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**MEMBERSHIP by CATEGORY
2012-2013**

ACTIVE

Albanese, S
Baker, L
Bamford, A
Bianco, S
Borner, C
Bostwick, S
Bouyoucos, C
Bowers, S
Burke, S
Catchpole-Howell
Callahan, T
Chase, J
Clymer, L
Conner, J
Conrad, E
Corrigan, J
Cote, S
Cox, T
Cushman, W
Dwyer, C
Farr, O
Ferguson, K
Ferrall, S
Finnegan, M
Forrester, A
Foulke, W
Fox, A
Ginnel, K
Glascott, D
Goodhue, L
Gosnell, A
Gourd, D
Grand, C
Hallock, L
Hennessy, L
Hoffman, A

ACTIVE

Jones, C
Jones, L
Kernan
Kroll, S
Kronenberg, N
Langham, H
Levy, N
Lines, M
Longo, L
MacDonald, B
Mas, C
Matthews, L
Maybank, V
Merrill, L
Montross, L
Morris, K
Morris, V
O'Brien, S
O'Connor, J
Ocken, R
Pachios, A
Paul, A
Pinchot, L
Polk, A
Putnam, A
Redmon, V
Rice, C
Robinson, J
Root, D
Ross, W
Ryan, A
Santomero, D
Stern, B
Swank, C
Talty, A
Tatnall, B

ACTIVE

Taylor, T
Tine, L
Trotta, B
Von Althann, N
Wamsley, B
Weissinger, J
West, S
Woodhull, D
Wortmann, L

ASSOCIATE

Atkins, B
Austin, O
Cunningham, L
Finn, P
Fowler, E
Kendrick, M
Lowe, T
Mankiewicz, R
McDuffie, A
Mitchell, M
Niemczyk, C
Pagliaro, A
Parker, H
Reynders, N
Talbot, L
Treadway, S
Vincent

AFFILIATE

Babcock, L
Bennet, C
Buaron, D
Eastland, S
Espy, P
Israel, B
Miller, A
Mossman, L
O'Donoghue, R
Padwee, J
Purcell, R
Putnam, K
Selby, M
Smith, C
Talbot, J
Witmer, J

SUSTAINING

Beatty, S
Boykin, P
Ehrlich, S
Espy, J
Ewing, S
Foster, T
Jackson, L
Johnson, B
Kelly, S
Kowitz, S
McGarry, G
Stockbridge, A
Tilt, M

ANNUAL REPORTS

2011-2012

BEDFORD GARDEN CLUB

OFFICERS

President.....	Mrs. Victor D. Wortmann
1 st Vice-President.....	Mrs. Philip Bowers
Corresponding Secretary.....	Mrs. Peter Hallock
2 nd Vice-President.....	Mrs. John Morris
Recording Secretary.....	Mrs. Mark Bamford
Treasurer.....	Mrs. Joseph Maybank

MEMBERS-AT-LARGE

Ms. Bonnie Trotta
Mrs. Steven Kroll
Mrs. Stephen Morris
Mrs. Victor Von Althann

NOMINATING COMMITTEE

Mrs. John Redmon, Chairman
Mrs. Andrew Dwyer
Mrs. Clinton Kendrick
Mrs. Steven Kroll
Mrs. Joseph Maybank
Mrs. Roger Vincent

REPRESENTATIVES AT GARDEN CLUB OF AMERICA MEETINGS
The Annual Meeting 2012:
Savannah, Georgia
April 15-17, 2012

Mrs. Victor Wortmann, President
Heather Langham, Delegate

The Zone III Annual Meeting 2012:
Philipstown, New York
June 12-14, 2012

Mrs. Victor Wortmann, President
Mrs. Philip Bowers, Delegate

PRESIDENT'S REPORT

2012

My goal this year was to take the Bedford Garden Club back to the basics – to revisit our love of gardening. Through different speakers, visiting gardens and special meeting locations, I think we all enjoyed what this beautiful area of New York has to offer. The highlight of our September kick-off meeting was the gift of a new Bedford Garden Club gavel donated by our beloved Daphne Root, in honor of Mimi Lines, our past president who did such a wonderful job organizing the celebration of the club's Centennial. What a way to start our next one hundred years.

