mary Siniard arranged the lovely floral centerpiece.



Member Mickey Carlton shows off her clever poster, <sup>11</sup> to celebrate the event.

# Save The Date

For The Garden Club of Georgia's Historic Landscape Preservation Fundraiser  
Presented by Dogwood District

May 2, 2020 | 10:00am- 5:00pm

## "Mansions in a Mill Town"

A tour of Roswell's Historic Homes, Gardens, Cemeteries and More

Barrington Hall



Mimosa Hall



Bulloch Hall



Smith Plantation



### cemetery tours

Old Roswell Cemetery

Founders cemetery

presbyterian cemetery

### activities

Period Clothing Displays

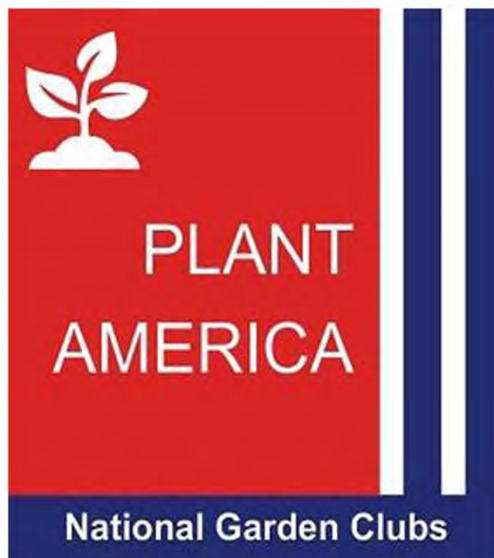
Seeking eden

Lecture and Book Signing



## National Garden Clubs Project

The 2019-2021 NGC ongoing project is "Plant America" focusing on educating, building and supporting America's Garden Communities.



The Plant America theme for National Garden Clubs President Gay Austin's administration emphasizes gardening, horticulture, design and community service. Found in many forms, this covers every aspect of gardening including container, community, edible, therapy, pollinator, sustainable and xeriscape to name a few. This theme was chosen to help NGC members and the public return to the "roots" of why most members join garden clubs - to learn about gardening!

Again, this term, Plant America grants will be available to garden clubs of up to \$1000 to support a community project. Conservation of natural habitats will be of interest. Encouragement of membership and youth participation will also be key. President Austin hopes that our members can involve youth in outdoor activities by encouraging them to "reconnect with nature."

Publicity around these community gardening projects will show the public what we do as members of The Garden Club of Georgia and National Garden Clubs and how our projects benefit our country.

**Application Deadline: October 15, 2019. See the attached forms.**

For all the specifics go to the NGC website: <http://gardenclub.org/projects/plant-america-community-project-grants.aspx>

For questions or assistance contact:

Lisa Hall

NGC Projects Chairman, GCG 2nd VP

[hall7796@bellsouth.net](mailto:hall7796@bellsouth.net)

912-598-9504 (H)

404-414-6496 (C)



## **PLANT AMERICA**

### **Community Project Grants**

### **Guidelines and Application**



The *PLANT AMERICA* Community Project Grants Program is sponsored by National Garden Clubs, Inc. for new or existing club projects in their respective communities. Projects may be a joint venture with another organization/s. The scope of these projects may include:

- Beautification and/or restoration
- Community gardens
- School gardens/classrooms
- Habitat for Humanity landscaping
- Blue Star Memorial landscaping
- Implementation of environmental practices
- A horticulture or environmental educational event for the public

**Grant Amount:** Up to \$1,000.00 is available to be used for direct expenses of projects.

#### **Who May Apply:**

- Individual garden clubs that are members of National Garden Clubs, Inc.
- **NOTE:** Recipients of previous *PLANT AMERICA* Community Project Grants are **NOT** eligible to apply.

#### **How to Apply:**

- Application is limited to a **TOTAL** of **two (2) pages**.
  - **ONE (1) PAGE** - Application Form
  - **ONE (1) PAGE** - Budget
- *Applications of more than two pages will **NOT** be considered.*

- Email or mail the completed **application form** and **budget** to:  
 David Robson [PLANTAMERICAGRANTS@gmail.com](mailto:PLANTAMERICAGRANTS@gmail.com)  
 1515 W. Fayette Ave., Springfield, IL 62704-2306

#### **Application Deadline: October 15, 2019**

- Recipients of grants will be notified, and all money will be awarded by **January 31, 2020**.
- Projects must be completed by **February 28, 2021**; final report forms due by **April 1, 2021**.

