

THE STORY
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INTRODUCTION

The ten years reported here will clearly tell the Club's own story. It is a story of new challenges met, old commitments sustained, and one to bring pleasure and much pride to all its members.

It has been a great privilege to serve the Club as Historian.

Neeley Reyburn Crowell

"The Story of the Club" was not published when it was completed because of the large increase in the cost of printing. In 1986, with the seventy-fifth anniversary approaching, it was decided by the Executive Board to abridge the compilation of reports from the years 1971 to 1981, and to add the additional five years to 1986, the anniversary year. Neeley's introductory remarks are as true today as in 1981 and need no addition. We are able to reproduce the History because of a generous bequest to the Bedford Garden Club by Virginia Kellogg Kemble, and it is dedicated to her memory.

I would like to thank Mesdames Cunningham, Dole, Finn, and Lewis for their help, and particularly Ann McDuffie for her photographs and Nancy Vincent for her work on the profiles of the presidential terms. Anne Sharpe Nichols graciously contributed the calligraphy for the cover.

Rosemary O'Donoghue
Historian

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CIVIC PLANTING AND CONSERVATION."

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1985-1987

HIGHLIGHTS OF THE CLUB'S FIRST SEVENTY-FIVE YEARS

- 1911 Founding of the Club.
- 1913 Bedford joined with 11 other clubs to form the Garden Club of America.
- 1917-18 Canning and Dehydrating Kitchen. Women's Agriculture Camp.
- 1927 Bedford was a hostess club for The Garden Club of America's 14th Annual Meeting, along with Rye, Greenwich, New Canaan and Ridgefield.
- 1931 Miss Delia Marble and Miss Eloise Payne Luquer developed first nature trail in New York State at Ward Pound Ridge Reservation. Also raised money to build the Trailside Museum.
- 1941-45 Victory Gardens Cannery.
- 1945 Bedford wins Garden Club of America's Founder's Fund Award for Dr. Hugh Findlay's garden tools for the blind.
- 1950 June 12, 13 and 14 Bedford was hostess for Zone III Meeting.
- 1953 First edition of The Bedford Cook Book. Second edition in 1958, third edition in 1969.
- 1955 Bedford, with Rusticus, developed Marble-Luquer Wildflower Garden at Pound Ridge Reservation. Members still work there.
- 1958 Organized two-day benefit with Rusticus, Bedford Audubon and Bedford Historical Society to fund "garden waiting room" at Northern Westchester Hospital.
- 1958-76 Deep involvement with the Friendship Garden Club program at Bedford Hills Women's Prison.
- 1961 Publication of The Bedford Gardener's Almanac.
- 1961-79 Highly successful School Conservation Education Program which was adopted by many other clubs and organizations.

- 1965-68 Mrs. Thomas Waller was President of Garden Club of America.
- 1967 September 26, 27 and 28 Bedford held Zone III Meeting with Rusticus.
- 1969 Beginning of the restoration of the lower gardens at John Jay Homestead. Still a major ongoing project.
- 1967-70 Instrumental in the founding of the Conservation Advisory Council for the Town of Bedford, the Bedford Village Improvement Society and the Advisory Architectural Review Board for Mount Kisco.
- 1976 Donated \$2,000 to the fund to save the Bedford Oak.
- 1980-83 Four widely acclaimed flower shows held at Caramoor's Venetian Theater.
- 1984 September 25, 26 and 27 Rusticus and Bedford again held the Zone III Meeting.
- 1911-86 Over \$135,000 spent on civic and educational causes.

MRS. HOBART LEWIS

1971-1973

Mrs. Hobart Lewis was a president with a quiet dignity and ease of manner. She emphasized a return to the basic purposes of our Club: "Love of gardening" and "the preservation of our native plants and birds." She had an aura of calm which, combined with her tact and wisdom, gave confidence to the committee chairmen and their members, inspiring them to do excellent work. The committees, who carry the burden of accomplishing our goals, ran smoothly, efficiently and independently.

Edie Lewis came to the presidency after a distinguished career for many years with the Reader's Digest, having been an editor there of the Excerpts Department from 1940 to 1959.

One of Edie's first acts was to send a questionnaire to all members. As a result, both morning and afternoon meetings were held. There was overwhelming agreement on concentrating on the Club's basic purposes and on giving members time to regroup after their strenuous efforts in putting on "Old Bedford Days." As one member wrote, "More to a cruising speed, not a racing speed." Another commented, "I hope the Club never becomes so serious that it becomes the usual women's club--our members should enjoy its activities."

Some highlights of the various committees' activities:

Conservation helped in organizing efforts to recycle solid waste in the Town of Bedford, and in 1972 a recycling center was established on Adams Street.

Bedford and Rusticus Conservation Committees sponsored two successful evening meetings open to the public. In April, 1972, Mr. Nathaniel P. Reed, Assistant Secretary of the Interior, spoke at Rippowam School to some 275 people, including Town, County and State Officials. The backdrop for the speaker was an outstanding woodland scene, complete with live trees, shrubs and wildflowers, prepared by the two Conservation Committees. The joint meeting in April, 1973, held at the West Patent School, featured Mr. Henry L. Diamond, New York State Chairman of Environmental Conservation.

In May, 1972, Exhibitions and Horticulture combined to put on an outstanding flower show, free to the public, in the Japanese Pagoda at Leonard Park.

One of the first acts of the Exhibitions Committee was to persuade the Bedford Chamber of Commerce to adopt the Committee's plan for Christmas decorations consisting of live evergreens in tubs trimmed with tiny white lights. This practice is still being followed.

Horticulture and the John Jay Homestead Committee continued to plant and tend the gardens at John Jay, while Exhibitions made arrangements for the house.

As its project for the 1976 Bicentennial, the Club voted to restore the lower gardens at John Jay. To obtain funds for this, a benefit was planned for 1973. The work and plans for the tour and sale were carried out by Edie Lewis' committees. "All Through the House," a tour of houses decorated for Christmas, actually took place early in December during Joan Montross' term. The tour, the sale of handcrafted items and the auction of a needlepoint rug netted over \$12,500--a record for a Bedford Garden Club fund-raising.

IN MEMORIAM

1972	Mrs. Henry V. Julier (1927)	President 1931-1933; Corresponding Secretary 1943-1945
1972	Mrs. W. Gibson Carey (1939)	
1972	Mrs. Albert W. Moss (1965)	
1972	Mrs. John A. Dix (1916)	
1972	Mrs. Carlyle Weinig (1970)	
1973	Mrs. Paul Sturtevant (1932)	President 1940-1941 and 1951-1952

MRS. FRANKLIN MONTROSS 3RD

1973-1975

As a captain's personality is felt all through his ship, so is the personality of the President felt all through our Garden Club.

Mrs. Montross brought to this task her great charm, her intelligence, and her sensitive response to the needs and aims of such a Club in these changing times.

Careful planning, undertaken during the previous term of Mrs. Hobart Lewis, resulted in an early December 1973, benefit, "All Through the House." A very successful event, this was a tour of six houses skillfully decorated for Christmas. The net proceeds of over twelve thousand dollars augmented our club's Civic and Educational Fund and consequently permitted our further renewal of the gardens at the John Jay Homestead for the 1976 Bicentennial celebration. Our plans included a children's garden around the old schoolhouse.

It was during Joan's first year that a decision was made to discontinue the Provisional Membership category by phasing the present Provisionals into Active Membership.

By 1973, the School Program had thirty-seven sections in four schools with thirty-four volunteer instructors. The Grafflin School in Chappaqua incorporated our program beginning with the third grade. The Rye Conservation Council requested a set of our lessons. The Garden Club of America, in recognition of the success of this School Program, awarded the Medal of Merit to Phyllis Dix "for her inspiring leadership of the Bedford School Conservation Education Project 1961-1973 and notable service to many phases of other Conservation and Preservation causes in her community."

The Bedford Club, as a means of encouraging pride in the appearance of business properties, awarded Certificates for good landscaping for the seventh year.

During Joan's second year in office, the Bedford Garden Club was legally incorporated by New York State laws, and our by-laws were revised to reflect this new status.

Looking beyond our town boundaries, the Bedford Garden Club helped finance the dream of a Bronx housing project to grow gardens on torn down building sites. Closer to home, the Club committed itself enthusiastically to support the forthcoming community celebration of the Nation's Bicentennial.

Besides the above new undertakings, the Club sustained its traditional programs and educational meetings and workshops. The Friendship Garden Club at the Prison continued to flourish, although space was allowed for only a limited number of gardens. A special citation was awarded to Barbara Thorne for her dedicated service to the prison projects.

The Conservation Committee pursued its interest in recycling on Adams Street and produced for the general public a "how to" leaflet on composting, distributed in libraries, garden supply stores, banks, etc. The Protected Plant List of New York was also made available in 1974 to our members and placed in local libraries.

Two flower arranging workshops with Mrs. Oliver Vietor stimulated and honed our members' expertise. Bedford entries in shows in Greenwich, Stamford, Rye, Ridgefield and Bryant Park won two firsts, a second, a third and one honorable mention. In September, Mr. and Mrs. George W. Hill entered on behalf of our club the Zone III competition for a miniature historical room. They submitted an outstanding minute copy of the parlor of John Jay Homestead. How fortunate we were to have had the Hill duo to represent us! Meanwhile, the Horticultural Committee was occupied with visiting greenhouses and gardens and with exhibiting at Green Fingers and Bryant Park.

These three major committees combined to create "R.S.V.P. Bedford" on May 21, 1975. This Ways and Means undertaking offered a tour of terraces owned by Mesdames Atkins, Canfield, Coward, Davidson, Herkert and Whitman. Historical Hall was the setting for a flower show and the Belden's stables featured the Horticultural show and the Conservation exhibit and plant sale. The Conservation exhibit included specimens of local animals and information from the local sanctuaries. Examples of educational material from the School Conservation Program were displayed as well as a poster depicting our accomplishments and plans at the John Jay Homestead Gardens. Finally, a compost demonstration showed us all four stages of leaves--from Autumn leaf to top soil.

A gourmet picnic was served under a tent on the Belden's beautiful surrounding grounds.

During a busy two years Mrs. Montross strengthened the Bedford Garden Club by her wise leadership, and she won the affection of its members through her warm heart, her helpfulness and her modesty.

IN MEMORIAM

1975 Mrs. Bernard E. Smith (1936)

MRS. CLARENCE E. WOODWARD

1975-1977

While Mrs. Woodward is widely known for her horticultural wisdom, and is our Club Botanist, she never overlooked any aspect of the Club, or ceased to encourage every project and commitment.

In response to the proposition "how our club relates to the community," a question put forth by Zone III, we were able to compile solid facts and figures to assure ourselves that even though we are a club whose membership is by invitation only, we relate in many ways. After sixty-five years, we had contributed financially--over \$85,000--much to local projects, including plantings at two libraries, the District Nurses' Association Building, the American Legion Hall, our hospital, two Community Houses, John Jay Homestead, the women's prison and many town-owned areas. We also had contributed educationally--through open meetings, our School Conservation Program (started in 1961), and letter and poster campaigns. Lastly, we had contributed in civic affairs by attending meetings and having representatives on various committees.

With so much accomplished and full of new goals, we were glad to be able to accept the remaining Provisionals into Active membership. Thus, the Provisional category was terminated in response to a 1973-74 policy decision.

With patriotic fervor our national Bicentennial was a celebration which we all worked to enhance. A report, written at the time, follows. As an added Bicentennial project, the Conservation Committee followed through with the beautification of two traffic triangles, one each in Bedford Hills and Bedford Village.

We participated in another achievement--the long awaited expansion of the Trailside Nature Museum at Ward Pound Ridge Reservation was realized. This is of great interest to the Bedford Garden Club, as it was largely instrumental in raising the funds to build the original museum in 1938. A trail created by Miss Luquer and Miss Marble in 1933 is in good order and is the most popular trail of all. To celebrate the expansion of the Trailside Museum at the Ward Pound Ridge Reservation, we endowed a series of Marble-Luquer Memorial Lectures.

Our efforts in these celebrations did not preclude our normal accomplishments. The Horticulture Committee continued their education with emphasis on two diametrically opposite topics, wildflowers and the forcing of bulbs. A low point was the rabbits' digesting the children's vegetable garden at John Jay Homestead, a high point was the winning by eleven members of thirty prizes at the New Canaan Show.

Our Civic Affairs Committee followed town meetings concerning the location of a refuse transfer station (on the agenda ten years later, as well), the special use permit enabling Sunnyfield Farms to operate as an equestrian center, and the guidelines for conservation subdivision.

A highlight of Marion's presidency was the presence of former Governor Tom McCall of Oregon, a celebrated conservationist, who spoke at a public meeting which was sponsored. Garden Club of America officers and directors chartered a bus and came up from New York, despite the fact that it was one of the snowiest of nights. Governor McCall spoke on "The Oregon Plan Adapted to the Northeast" on March 9, 1976.

As all good things must come to an end, after eighteen years, the Friendship Garden Club was reluctantly brought to a close. The women's prison, being understaffed and overscheduled, felt that the Friendship Garden Club paled in comparison with the other worthwhile projects such as AA, Legal Aid, and high school and college courses which were being offered. In the beginning, the Friendship Garden Club was the only source of volunteers, a fact of which we can always be proud.

Having the summer before celebrated our country's Bicentennial, we helped our state constitution do the same the next year, 1977, but on a much reduced scale. We planted the John Jay Gardens in blue and gold, the state colors. We also completed the stone work at the garden and an old stone wall against which we planted some of the old rambler roses. A small bronze marker near the garden entrance proclaims our participation.

We continued to educate the area children as well. In 1976-1977 the School Conservation Education Program reached approximately one thousand children and included Increase Miller, Rippowam Cisqua and Katonah Elementary schools.

We had the pleasure of financially supporting two local projects. When the Marsh Sanctuary was beset by vandalism, we were able to donate \$1,000 to aid in the repair. And when the Historical Society requested help in purchasing the land around the Bedford Oak, we as a club and as individuals rallied to protect this venerable tree.

It was decided to have a flower show in 1977 for our pleasure and that of the community, since a "Fund Raiser" was not necessary. "Flowers in the Park" was held on June 17th and 18th at Leonard Park in Mount Kisco. The placing of a yellow and white striped tent near the pond and the pagoda gave the occasion an attractiveness that drew some 800 people. Both Exhibitions, in the tent, and Horticulture, in the pagoda, included educational classes open to the public. Betsy Botzow's doll house was in the middle of the pagoda to house the miniature entries. In an adjoining parking lot under another tent, food was available and local merchants staffed their small boutiques. The fee charged for the rental of space went to the Northern Westchester Hospital Planting Project. The outstanding calibre of the entries in the show, both in Horticulture and Exhibitions, was attested to by the fact that the judges unanimously recommended "Flowers in the Park" for the Garden Club of America Zone III Flower Show Certificate. Only two of these awards have been made in Zone III, and both were presented to our club.

Finally, as was fitting, Marion presided over the institution of the first Horticultural Award--a gold trowel pin, to be given on the basis of overall club activity with particular emphasis on horticulture. Funded in part by Mrs. Percy Ebbott, it was awarded for the first time to Mrs. Thomas Purdy, a niece of Miss Eloise Luquer, who followed in her aunt's footsteps.

Marion's expectations of herself, to strive for expertise and for excellence, were qualities with which she imbued the Club during her term as President. For this, we thank her.

IN MEMORIAM

- 1975 Mrs. Winfield Taylor (1962) Assistant Treasurer
1964-1966; Treasurer 1966-1970
- 1976 Mrs. Carl Tucker, Sr. (1922)
- 1976 Miss Helen G. Wylly (1953)
- 1977 Mrs. L. Hollingsworth Wood

"HISTORIC BEDFORD"

Although many organizations participated in the success of "Historic Bedford," sponsored by the Bedford Bicentennial Committee on May 22-23, 1976, The Bedford Garden Club was especially well represented. The House Tour, chaired by Mrs. William W. Eggleston, who also served as Treasurer for the weekend program, included the homes of four of our members--Mmes. Harvey, Hazard, Renwick and Gerard H. Wood. Our Exhibitions Committee provided magnificent floral displays for three of the houses, and some 25 members, dressed in period costumes, served as hostesses for the Tour.

Historical Hall was the scene of a street of old Bedford shops and crafts, beautifully staged by our Mrs. Richard H. Lawrence and Mrs. Arthur C. Romaine from Rusticus. Especially noteworthy were the Apothecary Shop recreated by Mrs. Peter Oliver and the New York unit of the Herb Society and the "ladies' fashions" shop organized by Mrs. James Todd, Mrs. Cortlandt S. Van Rensselaer and Rusticus' Mrs. William B. Chappell.

The program for the weekend was a 1976 edition of The Advance, a newspaper published in Bedford from 1875 to early 1876. Special thanks go to the editors, Mrs. John P. McGarry, Jr. and Mrs. Richard S. Wilson, as well as to Miss Dorothy Hinitt and Mr. Donald W. Marshall, who assumed responsibility for the research.

Two glorious days added to the enjoyment of the weekend by an estimated 7,000 residents and visitors. Moreover, while the event was not intended to be profit-making, we fully covered our expenses. After returning the \$500 seed money generously contributed by the Bedford Garden Club, the committee was able to turn over a small "profit" to the Bedford Historical Society toward the reconstruction of Historical Hall.

My deep appreciation goes to all of our members whose contributions of time and talent assured the great success of this bicentennial weekend.

Betsy Atkins, Chairman of "Historic Bedford"

MRS. HUGH S. COWARD

1977-1979

Mrs. Coward was President of the Bedford Garden Club from October 1977 to June 1979. In 1977, the Bedford Garden Club decided to change its year of office to conform with the Garden Club of America timetable. Although this resulted in an abbreviated term for Ditta, her contributions were legion. She had a flair for perfection, disarming charm and enthusiasm, and was the recipient of awards and ribbons in many shows.

During her presidency, Ditta supervised the first phase of the restoration of the gardens at the John Jay Homestead. On a very hot May 31st in 1978, the crescent beds were planted. However, the archaeological digs in the old garden had just been completed, and our club's involvement at the John Jay Gardens was about to expand to such a degree that it would be no longer a Conservation Committee project, but a major ongoing effort of the entire club.

At Ditta's suggestion, committees for the three hamlets of Bedford, Bedford Hills and Katonah met to discuss beautification of their communities. The Garden Club provided the tubs, the plants and the labor, and the merchants cooperated in the watering. Thirty-seven tubs of flowers were planted in Bedford Village and Bedford Hills. (Because the situation was quite different in Katonah, it was decided to make a gift of money, equaling the amount spent in the other hamlets, to the Katonah Village Improvement Society for permanent planting of the Route 117 islands opposite the Katonah Library.) The villages took on a new look.

To encourage bluebirds to repopulate our area, we distributed eighty bluebird nesting boxes made by Mr. Beresford Proctor of Mamaroneck.

As our props for club shows and other properties are recycled from year to year, a storage area is necessary, and this year everything was moved from Wood's barn to Jane Clark's house. Included were all material pertaining to the Club history and extra copies of the two Club Histories, under the charge of Mrs. Merle Crowell, who succeeded Miss Hinitt as Club Historian.

Our new calendar year coincided with a new era for us at John Jay Gardens. The prolonged efforts of Betsy Botzow, Alice Todd and many others to persuade the state of New York to allow the Bedford Garden Club's restoration of the upper garden beds at John Jay Homestead finally bore fruit (and flowers!).