In October, we learned everything there was to know about planting and enjoying bulbs with speaker Brent Heath from Brent and Becky's bulbs. We also signed up for a fundraising program through the Brent and Becky's Bulbs give back program. Visiting Garden chairs Varner Redmon and Mary Kendrick led us on a tour of Wave Hill and Olana. We had a special opportunity in November to host Martha Stewart Living Editor Stephan Orr at Bedford Historical Hall. This meeting was made possible thanks to the help of Susan Burke and was open to the public. Greensday in December was one of our more popular meetings of the year with over 60 members and guests attending our traditional wreath making meeting at the Westmoreland Sanctuary. Decorated wreaths were donated to the NWH, Katonah Community Center and the Bedford Historical Hall and a seasonal garland was created to drape over the sign at the John Jay Homestead. Speaker Hank Cochran showed us some great Christmas decorating ideas and Sam O'Brien and Lindsay Pinchot did a wonderful job as usual with our Christmas boutique which raised just under \$3,000.

In January, we hosted flower arranging expert Susan Detjens from Millbrook Garden Club and had a small flower arranging challenge organized by Exhibitions Chair Carol Bouyoucus. Landscape Designer and Author Gordon Hayward spoke at our February meeting as well as member Olivia Farr who shared her experience about having a Home Energy Assessment, in our support of Bedford2020's mission to reduce energy usage in our homes. We also had our first photo challenge on display. At the end of February, past presidents Mimi Lines and Ellen Conrad traveled to Washington DC for the NAL Conference where they spoke to New York's Jr. Senator Kirsten Gillibrand about environmental issues.

We had a very busy spring starting with my visit to Savannah, Georgia for the GCA's Annual meeting hosted by Zone VIII. Delegate Heather Langham and I had an inspirational visit, meeting GCA members from all over the country. As soon as we returned, we headed straight to our April membership meeting at the NYBG for a group tour of the Thain Family Forest and a quick visit to the famous Orchid Show. We were not disappointed. And what would spring be in Bedford without our annual Bedford Road Clean-up organized by Bonnie McDonald. Over a dozen eager members helped out in the rain. Our Sundial Garden at the John Jay Homestead is one of our prized civic contributions. It is well cared for by Varner Redmon and Heather Langham and their many garden club volunteers that cleaned it up this spring and will continue to maintain it all summer long.

A hardy group of gardeners turned out in the rain for our first annual Plant Exchange Tailgate Party at the home of Olivia Farr. We exchanged plants, advice and delicious

refreshments! Our May membership meeting took place at the educational Blue Hill at Stone Barns where we had a tour of their farm and enjoyed a tasty lunch fresh from the garden. In June, delegate Suzanne Bowers and I attended the 3 day Zone III Annual Meeting at the Thayer Hotel in West Point hosted by the Philipstown Garden Club. We were treated to tours and dinner at the homes of their members. They did a beautiful job showing off the New York Hudson Valley to all of their visitors.

Our Bedford Garden Club Annual Meeting had a welcome twist to it this year starting with an exceptional member's garden tour and a lunch at the home and garden of Denise Santomaro. The garden tour was organized by Hort. chairs Debbie Gourd and Deirdre Glascott. Our meeting took place at noon with a spectacular luncheon put on by Hostess Chair Adele Talty and her many volunteers.

One of the highlights of the Bedford Garden club this year was the continued efforts of the Branch Out! Program, coordinated by chairs Heather Langham and Virginia Maybank. Their efforts, to sell and plant trees along the roads in Bedford, can be enjoyed all over town. Keep up the good work!