#### **Judging Criteria:**

In evaluating grant applications, judging is based on the following Scale of Points:

Benefits and visibility in community	40	Collaboration with other community groups	15
Impact and scope of project	25	Application form complete	5
Involvement & participation by club members	15	<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>100</b>

#### **Funding Guidelines:**

Grants will not be provided for:

- Projects in which club does not participate in some aspect
- Purchase of Blue Star Memorial Markers
- Competitive Flower Shows
- Eagle Scout projects
- Salaries or benefits of personnel
- Political action programs
- Capital drives and building funds
- Scholarships and endowments
- Private gardens
- Lawsuits and litigation
- Overhead costs

#### **Final Report:**

1. **Deadline:** within two months after the completion of the project or by April 1, 2021.
2. Send the following:
  - A short one-to-two page report describing the project including photos
  - A copy of the final financial report including all income and expenses
  - A copy of any publicity

**NOTE:** Please indicate if permission has been given for use of photos by NGC in print, website and social media. A release form for adults and minors can be found on the NGC website:

<http://www.gardenclub.org/about-us/press-room/minor-image-release.aspx>.

*Save the Date*  
**“Blossoming In Macon”**  
**March 24, 25, & 26, 2020**  
**Hosted by Laurel District**

**Alert**  
**All Flower Show Awards**  
**entries must be turned into**  
**The GCG Flower Show**  
**Awards Chairman by**  
**December 1, 2019.**  
**This means in the chairman’s**  
**hands by December 1, 2019.**  
**Looking forward to the**  
**wonderful entries.**  
**Entries go to: Martha Price,**  
**Chairman.**

**Landscape Design School**  
**Rome, Georgia August 7/8**

Three members of the Gardening Consultants Council leadership team and the GCG Gardening Schools Chairman, along with many other interested members, attended Course I of the Landscape Design School in Rome in August. Course II will be held Nov. 20-21 in Rome. See GCG and Rome Federation websites for registration forms to be posted soon.


This term began at the recent State Convention. The dues for each of the three Councils are \$14 for 2 years, and are due now for this term. For Gardening, make check payable to the Georgia Association of Gardening Consultants Council.



Pictured L to R: Council President Vicki Jones, Vice President Caroline Alford, GCG State Gardening Schools Chairman Emily Wilbert, and Treasurer Annelle Moore.

Submitted by  
 Emily Wilbert

**2018 and 2019**  
*Expressions Calendars*  
 are available from **Bonnie Nash**  
 at Headquarters [gcca@uga.edu](mailto:gcca@uga.edu)  
 phone 706.227.5369



**Basic Design I**

Because the Creative Study’s Basic Design Classes I and II have been so popular, we will be sponsoring a Basic Design I course at the Marietta Educational Garden Center. Beginning in January 2020 there will be five one-day classes in the course - one class each month through May.

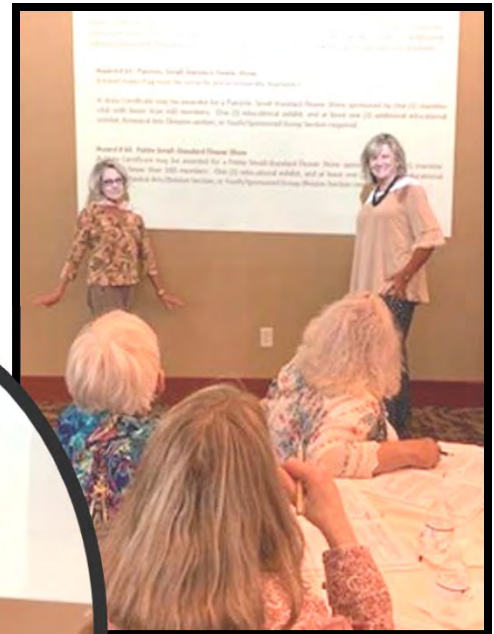
The curriculum includes a lecture/demonstration by the instructor followed by the student workshop and a brief instructor critique. Upon completion of all five classes the student will receive a Basic Design I certificate from The Garden Club of Georgia, Inc. These classes are meant for students who wish to bring flowers, foliage, fruit, and veggies from their gardens into their homes for enjoyment. However, instructors will also discuss the principles and elements of design that can be used to help students create attractive designs for special occasions.

More information with exact dates and cost will be sent out to club Presidents in October. The classes are limited to 12 students.

If you have any questions, please contact:  
 Edna McClellan [ednae@ellijay.com](mailto:ednae@ellijay.com) 706-889-1230



# Workshops in Gainesville



GCG President  
Barbara Bourque



Magnolia Garden Club President Sandra McMillan, Sue Tucker, Dee Anne Wyse, Susan Stephens, and Laurel District Director Marie Purser attended Workshops at Gainesville Botanical Gardens.