Catherine Ziegler adapted plans for resurrecting the John Jay Homestead Gardens. She did this from a design which Judith Hahn, a graduate student, compiled from the completed architectural digs and historical records and letters. After obtaining approval by the state for Catherine's adapted plan, we accepted Rose-dale Nursery's bid for the first four sections of phase one of our two-phase plan.

To finance this undertaking, our club made plans for a major house tour. It had to be cancelled. The Ways and Means Chairman stated that due to the energy crisis and the exposure problems, there would be no benefit. Instead, an in-club pool tour and flower show, titled "September Splash," with lunch at the Bedford Golf and Tennis Club, was presented by the Exhibition and Horticulture Committees. The arrangement classes were fun and varied, and included a class of free-style arrangements, floating or submerged in Marilyn Tilt's pool. (Alas, several years later the Tilts' car managed to get submerged in that same pool!--editor's note.)

One of Ditta Coward's hopes and dreams was to have a garden club flower show held at Caramoor. Although this was not possible while she was president, it has since been done most successfully, and promises to become a tradition.

IN MEMORIAM

- 1978 Mrs. Elizabeth Cushman Fish (1958)
 1978 Mr. Louis K. Hyde, Jr. (1952)

MRS. FOXHALL A. PARKER

1979-1983

Mrs. Parker brought to the Club's presidency her great enthusiasm, energy and devotion. As she grew in her expertise as an arranger of miniatures, so did she grow expert at mobilizing the energy and time of our club's members in projects that would be satisfying and productive. At a time of high inflation, she realized the importance of making our club financially stable. To this end she initiated a project of buying chrysanthemums from a New Jersey wholesaler for resale in Bedford. These plants were transported by members in their station wagons as telephone calls to our Bedford acquaintances created orders. After traveling the mad highways of New Jersey, the transportation group had a renewed appreciation for the beauty and serenity of Bedford's trees and dirt roads.

Our club wholeheartedly continued to support the Town as it battled subdivision and down-zoning proposals and rejected a new Bedford Village firehouse.

Mrs. Richard Weinland's talk, "The Venerable Brotherhood of Trees," was particularly appropriate in a year when our conservation concerns were directed against proposals to aerial spray Sevin to limit the destruction by the gypsy moth infestation. (The Town concurred.)

While our club could not take any credit for it, the Butler Sanctuary was recognized by the Audubon Society as the second best observation point in Westchester for the hawk migration. In the Mianus River Gorge the new warden's house was completed. At the Luquer-Marble Wildflower Garden in Ward Pound Ridge Reservation, Marna MacLean and Anne Nichols cleaned, labeled and planted.

The Conservation and Horticulture Committees joined in a Garden Club of America project to produce postcards of endangered plant species. Our card featured *Lobelia Cardinalis* from a photograph taken by Mr. William B. Hubbell, Jr., who is the husband of one member, the son of another, and the brother of a third member.

To preserve our club's historical records, Mr. and Mrs. Edwards O'Boyle donated two large metal cabinets. Quite an improvement over the paper bags and boxes used hitherto!

As a prelude to our June, 1980 show, the Exhibitions Committee first staged an all-member show and then followed with workshops with such titles as "Why Flower Shows?", "What Judges Look for in Judging a Class" (Ditta Coward and Gretchen Hill), "How to Prepare for Entering a Show," and "Abstract Flower Arranging" (Starr Lawrence).

June 13th and 14th brought our first major flower show in several years. "Flowers in Concert," chaired by Emily Tucker, was held in the Venetian Theatre at Caramoor. A preview cocktail party entertained 350 people. The following day the show was open to the public, approximately 250 strong. Box lunches and refreshments were sold and the boutique featured the ivy wreaths made by the Horticulture Committee. The Conservation Committee prepared an exhibit featuring the seven major nature sanctuaries and preserves in the Bedford area. The net proceeds amounted to \$1,913, but also included capital expenditures, such as a new supply of our Bedford Garden Club playing cards. This Club endeavor was considered a success and an excellent reintroduction into the process of staging a major flower show.

When the cost of printing our "blue book" (our Yearbook) became prohibitive, Margaret Pierce investigated and then effected a new form for the Yearbook. Each member bought for \$5.00 a six inch by eight inch blue looseleaf binder with dividers. The Yearbook, which is copied on three-hole paper, can be annually updated. Miss Dorothy H. Hinitt continued to serve as editor.

Although strictly a town production, our members contributed in many ways to the celebration of Bedford's tricentennial (1680-1980). Mrs. Oliver was Chairman of the exhibition of rooms in Historical Hall. These included Betsy Atkin's 1680 "Settlers' Room," the 1780 "Van Courtland Room," created by Mmes. Oliver, Todd and Van Rensselaer, and an 1880 "Victorian Room," the responsibility of Starr Lawrence. Ditta Coward served as Chairman of the Preview Party. Mrs. Waller brought the memorable weekend to a close with a supper at her house. Many other members arranged flowers, organized the children in the skit, and donated time, talent and material.

Continuing our restoration of the John Jay Gardens, in the fall of 1980 a group planted a very large bed with day lilies which were contributed by Mr. Rigdon Boykin. The following spring this bed was weeded and heavily mulched with wood chips.

At our local sanctuaries, activity continued, whether it was by the birds (pileated woodpeckers in Mianus Gorge) or for the birds (a hawk watch platform erected in Butler Sanctuary). Westmoreland Sanctuary acquired another 88 acres of land from the estate of the late Dr. Rufus Cole. This brought the total acreage of the Sanctuary to 625. The area includes "Cole Kettle," a glacially formed depression a quarter of a mile in diameter and 250 feet deep, which is one of the few mink and otter runs in Westchester County.

On June 13th and 14th of 1981, a flower show was held again in the Venetian Theatre at Caramoor. "Fete Des Fleurs" took place on a Saturday and Sunday so that "The Friends of Caramoor" could enjoy the Show on Sunday evening. The Show's preview cocktail party was attended by 331 people. The following day 227 tickets for admission were sold to the public, despite a dank, rainy day. Our net proceeds were approximately \$2,500. The staging included six collapsible 4' x 6' boxes, built by Mr. Roger Vincent, to house the class, "Horologic Gardens."

While developers seemed to have as their motto, "Give us What We Want or We Will Sue," Bedford Garden Club lent support to those groups and individuals objecting to a condominium development on Sarles Street, a down-zoning request next to the Fox Lane Campus, and also one next to the Bedford Village Playhouse for an office building. One positive accomplishment was a town ordinance requiring hunters to have written permission to hunt and trap on private property.

At John Jay Homestead, we planted three crabapple trees in the pool area as we continued, under Mrs. William Ziegler, to implement the master plan for restoring the John Jay gardens. The Homestead provided us with a quaint refurbished potting shed as a storage spot for the club tools we hope to acquire.

An ingenious entrance at Beaver Dam Sanctuary finally kept trespassing dune buggies and motorcycles at bay, and at the Meadow Field a cyclical mowing schedule was started, known as selective maintenance cutting, so that a varied habitat can be maintained throughout.

This was the year that all our properties, bags, plastic glasses and selected pieces of burlap were moved to Mrs. Meredith Ewing's pool house basement.

At the request of the John Jay Homestead, the Exhibitions Committee created a reusable pine wreath for the Homestead's Christmas decorations. For Caramoor's June benefit, this committee created the table arrangements. Much of the rest of their time was spent exhibiting in other shows and preparing for our own June show.

The Horticulture Committee held workshops covering fuscias, bulbs for forcing, seed catalogs, orchids and exhibiting. All this instruction paid off not only in our own show but also as members of this committee continued to have success in other shows and enjoyment at home.

June 10th-12th, 1982, found most of us at the Venetian Theater at Caramoor where our third annual Caramoor show had an Austrian motif. The centerpiece of the staging for the arrangement classes was a new hexagonal-shaped structure which had niches for miniature arrangements. This unique and clever property was designed by Mrs. George Hill, Jr. and engineered and built by Mr. George W. Hill, Jr. The main attraction of the horticultural classes were six, four by six foot, gardens based on the theme of a saint. (Saint Francis populated most.) The Conservation exhibit was an excellent map showing the waters of Bedford and emphasizing the one hundred year flood plain. While over three hundred fifty attended the Preview Party, at least five hundred people enjoyed the show on Friday which featured a box lunch, a flower arranging demonstration and horticulture advice offered by a Kitchawan member. To encourage families to come on Saturday, there was a children's flower show and two free puppet shows in the tennis pavilion. The success of this show under Mrs. Ronald Atkins was phenomenal: club participation of ninety per cent and net proceeds of \$6,671 (\$1,891 of that from the needlepoint rug raffle).

Because of these new funds for our Civic and Educational account, a poll was taken in "Clippings" and \$2,000 was used for the purchase of a suitable sundial for the upper garden and for a fountain for the lower garden. Catherine Ziegler worked tirelessly.

Another year brought two, by now, familiar topics. One was the pressure for large developments in Bedford. Projects at the Route 22 and Route 172 intersection and near Fox Lane Campus were proposed. In response the Committee to Save Bedford was formed and the Town Board began to consider the possibility of designating an area of Bedford as a "Critical Environmental Area." The

Conservation Committee led in the drive to educate our members and the town about water quality. Their exhibit at our 1983 show was a collection of maps showing critical environmental areas in our community.

The second familiar topic was our "Flowering America" show at Caramoor.

The Exhibition Committee began its year by making sixty-five table arrangements for the Caramoor benefit, and ended with our own show at Caramoor. June 17th and 18th, 1983, was our fourth show in the Venetian Theatre--"Flowering America," chaired by Mrs. Atkins, back for a repeat performance. The Preview Party on the 16th was attended by over three hundred people. Fourteen different clubs were represented in the show. Horticulture's most spectacular class was "American Tableau," five different plant and garden displays representative of different parts of America. Cold fried chicken with red and blue calico napkins, a well displayed boutique and a raffle featuring a hand-quilted wall hanging all contributed to a net profit of \$6,325 for our Civic and Educational Fund.

When the Horticulture Committee was not planning for "Flowering America," it was discovering interesting varieties of houseplants from Logees Greenhouse or exchanging home grown seedlings with one another. Mmes. Corser and MacLean formed a committee to help them maintain the Luquer-Marble Wildflower Garden. Planting Day went smoothly, but the tubs at Hunting Ridge Mall were abandoned as they had succumbed to vandalism the year before. One of our most expert horticulturists, Mimi Mitchell, brought honor to us all when she received two 1sts (one for plant material and one for design) for the same exhibit at the Zone III meeting.

Helen presided over her double term with enthusiasm and determination that our club should become solvent, organized and respected. It was not always easy for her to get her way, but the membership finally learned and felt pride in their accomplishments.

IN MEMORIAM

- 1979 Mrs. Richard H. Gordon (1950)
1979 Mrs. Aertsen P. Keasbey, Jr. (1956)
1981 Mrs. Dudley B. Bonsal (1959)
1981 Mrs. James L. Harrison (1935) Treasurer 1948-50
1981 Mrs. Peter Oliver (1940) First Vice-President
1943-45; President 1959-61
1981 Mrs. David B. Beattie (1974)
1983 Mrs. James Todd (1956)
1983 Mrs. Percy Ebbott (1957)
1983 Mr. George W. Hill, Jr., Privileged Member

THE BEDFORD TRICENTENNIAL 1680-1980

The Bedford Garden Club helped celebrate Bedford's Tricentennial with splendid effort. Our outstanding achievement was at Historical Hall. Mrs. Oliver was Chairman of the exhibition. Mrs. Atkins' 1680 "Settlers' Room" won great acclaim. The 1780 "VanCortlandt Room" was created by Mrs. Oliver, Mrs. Todd and Mrs. Van Rensselaer. The 1880 "Victorian Room" was charming. Mrs. Lawrence was responsible for the special quality of this masterpiece.

Mrs. Coward was Chairman of the Preview Party on Friday, May 30th, which was pronounced a great success. The Mayor of Bedford, England, and his wife were guests of honor. More than 20 members of the Garden Club were hostesses throughout the weekend. One member contributed to cover all expenses, and others painted and worked behind the scenes.

The Tricentennial Ball on Saturday, May 31st, was made lovely with flowers. Mrs. Robert Vincent, Mrs. Edmonston and Mrs. Husted arranged to have all the flowers donated and Mrs. Wamsley and Mrs. J. Paul Kennedy contributed the delightful Bedford Oak confections. The husband of our member, Mrs. Park, toasted the Queen of England. The Mayor of Bedford, England, toasted Bedford, U.S.A., and Congressman Hamilton Fish, Jr., replied.

The pageant on the Green on June 1st saw the Garden Club still in action. Mrs. Tilt was in charge of all the children. Many took part in the numerous scenes. We even had husbands of members who were descendents of the first settlers: Phillips Lounsbery and John P. Renwick, Jr.

After the Pageant, Mrs. Waller gave a final supper for all the honored guests and those who had worked so hard to make the Tricentennial a success.

Alice dePeyster Todd

MRS. JAMES R. PIERCE

1983-1985

After terms of Bedford Garden Club Presidents who served as either Horticulture or Flower Show Chairmen (previously or subsequently), it was fitting and timely that this President should feel a commitment to Conservation.

During this term of office, the Treasurer developed a comprehensive budget for the Club which included contributions to almost all the sanctuaries in our area. In addition to these and other donations, our club in its own small way financially supported research into the demise of our beloved native dogwood, *cornus florida*. Through Garden Club of America's plant exchange program of "Plants That Merit Attention," our club helped to preserve endangered plant species.

Participation in the Garden Club of America water conservation project was accomplished with an exhibit designed and constructed by Joyce Espy and Betty Wamsley. This timely project coincided with our club's being instrumental in urging the town of Bedford to create a Critical Environmental Area, as well as a master plan. "Aquifer," "toxic waste" and "DEIS" (Draft Environmental Impact Study) became household words.

While we continued to provide Christmas wreaths, and planting and weeding for the community, we also donated money. Catherine Ziegler donated much time and expertise for the installation of a beautiful bronze water fountain in the gardens of the John Jay Homestead. This culminated years of effort begun by Betsy Botzow and continued by Betsy Atkins, Edie Lewis, Alice Todd and Catherine Ziegler.

We contributed Exotica to the Katonah Library, had many and varied workshops and made an effort to participate in, learn from and enjoy flower shows and programs in the tri-state area. Candy Borner offered her computer to produce address labels for meeting notices. They were described thus: "The computer's sticky label production is as reliable as Mrs. Sharp's sitting hens."

With Rusticus Garden Club, we hosted the Zone III Meeting, which included twenty-two clubs. We had three perfect warm, dry days. The first day consisted of

orientation at John Jay Homestead and dinners at private homes. The information for the visitors was not contained in a bag this year, but in a box with a minimum of three coats of apple green paint. Included in each was a beautiful streptocarpus, grown under the lights of Mimi Mitchell and Margie Pierce. The next day the business meeting took place at John Jay Homestead and was followed by the plant exchange and an exhibit of fantastic flower arrangements, both held under the front porch. Lunch followed at Mrs. Waller's. Her cook was participating in her third Zone III Meeting, while Mrs. Waller's godson, Mr. Rigdon Boykin, delayed his departure to his law office so that he could dig and wrap his daylilies as a present for each luncheon guest. The pièce de résistance followed. It was a tour of five houses, each displaying a particular plant family in depth: Mrs. Ronald R. Atkins, Gesneriaceae; Mrs. William A. Belden, Solanaceae or Nightshade; Mrs. Eric H. Haight, Compositae; Mrs. George H. C. Lawrence (Rusticus), Labiatae; Mrs. John E. Lockwood (GCA Member-at-Large), Begoniaceae. "Sally Solanaceae," a creation of Anne French and Anne Polk, was a typical garden club hostess, most seductive. She was a large buxom doll wearing tiny red pepper earrings. A close look, however, disclosed that the printed menu at the table she was presiding over contained strictly poisonous concoctions, a bit of comic relief for everyone to enjoy. That night dinner was held at the Mount Kisco Country Club. The table arrangements were sensational in abstract glazed clay containers made by a member's teenage daughter, Elizabeth Tilt, a friend, Lauren Welsch, and the Rippowam-Cisqua Art Teacher, Mrs. Robin Price. The next day the guests were captivated by two slide shows, one on landscape design and the other on wild plant life. This meeting took place at Westmoreland, where an intriguing and educational Toxic Cupboard, the creation of Lynn Babcock and Louisa Tiné, attracted much attention. Accompanying material explained the cupboard's contents of potentially harmful household products. After a box lunch, the Presidents and delegates were on their way home. All this activity was the culmination of everyone's effort for months, but most of the work and credit for the outstanding success went to our Zone Meeting Co-Chairmen, Starr Lawrence and Marion Woodward from Bedford, and Mrs. George Lawrence and Mrs. Henry Eckhardt from Rusticus.

The Luquer-Marble Lecture at the Pound Ridge Reservation, given by Marion Woodward, focused on Miss Luquer's life, and on her wildflower paintings. We donated Miss Luquer's slides to the Trailside Museum.

Our support of the previous year was rewarded when Bedford Village was declared a Critical Environmental Area to help protect our town's assets, both historical and environmental.

At Greensday, members not only created wreaths for the community, but also stuffed five thousand envelopes with bird posters for Garden Club of America, which mailed a total of over eighty thousand. This project was the result of one small ad in the "Stocking Stuffer" section of Family Circle Magazine.

This President emphatically emphasized the importance of recycling, as landfills were being closed and a solid waste crisis loomed upon the horizon.

While the combined Conservation and Civic Affairs Committee educated us in the dangers of toxic waste, and urged us to participate in the County Clean-up Day, the Toxic Cupboard made its way from one local library to the next. Three of our members served on the Bedford Wetlands Commission and Conservation Board.

As the result of a Garden Club of America project to establish a slide library on Notable American Parks and Gardens, Mrs. Edward A. LeRoy and Mrs. Charles H. McDuffie sorted and selected the large hand-painted glass lantern slides of our own old Bedford gardens to be transferred to 35mm slides. The showing of these slides with narrator Ann McDuffie became a favorite program. The lavishness of the gardens is impressive--copious beds carefully maintained, obviously by that disappearing breed, the on-site gardener.

Wanting to leave our club in the same sound financial state bequeathed to her, Margie Pierce organized a "small" flower show and pool tour to be held at the beginning of her successor's term. "In the Good Old Summertime" occurred on the coldest, rainiest day June has ever seen. The only sign of summer was in Historical Hall. Here the high quality of exhibits earned the Bedford Garden Club the Catherine Beattie Medal, and Starr Lawrence, the Harriet De Waele Puckett Creativity Award. Visitors from other clubs fortunately had the strong constitutions and perseverance of so many gardeners and, in spite of the weather, relished a look at the pools of Mr. and Mrs. Dennis Dix, Mr. and Mrs. Peter Ehrlich, Mr. and Mrs. Peter E. Guernsey, Jr., Mr. and Mrs. Phillips Lounsbury, and Mr. and Mrs. John P. Renwick, Jr. Fortunately, the next day dawned as a June day should and welcomed the

general public to see not only the outstanding horticultural and flower arranging exhibits, but also a multimedia exhibit vividly demonstrating the effects of acid rain. This display, by Anne French, had everyone trying to catch flies for the toads so they would survive the exhibit--if not acid rain. The show entertained 205 visitors gratis, while the pool tour and lunch netted \$4,700. A huge success!