Our meetings and civic programs would not have been as successful without the behind the scenes efforts of our very enthusiastic programs chair, Kim Morris and Corresponding Secretary Liz Hallock. The social part of our meetings was always a big hit thanks to Head Hostess Adele Talty. The Bedford Garden Club web site was professionally maintained by Nancy Vincent. She did a wonderful job keeping us all informed about what was going on in our community! Joyce Corrigan, our public relations chair, kept the local media informed of all our work. Thank you to all of the Executive Board and committee chairs for all of their help in making this a special year.

Leslie Wortmann, President

PRESIDENT'S AWARD

2012

I spent less than a minute thinking about who deserves the President's Award this year. A "no brainer". This member, our past president, put her heart and soul into the 2011 Centennial Celebration of the Bedford Garden Club. Not a detail was overlooked. Our mission – to honor our membership, past and present, and it's cherished history, to acknowledge our accomplishments and share our expertise with others, and to raise funds to continue our productivity and support of present and future community projects – was accomplished through her never ending creativity, hard work and commitment to the Bedford Garden Club.

**The Bedford Garden Club
Presents
the President's Award
to Mimi Lines**

"I am proud to present Mimi Lines with the 2011-2012 President's Award for her tireless leadership, her success in honoring members past and present and her boundless energy and creative ideas she demonstrated during our 2011 Centennial year of celebration".

GARDEN CLUB OF AMERICA ANNUAL MEEETING
Hosted by zone VIII in Savannah, Georgia
April 2012

The 2012 GCA annual meeting took place April 15 -17 in Savannah, Georgia. Zone VIII hosted the four day event beginning with cocktails and shopping at the High Cotton Boutique. Representing BGC were Leslie Wortmann, BGC president, and Heather Langham, delegate.

Sunday began with judging and evaluation of flower show entries. Optional garden visits to six historic homes highlighted the morning. During a sit-down luncheon, club presidents and their delegates broke into their respective workshops to share ideas and brainstorm new ones. The day ended with an optional riverboat cruise dinner.

The 99th annual business meeting of the GCA was called to order at 8:30 am on Monday. President Marian Hill presided. Guest speaker, Florida Senator Bob Graham, inspired the audience with his successful efforts to preserve the unique environmental heritage of Florida and offered us insights on how concerned citizens can become effective advocates of environmental preservation. He praised the GCA for its commitment to civic involvement and environmental conservation.

Two tours highlighted the afternoon- a luncheon and tour of Wormsloe and Lebanon plantations and trolley tours of historic Savannah. Zone dinners were held under a tent in Forsyth Park in downtown Savannah.

Tuesday morning, Part II of the business meeting, kicked off with guest speaker Dr. James T. Costa, Executive Director of the Highlands Biological Station and Professor of Biology at Western Carolina University. Dr. Costa presented a fascinating portrait of William Bartram (1739-1823) highlighting excerpts from Bartram's book in which Bartram catalogued "*the soil and natural productions*" discovered on his travels through North and South Carolina, Georgia, and Florida. Other highlights included Scholarship Speaker, Jennifer Ceska (1994 Scholar Beattie Fellow), who presented a fascinating talk on "Lessons from the Lorax, a Plant Conservation Beatty Legacy." The morning meeting closed with a rousing invitation to the 2013 Annual meeting hosted by Zone V in Philadelphia, celebrating GCA's bicentennial. The 2012 GCA annual meeting came to an end with the annual awards dinner at the Hyatt Hotel.

The theme for the 2012 annual meeting was "A Southern Exposure" and true to its promise Zone VIII "exposed" us to the very best the new and old South has to offer. Along with our *exposure* to true southern hospitality we were *exposed* to the breadth and depth of the GCA organization, informative workshops, and outstanding speakers.