# The Magnolia Garden Club

enjoyed their annual summer picnic at the *Barn* on Mockingbird Hill.

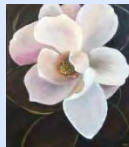
The program was "*Celebration of Art in the Garden*".

Local artists donated their works of art to be raffled at the  
*The Pond and Garden Tour 2019* fund raiser.

**Judy Bartlett** – Medium: Oil 574.430.2595 Marietta  
**Donation:** Oil "*Campbell Folk School Barn*"  
**Size 8" x 10" Value: \$500**



**Beth Blackwell Cullen** – Medium: Oil  
404.316.8461 Near Piedmont Park  
**Donation:** Oil "*Magnolia 2*"  
**Size 20" x 16" Value: \$395**



**Pat Rechlin** – Mediums: Acrylics,  
Printmaking and Watercolor  
585.645.4206 White  
**Donation:** Acrylic "*Hostas*"  
**Size 16" x 20" Value \$395**



Pat Rechlin

**Sara Ellis Rogers** –  
Medium: Watercolor, Oil and Pen & Ink  
**Donated by Jane McElreath,**  
**"Mountain Stream in Autumn" watercolor.**  
**Size 20" x 24" Value \$350**



**Joan Waits** – Medium: Oil, Acrylic,  
Graphite & Colored Pencil  
770.655.2125 Cartersville  
**Donations:**  
**"Granny Smith" – Oil Size 8" x 10"**  
**Value \$150**



**"Hydrangeas"**  
**- Oil Size 11" x 14" Value \$150**



Joan Waits

**Two of the artists are members of the Magnolia Garden Club; Pat Rechlin and Joan Waits. Both talented ladies spoke about their art work, the history of their style, and their individual techniques of painting.**

# Newsletter Schedules

## Laurel Letters Newsletter

**Summer Issue**  
Deadline – May 15  
Emailed - June 1

**Fall Issue**  
Deadline - August 25  
Emailed - September 15

**Winter Issue**  
Deadline - November 19  
Emailed - December 15

**Spring Issue**  
Deadline - February 25  
Emailed - March 15

## Board Briefs Schedule

**Fall Issue 2019**  
Deadline for info– August 10  
Emailed – August 30<sup>th</sup> or before

**Holiday Issue 2019**  
Deadline for info – November 5  
Emailed – November 20

**Winter 2020**  
Deadline – January 15  
Emailed – January 30  
(early for this year only - due to early  
Convention)

**Spring**  
Deadline – May  
Emailed – May 15

## Laurel Letters Procedure for Article Submission

Please send your club articles for edit to:

**Sheelah Schreiber**  
Laurel Letters Text Editor  
[mingjoysch@gmail.com](mailto:mingjoysch@gmail.com)  
Cell 703-599-4512



*After the Text Editor* has reviewed your submissions, they will be forwarded for publication to:

**Susan Stephens**  
Laurel Letters Editor  
[sstep47151@aol.com](mailto:sstep47151@aol.com)  
770-547-4026

# Sixes Community Garden Club

**Sixes Community Garden Club installed their second “Tiny Garden Door” at Lewis Park in Cherokee County**  
550 Merchants Glen Dr.-Woodstock, Georgia.

**Tiny Garden Door:** The “Tiny Door” was placed at a hollow in a large tree at the end of the “Natural Fairy Trail” created by Analise Black, a Sophomore at Etowah High School. Miss Black created the trail to earn her Girl Scout “Gold Award”. The trail will allow children to use their imaginations to create “Fairly Houses” from natural materials in the area.

This particular door is constructed from 100 year old reclaimed wood and has our Georgia State Flower “The Cherokee Rose” hand carved on the door. The Sixes Garden Club has planted three Georgia native woodland ferns and five native woodland plants near the door. The plantings are identified with plant markers for future gardeners learning about our native plants while on the hiking trail. In keeping with the natural theme we only used native Georgia plantings and natural elements (rocks, moss, etc.) to form the surrounding Lake Allatoona area.

The Ribbon Cutting at the “Tiny Garden Door” and the “Demonstration Day for the “Fairy Trail” was August 10th.



## First Tiny Garden Door

To celebrate “Georgia Garden Week” Sixes Garden Club installed our 1st “Tiny Garden Door” at the historic Crescent Rock Barn, Marietta Hwy., Canton GA. The door was created to symbolize the history of the Rock Barn as a “Thoroughbred Trotter” Barn. The door was placed in the cutting bed that was built in a joint effort with an “Eagle Scout” project and the Sixes Garden Club a few years ago. Annual plantings were added to beautify the historic site. Sixes Community Garden club holds their monthly meetings at the Barn.





Happy Fall Ya'll!



The End