A perfectionist at heart, Margie Pierce left no stone unturned in any aspect of the functioning of the Club. As a result, each club undertaking was brilliantly executed.

IN MEMORIAM

- 1983 Mrs. J. Ritchie Boyd (1946)
- 1984 Miss Helen Clay Frick (1926)
- 1984 Mrs. Carel Goldschmidt (1967)
- 1984 Mrs. Thomas L. Purdy, Jr. (1965) Vice-President
- 1985 Mrs. Edwin DeT. Bechtel (1938) President 1940-1943
- 1985 Mrs. Louis K. Hyde, Jr. (1952)
- 1985 Mrs. William Kemble (1949)

MRS. THOMAS D. CUNNINGHAM, JR.

1985-1986

Mrs. Cunningham came well prepared for the presidency of the Bedford Garden Club, having been, over the years, Chairman of the Medals and Awards Committee, the Membership Committee, the Nominating Committee (twice), and was the Club Treasurer and First Vice-President. Through all of these varied jobs she never seemed to lose her low-key manner and pleasant smile. Her first year's concentration was on the fifth Caramoor Flower Show and the upcoming 75th Anniversary Party.

Under Gilda McGarry, we returned to Caramoor for our Flower Show. The Spanish Courtyard was used rather than the Venetian Theatre, and "Andalusian Summer" became the theme. For those who were ignorant of the term "Andalusia," reference books were searched, and "sun" and "warmth" became the image of Andalusia. How then, did torrents of rain and wind appear on June 12, 1986, the day for set-up, judging and the preview party? Luckily, Friday, June 13th, bloomed as beautifully as did all the arrangements. Good leadership and membership support enabled us to replenish our Civic and Education Account with \$6,258!

We added to the list of our annual contributions two causes: the Student Conservation Association and the Garden Club of America National Parks Commission. We also began a one-year commitment to join other local garden clubs in taking turns arranging flowers at the Bedford Village Library.

Rising costs and the expenses required in providing excellent programs, rising budgets and our invaluable newsletter, "Clippings," necessitated an increase in dues. Included in this increase was a change in the method of funding the hostesses' expenses at meetings. In this way, the expenses will be spread over the whole membership rather than being limited to that smaller number who serve almost annually as hostesses. Thus, every member will donate annually to the hostess kitty through the dues.

The Civic Affairs and Conservation Committee continued to stay abreast with Town activities. At least one of its members attended each meeting of the Town Planning Board and Zoning Board during the year. In addition, three of our own members have been officially

active in our town: Catherine Ziegler, Chairman of the Wetlands Commission, and Ann McDuffie and Betty Wamsley, members of the Conservation Board. Our Conservation Committee held four meetings, each focusing on, and held at, a local sanctuary or reservation. From an all-ages picnic at the Luquer-Marble Wildflower Garden, which included wee ones coming with their mothers, to the meeting held at the home of one of our most venerable and cherished members, Miss Elizabeth Van Brunt, the meetings were thoroughly enjoyable as well as educational. The Conservation Committee's "Groundwater and Pollution" exhibit at "Andalusian Summer" was exceptional. Also, they sold two environmentally desirable products: diatomaceous soil for slug control and degradable recycled trash bags.

We continued to support our local sanctuaries. The Palmer Lewis and Ramsey Hunt Audubon Sanctuaries focused on increased membership and more communication, while Beaver Dam Sanctuary boasted of its Preserve having watched over 16,000 hawks, as well as having research programs on flying squirrels and orchids. Mianus River Gorge appointed a new executive director, our own club member, Anne French. As one whom the Gorge nurtured as she grew up, Anne's love for this area is well known. While the other sanctuaries continued to be just that--sanctuaries--Ward Pound Ridge was invaded by snowmobiles and four wheel vehicles. Fortunately, Westmoreland visitors continued to enjoy its woodlands on foot and crosscountry skis.

The perennial favorites in flower arranging competition, Betsy Atkins, Starr Lawrence and Helen Parker, were joined by Mmes. McMillan, Smith, Tine, Weissinger, Wharton and Wilson. Our members exhibited and won as far away as Hawaii and the midwest.

Since the Horticulture Committee concentrated on growing unusual house plants, its members were forced to show their mettle at an "in-club" show at the Polk's. The response was heartening, in fact, exhilarating! Alice Wallis, Rosemary Mankiewicz, Mimi Mitchell and Margie Pierce continued to be consistent winners in shows.

The Bedford Club judges, both for Flower Arranging and Horticulture, Mmes. Botzow, Coward, Edmonston, Hill, Lawrence, Regan and Woodward, had an active time judging countrywide. A very able group, indeed.

The John Jay Gardens continued to flower and flourish under our care. Plans were approved by New York State to replant the circle of grass around the fountain with chrysogonum, a flowering ground cover.

Our club, while serving as an educational and contributing agent, continued as a focus of friendship and hospitality in our all too hurried lives. The Bedford Garden Club has had a special quality of comradeship, which has been nurtured as we have striven for excellence in flower arranging, horticulture, conservation and preservation.

Louise has two hopes for the completion of her term. One is for the Club to be granted total tax exemption, not just exemption limited to the Civic and Education Fund. The other hope is for the Club to get a strong start on a savings account for the operating fund, to cover exceptional expenses which are not financed by the dues.

IN MEMORIAM

- 1986 Mrs. William FitzGibbon (1954)
- 1986 Mrs. John O'Connor (1951)
- 1986 Mrs. Ann Creamer Shuttleworth (1958)

SEVENTY-FIFTH ANNIVERSARY

November, 1986 found every available member involved in preparations for a 75th Anniversary celebration--a birthday dinner party at the Bedford Hills Community House. Attractive and original centerpieces of vegetables decorated each table; flower arrangements depicting eras and events of the Club were exhibited throughout the building--even Sally Solanaceae was there, accompanied by her menu of poison dishes.

A group of more limber members created their own papier mache costumes and, as pea, corn, carrot, beet, tomato and asparagus, danced and sang of their undying commitment to the Garden Club of America. Mrs. Frank Hunter Potter, looking as she had 75 years ago in the black lace and bustle, returned just for the evening to hostess the event. The audience was presented with glimpses of past endeavors: The canning factory, a pantomime of a frantic flower show arranging class and the farcical events of a board meeting. As the evening's entertainment ended, a space ship illuminated a dark stage while familiar voices discussed the delights of traveling to outerspace gardens and the difficulties of growing outside of earth's gravity.

Husbands and wives invited to appear in fanciful dress enjoyed dinner followed by a flower garden birthday cake appropriately surrounded by a hungry herd of deer gazing longingly over the garden fence.

Such a celebration took an enormous amount of planning and work and gave in return a very good time--100 years anyone!

Mimi Mitchell

PROGRAMS

According to the By-laws, "A minimum of seven regular meetings shall be held each year". The Program Committee shall arrange programs "covering and consistent with the work and interests of the Standing Committees and other interests of the Club".

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Mrs. George B. Kelly, Chairman

1971

November 17th: Dr. P. P. Pirone, of New York Botanical Garden, spoke on "Tree Problems in Town of Bedford and How to Solve Them" at Historical Hall, Bedford.

1972

January 19th: Mrs. Gertrude Grace Sill spoke on "The Impressionists and Their Flowers" at the Garden Club of America, New York City.

February 16th: Mr. Jerald Stowell spoke on Bonsai at the home of Mrs. Hobart Lewis.

April 26th: Mr. Nathaniel P. Reed, Assistant Secretary of the Interior, spoke on "Current Environmental Problems" at an Open Meeting with Rusticus at the Bedford Rippowam School at 8:30 p.m.

May 24th: Spring Flower Show for every member at the Japanese Pagoda, Leonard Park, Mt. Kisco.

June 21st: Picnic and Visiting Members Gardens Meeting held at the home of Mrs. Carel Goldschmidt.

July 19th: Mrs. Lawrence L. Davis spoke on "Growing Standards" in the barn of Mrs. Everett D. Haight.

September 20th: Mrs. Oliver Vietor spoke on "Importance of Color in Flower Arrangements" in St. Matthew's Fellowship Room.

October 18th: Annual Meeting at the home of Mrs. Carll Tucker, Jr.

November 15th: "Early Days of the Bedford Garden Club" by speakers Mrs. Paul Sturtevant, Mrs. Peter Oliver and a panel at the home of Mrs. John M. Young.

December 12th: "Greensday".

1973

January 17th: Mr. Lincoln Adderly of the New York Botanical Garden spoke on "Selection and Care of House Plants" in St. Matthew's Fellowship Room.
 February 21st: Mrs. Gertrude G. Sill spoke on "Flowers in the Unicorn Tapestries" at the home of Mrs. John M. Regan, Jr., New York City.
 April 26th: Mr. Henry L. Diamond spoke on "A Time for Environmental Decisions" at an Open Meeting at the West Patent School at 8:30 p.m.
 May 15th: Mrs. Edward A. LeRoy spoke on "Bedford Gardens Then and Now" at the John Jay Homestead.
 June 26th: Mrs. Seth Brody spoke on the "Mating and Nesting of Birds" at Boscobel.
 July 25th: Mrs. Charles W. Parsons spoke on "Various Methods of Drying Flowers" at the home of Mrs. William Botzow.
 September 26th: Picnic at the home of Mrs. Peter Oliver and "arranging" of assorted materials.
 October 24th: Annual Meeting at the home of Mrs. Thomas M. Waller.

Mrs. Sidney W. Davidson, Jr., Chairman

November 14th: Mrs. Herschel Post spoke on "Man's Impact on the Environment" at Historical Hall, Bedford.
 December 5th: "All Through the House", a tour of seven Bedford houses decorated for Christmas.

1974

January 16th: Mr. F. Eugene Smith spoke on "Why Ugliness, Why Not?" at the Katonah Gallery.
 February 20th: Mr. Anthony J. Buzzanco spoke on "Wood Ducks in a Changing Environment" at Westmoreland Sanctuary Museum, Bedford.
 April 17th: Mr. Angus MacBeth spoke on "Troubled Waters: The Fight Along the Hudson" at the home of Mrs. Frank J. Pagliaro.
 May 15th: Mr. Warren Balgooyen spoke on "Our Changing Lakes", followed by a Tour of Orchid Island, at Teatown Lake Reservation.
 June 10th: Trip to Old Westbury Gardens and Planting Fields Arboretum, sponsored by the Garden Club of America Horticulture Committee.
 June 19th: Sail on the Hudson River from Garrison aboard the sloop "Clearwater".

July 17th: "Salad Days", demonstrations of three salads, sponsored by the Horticulture Committee and held at the home of Mrs. Charles R. Beattie, Jr., and the vegetable garden of Mrs. G. Peter Reed.
 September 18th: Dr. Arthur W. Galston spoke on "The Pros and Cons of Herbicides" at the Seven Springs Farm Center, Mt. Kisco.
 October 16th: Annual Meeting held at Caramoor, Katonah.
 December 11th: "Greensday" sponsored by the Exhibitions Committee and held at Westmoreland Sanctuary Museum.

1975

January 22nd: Mrs. C. S. Wade spoke on "The American Indian as Conservationist, Past and Present" at the Garden Club of America, New York City.
 February 20th: Mr. Edward Giobbi spoke on "Gardening to Eat, Eating to Live" at the Westmoreland Sanctuary Museum.
 April 30th: Trip to Pepsico Headquarters and grounds, viewing of a narrated film on "Pepsico, A Garden with Sculpture".
 May 21st: "R.S.V.P. Bedford", a Tour of Terraces.
 June 18th: Mr. Frederick L. Rath, Jr., spoke on "Presents from the Past", at the John Jay Homestead.
 July 16th: Mrs. Charles A. Barker spoke on "Early American Wildflowers and The Life of Jane Colden" at the home of Mrs. John E. Lockwood.
 September 17th: Miss Elizabeth Scholtz spoke on "Botanic Gardens are for People" at the Westmoreland Sanctuary Museum.
 October 15th: Annual Meeting held at the home of Mrs. Thomas M. Waller.

Mrs. Dennis Dix, Chairman

November 19th: Miss Elizabeth Van Brunt spoke and showed slides of Miss Eloise Luquer's Wild Flower Paintings at Historical Hall, Bedford.
 December 10th: "Greensday", sponsored by the Exhibitions Committee, held at Westmoreland Sanctuary Museum.

1976

January 21st: Mrs. Nelva Weber, Landscape Architect, spoke on "Contemporary Gardens for Minimum Maintenance" at the Garden Club of America, New York City.

February 18th: Mr. Myles Eason spoke on "Waking the Garden Up" in the indoor tennis court of Mrs. Carll Tucker.

March 9th: The Honorable Tom McCall spoke on "The Oregon Plan Adapted to the Northeast" at an Open Meeting at the Fox Lane High School at 8:30 p.m.

April 21st: Mr. Jack Eden spoke on "Vegetable Gardening" at the home of Mrs. Robert C. Vincent, Jr.

June 16th: Members Garden Tour.

Mrs. Benjamin C. Branch - "An Old-fashioned Wall Garden"

Mrs. Robert B. O'Connor - "Terrace and Perennial Border"

Mrs. E. deT. Bechtel - "Secret Gardens and Rose Garden"

Mrs. Dennis Dix - "Pool and Rock Garden"

Mrs. Graham Clark: Lunch provided and Exhibitions Competition

Mrs. Clarence E. Woodward: Lath House and Horticulture Exhibit

July 21st: Mr. Carl H. Specht spoke on "The Demonstration Gardens" at the Kitchawan Field Station.

September 22nd: "A Demonstration of Informal Flower Arrangements" by Mrs. Frederick V. Austin, Jr., Mrs. Hugh S. Coward, Mrs. George W. Hill, Jr. and Mrs. Donald W. Marshall at Westmoreland Sanctuary.

October 20th: Annual Meeting at St. Mark's Church.

November 17th: Mrs. Thomas W. Stevenson spoke on "Growing with Lights" at the New Canaan Presbyterian Church, with the New Canaan Garden Club.

December 8th: "Greensday", sponsored by the Exhibitions Committee at Westmoreland Museum.

1977

January 19th: Mr. Fahy, Director, spoke on "The Frick Collection" at the Frick Collection, New York City.

February 16th: The Photography Committee showed "Our Flowers in Focus" at the Historical Hall.

April 20th: Mr. Peter Q. Eschweiler, Planning Commissioner, Westchester County, spoke on "Harnessing the Energy of Change" at "Nonsuch".

May 10th: Trip to the rock gardens of Mr. and Mrs. Lincoln Foster in Falls Village, Connecticut, cancelled by 6 inches of snow.

May 25th: Duo Harp Recital by Lucille Johnson and Marla Kosicova at Westmoreland.

June 17th: "Flowers in the Park", a gift to the Community, an Exhibition of Horticulture, Conservation and Flower Arrangements, held in Mt. Kisco at Leonard Park.
 July 20th: "Cross River Garden Tour" arranged by Mrs. Richard H. Gordon, Mr. and Mrs. Edward A. LeRoy, Mrs. Morgan Parker and Mrs. G. Peter Reed.
 September 21st: The School Educational Committee Chairmen spoke on the School Education Program at the house of Mrs. Walter B. Mahony, Jr.
 October 26th: Annual Meeting held at the home of Mrs. Thomas M. Waller.

Mrs. John M. Regan, Jr.
 Mrs. Walter E. Winans - Co-Chairmen

November 16th: Mrs. George W. Hill, Jr., showed slides from the Garden Club of America of Miniature Historic Rooms at Historical Hall.
 December 7th: "Greensday" held at Westmoreland Sanctuary sponsored by the Exhibition Committee.

1978

January 18th: Mrs. James Purviance, Mrs. Charles C. Lee and Mrs. James C. Brady spoke and showed slides on "Crashing Through English Gardens" at the home of Mrs. John M. Regan in New York City.
 February 15th: Mrs. Thomas M. Waller and Mrs. Hobart Lewis spoke on "Yesterday and Today at the Garden Club of America" at St. Matthew's Church.
 April 19th: Mrs. John Poinier spoke and showed slides on "The Miracle of Growth" at the home of Mr. Donald R. Atkin.
 May 17th: Trip to the rock gardens of Mr. and Mrs. Lincoln Foster in Falls Village, Connecticut.
 June 14th: Annual Meeting held at "Nonsuch".
 July 19th: Mrs. Reese Himes spoke on "Shady Gardens" at the Historical Hall.
 September 13th: "September Splash" Pool Tour and Flower Show.
 October 19th: Mrs. Sheila Macqueen gave a demonstration of Flower Arranging at the Historical Hall.
 November 3rd: Joint Evening Meeting with the Rusticus Club, speaker Dr. Ruth Patrick on "Energy and the Environment" at the Rippowam Cisca School.

1979

January 17th: Mrs. Carel Goldschmidt spoke on the "History of Colonial Gardens" with slides of the Museum Garden, at the Abigail Adams Smith Museum, New York City.
 February 14th: Mrs. Stuart Brunet spoke on "Green Grow your House-Plants" at St. Matthew's Church.
 April 18th: A trip to the New York Botanical Garden and a tour of the Enid Haupt Conservatory.
 May 16th: Miss Judith Huhn and Mr. Lino Lipinsky spoke on the history and restoration of the John Jay Homestead and Gardens at the John Jay Homestead.
 June 13th: Annual Meeting at Historical Hall.

Mrs. Joseph Mankiewicz, Chairman

July 18th: "Fun with Flowers", an all-member show, by Exhibitions and Horticultural Committees, at Mrs. Graham M. Clark's home.
 September 19th: Mrs. Henry R. Macy spoke on "Drying Flowers for Winter Arrangements" at the Historical Hall.
 October 24th: Miss Dorothy Purdy spoke on "Putting your Garden to Bed" at the Kitchawan Field Station (Horticulture Committee).
 November 14th: Mrs. Richard Weinland spoke on "The Venerable Brotherhood of Trees" at Historical Hall (Conservation Committee).
 December 5th: "Greensday" held at Westmoreland Sanctuary (Exhibitions).

1980

January 16th: Mr. J. Barry Ferguson spoke on "Spring in South Africa, Floral Treasures of the Cape Province", at the Garden Club of America, New York City.
 February 27th: Open Meeting, with speaker Mr. Ralph Snodsmith on "Practical Pruning", at Rippowam Cisca School.
 March: No meeting.
 April 16th: Bus trip to Duke Gardens in Somerville, New Jersey.
 May 21st: Planting Day - Bedford Village and meeting re Flower Show held at John Jay Homestead.
 June 25th: Annual Meeting at John Jay Homestead.
 July 16th: Mrs. Jacques A. Mitchell, III, spoke on "Streptocarpus Care", assisted by Mrs. James R. Pierce, at Mrs. G. Peter Reed's home.
 August: No meeting.
 September 17th: Mrs. Marjorie Blanchard spoke on "September Harvest--the many uses of fruits and vegetables", at Historical Hall.

October 15th: Program of Garden Club of America slides of Artistic Flower Arrangements presented by the Exhibitions Committee at Mrs. Graham M. Clark's home.
 November 19th: A film on "The Atlantic's Last Frontier-- Virginia Barrier Island", with Miss Maggi Mann and Miss Ruth Ann Getchell as speakers, sponsored by the Conservation Committee at St. Matthew's Church.
 December 10th: "Greensday" held at the Westmoreland Sanctuary.