Heather Langham, Delegate

ZONE III MEETING REPORT

The Philipstown Garden Club, New York

June 12 – 14, 2012

“Growing Together”

This year's Zone III meeting, “Growing Together”, was organized by The Philipstown Garden Club on June 12 – 14, 2013 and held at The Thayer Hotel in West Point, New York. Leslie Wortmann, BGC President, and Suzanne Bowers, BGC First Vice President attended the meeting. The beautiful Hudson River Valley and historic West Point were perfect backdrops to a lovely and extremely well organized meeting. The Thayer Hotel is a true legend among the Hudson Valley hotels. This landmark hotel has been a celebrated part of American history since 1926 and is listed on the National Registry of Historical Places. Incidentally, we had to keep our photo ID handy at all times in order to enter the grounds of the United States Military Academy.

This year the Bedford Garden Club was not able to contribute to the 2012 Plant Exchange, “Viburnums”. Due to our unseasonable weather this year many clubs had difficulty propagating viburnum cuttings which was a problem for our club as well. Each club was asked to provide a beautiful table arrangement, to be displayed on the tables at the Awards Dinner. Ours was graciously provided by Bonnie Trotta. Bonnie did an outstanding job and created a gorgeous arrangement of white lilies and various perennials from her garden. These arrangements were not judged or critiqued but were on display throughout the meeting. Additionally, Carol Bouyoucos entered the Zone III Photography Show, “The Seasons of Trees” and won honorable mention for her beautiful photograph of cherry blossoms.

After a warm welcome from the Co-Chairmen, we listened to an entertaining and informative talk by Katy Moss Warner, an Honorary Member of the Garden Club of America and a member of the Philipstown Garden Club. Katy, a native of Garrison, grew up in the former home of Mrs. Samuel S. Sloane, one of the founding members of the Philipstown Garden Club in 1914. She is currently President Emeritus of the American Horticulture Society and is a Board Member and City Judge of America in Bloom. Katy shared her childhood memories with us and helped us to understand the history and culture of the Hudson River Valley.

Following Katy's talk Katherine Martucci read the Centennial Committee Report and then the group departed for a boat ride on the Hudson and tour of Constitution Island. Upon our return to the Hotel buses left for the Presidents Cocktail Party in the Boscobel Rose Garden. Members of the Philipstown Garden Club hosted us at dinners in their members' homes that evening.

Day two was divided into two very interesting visits and lectures. One group visited Glynwood Farms, dedicated to working at the intersection of the needs of communities and the opportunities available to farmers and landowners. The group listened to the President of Glynwood speak on “Sustainable Farming” in the Hudson River Valley region. The group then toured the beautiful 225-acre working farm. In the afternoon the group visited Stonecrop in Cold Spring, NY where Michael Hagen, the Chief

Horticulturist, spoke about “The making of a Plant Enthusiast’s Garden”. Stonecrop was originally the home of Anne and Frank Cabot and became a public garden in 1992 under the direction of Caroline Burgess. At its windswept elevation of 1,100 feet in the Hudson Highlands, Stonecrop enjoys a Zone 5 climate. Stonecrop’s plant collections and display gardens not only demonstrate what can be achieved by horticultural enthusiasts, but also serve as an educational resource. The group thoroughly enjoyed their tour. At each of these two locations, a Philipstown Garden Club intern spoke about her experience working at Glynwood and at Stonecrop through the generosity of the Philipstown Garden Club. After these delightful and interesting visits, the group enjoyed cocktails on the Terrace of Hotel Thayer overlooking the Hudson, followed by the Awards Dinner and Awards Presentation in the Ballroom of the Thayer Hotel.

Day three began with a buffet breakfast and then the Business Meeting ensued at 9 am. Each President in Zone III read a report which detailed what each club in our Zone has done throughout the year. They were all extremely impressive and it is clear that each of the clubs in Zone III is vibrant and growing and that they are well rooted in the mission of the Garden Club of America. Zone III is truly “Growing Together” and the collection of speeches was an inspiration. An invitation to attend the 2013 Zone III Meeting was extended by Marilyn Donahue and Nancy Everett of the Little Garden Club of Rye and the Rye Garden Club. Following a few announcements, the Zone III meeting co-chairs, Carolyn Fadden and JoAnn Brown adjourned the 2012 Zone III meeting at noon. Each member was given the 2012 Open Days Directory from the Garden Conservancy and a very interesting 10 minute DVD on the work of Glynwood Farm.

Suzanne Bowers, Delegate

THE BEDFORD GARDEN CLUB

Treasurer's Annual Report

June 1, 2011 – May 31, 2012

OPERATING ACCOUNT

Balance on hand June 1, 2011 \$ 14,997.25

Receipts

Dues	\$ 21,525.00
Projects	1,966.68
Ways and Means (Centennial)	20,704.13
Transfer from Mullen Fund	<u>863.20</u>
Total Receipts	\$ 45,059.01

Disbursements

Operating	GCA Dues	\$ 6,500.00
	Programs	5,568.49
	Horticulture	0
	Exhibitions	552.60
	Conservation	(25.00)
	Garden History and Design	0
	Seedlings	328.07
	Hostesses	302.51
	Bank Charges	185.25
	Yearbook	836.95
	Communications (Internal)	544.80
	Publicity (External)	486.16
	Custodian	0
	Insurance	258.00
	Medal Fund (Transfer)	200.00
	Awards	417.11
	Annual Meeting	3,154.79
	NAL Meeting	838.68
	Zone III Meeting	350.00
	Taxes/Tax Preparation	686.50
	President's Fund	66.00
	Website	47.88
	Club History	<u>1,370.00</u>
	Sub Total	\$ 22,668.79

Civic Contributions

Branch Out	2,000.00
Wilson Fund – Courthouse Garden	1,000.00
John Jay Gardens	<u>610.12</u>
Sub Total	\$ 3,610.12

Donations

Beaver Dam Sanctuary	100.00
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Audubon – Ramsey Hunt/Palmer Lewis	100.00
Westmoreland Sanctuary	150.00
Marsh Sanctuary	100.00
Mianus Gorge Preserve	100.00
The Nature Conservancy – Butler/Meyer	100.00
Lasdon Arboretum	100.00
Westchester Land Trust	100.00
New York Botanical Garden	300.00
Bedford Historical Society	250.00
GCA Interchange Fellowship	100.00
GCA Founders Fund	100.00
NY Committee of the GCA	250.00
Federated Conservationists	50.00
Trailside Museum	100.00
Native Plant Center	<u>30.00</u>
Sub Total	\$ 2,030.00

Transfer to Wilson Fund	\$ 4,827.50
Transfer to Branch Out Fund	\$ <u>4,417.22</u>

Total Disbursements	\$ <u>37,553.63</u>
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OPERATING ACCOUNT - May 31, 2012 \$ 22,502.63

CHECKING ACCOUNT consists of the following funds:

Operating Account	\$ 22,502.63
Wilson-Courthouse Garden Fund	
Initial Transfer	\$4,827.50
Project Review	<u>1,000.00</u>
	5,827.50

Branch Out Fund	
Initial Transfer	\$ 4,417.22
Disbursements	(4,508.00)
Receipts	3,055.00
C&E Funding	<u>2,000.00</u>
	<u>4,964.22</u>

CHECKING ACCOUNT - May 31, 2012 \$ 33,294.35

MONEY MARKET (Reserved Funds)

Balance as of June 1, 2011	\$ 40,434.18
Bank Fee	(31.00)
Interest	<u>36.79</u>
Balance as of May 31, 2012	\$ 40,439.97