1981

January 14th: Ivan MacDonald spoke on "A Quest for Flowers" at the Garden Club of America, New York City.
 February 18th: Dr. and Mrs. Matthew Ratchford gave a slide show on "Our Heritage of Spring Wildflowers" at St. Matthew's Church.
 March: No meeting.
 April 29th: At the Cary Arboretum, Milbrook, New York, we heard Mr. Robert Hebb speak on "Low Maintenance Perennials", and were guided through much of the Arboretum and the greenhouses where propagation work is being done on an international exchange level.
 May 20th: Planting Day. The John Jay Gardens and the Village Tubs were planted, and a meeting held at John Jay Homestead.

Mrs. Sidney W. Davidson, Jr., Chairman

June 17th: Annual Meeting held at the John Jay Homestead, Katonah.
 July 15th: Members spoke on "What's My Line?" at the home of Mrs. Hobart Lewis.
 August: No meeting.
 September 16th: Mrs. Eleanor Shattuck spoke on "Bringing in Your House Plants" at the home of Mrs. Frank Pagliaro.
 October 21st: Mr. Robert d'Ambrosio spoke on "The How's and Why's of Pruning" at Historical Hall at 8:15 p.m.
 November 18th: Mr. David Gold (for the Hon. R. L. Ottinger) spoke on "Energy and the Environment" at the home of Mrs. Thomas Waller.
 December 9th: "Greensday" at Westmoreland Sanctuary.

1982

January 13th: Mrs. Thomas Waller spoke on "The Environmental Ethic" at the Garden Club of America, New York City.

February 25th: Mrs. Gertrude Grace Sill spoke on "Flowers in Art" at St. Matthew's Church.
 March: No meeting.
 April 29th: Dr. Richard T. Dewling spoke on "Fighting for Good Water" at the West Patent School at 8:30 p.m.
 May 19th: Planting Day in Bedford Village, followed by a meeting at John Jay Homestead.
 June 10th: (5:30 to 8 p.m.) "The Bedford Garden Club at Caramoor".
 June 11th, 12th: (10 a.m. to 4 p.m.) Same as June 10th.
 June 17th: Annual Meeting held at the John Jay Homestead, Katonah.
 July 17th: Mr. John Troy spoke on the "Risks and Perils of Gardening in Bedford" at "Nonsuch" in Mount Kisco.
 August: No meeting.
 September 15th: Mr. Ted Lockwood spoke at a field trip to the Bartlett Arboretum.
 October 13th: A Slide Show from the Garden Club of America at John Jay Homestead.
 November 17th: Mrs. Elizabeth Browning Barlow spoke on "Rebuilding Central Park for the 1980's and Beyond" at the Garden Club of America, New York City.
 December 8th: "Greensday" at Westmoreland Sanctuary.

1983

January 19th: Mr. Edwin Morris spoke on "The Gardens of China" at St. Matthew's Church.
 February: No meeting.
 March 2nd: Mrs. Catherine Ziegler spoke on "Aspects of Landscape Design" at St. Matthew's Church.
 April 20th: Open Meeting. Mrs. Jacqueline M. Warren spoke regarding a "Status Report on Drinking Water" at Historical Hall at 8:30 p.m.
 May 24th: Planting Day in Bedford Village and at John Jay, followed by a meeting at John Jay.
 June 16th: (5:30 to 8 p.m.) "Flowering America" - The Bedford Garden Club at Caramoor.
 June 17th, 18th: (10 a.m. to 4 p.m.) Same as June 16th.

Mrs. Rodman K. Tilt, Jr.
 Mrs. Roger B. Vincent - Co-Chairmen

July 20th: A Tour of the Gardens of Mesdames Atkins, French, Hubbell, Lockwood and O'Boyle, after a meeting at the home of Mrs. Rodman K. Tilt, Jr.
 August: No meeting.

September 29th: Mr. Russ Marchand spoke on "Typically English Gardens" at the John Jay Homestead.
 October 19th: A tour of the Brooklyn Botanic Garden.
 November 16th: Two films: "Unknown Forest" and "The Garden Club of America" at the Garden Club of America in New York City.
 December 7th: "Greensday" at Westmoreland Sanctuary.

1984

February 1st: Mrs. Clarence Woodward and Mrs. William Botzow spoke on "Judging - From a Judge's Point of View" at St. Matthew's Church.
 February 29th: Mrs. Foxhall A. Parker, Mrs. Hugh S. Coward, Mrs. George W. Hill, Jr. and Mrs. Richard Lawrence - Subject: "Surprises" at St. Matthew's Church.
 March: No meeting.
 April 13th: Mr. Nicholas A. Robinson spoke on "Water: Our Neglected Resource" at West Patent School at 8:15 p.m.
 May 23rd: Planting Day, followed by a meeting at John Jay Homestead.
 June 13th: Annual Meeting at Hammond Museum.
 July 18th: Workshop: Completing handicrafts for the zone meeting. At the home of Mrs. Robert C. Vincent, Jr.
 August: No meeting.
 September 25th-27th: Zone III Meeting held at John Jay Homestead.
 October 24th: Russ Marchand spoke on "English Gardens and Countryside", Part II. At John Jay Homestead.
 November 14th: A talk and demonstration on Christmas Ornaments from natural materials by Carol Gracie, at New York Botanical Garden.
 December 5th: "Greensday" at Westmoreland Sanctuary.

1985

January 23rd: Carolyn Cunningham spoke on "Planning for Westchester for the Year 2000" at St. Matthew's Church.
 February 27th: A slide presentation of "Members' Gardens Then and Now" by Mrs. Charles H. McDuffie at St. Matthew's Church.
 March: No meeting.
 April 24th: A lecture by Dorothy W. Purdy on "Intensive Gardening Chinese Style" at the Kitchawan Field Station.
 May 22nd: "Planting Day" in Bedford Village and at John Jay Homestead, followed by a meeting at John Jay.
 June 19th: Annual Meeting at the home of Mrs. P. Chapin Nolen.

Mrs. Edward W. Kelly
Mrs. P. Chapin Nolen - Co-Chairmen

- July 10th: Members met at Nancy Vincent's to lunch and car pool in order to see Robin Roberts' gardens in Bedford Hills.
- September 18th: A bus trip to Old Westbury Gardens on Long Island, with a picnic lunch under the trees.
- October 16th: Barbara O'Brien spoke about 18th Century Gardens at St. Matthew's Church.
- November 20th: Lyndon Miller gave a slide presentation and talk about the Conservatory Gardens in Central Park at the Garden Club of America in New York.
- December 4th: "Greensday" at Westmoreland Sanctuary.

1986

- January 15th: Peter Hatch, head gardener for Monticello, spoke and showed slides in a joint meeting with Rusticus at the John Jay Homestead.
- February 19th: Alice Wallis and her Horticulture Committee put on an Intra-Club Horticulture Show at Anne Polk's. Patter Peterson came from Philadelphia to judge the show.
- April 9th: Car pooling to Wave Hill in Riverdale for a tour of the gardens and the greenhouses.
- May 21st: "Planting Day" in Bedford Village and at John Jay Homestead, followed by a meeting at John Jay.
- June 18th: Annual Meeting at the home of Mrs. Frank J. Pagliaro.

EXHIBITIONS

1971-1986

Mrs. Richard H. Lawrence

Chairman 1971-1974

The Committee's plan for Christmas decorations was accepted by the Bedford Chamber of Commerce. Members of the Junior Workshop exhibited in Rye. Eleven members made arrangements for the John Jay House in December and January. In February, Alice Todd gave a demonstration on arranging fruits and vegetables. San Moss made an arrangement for the Bedford Library. In March, two members entered the Greenwich Flower Show. Mrs. Chappell set up a trial flower show and explained judging. In April, Mina Edmonston gave a talk on flower arranging techniques. In May, five members made arrangements at the John Jay House. Also in May, we entered the Oyster Bay Show and Mrs. George W. Hill, Jr. judged, and we had our show in Leonard Park. In June, Miss Workum made arrangements for the Alice Anderson Memorial Tea at the Hospital. In August, Odette Austin gave two beginners' workshops. In September, in the Ridgefield Show we won a second, also in the New Canaan Show. In October, we entered the Rusticus Show and won a second and a third, and in Bryant Park, a third.

In January, the Committee held a mass arrangement lesson with instructors Coward, Edmonston and Hill. In February, Mrs. Bitner of Green Fingers Club gave instructions on an arrangement to express motion and rhythm. In April, Gretchen Hill gave a workshop on an arrangement to complement a piece of china.

Three entries went to the Green Fingers Show, and one to the Garden Club of America Annual Meeting at Lake Placid. Flowers were done for the John Jay House and wreaths were made for the Hospital.

With Rusticus we decorated the John Jay House for Christmas and flowers and ferns for the Christmas House Tour. There were two workshops with Mrs. Oliver Viotor. With entries in shows in Greenwich, Stamford,

Rye, Ridgefield and Bryant Park, we won two firsts, a second, a third and an honorable mention.

Mrs. Hugh S. Coward

Chairman 1974-1975

The Club entered six shows. Gretchen Hill won a first in Stamford, a second in Ridgefield. Alice Todd won a first in Garrison. Ditta Coward won best in show in Southampton, a tri-color, and their 1709 Queen Anne Silver Trophy for a year. Ditta Coward and Odette Austin won honorable mentions in the Freedom of Speech class, and a third in the Challenge class in the Bryant Park Show. Ditta Coward won an honorable mention at the Rusticus Show. Gretchen Hill judged at the Southport, Stamford, Darien and Washington, Connecticut shows, and Mina Edmonston at the Garrison Show.

Two workshops were held at St. Matthew's during the winter. In January, Mrs. C. Dary Dunham lectured on judging.

The "R.S.V.P. Bedford" Show, held in the Historical Hall, won a tri-color for Alice Todd. Other award winners were Mmes. Renwick, Tilt, Montross, Hill, Regan, Thomason, Smidt and Coward.

In June, Ditta Coward did all arrangements in the John Jay Homestead for the joint meeting with Rusticus.

Mrs. Hugh S. Coward

Mrs. George W. Hill, Jr.

Co-Chairmen 1975-1977

"Greensday" again produced Christmas wreaths for the Hospital.

In March, Ditta Coward won a third at the Green Fingers Show and a first at the New Canaan Show. In May, she won a third at the Lawrence Garden Club Show. For "Historic Bedford," arrangements were made for three houses by Mmes. Todd, Renwick, Harvey, Coward and Gerard Wood.

In June, Alice Todd arranged the centerpiece for the Alice Anderson Memorial Tea at the Hospital.

On June 16th, Gretchen Hill arranged an informal show at Jane Clark's with Mrs. Marshall judging.

In July, Bedford and Rusticus provided arrangements at the John Jay House during the Bicentennial exhibition.

In September, a program on flower arranging was demonstrated by Mmes. Marshall, Austin, Hill and Coward. Gretchen Lawrence was in charge of the Exhibition Section of the Garden Club of America area at the Bryant Park Show. Mrs. Mitchell won a second.

Greensday was unusually well attended.

In January, Mrs. Carlton Vanderwalker conducted a workshop on the basics of flower arranging.

Mmes. Lawrence and Coward received a first and a second in the Green Fingers Show in March. Starr Lawrence demonstrated line arrangements to the Little Garden Club of Rye.

Mmes. Hill, Edmonston, Lawrence, Regan and Coward judged in Rye, North Country Garden Club on Long Island and the Bryant Park Show in New York.

In July, Gretchen Hill became the new Zone III Judging Representative.

The apex of the year was "Flowers in the Park," held in Leonard Park on July 17th and 18th, 1977. Barbara Atkin and Betty Hitesman were Co-Chairmen. The Pagoda seemed a perfect setting for the Horticulture Committee Display and an adjoining tent housed the Flower Arrangements. Another tent was erected for the Conservation exhibit which included displays of the major sanctuaries. As nothing can be sold in Leonard Park, we obtained permission to put up a tent in the parking lot adjoining Leonard Park for the sale of food and to house small boutiques staffed by local merchants. There was a commission rental for the two-day period, the proceeds to be donated to the Northern Westchester Hospital Planting Project.

The outstanding calibre of the entries in the Flower Show, both in Horticulture and Exhibitions, is attested to by the fact that the Judges unanimously recommended "Flowers in the Park" for the Garden Club of America Zone III Flower Show Certificate.

Mrs. W. Denning Harvey
 Mrs. John P. Renwick, Jr.
 Mrs. William P. Thomason

Co-Chairmen October 1977-June 1979

In November, Louise Renwick gave a tea for all exhibitors and advisors. Jacquie Harvey and Louise Renwick made arrangements for the Club meeting, as did Anne French. December 4th was Greensday at Westmoreland Sanctuary as usual, with wreaths going to the Hospital and the Sanctuary Museum itself.

In January, Woo Thomason arranged four workshops at St. Matthew's House which continued into February.

In March, Jane Clark won a third at the Green Fingers Show in Greenwich, and in June the Committee arranged flowers for the Alice Anderson Memorial Tea at the Hospital.

On June 16th, an all-day meeting was held at Caramoor arranging baskets for the dinner tables for the first concert held there that year.

On September 13th, the Exhibitions and Horticulture Committees gave a Pool Tour, with lunch at the Bedford Golf and Tennis Club. In the class for artistic arrangements Ditta Coward won a first, Camie Smidt a second, Joan Montross a third, Meg Parsons a fourth. In the class of arrangements suitable to a luncheon table Jane Clark won first, Jacquie Harvey second, Barbara Vincent (Mrs. Robert) third. An unusual class was that of arrangements suitable for a children's picnic staged on the grass. Suzy Beatty won first, Tyra Cole second, Anne French third, Woo Thomason fourth. In the class for a free style arrangement to be floated on a pool, or submerged, Starr Lawrence won first, Catherine Ziegler second, Woo Thomason third, Mimi Mitchell and Ann McDuffie a fourth.

On September 22nd, Ditta Coward and Starr Lawrence entered the Bryant Park Flower Show. Ditta won a second prize under stiff competition, as the winner had won a Fenwick Award.

In October, Mrs. Macqueen was a smashing success instructing in flower arranging. While arranging, quite often backwards, she managed a very witty commentary on past experiences with the British Royal family.

In December, Greens Day was again a happy gathering. We made three large wreaths for the Northern Westchester Hospital, three for the John Jay Homestead, two for Historical Hall, and one for Miss Frick. At the celebration of the 233rd anniversary of the birth of John Jay, we made arrangements for hallways and other rooms at the Homestead.

On April 11, 1979, a workshop directed by Starr Lawrence was held at the Bedford Golf and Tennis Club. We each brought a container and a basket, the idea being to learn to arrange flowers in the Oriental fashion, requiring very few flowers. This workshop was underwritten by the Charlotte Sturtevant Memorial Fund.

In May, Alice Todd won an Honorable Mention at the Stamford Flower Show for a most original arrangement. In June, she arranged flowers at the John Jay Homestead for the Trustees' meeting. Also in June, we joined with our new Chairman, Jane Clark, to do centerpieces for the celebration at Caramoor on June 16th.

Mrs. Graham Clark

Chairman 1979-1981

An all-member show, "Fun with Flowers," was held in July at Jane Clark's house. The "bring a sandwich" luncheon meeting was well attended with enthusiastic participation.

The Bedford Garden Club was represented in the Ridgefield Flower Show by Betsy Atkins and Candy Borner. Mina Edmonston, Jane Clark and Starr Lawrence entered "Autumn in the Atrium." Starr won 2nd place for her interpretation of Coney Island. In the Green Fingers Show, Starr won 2nd place. Candy and Starr entered the Irvington Garden Club Show and Starr won a 1st.

In November, Gretchen Hill, Starr Lawrence, Alice Todd and Jane Clark made flower arrangements to be photographed for the Garden Club of America collection of slides.

Workshops during the year included an informal meeting to discuss the question, "Why Flower Shows?" A slide show of abstract paintings, followed by an abstract flower arranging workshop, was directed by Starr. A workshop, jointly attended by the Exhibition

and Horticulture Committees, was superbly led by Ditta Coward and Gretchen Hill addressing the questions: "What Judges Look for in Judging a Class," and "How To Prepare for Entering a Show." An arranging workshop was held on June 29th in the greenhouse at Caramoor where forty-seven baskets were filled with flowers and with greens cut from the grounds, to be used on tables at the opening night benefit.

"Flowers in Concert" was a beautiful show given at Caramoor on June 15, 1980. In the Artistic Classes, Opera, 1st prize was won by Ditta Coward, 2nd by Starr Lawrence, Honorable Mention by Jane Clark; Symphony in Green, 2nd prize was won by Candy Borner, 3rd by Merle Crowell; Duet, 1st prize and Best in Show awarded to Gretchen Hill, 2nd to Mimi Mitchell, 3rd to Louise Renwick; Musical, 2nd prize won by Suzy Beatty and Woo Thomason, 3rd to Joan Montross; Diminutive Composition, Honorable Mention to Helen Parker. Mr. George W. Hill designed and constructed a display unit for miniature arrangements which added an important piece to the Club's show equipment.

Four workshops were held during the 1979-81 season. They covered the basic elements of flower arranging, combinations of flower shapes and textures, color and relation to container, and constructing a line-mass arrangement.

In October, a Club meeting sponsored by the Exhibition Committee presented a slide show of outstanding arrangements selected by the Garden Club of America from photographic entries submitted by member clubs. Pictures of past Bedford Garden Club activities were also shown.

A request from the John Jay Homestead was received asking for a large holiday wreath constructed solely from pine cones to be used for the season. On Greensday, collection of the cones had begun.

We exhibited in the "Autumn in the Atrium" Show, the Ridgefield Christmas Show, and Green Fingers "Preview of Spring." Gilda McGarry and Jane Clark won 3rd place in Ridgefield, and Joan Montross an Honorable Mention. Helen Parker won 3rd place in the Green Fingers Show.

Mrs. Steven P. Borner

Chairman 1981-1983

The 1981-82 year began with a workshop held at Caramoor on June 19th at which flowers were arranged for the tables for the Caramoor benefit party.

In September, Gretchen Hill and Candy Borner entered the Darien Garden Club Show. Gretchen received a 3rd and Candy a 2nd place. Also in September, Ditta Coward won a 1st place for her arrangement in the North Country Garden Club Show.

On November 19th, we held a workshop at the John Jay Homestead and made a large pine cone wreath for the Homestead. The wreath was hung in the portrait room for the Christmas season. It will hopefully last many years and will be stored there.

In February, 1982, the Exhibition Committee brought Mrs. Gertrude Grace Sill to speak on "Flowers in Art" at our regular monthly meeting. She was a lovely speaker and was well received by the membership.

Starr Lawrence and Helen Parker exhibited at the Green Fingers Garden Club Show, "Preview of Spring." Starr received a 1st and Helen a 3rd.

We had four entries in the "Bloemen en Planten" Show in Hyde Park in April. This show was a joint effort of three clubs--Ulster, Phillipstown, and Orange and Dutchess. All of our entries won awards. Ditta Coward received a 3rd, Betsy Atkins a 2nd and a 3rd, and Candy Borner an Honorable Mention.