Waller Gift – NAL Delegate Funding	
Balance as of June 1, 2011	18,007.32
Interest	3.47
NAL Meeting 2012	<u>(838.68)</u>
Balance as of May 31, 2012	\$ 17,172.11
Zone Meeting Reserve	
- Balance as of June 1, 2011	12,310.07
Interest	<u>2.32</u>
Balance as of May 31, 2012	\$ 12,312.39
Excess Operating Funds	
Balance as of June 1, 2011	10,116.79
Transfer from Waller Gift	<u>838.68</u>
Balance as of May 31, 2012	\$ 10,955.47
 <u>ENDOWMENT FUND – Dreyfus</u>	
Balance on hand June 1, 2011	\$ 43,013.09
Contributions	<u>925.00</u>
Balance on hand May 31, 2012	\$ 43,938.09

THE BEDFORD GARDEN CLUB

Treasurer's Annual Report

June 1, 2011 - May 31, 2012

SAVINGS ACCOUNTS

1. Mullen Travel Fund (GCA Annual Meeting Travel Expenses)

Balance on hand June 1, 2011	\$6,873.72
Receipts	0
Interest	\$3.41
Balance plus receipts	\$6,877.13
 Disbursements	
2011 Annual Meeting	\$863.20
Balance on hand May 31, 2012	\$6,013.93

2. Newell Memorial Account (Civic & Education Expenses)

Balance on hand June 1, 2011	\$12,608.35
Receipts	0
Interest	\$6.24
Balance plus receipts	\$12,614.59
 Disbursements	0
Balance on hand May 31, 2012	\$12,614.59

3. Charlotte Sturtevant Memorial Account (Flower Arranging Workshops)

Balance on hand June 1, 2011	\$4,730.76
Receipts	
Interest	\$2.33
Balance plus receipts	\$4,733.09
 Disbursements	0
Balance on hand May 31, 2012	\$4,733.09

THE BEDFORD GARDEN CLUB

Treasurer's Annual Report

June 1, 2011 - May 31, 2012

4. Bedford Garden Club Savings Accounts

Balance on hand June 1, 2011	\$ 12,681.08
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Alice Anderson Medal Account

Balance on hand June 1, 2011	\$2,497.87
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Interest	\$1.50
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Contributions	\$50.00
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Balance on hand May 31, 2012	\$2,549.37
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Eloise Luquer Medal Account

Balance on hand June 1, 2011	\$3,852.65
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Interest	\$1.61
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Contributions	\$50.00
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Balance on hand May 31, 2012	\$3,904.26
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Winifred Macomber Award Account

Balance on hand June 1, 2011	\$3,278.43
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Interest	\$1.52
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Contributions	\$50.00
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Balance on hand May 31, 2012	\$3,329.95
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Horticulture Award Account

Balance on hand June 1, 2011	\$3,052.13
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Interest	\$1.56
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Contributions	\$50.00
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Balance on hand May 31, 2012	\$3,103.69
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Total Balance on hand May 31, 2012	\$12,887.27
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THE BEDFORD GARDEN CLUB
Proposed Operating Budget
June 1, 2012-May 31, 2013

ESTIMATED INCOME

Interest	\$ 250
Dues	18,000
Projects	1,500
Ways and Means	21,000
Miscellaneous	<u>500</u>
TOTAL INCOME	\$ 41,250

ESTIMATED EXPENSES

Operating

Bank Charges	\$ 30
GCA Dues	6,650
Yearbook	800
Corresponding Sec. (Internal)	1,000
Programs	6,000
Hostesses	250
Custodian	100
Insurance	266
Awards	400
Medal Funds	200
President's Fund	500
Exhibitions	750
Horticulture Committee	750
Conservation and Civic Affairs	750
Garden History and Design	100
GCA Annual Meeting	1,200
Zone III Meeting	800
Communications Coordinator (External)	350
Seedlings	500
Taxes	700
<u>Contingency</u>	<u>404</u>
Total Operating	\$ 22,500

Civic and Education

Civic Projects:

Project Review	\$ 2,500
John Jay Gardens	1,250
Christmas Wreaths	500
Courthouse Garden	500
Branch Out	<u>2,000</u>