All our efforts after that went into last minute preparations for our own flower show in June. The Exhibitions schedule was written during the winter and mailed out in late March. The next two months were used to round up exhibitors. All 38 places in our six classes were filled by enthusiastic exhibitors. Eleven Bedford Garden Club members entered our show along with members of 13 other garden clubs. In Class 1: Barbara Vincent won a 3rd and Ditta Coward an Honorable Mention. Class 11: Ditta Coward, 1st. Class 111: Betsy Atkins, Honorable Mention. Class 1V: Helen Parker, 2nd. Class V: Gretchen Hill, 3rd. Class VI: Starr Lawrence, Honorable Mention. Mr. George W. Hill, Jr. constructed new niches for us.

We began our 1982-83 year with our flower arranging workshop at Caramoor on June 18, 1982, where we made 65 lovely basket arrangements for the Caramoor benefit. Also on June 18th, we had two entries in the "Kaleidoscope '82" New Canaan Garden Club Show. Helen Parker received a 2nd and Betsy Atkins received a 1st. On June 23rd, Helen Parker and Candy Borner went to the Zone III meeting in Lawrence. Our entry in the flower show event was made by Mimi Mitchell. It was entitled "Wind" and was truly fantastic. Mimi received two 1sts, one for plant material and one for design. It was the only arrangement in any class to receive both 1st places. Also that evening at the dinner, the Bedford Garden Club received the Garden Club of America Flower Show Award for our show "Fete des Fleurs" in June, 1981.

In July, we had two entries in the Stamford Garden Club Show, "A Country Flower Show." Both entries, one made by Betsy Atkins and the other by Ditta Coward, won 3rd places.

Helen Parker and Ditta Coward entered the Garden Club of America Show, "Autumn in the Atrium." Helen won a 1st place for her exhibit.

This year on "Greensday," in addition to wreaths for our usual recipients, two "Kissing Balls" of greens were made for John Jay Homestead. The pine cone wreath made last year for the Homestead was used again there, and only needed slight refurbishing this year.

The winter months were again used to plan our own show. Thanks to Mesdames Lawrence, Hill, Coward, Parker and Atkins, a very interesting artistic schedule was developed, and "Flowering America" became a reality. The schedule was sent out on January 24th, and immediately entries began to arrive. Because, perhaps, of the earlier mailing date and interesting schedule, the entries came in with virtually little or no prodding.

On March 4th, we had three entries in the "Preview of Spring" Green Fingers Garden Club Show. Helen Parker won a 1st, Starr Lawrence a 2nd, and Betsy Atkins an Honorable Mention.

On June 1st, Helen Parker took a delightful dried flower arrangement with her as our entry in the Zone III meeting flower show at Irvington. Meg Parsons kindly made this for us, and received a 3rd place award for her efforts.

On June 8th, all exhibitors were invited to view the staging at Caramoor for our show. Many came and lots of questions were answered and last minute "kinks" ironed out. June 14th and 15th were used for painting and setting up the props. The weather was hot and sunny. On the 16th, 1983, all 32 excited arrangers arrived to create their exhibits. Bedford Garden Club had five entries in the show, "Flowering America." Class I - Starr Lawrence - Honorable Mention; Class III - Ditta Coward - 1st and Best in Show; Pru Regan - Honorable Mention; Class IV - Betty Ewing - Honorable Mention; Class V - Neeley Crowell.

On June 17th, two members entered the Greenwich Garden Club Show, "June in Bloom." Helen Parker won a 3rd and Ditta Coward won an Honorable Mention. Also, Catherine Ziegler entered a photograph in the "My Favorite Flower" photo exhibit.

The Exhibitions Committee hereafter will be called The Flower Show Committee.

Mrs. Foxhall A. Parker

Chairman 1983-1987

The flower arrangers had a busy 1983-84 year with thirty-nine members taking part in workshops. Not everyone came to all of them, but none was poorly attended. Bringing a container, mechanics and a few flowers, the aspiring arrangers arrived at the Parker poolhouse. They left with an arrangement and a feeling of accomplishment.

The regular membership meeting, given by the Flower Show Committee, was actually a workshop. Victims were chosen by lot and given a container, a few flowers and a knife. The resulting arrangements were discussed by our Judges, Mesdames Hill, Lawrence and Coward. After this, nobody should be afraid of a challenge class.

We have tried to provide entries for all the shows that our neighboring clubs have given. We do still need to get those "Brownie Points" for our future shows.

We entered shows given by: Ridgefield, Phillipstown, Garden Club of America (Atrium), Green Fingers, Englewood, Millbrook and Greenwich. All of this effort by Mesdames Coward, Hill, French, Lawrence and Parker produced three 1sts, six 2nds and one 3rd.

The Flower Arranging Committee, along with everyone else, put much effort into the Zone Meeting, in September, 1984. Our members made arrangements for the houses on the tour, for Homestead and, of course, for the Annual Dinner at the Mount Kisco Country Club.

Greensday went off smoothly, as usual.

We had four entries in Green Fingers' "Preview of Spring," two entries in the Millbrook Garden Club's show and two in the Greenwich Garden Club's "June in Bloom." Special thanks to Gretchen Hill, who never says "No," and to Mesdames Lawrence, McMillan, Smith, Tiné, Weisinger and Wilson, for entering shows almost by choice.

At the Zone III Meeting in September, 1984, Helen Parker got a 1st.

Green Fingers brought a 1st to Helen Parker; 2nds to Mesdames McMillan, Smith and Weisinger; and Honorable Mention to Starr Lawrence.

Millbrook brought a 1st and a 2nd to Linda Wilson.

At the Zone III Meeting in May, 1985, Helen Parker again was awarded a 1st. At the Greenwich Garden Club in June, 1985, she received a 2nd.

At the Bedford Garden Club in June, 1985, Starr Lawrence won a 1st and the Puckett Award; Helen Parker a 2nd; Linda Wilson a 3rd and Gretchen Hill an Honorable Mention.

During the 1985-1986 season we had entries in shows given by Darien, Phillipstown, Greenwich, Green Fingers, Garden Club of America and, of course, our own "Andalusian Summer." We even had participants in Philadelphia.

Our workshops continued and included an outing to Stamford for our competitive arrangers.

As far as our competitors are concerned, we had lots of them and it was their entering other shows that produced entries by so many other clubs in our show.

So, to Mesdames: Atkins, Herkert, Lawrence, McMillan, Regan, Smith, Tiné, Weisinger, Wharton and Wilson deserve gratitude for hard work (done with reasonable cheer) and good results (achieved with great flair). Let's be proud of them all.

HORTICULTURE

1971-1986

Mrs. Clarence E. Woodward
Chairman 1971-1973

Mrs. Thomas L. Purdy and
Mrs. Edward R. Weidlein, Jr.
Vice-Chairmen 1971-1973

In November, Barbara Thorne demonstrated the making of terrariums at the home of Betsy Botzow. A walk in the woods followed so that each person could gather material for one of her own.

Before Christmas, Horticulture Committee members joined the Friendship Garden Club in making wreaths and decorations at the Prison.

In February, 1972, a meeting was held at Joan Branch's house to plan our flower show. Chrysanthemum cuttings were distributed and members were asked to grow salvia and petunias for the John Jay Gardens.

At the Green Fingers Show in Greenwich, in a class for horticultural and artistic perfection, Starr Lawrence won a 1st, and Anne Crane an Honorable Mention. A group went to the Philadelphia Flower Show by bus.

In June, a plant sale was held at the regular meeting.

In July, Mr. and Mrs. Marshall helped plan a small bulb forcing project. The annual cuttings exchange was held at Betsy Botzow's.

September found members preparing entries for the Bryant Park Flower Show.

A display of miniature bulbs was presented at the Annual Meeting in October.

A journey was made to Eastford, Connecticut, to the Buell Nursery, which specializes in the culture of gesneriads.

1973 opened with Mrs. Reginald Taylor of Rusticus holding a workshop on training topiaries.

An informal flower show was held at the home of Edie Lewis in March. Plants of special interest were displayed. At the Green Fingers Flower Show, Bobby Atkin won a 2nd prize for a standard azalea, as did Helen Clay Chace for hyacinths and Marion Woodward for holly cuttings.

We decorated the West Patent School's auditorium for a joint Conservation Meeting with Rusticus.

In May, we had an exploration of the Bog Walk and Miniature Conifer Garden at the Bartlett Arboretum, followed by a picnic.

In July, there was a meeting at the Tool Shed Nursery for a demonstration of making cuttings and discussing composting, given by Helen Whitman and Charlotte Lee, followed by picnicking at Ellen Purdy's.

Mmes. Botzow and Woodward attended a workshop for prospective horticulture judges at the Berkshire Garden Center in Stockbridge, Massachusetts. They judged at several shows, with Mary Weidlein, apprentice.

In September, Mimi Mitchell won a 1st at the Bryant Park Flower Show for her saintpaulias.

Mrs. Jacques A. Mitchell, III
Chairman 1973-1975

Mrs. Durando A. Miller, Jr.
Vice Chairman 1973-1975

In November, plants grown in the greenhouse of Mrs. Carll Tucker were sold for the Club's Christmas benefit.

A visit was paid to Sprainbrook Nursery in January.

A "Growing Program" was held at the Seven Springs greenhouse in February, the plants to be sold in May to cover costs due to gas shortages and rising fuel costs at the greenhouse.

In March, Barbara Thorne won a 2nd for a terrarium and Helen Clay Chace a 1st for an entry of hyacinths at the Green Fingers Garden Club Show.

April brought a visit to the gardens in Chappaqua of Dr. Raymon Goldsby, famous for primroses.

A busy May. A trip to Wave Hill. At the Little Garden Club of Rye Show, Mmes. Reed and Lewis won an Honorable Mention, as did Mimi Mitchell for a terrace container. Our greenhouse produce was sold at the Historical Hall, netting a profit of \$228.90.

In July, Horticulture sponsored the Club meeting at the home of Jane Beattie to view the making of summer salads and to see Polly Reed's organic garden. A horticulture flower show was held at this meeting.

At the New Canaan Flower Show in September, Bobby Atkin took 1st prize for a collection of asters.

At the Bryant Park Show in October, Mmes. Reed, Mitchell and Van Raits won a 3rd for their exhibit of starting plants from seed. Mmes. Reed and William B. Hubbell, Jr. received an Honorable Mention for their display of vegetables in a salad bowl. Mimi Mitchell was awarded a 1st for a terrace container of annuals.

In January, 1975, Betsy Botzow discussed flowers for winter windows at the Kitchawan greenhouse.

There was a meeting at Polly Reed's in February to exchange vegetable gardening ideas.

Four 2nds were won at Green Fingers. Helen Clay Chace won two in the bulb classes; Mimi Mitchell showed a columnea hanging basket and Betsy Botzow a begonia.

In April, Ruth Stout lectured to the Bedford and Rusticus Clubs.

There was a horticulture competition and plant sale at the Belden stables.

In June, there was a visit to Neeley Crowell's garden, which she planned and maintains by herself. A delight.

In September, we had four entries in the Bryant Park Show; our "Country Larder" exhibit won an Honorable Mention.

Mrs. Minturn V. Chace
Chairman 1975-1977

The 1976 program included bulb planting at the John Jay Homestead, a vegetable-growing discussion led by Polly Reed at Polly McKone's, a bulb-forcing lecture by Helen Clay Chace, a slide seminar on wild flowers by Miss Viki Fereneia of the Curtis Wildflower Garden in Farmington, Massachusetts. Also, an April tour of MaryO Keasbey's wildflower garden and of Betsy Atkins' heated frames, bulb pit and spring garden. We also had a walking discussion group hosted by Nonie Reynders and led by Mr. Lloyd Hughes, Estate Consultant.

Marion Woodward held a workshop on the preparation of material and how it is judged. In March, the Green Fingers Show in Greenwich gave us an Honorable Mention for bulbs and a 1st and 2nd for the citrus seedlings of the McGarry and Wamsley daughters.

In May at the New Canaan Show, eleven members contributed and all won prizes, 30 prizes in fact, including 15 1sts! A comment from the passing committee deserves repeating: "The Bedford Garden Club certainly has some fabulous growers!" Most exciting of all was Ann McDuffie's and Mimi Mitchell's miniature knot garden, probably the most difficult and important exhibit of the year. It won 1st prize.

At the fall workshop in 1977, soil was mixed for forcing bulbs; in winter, the soil was prepared to start the tuberous begonias and other plants in preparation for the hanging basket class of our "Flowers in the Park" Show.

In May, Odette Austin led a discussion on Window Boxes. We won prizes at Bryant Park, Green Fingers and "Flowers in the Park," where seventeen of the Committee were winners, Betsy Atkins and Nonie Reynders with a large number of winning entries.

Mrs. Ronald R. Atkins
Chairman 1977-1979

In January, Marion Woodward gave a lecture on the botany of ferns and gave out small holly ferns.

Films on transplanting and pruning were shown in March and Betsy Atkins spoke on pruning garden shrubs.

April brought a tour of the new conservatory at the New York Botanical Garden, conducted by Dr. McAlpin, who also spoke on the propagation of ferns.

The Committee planted 37 tubs of flowers in Bedford and Bedford Hills in May. In the Green Fingers Show we won a 1st and a 2nd. July and August found us watering and attending to the tubs. Because of the wet spring, many of the tubs of geraniums had to be replanted with impatiens.

In September, a horticulture show was staged on the terrace at Marilen Tilt's as part of the Club meeting. At the Bryant Park Show we won a 2nd and an Honorable Mention in the horticultural classes.

In February, 1979, Catherine Ziegler spoke on the basics of planning and planting a perennial border. Also, teams were formed for the different tub planting areas.

At the Green Fingers Show in March, we won a 2nd and an Honorable Mention.

We were asked to maintain the Luquer-Marble Memorial Wildflower Garden at the Ward Pound Ridge Reservation and agreed to do so, under the leadership of Anne Nichols and Marna MacLean.

Tub Month: More than 30 tubs were planted with impatiens, vinca and asparagus fern, and water containers given to the merchants involved.

Mrs. Roger B. Vincent
Chairman 1979-1981

In addition to our educational workshops, our membership in the Garden Club of America mandates certain activities. One of these is "participation in shows." To this end we started the year with our intraclub show at Jane Clark's and ended with our "Flowers-in-Concert." Helen Clay Chace's workshop on bulbs focused on the Green Fingers Show and two other workshops created the ivy rings to be sold at "Flowers in Concert." At Green Fingers the Horticulture Committee won the Certificate of Excellence, the top horticulture award in the show.

Another Garden Club of America mandate is to appear at both the National and Zone Garden Club of America meetings with plants propagated by our own members, these

plants to be judged and exchanged with other clubs. So our July workshop, conducted by Marion Woodward, taught us soft wood propagation and the October workshop, conducted by Betsy Atkins, dealt with rhizomatous propagation.

Our in-club activities included planning the Club meeting held at Kitchawan and planting the Bedford Village tubs.

In conjunction with the Conservation Committee, we planted the John Jay Gardens and through Ann Nichols and Marna MacLean watched over the Luquer-Marble Wildflower Garden. In addition, Horticulture and Conservation arranged for the postcard of the endangered wildflower, *Lobelia Cardinalis*.

The Committee worked very hard preparing for the staging of our "Fete des Fleurs" in June of 1981. We painted all shapes--boxes, tubes, circles and lattices, we exhibited, we furnished a judge's aide and a member of the passing committee.

Spring cleaning was performed at the Luquer-Marble Wildflower Garden by its caretakers. We prepared and planted the tubs in the villages. We also met to see slides of orchids, and another time to see the Boykin gardens and their marvelous daylilies. Mimi Mitchell spoke to us on *Streptocarpus* and presented us with specimens.

Mrs. Joseph L. Mankiewicz
Chairman 1981-1983

Several workshops were held during the year, including: propagation from cuttings, growing and care of freesias, bulbs for forcing, preparing to exhibit in shows, the "ins and outs" of seed catalogues and dividing and repotting of orchids (this was held at Seven Springs and participants were given a divided orchid to take home. The workshop speakers were Mesdames Chace, Mitchell, Reed, Greene, Weidlein and Woodward.

The Horticulture Committee participated in several flower shows throughout the year. At the Darien Show in September, Phyllis Dix received an Honorable Mention for her topiary. At Greenfingers, Catherine Ziegler received a 1st for Landscape Design; and Betsy Atkins, Marion Woodward and Betsy Botzow were other winners. Once again,

at the Orange and Dutchess Show, Betsy Atkins received awards.

At our "Fete des Fleurs" Show, Horticulture received three 1sts, three 2nds, six 3rds, and 11 Honorable Mentions.

We participated in the 1982 Plant Exchange at the Garden Club of America Annual Meeting. Margie Pierce and Polly Winans flew to Rochester bearing six plants we had propagated in this year's category of "Trees, Shrubs and Groundcovers Not Readily Available at Local Nurseries." We sent three dwarf forsythias, one winterberry, one partridgeberry and one European ginger.

At a fall Horticulture Committee meeting, small, young houseplants were distributed at cost to the twenty-four members present. They were some interesting varieties of begonias, succulents, jasmine and, in particular, an unusual African gardenia which served as an in-club challenge class. Proper care instructions were included with all the plants.

In the spring, we held a seedling exchange. Members were asked to bring their extra plants and seedlings to exchange with each other. The progress of the African gardenias and other houseplants distributed in the fall was checked.

Horticulture was required to plan the regular meeting for early March. We were fortunate enough to be able to avail ourselves of our own very talented member, Catherine Ziegler. She gave a fascinating, well presented slide talk on "Aspects of Landscape Design." Emphasis was on ease of maintenance and well planned economical landscaping. At this meeting we handed out the Dwarf Fuchsias for the Challenge Class at the June show.

We again participated in several shows. At the Stamford show, Mesdames Mitchell, Reed and Mankiewicz earned several 1st and 2nd awards for their vegetables. Other high awards for roses, daylilies and annuals went to Miss Workum, Polly Reed and Pat Boykin. We exhibited at "Autumn in the Atrium" and at "Green Fingers." We grew plants for the plant exchange at the Garden Club of America Annual Meeting in Houston and propagated Dwarf Gremlin Pelargoniums from seed for the Zone III Meeting in June.

At our own "Flowering America" Show, 22 members were successful exhibitors. There were eight multiple winners (Mesdames Atkins, Borner, Botzow, Mankiewicz, McGarry, Wallis, Woodward and Ziegler). Our members went home with four 1sts, nine 2nds, seven 3rds and eight Honorable Mentions. In spite of a conflict in date with the Greenwich Garden Club Show, we were fortunate enough to have many entries from several outside clubs.

At the Luquer-Marble Wildflower Garden, Marna MacLean and Betsie Corser have formed a maintenance committee to help them with the work they have so nobly carried out for so long. The group includes Mesdames McDuffie, Lowe, Ehrlich, Wallingford, Babcock, Boykin, Jackson, Waterman and Witte. They have exciting future plans and have already transplanted some plants from Miss Berta Jobin's garden.

"Planting Day" went smoothly, but the Cinema 22 area was not planted because, due to theft and vandalism, only two tubs remained.

Mrs. George R. Wallis
Chairman 1983-1986

In July, we had a workshop on Soft-Wood Cuttings at Kitchawan in preparation for the Zone Meeting; Propagation for "Plants that Merit Attention." As a result, six cuttings went to Nashville to the Zone Meeting. September saw us at Mimi Mitchell's learning to propagate Begonias and Streptocarpus.

In October, Mrs. Nathaniel Bowditch, a member of the Wissahickon Garden Club of Philadelphia and a Garden Club of America judge, came and gave a talk on "Houseplants." There were 35 of us, including members from Rusticus. Peggy (Mrs. Nat Bowditch) drove up with a car full of her favorite houseplants, which were the focus of our workshop.

November was our "Forcing Bulb Workshop" given by Helen Clay Chace. In preparation for the Green Fingers Flower Show, 30 members were shown how to plant their bulbs. Also in November, a small group of us gathered in Bedford Village for Clean-Up Day, made memorable by Alice having her car wrecked by a woman passing through the village who was fascinated by all the activity! Alice ended up with a new car.

Horticulture gave the regular Club meeting in January. We were very fortunate to have Marion Woodward and Betsy Botzow, accomplished members and accredited Garden Club of America judges, give a talk on the process of judging. Some of us brought our plants, which were used to describe how judges "judged."

March was the beginning of flower shows. At Green Fingers we received an Honorable Mention and a 1st. Englewood was next and we came home with two 3rds. The final show was Greenwich. We had five entries and received a 3rd and an Honorable Mention.

In April, the Luquer-Marble Wildflower Garden Committee had their annual meeting at the Ward Pound Ridge Reservation. Judy Rink, the Assistant Curator, showed wildflower slides and Georgina Van Rensselaer and Lisa Witte spoke with fond memories, recalling the late Miss Marble and Miss Luquer. The meeting was concluded with a clean-up of the garden and stream.

Horticulture was now in high gear, preparing for the Zone Meeting. We gathered at Anne Polk's to receive our plants, which we are responsible for over the summer. Mimi Mitchell appeared with flat after flat of various types of peppers, which she grew under lights in her basement.

The peppers survived our care over the summer and were an addition to the Solanaceae family at the Belden house. Each house was outstanding: Mrs. Lockwood's (member-at-large), the Begoniaceae family; Betsy Atkins', the Gesneriaceae family; the Eric Haight's, the Compositae; and Mrs. George Lawrence's (of Rusticus), the Labiatae family. The Parent-Child Class had entries from all the clubs and we were pleased to receive an Honorable Mention for our Begonia Cleopatra.

"Autumn in the Atrium" was held in October and we entered a collection of Gesneriads for a window sill.

Early November we had a workshop on "Growing Under Lights." Twenty-one members came and each received plants to grow under light.

Greens Day means the holidays are upon us, and is always fun for wreath makers. The hospital, Historical Hall and John Jay benefit, as well as those participants who make their own wreaths!

A horticulture workshop was held in January, 1985. We learned how to stake our daffodils, discussed ordering seeds and the planting of the Strawberry Jar for the May Zone Meeting on Long Island. Then, a phone call came from the Green Fingers Garden Club, pleading with us to do a garden, which we decided to do. In six weeks we put together a lovely, colorful garden! Everyone who could pitched in and we were pleased with our Honorable Mention. In the Hyacinth Class, Rosemary Mankiewicz won a 1st, Margie Pierce an Honorable Mention, and in the Par Class, Alice Wallis won a 2nd.

In April, the members of the Luquer-Marble Wildflower Garden Committee met the new Curator, Ed Kanze. They have been busy putting markers next to blooming wildflowers and hope to start identifying trees this fall.

In May, Rosemary Mankiewicz once again offered to have the Plant Exchange at her house. Margie Pierce took off for the Garden Club of America Convention with six *Lobelia Cardinalis* for the "Plants that Merit Attention," which she had nurtured through the winter. She returned with a "6 Plant Award" for unusual plant material in excellent condition.

June was busy getting ready for "In the Good Old Summertime" and getting entries for the Greenwich Flower Show.

"Autumn in the Atrium" was held in October, and after yeoman efforts by many, a smashing, colorful window of a yarn shop was presented and won a 3rd.

In February, we had a Par-Class In-Club Horticulture Show at Anne Polk's. Patter Peterson journeyed from Philadelphia to judge the show with grace and style.

We entered a couple of classes at Green Fingers Show in March and also participated in the New York Flower Show, at which Alice Wallis won a 1st in the Par Class for a flowering Jasmine and the Bedford Garden Club a 1st in the Par Class for a *Tetranema T. Alba*.

A "Planting Seed" workshop was held at Alice Wallis' in April, and in May, Rosemary Mankiewicz held the popular seedling exchange.

The Englewood Flower Show was in early May and Mimi Mitchell and Alice Wallis crossed the Tappan Zee Bridge with our entries.

June saw everyone working on our flower show, which was outstanding!

ARTICLES BY BEDFORD GARDEN CLUB MEMBERS
 IN THE GARDEN CLUB OF AMERICA
 BULLETIN

- 1971 "Portsmouth Garden" by Mrs. Louis K. Hyde
- 1972 "A Plea for Old-fashioned Annuals" by Mrs. Merle Crowell
- 1974 "A Pioneer Nature Trail" by Mrs. Dennis Dix
- 1976 The Nation's Bicentennial was commemorated by the Garden Club of America with a special Bulletin, for which Miss Dorothy Hinitt and Mrs. Peter Oliver assembled biographies and photographs of the 23 Founders, as Bedford was one of the 12 founding clubs. Miss Hinitt, the previous Bulletin Editor, also organized the article, "Conservation and the Garden Club of America."
- The Bedford Garden Club's activities at the John Jay gardens, as a bicentennial project, were written by Mrs. James Todd.
- 1977 Because of the rising cost of printing, two bulletins a year and six news letters are planned, starting in October.
- 1984 "Fringed Gentians on the March" by Mrs. Dennis Dix, illustrated by a painting of a fringed gentian by Eloise Payne Luquer
- 1985 "Some Solace in House No. 5" by Mrs. Jacques A. Mitchell III
- "A Celebration of Nature" by Mrs. Richard Lawrence

GIFTS FOR PUBLIC PURPOSES

1971-1972

Friendship Gardens at Prison	\$ 295.91
School Conservation	739.22
John Jay House	478.29
Caramoor	50.00
N. Y. Parks Flower Show	50.00
Ward Pound Ridge Reservation	50.00
Horticultural Society of N. Y.	15.00
Brooklyn Botanic Gardens	15.00
National Audubon Society	200.00
Bedford Historical Society	2,650.00
Katonah Chamber of Commerce	25.00
Conservation Camp Scholarship	45.00
Student Conservation Ass'n	25.00
Taconic Girl Scout Council	50.00
Children's Hospital Center	<u>75.00</u>

\$4,763.42

1972-1973

Friendship Gardens at Prison	\$ 51.84
John Jay House	196.15
School Conservation	246.24
Bedford Historical Society	50.00
Boy Scouts	10.00
Sierra Club Foundation	200.00
St. Matthew's Church	25.00
Taconic Girl Scout Council	25.00
Horticultural Society of N. Y.	15.00
Council on Environment	15.00
Brooklyn Botanic Gardens	15.00
Interchange Fellowship of G. C. A.	70.00
Student Conservative Ass'n	25.00
St. Mary's-in-the-Field	25.00
N. Y. Parks Flower Show	<u>50.00</u>

\$1,019.23

1973-1974

Friendship Gardens at Prison	\$ 161.62
John Jay House	41.62
School Conservation	115.00
Bedford Historical Society	50.00
St. Matthew's Church	25.00
Katonah Village Improvement Society	25.00
Brooklyn Botanic Gardens	15.00
Horticultural Society of N. Y.	15.00

Friends of Trailside Nature Museum	50.00
Taconic Girl Scout Council	25.00
Katonah Gallery	15.00
Student Conservation Society	25.00
Tea Town Lake Reservation	50.00
Natural Resources Defense Council, Inc.	60.00

\$673.24

1974-1975

Friendship Gardens at Prison	\$ 219.02
John Jay House	176.27
School Conservation	100.00
Caramoor	50.00
St. Matthew's Church	25.00
Bedford Historical Society	25.00
Taconic Girl Scouts	35.00
Nature Conservancy Fund	35.00
Brooklyn Botanic Gardens	65.00
W. Patent School Ass'n for Outdoor Education	50.00
Bedford Hills Library Beautification	50.00
Horticultural Society of N. Y.	15.00
Tremont Improvement Program	100.00
Museum of Smith Cove	50.00
N. Y. Parks Flower Show	25.00

\$1,020.29

1975-1976

Friendship Gardens at Prison	\$ 418.29
John Jay House	167.65
Trailside Museum of Ward Pound Ridge Reservation	550.00
St. Matthew's Church	25.00
Bedford Historical Society	25.00
Taconic Girl Scout Council	50.00
Mianus River Gorge	35.00
Brooklyn Botanic Gardens	15.00
Save the Redwoods League	50.00
G.C.A. Founders' Fund	100.00
Earth Center of Bedford-Stuyvesant, Inc.	100.00
Historic Bedford Council	500.00
Audubon Workshop	135.00
National Parks Conservation Ass'n	25.00

\$2,195.94

1976-1977

John Jay House	\$1,639.40
Rosedale, for planting in Bedford Hills	494.95
Planting Tubs for N. West. Hospital	30.00
Planting at Bedford Hills Library	388.00
G. C. A. Memorial to Ann Lacey	25.00
G. C. A. Endowment Fund	50.00
Marsh Sanctuary	1,000.00
Botanical Gardens, Reservations	150.00
New Canaan Presbyterian Church	30.00
Audubon Society Memorial, Mrs. Carl Tucker	100.00
Bedford Historical Society "Oak"	2,000.00
Friends of Trailside Museum	250.00
Bryant Park Flower Show	100.00
School Conservation	100.00
St. Mark's Church	25.00
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	\$6,382.35

1977-1978

Bedford Hills Planting Tubs	\$ 159.60
Bedford Beautification Project	1,192.51
John Jay House	48.00
Caramoor	97.00
Trailside Museum Lectures	250.00
N. Y. Botanical Garden	100.00
National Audubon Society	150.00
Mianus Gorge Nature Conservancy	1,000.00
Katonah Village Improvement Society	150.00
Bedford Historical Society	75.00
Brooklyn Botanic Garden	15.00
Bedford Village Chowder & Marching Soc.	10.00
Purchase Beautification Project	50.00
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	\$3,297.11

1978-1979

Bedford Tub Planting	\$ 286.87
John Jay Gardens	4,257.05
Caramoor Flower Arrangements	135.30
Mianus River Gorge	1,000.00
Colonial Dames of America	128.00
G. C. A. Endowment Fund	25.00
Brooklyn Botanic Garden	50.00
National Parks and Conservation	30.00
Bedford Historical Society	75.00
N. Y. Botanical Garden	100.00
Trailside Museum Lectures	250.00
Conservation Posters	16.01
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	\$6,353.23

1979-1980

<u>Beautification Projects</u>	
Bedford Tub Planting	\$ 25.10
John Jay Gardens	1,034.22
Caramoor Flower Arrangements	<u>170.00</u>
	\$1,229.94

Donations and Dues

Caramoor	\$ 500.00
New York Botanical Garden	100.00
Brooklyn Botanic Garden	50.00
Bedford Historical Society	<u>150.00</u>
	\$ 800.00

1980-1981

<u>Beautification Projects</u>	
John Jay Gardens	\$ 197.65
Bedford Tub Planting (Net)	14.16
Caramoor Flower Arrangements	7.14
Luquer-Marble Wildflower Garden	<u>250.00</u>
	\$ 468.95

Donations and Dues

Caramoor	\$ 500.00
Brooklyn Botanic Garden	50.00
New York Botanical Garden	100.00
American Orchid Society	25.00
Bedford Historical Society	<u>150.00</u>
	\$ 825.00

1981-1982

<u>Beautification Projects</u>	
John Jay Gardens	\$ 772.52
Bedford Tub Planting	<u>226.68</u>
	\$ 999.20

Donations and Dues

Friendship Trailside Nature Museum	\$ 250.00
Bedford Historical Society	100.00
St. Matthew's Church	100.00
Bedford Audubon Society	150.00
League of Women Voters	25.00
Seven Springs Center	35.00
Brooklyn Botanic Garden	50.00
New York Botanical Garden	<u>100.00</u>
	\$ 810.00

1982-1983

Donations and Dues

Caramoor	\$ 500.00
Caramoor (Horticultural Pursuits)	1,000.00
GCA Zone III Interchange Fellowship Fund	125.00
Central Park Conservancy	75.00
Committee to Save Bedford	100.00
Brooklyn Botanic Garden	50.00
New York Botanical Garden	150.00
Bedford Historical Society	100.00
Nature Conservancy - Mianus Gorge (Alice Todd Memorial)	<u>100.00</u>
	\$2,200.00

October of 1982 to June of 1983 - change in fiscal year

1983-1984

Beautification

John Jay Gardens	\$2,032.22
Shannon Triangle	255.70
Tub Planting - 1983	298.37
Tub Planting - 1984	<u>29.96</u>
	\$2,616.25

Donations and Dues

St. Matthew's Church	\$ 200.00
The Nature Conservancy - Mianus River Gorge	100.00
Friendship Trailside Museum - Luquer-Marble Wildflower Garden	250.00
The Nature Conservancy - "Hawk Watch"	50.00
Federated Conservationists of Westchester	25.00
Caramoor	2,000.00
Beaver Dam Sanctuary	100.00
Butler Meyer Preserves	100.00
Marsh Sanctuary	100.00
Westmoreland Sanctuary	100.00
"Exotica" - Given to Katonah Library	161.50
Bedford Historical Society	100.00
Brooklyn Botanic Garden	50.00
Kitchawan	50.00
New York Botanical Garden	150.00
Bedford Cross Tree Fund	50.00
Conservatory Garden Fund - New York Committee GCA	50.00

1983-1984

Donations and Dues (Continued)

The Nature Conservancy - LWC - Nicholas Robbins	\$ 100.00
Community Resource Center	<u>20.00</u>
	\$3,756.50

1984-1985

Beautification

Tub Planting - 1984	\$ 419.19
Katonah Planting Project (Country Children's Center)	2,402.00
Tub Planting - 1985	30.00
John Jay Gardens	365.75
John Jay Fountain Cover	<u>306.48</u>
	\$3,523.42

Donations and Dues

St. Matthew's Church	\$ 200.00
Friendship Trailside Museum and Luquer-Marble Wildflower Garden	250.00
Committee to Save Bedford	100.00
Federated Conservationists of Westchester County	115.00
Caramoor	100.00
Mianus River Gorge	100.00
Westmoreland Sanctuary	100.00
Brooklyn Botanic Garden	50.00
Kitchawan	50.00
Marsh Sanctuary	100.00
GCA Central Park Conservatory Garden	50.00
GCA Interchange Fellowship	50.00
GCA Founders Fund	100.00
GCA Notable Parks and Gardens Project	286.35
Beaver Dam Sanctuary	100.00
Butler Meyer Preserves	100.00
Palmer Lewis Sanctuary	50.00
Ramsey Hunt Sanctuary	50.00
Bedford Historical Society	100.00
New York Botanical Garden	<u>150.00</u>
	\$2,201.35

1985-1986

<u>Beautification</u>	
Tub Planting - 1985	\$ 475.96
(Donations by merchants - \$420.00)	
John Jay Gardens	<u>177.80</u>
	\$ 653.76

<u>Donations and Dues</u>	
Friendship Trailside Museum and Luquer-Marble Wildflower Garden	\$ 300.00
St. Matthew's Church	200.00
Marsh Sanctuary	100.00
Caramoor	100.00
Brooklyn Botanic Garden	50.00
Kitchawan	50.00
Beaver Dam Sanctuary	100.00
Butler Meyer Preserves	100.00
Palmer Lewis Sanctuary	50.00
Ramsey Hunt Sanctuary	50.00
GCA Founders Fund	100.00
GCA Interchange Fellowship	50.00
Student Conservation Assn.	25.00
American Foundation for the Blind	15.00
New York Botanical Garden	200.00
Federated Conservationists of Westchester County	40.00
Bedford Hills Community House	150.00
Bedford Historical Society	100.00
Nature Conservancy - Mianus River Gorge	100.00
Westmoreland Sanctuary	<u>100.00</u>
	\$1,980.00

RECIPIENTS OF NATIONAL MEDALS
OF THE GARDEN CLUB OF AMERICA

FRANCIS K. HUTCHINSON MEDAL

Awarded to figures of national importance (members and non-members) for services to conservation.

1942 Miss Delia West Marble
1971 Mrs. Thomas M. Waller

JANE RIGHTER ROSE MEDAL

Awarded to any individual, community or organization for outstanding achievement in rose culture.

1953 Mr. Edwin deT. Bechtel

KATHERINE THOMAS CAREY MEDAL

Awarded to a member or a member club for outstanding achievement in the field of flower arrangement education.

1963 Mrs. Paul Sturtevant

CATHERINE BEATTIE MEDAL

Awarded for excellence in Horticulture.

1985 Bedford Garden Club
1986 Bedford Garden Club

THE ELOISE PAYNE LUQUER MEDAL

Designed in 1949 by Chester Beach, presented and endowed by the Bedford Garden Club in memory of their distinguished member, Eloise Payne Luquer.

Awarded to member or non-member for special achievement in the field of botany, which may include medical research, the fine arts or education. The interpretation of the award is to be elastic and imaginative.

1950	Mrs. John Leach
1951	Rutherford Platt
1952	Dr. Margery Claire Carlson
1953	Mrs. J. Willis Slaughter
1954	Mrs. David R. Coker
1955	Elizabeth Hollister Frost (Mrs. Dabney Blair)
1957	Dr. William Jacob Robbins
1958	Mrs. George Russell Marriage
1960	Miss Caroline Dormon
1961	Thomas C. Desmond
1962	Miss Elizabeth Remsen Van Brunt
1963	John Nash Ott
1965	Mrs. Allen L. Chickering, Jr.
1966	Dr. E. Lucy Braun
1967	Mrs. G. Laurence Schetky
1969	Ellen Fenlon Tobin
1970	Elsetta Gilchrist Barnes
1971	Elizabeth T. Zimmerman
1972	Niki Goulandris
1975	Laurence William Lane, Jr. and Melvin B. Lane
1976	Louise Goodall Smith
1978	Joseph Ewan
1979	Gladys L. Smith
1981	Mrs. F. Leighton Meserve
1982	Dr. Katherine Kinsel Muller
1983	Arthur Stupka
1984	Miss Lucille Park
1985	No award
1986	No award

THE MEDAL OF MERIT

Awarded by a member club (voted by its Executive Committee) to one of its own members upon application to and with the approval of the Medal Awards Committee of the Garden Club of America, for contributions of exceptional merit in the field of Horticulture, Conservation, or Civic Achievement within the area of a member's respective club. Only one Medal a year may be awarded by a club, unless exceptional circumstances warrant it. Established in 1948.

1962 Mrs. Arthur W. Butler--"For presenting Bedford with 260 acres of woodland to create the Arthur W. Butler Memorial Sanctuary."

Miss Helen Clay Frick--"For presenting 105 acres to form the Westmoreland Sanctuary. Both of these sanctuaries have greatly widened the pleasure and interest in the study of nature in the community."

1966 Mrs. Donald W. Marshall--"For leadership in redesigning and planting Bedford Hills. Her creative vision, perseverance and enthusiasm have resulted in a spirit of community cooperation and civic pride."

1969 Elizabeth Cole Botzow (Mrs. William Botzow)--"For her exceptional knowledge, influence and accomplishments in Horticulture, including her success in growing, exhibiting and helping in a great many community Horticultural projects."

1972 Miss Dorothy Hinitt, in the field of civic achievement. "For skillful editing of many club publications and The Garden Club of America Bulletin and for invaluable assistance in preserving the historic heritage of the Township of Bedford."

1973 Mrs. Dennis Dix--"For her inspiring leadership of the Bedford School Conservation Education Program 1961-1973 and notable service to many phases of other Conservation and Preservation causes in her community."

1979 Mrs. Clarence E. Woodward. "To one who has been our Horticulture Chairman several times, Horticulture Chairman of the Bryant Park Flower Show in New York City, a GCA Judge and our President."

- 1983 Mrs. Ronald R. Atkins--"To a member who has worked in all phases of club activities for the past ten years, sharing her extensive knowledge with others, teaching and demonstrating the propagation and cultivation of plants. Besides entering prize winning exhibits in Horticulture and Exhibition, she has served as Ways and Means Chairman for two exciting flower shows at Caramoor."

HORTICULTURAL MEDAL OF MERIT IN BRONZE (obsolete)

- 1923 Mrs. Moses Taylor
1949 The Bedford Garden Club (Mrs. Robert A. Chambers, Chairman)--"Awarded for sheer beauty, perfection of plant material, realistic and perfect seasonal planting." (For a woodland planting in high shade staged at the International Flower Show in the Garden Club of America Conservation Exhibit.)

ZONE III AWARDS

Zone III Flower Show Awards

- 1975 - "R.S.V.P. Bedford"
1977 - "Flowers in the Park"
1981 - "Fête des Fleurs"

Zone III Awards

- 1985 - Mrs. George W. Hill, Jr.,
Barbara Spaulding
Cramer Award
1985 - Mrs. Richard H. Lawrence,
Harriet Dewaele Puckett
Creativity Award
1986 - Mrs. Richard H. Lawrence,
Harriet Dewaele Puckett
Creativity Award

Zone III Creative Leadership Award

- 1980 - Mrs. Thomas M. Waller

GARDEN CLUB OF AMERICA

HORTICULTURE ACHIEVEMENT CERTIFICATE

Each Club may award one Horticulture Certificate a year to a member for Horticultural Achievement within the Club. Application for this certificate should be made to the Horticulture Committee of The Garden Club of America. Established 1956.

- 1956 Mrs. Louis K. Hyde and Mrs. Morgan Parker
 1957 Mrs. Harold C. Whitman
 1958 Mrs. Merle Crowell
 1959 Mrs. Thomas W. Stevenson
 1960 Mrs. Robert G. Myrum and Mrs. Russell E. Sard, Jr.
 1962 Mrs. William Botzow and Mrs. Edward R. Weidlein, Jr.
 1976 Mrs. C. H. Mitchell - "A member who is a superb horticulturist, a most devoted worker for our club, whose knowledge of and skill in growing things is an inspiration to us all."
 1977 Mrs. Clarence E. Woodward - "A member who is a superb horticulturist; she is learned in botany and in every branch of gardening; she has done so much for our club in every one of its interests."

ZONE III CONSERVATION CERTIFICATES

One certificate a year may be given in each Zone. Awarded to members only, for outstanding service to conservation, within the Zone. Application should be made to the Zone Representative of the Garden Club of America Conservation Committee and must be approved by the Zone Chairman. Established 1961.

- 1964 Mrs. Dennis Dix, Mrs. Richard F. Reid and Mrs. Loudon Wainwright, Jr.
 1969 Mrs. J. Lowe
 1975 Mrs. Frederick V. Austin, Jr.

WAR SERVICE PINS, 1942

In 1942, War Service Pins of The Garden Club of America were given to three members of The Bedford Garden Club:

Mrs. George M. Schurman and Mrs. James L. Harrison "for their work of food conservation at the cannery," and Mrs. Edwin DeT. Bechtel "for working to develop cooperation and understanding among the various groups in the community."

RECIPIENTS OF NATIONAL MEDALS
OF THE GARDEN CLUB OF AMERICA

THE MEDAL OF HONOR

Designed in 1920 by John Flanagan, and presented by member clubs and individuals. Endowed in 1963 by the Bedford Garden Club in memory of their member, Mrs. Arthur Marvin Anderson.

Awarded for service to horticulture. The decision of the Medal Award Committee must be approved by the Executive Committee and confirmed by the Board of Directors.

1920	Charles Sprague Sargent
1923	Mrs. Francis King
1929	Massachusetts Horticultural Society
1931	Liberty Hyde Bailey
1936	Mrs. Louise Beebe Wilder
1938	Robert Moses
1945	John C. Wister
1949	Dr. and Mrs. David Fairchild
1955	William Hertrich
1956	Henry Francis duPont
1957	Frederic Heutte
1958	Ralph E. Griswold
1959	Dr. George Sherman Avery
1960	Dr. Samuel L. Emsweller
1961	Arie F. Den Boer
1962	George Campbell Monroe
1963	Pennsylvania Horticultural Society
1964	Jan De Graaff
1965	Dr. Donald Wyman
1966	Henry J. Hohman
1967	Dr. Harold B. Tukey
1968	Grant Emerson Mitsch
1969	David Goheen Leach
1971	Henry T. Skinner
1972	Richard Alden Howard
1974	Leon Carleton Snyder
1975	Harold St. John
1977	Henry Marcellus Cathey
1978	Samuel Ayres, Jr., M.D.
1979	David M. Bates
1980	Dr. John L. Creech
1981	Thomas H. Everett
1982	Dr. Mildred Mathias
1983	William Flemer, III
1984	Thomas Henry Dodd, Jr.
1985	Dr. and Mrs. C. L. Lundell
1986	Dr. Benjamin Coleman Blackburn

THE BEDFORD GARDEN CLUB AWARDS

WINIFRED MACOMBER AWARD WITHIN THE BEDFORD GARDEN CLUB

Established in 1965 by The Bedford Garden Club in memory of a member who brought honor to the Club in flower shows for many years. "Awarded for outstanding effort or achievement in the field of Exhibitions (flower arrangement/ or garden design)." The interpretation to be elastic and imaginative. The Exhibitions Chairman should propose the candidate to the Medals Committee of the Bedford Garden Club.

- 1967 Mrs. Frederick V. Austin, Jr.
- 1968 Mrs. Hugh S. Coward and Mrs. John M. Regan
- 1969 Mrs. William H. W. Knipe
- 1970 Mrs. Edwards O'Boyle and Mrs. Thomas R. Smidt
- 1971 Miss Clara Workum
- 1972 Mrs. Richard H. Gordon
- 1973 Mrs. George W. Hill, Jr.
- 1974 Mrs. Richard H. Lawrence
- 1975 Mrs. James Todd
- 1976 Mrs. Donald W. Marshall and Mrs. Morgan Parker
- 1977 Mrs. Hugh S. Coward, Mrs. Charles H. Edmonston and Mrs. Earl R. Stege
- 1978 Mrs. Sidney W. Davidson, Jr.
- 1979 Mrs. Ronald R. Atkins and Mrs. Foxhall A. Parker
- 1980 Mrs. Carel Goldschmidt
- 1981 Mrs. William R. Ziegler
- 1982 Mrs. Franklin Montross 3rd
- 1984 Mrs. Foxhall A. Parker
- 1985 No award
- 1986 No award

BEDFORD GARDEN CLUB HORTICULTURE AWARD

To be given in recognition of horticultural skills, but also for interest in all activities of our club and for participation in many projects over the years.

- 1977 Mrs. Thomas Purdy
- 1978 Mrs. Edward R. Weidlein, Jr.
- 1979 Mrs. William Botzow
- 1980 Mrs. C. H. Mitchell
- 1981 Mrs. Ronald R. Atkins
- 1982 Mrs. Roger B. Vincent
- 1983 Mrs. Joseph Mankiewicz
- 1984 Mrs. William R. Ziegler
- 1985 Mrs. George R. Wallis
- 1986 No award

THE OLIVER MEMORIAL BOWL

The Oliver Memorial Bowl, a silver bowl accompanied by a plaque, will be awarded to that member of the Bedford Garden Club whose contribution during that year most closely exemplifies what Kay Oliver stood for. The bowl is to be used and cherished for a year and then passed on to the next member so honored. The plaque is the recipient's forever.

- 1982 Mrs. James R. Pierce
- 1983 Mrs. William R. Ziegler
- 1984 Mrs. George Washington Hill, Jr.
- 1985 Mrs. Richard H. Lawrence
- 1986 Mrs. Roger B. Vincent

CONSERVATION AWARD

This award is to be given to acknowledge truly unusual and praiseworthy service and achievement in the field of Conservation.

- 1986 Mrs. Charles H. McDuffie

In 1981 the Bedford Garden Club was responsible for the Garden Club of America's Historic Preservation Medal being presented to Mrs. DeWitt Wallace, "for her creative philanthropy." We put together the required portfolio. The Bedford Garden Club proposed her candidacy, with seconding letters from the Philipstown Garden Club.

SPECIAL CITATIONS

- 1955 - Mrs. Richard W. Meade, "Award for The Study of the Club, 1911-1955."
- 1967 - Mrs. Karl M. Touraine, "Award for School Education Program."
- 1968 - Mrs. Thomas M. Waller, "Tribute on the occasion of her retirement as President of the Garden Club of America."
- 1969 - Mrs. Jean S. H. Newell, "A Special Commendation for service to the Friendship Garden Club."
- 1970 - Mrs. DeWitt Wallace, "A Special Citation for Wallace Pond and its Pagoda."
- 1973 - Mrs. Merle Crowell - "A Special Commendation for 'A One Woman Garden.'"
- 1974 - Mr. and Mrs. F. Victor Austin, Jr., "Special Award for a Lovely Woodland Garden."
Mr. and Mrs. Donald W. Marshall, "A Special Award for continuous bloom in their garden."
Mrs. Aertsen P. Keasbey, "A Special Award for her wild flower garden in a bit of woodland."
- 1975 - Mrs. John N. Thorne, Jr., "A Special Citation for her dedicated service to the Friendship Garden Club at the women's prison."
- 1976 - Mrs. Charles W. Parsons, "A Special Commendation for her artistry in drying flowers and her beautiful arrangements."
Mrs. Thomas D. Cunningham, Jr., "A Special Commendation for her devotion as our Treasurer for six years."
Mrs. George W. Hill, Jr., "A Special Commendation for her exquisite miniature room, a reproduction of the front parlor of the John Jay House."
- 1977 - Miss Helen Clay Frick, "A Special Commendation for her enchanting rock garden, designed and worked in by herself."
Mr. George W. Hill, "A Commendation for helping set up niches and displays and always being on hand to help."
- 1978 - Mrs. Peter Oliver, "A Special Commendation for giving of herself and her talents for over 35 years."
- 1979 - Mrs. Thomas W. Stevenson, "A Special Commendation for her personal warmth, willingness, wisdom and leadership in many positions in our Club."

- 1980 - No award.
- 1981 - No award.
- 1982 - Mrs. Merle Crowell, "Special Commendation in recognition of her work as Historian."
Mrs. Robert J. MacLean and Mrs. Dallas Corser, "Special Commendation for faithful maintenance of the Luquer-Marble Wildflower Gardens."
- 1983 - Mrs. William O'Donoghue, "Special Commendation for her faithful and diligent attendance of town meetings and reporting local events and current problems."
Mrs. Steven P. Borner, "Special Commendation for heading the Exhibition Committee and being responsible for two successful Flower Shows at Caramoor."
- 1984 - Mr. Peter Atkins, "Special Commendation for his enthusiastic support of our flower shows."
- 1985 - Mr. Rigdon Boykin, "Special Commendation for sharing his knowledge of daylilies and gardening."
Mrs. George C. Sharp, "Special Commendation for her 'silent' leadership of the Alice Anderson Terrace Tea for 25 years."
- 1986 - Mrs. Peter Ehrlich, "Special Commendation for her imaginative concept and perfect presentation of an enclosed poolside garden."
Mrs. Harold L. Tine, "Special Commendation for her skillful art work in designing our posters"

CIVIC CERTIFICATES OF MERIT

Awarded each year by the Medals and Awards Committee of the Bedford Garden Club in each of the four villages of the Town of Bedford in recognition of good civic and commercial landscaping. Established 1969.

- 1969 Bedford Village Elementary School
Harrison's Alley, Bedford Hills
Katonah Medical Group
American Telephone and Telegraph Headquarters,
Mount Kisco
- 1970 Bedford Village ESSO
The Paint Box, Bedford Hills
The Friendly Ice Cream Shop, Mount Kisco
Mount Kisco Housing Project, Carpenter
Avenue
Special Award to Mrs. DeWitt Wallace "in
recognition of all that she and her
husband have done to serve and augment
the natural beauty of this area, es-
pecially in creation of Wallace Pond
and its Pagoda."
- 1971 Katonah Chamber of Commerce
National Bank of Westchester Crossroads
Branch, Mount Kisco
Mount Kisco Medical Group
- 1972 "To encourage the preservation and planting
of trees for parking lots."
Bedford Village Hunting Ridge Shopping Mall
National Bank of Westchester, Bedford Hills
Hardware Designers, Mount Kisco
A commendation was given to Keltie's Tavern
in Bedford Hills for its colorful and well
cared for display of flowers in window boxes
and hanging baskets.
- 1973 Walter Ragonese for his new Shell Station,
Bedford Village
Ginnell's Real Estate office on Bedford
Center Road, Bedford Village
Ford repair shop, Mount Kisco
Shopping Center, Katonah

- 1975 Bedford Shell Service Center, Walter Ragonese, Proprietor, Bedford Village Curtis Instruments, Kisco Avenue, Mount Kisco, for excellent planting on its hillside and parking area
The Courtyard, 223 Katonah Avenue, Katonah, Philip Shatz, owner, well chosen planting, good design and a beautiful brick wall
Abel's, Main Street, Mount Kisco, for the planting at their rear entrance to the parking lot
- 1976 Bedford Free Library, Bedford Village, struggling with its problem of dense shade
Lawrence Park Apartments, Bedford Hills
Northern Westchester Hospital, Mount Kisco
Corral Business Offices, Mount Kisco
Law office of Thomas Antonecchia, Katonah
As a special award, Historical Hall in Bedford Village was cited for the speed and concern with which the many workers restored it after the March fire
- 1977 No awards to allow new plantings to mature
- 1978 No awards
- 1979 No awards
- 1980 Perennial Gardens, Route 22, Bedford Village
The Yellow Monkey Village, Route 35, Cross River
Cross River Shell Service, Route 35, Cross River
T. A. Byrne Chevrolet, Route 117, Mount Kisco
- 1981 No awards
- 1982 No awards
- 1983 No awards
- 1984 No awards
- 1985 No awards
- 1986 No awards

MEMBERS WHO HELD OFFICE IN THE
GARDEN CLUB OF AMERICA

(Bedford was one of the twelve founding clubs in 1913 at a meeting held at Mrs. Bayard Henry's house in Philadelphia; Mrs. Henry Marquand represented The Bedford Garden Club.)

Miss Delia West Marble	Chairman, Wild Flower Preservation Committee 1916-1920; Director, 1920-1921; Chairman, Special Publications Committee (obs.) 1920-1924.
Mrs. James Metcalfe	Chairman, Budget Committee (obs.) 1919.
Mrs. Joseph P. Cotton	Director, 1921-1922.
Mrs. Percy R. Turnure	Chairman, Fellowships in Rome, 1921.
Miss Eloise Payne Luquer	Chairman, Wild Flower Preservation Committee (which became the Conservation Committee in 1924) 1929-1932.
Mrs. Paul Sturtevant	Chairman, Program Committee, 1942-1944; Director, 1956-1961; Director serving on Executive Committee, 1957-1959; Chairman, Exhibitions Committee 1959-1961.
Mrs. James L. Harrison	Corresponding Secretary, 1950-1953; Vice-President, 1953-1956; 1st Vice-President, 1956-1959; Director serving on Executive Committee, 1959-1962; Chairman, Hospitality Committee, 1962-1965, Co-Chairman, 1965-1971.

- Mrs. Thomas M. Waller
 Chairman, Zone III, 1953-1956; Chairman, Conservation Committee, 1956-1959; Chairman, Medal Awards Committee, 1959-1962; Vice-President, 1962; Director 1963-1965; President, 1965-1968; Director, 1968-1971; Chairman, National Affairs Committee, 1968-1974.
- Miss Dorothy Humphreys Hinitt
 Chairman, Library Committee, 1959-1962; Editor, Garden Club of America Bulletin, 1963-1969.
- Mrs. Peter Oliver
 Chairman, Library Committee, 1965-1968.
- Mrs. Hobart Lewis
 Chairman, Public Relations Committee, 1968-1971.

From 1971-1986

- Mrs. Thomas M. Waller
 Chairman, National Affairs and Legislation Committee, 1968-1974; Member, National Affairs and Legislation Committee, 1974-1985; Advisor to Conservation Committee, 1974-1979; Advisor to National Affairs and Legislation Committee, 1985-
- Mrs. Hobart Lewis
 Zone III Chairman, 1977-1979; Zone III Representative, Medal Award Committee, 1979-1981; Zone III Representative, Nominating Committee, 1981-1983; Publications Committee In-House Editor, 1983-1986; Zone III Director, 1986-

Mrs. George W. Hill, Jr.	Zone III Representative, Judging Committee, 1977-1978; Area Vice Chairman (Zones I, II, III), Judging Committee, 1978-1981.
Mrs. Richard H. Lawrence	Zone III Representative, Flower Show Committee, 1979-1981; Area Vice Chairman (Zones I, II, III), Judging Committee, 1982-1984; Chairman, Judging Committee, 1984-1986.
Mrs. Charles W. Parsons	National Headquarters House and Gifts Committee, 1980-1982.
Mrs. Clarence E. Woodward	Zone III Representative, Judging Committee, 1981-1983; Zone III Representative, Admissions Committee, 1983-1985; Area Vice Chairman (Zones I, II, III), Judging Committee, 1986-
Mrs. John B. Babcock, Jr.	Zone III Representative, Publications Committee, 1985-1987.
Mrs. James R. Pierce	Zone III Representative, Conservation Committee, 1985-1987.
Mrs. Foxhall A. Parker	Vice Chairman, National Headquarters House and Gifts Committee, 1986-

MEMBERS SERVING AS GARDEN CLUB OF AMERICA JUDGES

EXHIBITIONS:	1975	Mrs. Donald W. Marshall (Fenwick)
	1975	Mrs. Charles H. Edmonston
	1975	Mrs. George W. Hill, Jr.
	1979	Mrs. Richard H. Lawrence
	1981	Mrs. John M. Regan, Jr.
	1981	Mrs. Hugh S. Coward
HORTICULTURE:	1975	Mrs. William Botzow
	1975	Mrs. Edward R. Weidlein, Jr.
	1975	Mrs. Clarence E. Woodward

PAST PRESIDENTS OF THE BEDFORD GARDEN CLUB

Honorary President 1929-1937

Mrs. Frank Hunter Potter

- 1911-16 Mrs. Frank Hunter Potter
1916-17 Mrs. Arthur Scribner
1917-19 Miss Delia W. Marble
1919-20 Mrs. Charles S. Brown (through November)
1919-23 Mrs. Rollin S. Saltus
1923-25 Mrs. Henry Marquand
1925-27 Mrs. John Henry Towne
1927-29 Mrs. Frank Hunter Potter
1929-31 Mrs. Nelson B. Williams
1931-33 Mrs. Augustus Van Cortlandt, Jr.
1933-35 Miss Eloise P. Luquer
1935-39 Mrs. Alfred Roelker
1939-40 Mrs. Rollin S. Saltus
1940-41 Mrs. Paul Sturtevant
1941-43 Mrs. Edwin deT. Bechtel
1943-47 Mrs. Edwin G. Merrill
1947-49 Mrs. Robert B. O'Connor
1949-51 Mrs. Thomas M. Waller
1951-53 Mrs. Paul Sturtevant
1953-55 Mrs. George M. Schurman
1955-59 Mrs. Arthur M. Anderson
1959-61 Mrs. Peter Oliver
1961-63 Mrs. Thomas W. Stevenson
1963-65 Mrs. Edward A. LeRoy, Jr.
1965-67 Mrs. Dennis Dix
1967-71 Mrs. Frederick V. Austin, Jr.
1971-73 Mrs. Hobart Lewis
1973-75 Mrs. Franklin Montross 3d
1975-77 Mrs. Clarence E. Woodward
1977-79 Mrs. Hugh S. Coward
1979-83 Mrs. Foxhall A. Parker
1983-85 Mrs. James R. Pierce
1985-87 Mrs. Thomas D. Cunningham, Jr.

BEDFORD GARDEN CLUB OFFICERS

1971-1986

First Vice-Presidents

1971-1973	Mrs. George W. Hill, Jr.
1973-1975	Mrs. John P. Renwick, Jr.
1975-1977	Mrs. Edward R. Weidlein, Jr.
1977-1979	Mrs. Donald R. Atkin
1979-1981	Mrs. Thomas D. Cunningham, Jr.
1981-1983	Mrs. Walter B. Davis, Jr.
1983-1985	Mrs. Ronald R. Atkins
1985-1987	Mrs. Roger B. Vincent

Second Vice-Presidents

1971-1972	Mrs. Thomas L. Purdy, Jr.
1972-1974	Mrs. John French III
1974-1976	Mrs. William R. Cross, Jr.
1976-1978	Mrs. John N. Thorne, Jr.
1978-1980	Mrs. Robert C. Vincent, Jr.
1980-1983	Mrs. Steven P. Borner
1983-1985	Mrs. William R. Ziegler
1985-1987	Mrs. Frank J. Pagliaro

Treasurers

1970-1976	Mrs. Thomas D. Cunningham, Jr.
1976-1980	Mrs. Phillips Lounsbery
1980-1982	Mrs. Robert C. Vincent, Jr.
1982-1984	Mrs. Carl M. Claus
1984-1986	Mrs. Steven P. Borner

Recording Secretaries

1970-1972	Mrs. Gilbert H. Clee
1972-1976	Mrs. Donald R. Atkin
1976-1978	Mrs. Foxhall A. Parker
1978-1980	Mrs. Christopher B. Espy
1980-1982	Mrs. Harold R. Talbot, Jr.
1982-1984	Mrs. John P. McGarry, Jr.
1984-1985	Mrs. Richard T. Wharton
1985-1986	Mrs. Gordon C. Hamilton

CORRESPONDING SECRETARIES

1971-1975 Mrs. Samuel R. Hilbert
 1975-1977 Mrs. Frank J. Pagliaro
 1977-1979 Mrs. William A. Belden
 1979-1981 Mrs. M. P. Lamb
 1981-1983 Mrs. Henrietta V. Herkert
 1983-1986 Mrs. James W. Husted, Jr.

MEMBERS-AT-LARGE

1971-1972 Mrs. Laurence S. Kennedy
 Mrs. Charles W. Parsons
 Mrs. Rudy Ruggles
 Mrs. Paul Sturtevant

1972-1973 Mrs. B. Haig Bossidy
 Mrs. William G. Clark
 Mrs. R. Stewart Kilbourne
 Mrs. Jacques A. Mitchell III

1973-1974 Mrs. Charles H. Edmonston
 Mrs. William H. W. Knipe
 Mrs. Phillips Lounsbury
 Mrs. Halsted Park, Jr.

1974-1975 Mrs. Thomas R. Crane, Jr.
 Mrs. J. Paul Kennedy
 Mrs. Donald W. Marshall
 Mrs. E. Ritzema Perry

1975-1976 Mrs. Walter Wood Hitesman
 Mrs. Thomas R. Smidt
 Miss Elizabeth Van Brunt
 Mrs. Alfred E. Wamsley

1976-1977 Mrs. Graham Clark
 Mrs. Christopher B. Espy
 Mrs. William H. W. Knipe
 Mrs. Thomas W. Stevenson

1977-1978 Mrs. George W. Hill, Jr.
 Mrs. Charlton R. Reynders, Jr.
 Mrs. Cortlandt S. Van Rensselaer
 Mrs. Richard S. Wilson

1978-1979 Mrs. C. Minot Dole, Jr.
 Mrs. Meredith H. Ewing
 Mrs. M. P. Lamb
 Miss Clara F. Workum

- 1979-1980 Mrs. Peter Oliver
Mrs. Sidney W. Davidson, Jr.
Mrs. Harold R. Talbot, Jr.
Mrs. Walter B. Davis, Jr.
- 1980-1981 Mrs. David Beattie
Mrs. Robert J. MacLean
Mrs. E. Ritzema Perry
Mrs. Thomas L. Purdy, Jr.
- 1981-1982 Mrs. John B. Babcock, Jr.
Mrs. Benjamin C. Branch
Mrs. Lewis B. Harder
Miss Clara F. Workum
- 1982-1983 Mrs. Rigdon H. Boykin
Mrs. J. Paul Kennedy
Mrs. Cortlandt S. Van Rensselaer
Mrs. Clarence E. Woodward
- 1983-1984 Mrs. Hugh S. Coward
Mrs. Andrew T. Dwyer
Mrs. George W. Hill, Jr.
Mrs. Eldon R. Wallingford, Jr.
- 1984-1985 Mrs. William Botzow
Mrs. Herbert H. Foster
Mrs. Peter E. Guernsey, Jr.
Mrs. Nicholas H. Witte
- 1985-1986 Mrs. Carl M. Claus
Mrs. Christopher B. Espy
Mrs. Seymour Preston
Mrs. Harold L. Tiné

NOMINATING COMMITTEE

- 1971-1972 Mrs. Lewis B. Harder
1972-1973 Mrs. Thomas D. Cunningham, Jr.
1973-1974 Mrs. John P. Renwick, Jr.
1974-1975 Mrs. Phillips Lounsbery
1975-1976 Mrs. Benjamin Branch
1976-1977 Mrs. Lewis B. Harder
1978-1979 Mrs. Clarence E. Woodward
1979-1980 Mrs. Franklin Montross, III
1980-1981 Mrs. Peter J. deVries and
Mrs. John P. Renwick, Jr.
1981-1982 Mrs. Robert C. Vincent
1982-1983 Mrs. Thomas D. Cunningham, Jr.
1983-1984 Mrs. Joseph Mankiewicz
1984-1985 Mrs. George W. Hill, Jr.
1985-1986 Mrs. Jacques A. Mitchell, III

STANDING COMMITTEES

CIVIC AFFAIRS

1971-1973	Mrs. John P. Renwick, Jr.
1973-1975	Mrs. George L. Rives
1975-1977	Mrs. Samuel R. Hilbert
1977-1979	Mrs. Sidney W. Davidson, Jr.
1979-1983	Mrs. William O'Donoghue
1983-1984	Mrs. Alfred E. Wamsley, III

CONSERVATION

1971-1973	Mrs. Walter B. Mahony, Jr.
1973-1974	Mrs. Clarence E. Woodward
1974-1975	Mrs. James Todd
1975-1979	Mrs. J. Paul Kennedy and Mrs. Alfred E. Wamsley, III
1979-1981	Mrs. Ronald R. Atkins
1982-1984	Mrs. Christopher B. Espy

CONSERVATION AND CIVIC AFFAIRS

1984-1985	Mrs. Christopher B. Espy and Mrs. Alfred E. Wamsley, III
1985-1987	Mrs. James R. Pierce

FLOWER ARRANGING

1971-1974	Mrs. Richard R. Lawrence
1974-1975	Mrs. Hugh S. Coward
1975-1977	Mrs. Hugh S. Coward and Mrs. George W. Hill, Jr.
1977-1979	Mrs. W. Denning Harvey, Mrs. John P. Renwick, Jr. and Mrs. William P. Thomason
1979-1981	Mrs. Graham Clark
1981-1983	Mrs. Steven P. Borner
1983-1985	Mrs. Foxhall A. Parker
1985-1987	Mrs. Foxhall A. Parker and Mrs. Hugh C. McMillan

Audubon Sanctuaries:

Palmer Lewis Sanctuary

1970-1982 Mrs. James Todd

Palmer Lewis-Ramsey Hunt

1984-1986 Mrs. Peter Ehrlich

Beaver Dam Sanctuary

1971-1974 Mrs. William K. Simpson

1974-1985 Mrs. Charles H. McDuffie

1985-1987 Mrs. Edward W. Kelly

Arthur W. Butler Memorial Sanctuary

1965-1976 Mrs. Richard F. Reid

Butler-Meyer Preserves

1976-1982 Mrs. Richard F. Reid

1982-1986 Mrs. Christopher B. Espy

Ward Pound Ridge Reservation
Luquer-Marble Wildflower Garden

1971-1973 Mrs. Thomas A. Norton

1973-1980 Mrs. Charles Nichols III

1980-1982 Mrs. Robert J. MacLean

1982-1983 Mrs. Robert J. MacLean and Mrs. Dallas Corser

1983-1986 Mrs. Nicholas H. Witte

Marsh Sanctuary

1970-1986 Mrs. Dennis Dix

Mianus River Gorge

1969-1985 Mrs. William B. Hubbell

1985-1986 Mrs. Ronald R. Atkins

Westmoreland Sanctuary

1971-1972 Mrs. Edward R. Weidlein, Jr.

1972-1986 Mrs. Minturn V. Chace

14th Annual Meeting of
The Garden Club of America

The Bedford Garden Club was a hostess club, with Rye,
Greenwich, New Canaan and Ridgefield.

Zone III Meetings in Bedford

- 1950 June 12th-14th
Chairman, Mrs. W. Gibson Carey
- 1966 September 26th-28th
Co-Chairman, Mrs. Donald W. Marshall for Bedford
Co-Chairman, Mrs. Thomas McCance, for Rusticus
- 1984 September 25th-27th
Co-Chairman, Mrs. Richard H. Lawrence and
Mrs. Clarence E. Woodward for Bedford
Co-Chairman, Mrs. Henry Eckhardt and
Mrs. George H. C. Lawrence for Rusticus

HORTICULTURE

1971-1973 Mrs. Clarence E. Woodward
 1973-1975 Mrs. Jacques A. Mitchell, III
 1975-1977 Mrs. Minturn V. Chace
 1977-1979 Mrs. Ronald R. Atkins
 1979-1981 Mrs. Roger B. Vincent
 1981-1983 Mrs. Joseph L. Mankiewicz
 1983-1986 Mrs. George Wallis

MEMBERSHIP

1971-1977 Mrs. Walter E. Winans
 1977-1979 Mrs. Dennis Dix
 1979-1981 Mrs. George W. Hill, Jr.
 1981-1983 Mrs. Richard R. Lawrence
 1983-1985 Mrs. Thomas D. Cunningham, Jr.
 1985-1987 Mrs. Franklin Montross, III

PROGRAMS

1971-1973 Mrs. George B. Kelly
 1973-1975 Mrs. Sidney W. Davidson, Jr.
 1975-1977 Mrs. Dennis Dix
 1977-1979 Mrs. John M. Regan, Jr. and
 Mrs. Walter C. Winans
 1979-1981 Mrs. Joseph L. Mankiewicz
 1981-1983 Mrs. Sidney W. Davidson, Jr.
 1983-1985 Mrs. Rodman K. Tilt, Jr. and
 Mrs. Roger B. Vincent
 1985-1987 Mrs. Edward W. Kelly and
 Mrs. P. Chapin Nolen

SPECIAL COMMITTEES

ALICE ANDERSON MEMORIAL TERRACE

1971-1984 Mrs. George C. Sharp
 1984-1986 Mrs. George C. Sharp and
 Mrs. Peter E. Guernsey, Jr.

CORRESPONDENT TO THE GARDEN CLUB OF AMERICA
PUBLICATIONS COMMITTEE

1971-1973 Mrs. Edward A. LeRoy
 1973-1974 Mrs. Dennis Dix
 1974-1976 Mrs. Peter Oliver
 1976-1978 Mrs. Hobart Lewis
 1978-1983 Mrs. John P. Renwick, Jr.
 1983-1986 Mrs. John B. Babcock, Jr.

CUSTODIAN

1971-1973 Mrs. Charles H. McDuffie
 1973-1975 Mrs. Frank J. Pagliaro
 1975-1977 Mrs. Walter B. Mahony, Jr.
 1977-1978 Mrs. Halsted Park, Jr.
 1978-1981 Mrs. Peter J. de Vries
 1981-1983 Mrs. Graham Clark
 1983-1985 Mrs. Steven Borner
 1985-1986 Mrs. Stephen J. Smith

FRIENDSHIP GARDEN CLUB

1971-1976 Mrs. John N. Thorne, Jr.

THE GARDEN CLUB OF AMERICA CONTACT

1971-1986 Mrs. Thomas M. Waller

HISTORIAN

1971-1976 Miss Dorothy H. Hinitt
 1976-1983 Mrs. Merle Crowell
 1983-1987 Mrs. William O'Donoghue

JOANNA MULLEN TRAVEL FUND

1971-1982 Mrs. Thomas W. Stevenson
 1982-1983 Mrs. Thomas W. Stevenson,
 Mrs. William H. W. Knipe and
 Mrs. Edward A. LeRoy

JOHN JAY GARDENS

1971-1973 Mrs. Michael McKone
 1973-1974 Mrs. G. Peter Reed and
 Mrs. Edward R. Weidlein, Jr.
 1974-1981 Mrs. James Todd
 1981-1985 Mrs. William R. Ziegler
 1985-1986 Mrs. Kendrick R. Wilson, III

MEDALS AND AWARDS

1971-1973 Mrs. Donald C. Marshall
 1973-1974 Miss Clara Workum
 1974-1976 Mrs. Merle Crowell and
 Mrs. Donald W. Marshall
 1976-1978 Mrs. Thomas D. Cunningham, Jr.
 1978-1981 Mrs. Hobart Lewis
 1981-1983 Mrs. George W. Hill, Jr.
 1983-1985 Mrs. Jacques A. Mitchell III
 1985-1986 Mrs. Robert C. Vincent, Jr.

NEW YORK COMMITTEE OF G.C.A.

1979-1986 Mrs. John M. Regan, Jr.

PHOTOGRAPHER

1971-1974 Mrs. Carel Goldschmidt
 1974-1976 Mrs. Jacques A. Mitchell III
 1976-1978 Mrs. William B. Hubbell, Jr.
 1980-1982 Mrs. Edward A. LeRoy
 1985-1986 Mrs. Charles H. McDuffie

POLICY

1971-1972 Mrs. Thomas W. Stevenson
 1972-1973 Mrs. Donald W. Marshall
 1973-1974 Mrs. Edward A. LeRoy

POLICY (Continued)

1974-1976 Mrs. Edward R. Weidlein, Jr.
 1976-1978 Mrs. Lewis B. Harder
 1978-1981 Mrs. Clarence E. Woodward
 1981-1983 Mrs. Dennis Dix
 1983-1985 Mrs. Edward A. LeRoy
 1985-1986 Mrs. George W. Hill, Jr.

PROJECTS

1971-1974 Mrs. Alexander S. Bowers
 1974-1976 Mrs. Thomas L. Purdy, Jr.
 1976-1978 Mrs. Benjamin C. Branch
 1978-1981 Mrs. Thomas B. Jordan
 1981-1983 Mrs. James W. Husted, Jr.
 1983-1986 Mrs. John P. Renwick, Jr.

PUBLIC RELATIONS

1971-1972 Mrs. Franklin Montross III
 1972-1974 Mrs. C. John Herkert
 1974-1976 Mrs. Rodman K. Tilt, Jr.
 1976-1977 Mrs. Charles R. Beattie, Jr.
 1977-1978 Mrs. Charles R. Beattie, Jr. and
 Mrs. George R. Cronin, Jr.
 1978-1981 Mrs. George R. Cronin, Jr.
 1981-1982 Mrs. Graham Clark
 1982-1983 Mrs. Gordon C. Hamilton
 1983-1985 Mrs. Gordon C. Hamilton and
 Mrs. Eldon R. Wallingford, Jr.
 1985-1986 Mrs. Hugh C. McMillan and
 Mrs. Eldon R. Wallingford, Jr.

SCHOOL CONSERVATION LIAISON

1971-1972 Mrs. Dennis Dix
 1972-1974 Mrs. Charles H. McDuffie
 1974-1979 Mrs. Christopher B. Espy

75TH ANNIVERSARY

Mrs. Clarence E. Woodward
 Mrs. Richard H. Lawrence

TRIPS

Mrs. Peter Ehrlich

VISITING GARDENS

1971-1974	Mrs. Lewis B. Harder
1974-1976	Mrs. Richard H. Lawrence
1976-1981	Mrs. Donald W. Marshall
1981-1983	Mrs. Aertsen P. Keasbey, Jr.
1983-1985	Mrs. Hugh S. Coward
1985-1986	Mrs. Christopher B. Espy

BEDFORD GARDEN CLUB MEMBERSHIP

1911 - 1986

Honorary Members

- | | |
|---------------------------|---|
| # Mrs. Edwin DeT. Bechtel | # Miss M. Moyca Newell |
| # Mrs. Lathrop Colgate | # Mrs. Joseph H. Spafford |
| # Miss Delia West Marble | Mrs. Thomas W. Stevenson |
| # Mrs. James S. Metcalfe | Mrs. Harold C. Whitman
(nee Edna W. Jardine) |

Members

- | | |
|------------|----------------------------|
| * Resigned | (f.) Founding Member, 1911 |
| # Deceased | A - G.C.A. Affiliate |
- # Mrs. F. Everett Abbott
 * Mrs. Paul S. Achilles
 * Mrs. Henry C. Alexander
 * Mrs. Reese D. Alsop
 # Mrs. Arthur M. Anderson
 * Mrs. McFeely Anderson
 * Mrs. Donald R. Atkin ('67)
 Mrs. Ronald R. Atkins ('73)
 * Mrs. John Turner Atterbury
 * Mrs. Louis Auchincloss
 Mrs. Frederick V. Austin, Jr. ('58)
- Mrs. John B. Babcock, Jr. ('79)
 # Mrs. Pearce Bailey (f.)
 Mrs. John Milnes Baker ('79)
 * Mrs. Gordon H. Balch
 * Mrs. Alexander T. Baldwin
 * Mrs. Joseph C. Baldwin, Jr.
 # Mrs. Henry G. Barbey
 * Dr. Adelaide B. Baylis
 * Mrs. William Baylis
 * Mrs. Charles R. Beattie, Jr. ('75)
 # Mrs. David Beattie ('74)
 Mrs. Bruce L. Beatty ('75)
 # Mrs. Edwin DeT. Bechtel
 Mrs. William A. Belden ('72)
 * Mrs. Gordon Knox Bell
 * Mrs. F. Wilder Bellamy
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