Sub Total \$ 6,750

Civic Contributions:		
Beaver Dam Sanctuary		\$ 100
Audubon- Ramsey Hunt/Palmer		100
Westmoreland Sanctuary		150
Marsh Sanctuary		100
Mianus Gorge Preserve		100
Butler/Meyer Preserve		100
Lasdon Arboretum		100
NY Botanical Garden		300
Bedford Historical Society		250
GCA Interchange Fellowship		100
GCA Founders Fund		100
NY Committee of the GCA		250
Federated Conservationists		50
Trailside Nature Museum		100
Westchester Land Trust		100
	Sub Total	<u>\$ 2,000</u>
C&E 2013-2014		10,000
Total Civic and Education		\$ 16,750
TOTAL EXPENSES		\$ 41,250

RECORDING SECRETARY

2011-2012

Beginning in July 2011, the Bedford Garden Club held ten Executive Committee meetings and eight Regular meetings. In addition, the Bedford Garden Club continued its Branch Out Project to promote the replanting of Native Trees along roadways in the Town of Bedford. There were no Regular meetings in July or August of 2011, or March of 2012. There were no Executive Committee Meetings in August of 2011 or March of 2012.

Allison Bamford

CORRESPONDING SECRETARY

2011-2012

No Report

Liz Hallock

STANDING COMMITTEES

CIVIC AFFAIRS AND CONSERVATION

2011-2012

Branch Out!

Virginia and I are happy to report that *Branch Out!* has been branching out this past year.

In addition to our bi-annual tree sales (125 trees have been sold), we have branched out and are working with community organizations, schools, and the town on civic tree planting projects as follows:

- This spring Branch Out! received approval from the BHRC (Bedford Historical Review Commission) for our succession planting plan for the Village Green. If all goes according to plan, we will plant our trees this fall.
- Last fall the Bedford Hills Neighborhood Association planted a Branch Out! Sugar Maple in the Bedford Hills Memorial Park. It has grown substantially and is well on its way to providing the area with much needed shade.
- Katonah Village Improvement Society ordered 8 Branch Out! trees this spring to be planted in downtown Katonah along the parkway by the library.
- Branch Out! is in an ongoing dialogue with Fox Lane High School about our Branch Out! tree planting plan for the entrance on Rt. 172.
- Kirtley Cameron, the President of the Bedford Historical Society, hosted a neighborhood Branch Out! cocktail party for the homeowners in the Historic Village along Pound Ridge Road. She had a wonderful turn out, with a lot of enthusiasm and at the Homeowners request we have designed a master plan for that part of Pound Ridge Road. We trust the homeowners will be equally enthusiastic about our plan and recommendations and we look forward to updating you on our progress in the fall.
- Branch Out! is applying for a grant from Bedford 2020 to fund tree planting along the commercial corridor of Bedford on Route 22(heading north on Rt.22 the area is from the North Winds kennel past the A&P to the True Value hardware store). Branch Out! trees are starting to line our thoroughfares. Some of the more visible places Branch Out! is branching out in the community are: 3 Yoshino Cherries in front of Renwick Sotheby's, 3 Elm trees in front of John Jay Homestead on Rt.22, and 3 Elm trees in front of Cisqua School on West Patent Road.

Thank you to Carol Bouyoucos for designing our beautiful Branch Out! street signs. We would also like to thank the entire BGC membership for supporting this effort and we look forward to Branching Out! throughout the community in the coming year.

Heather Langham & Virginia Maybank

Adopt-A-Road

2011-2012

The Bedford Garden Club continues to pick up the litter on the section of Route 22 between Clinton Road and Route 172. We are committed to executing this task two or three times a year, usually in October and April. Our faithful volunteers have mastered the technique, and the clean-up usually is completed in an hour. We coordinate this with the DPW who pick up the bright orange bags later in the day. The Bedford Garden Club certainly helps keep Bedford beautiful!

Bonnie MacDonald

Sanctuaries

2011-2012

AUDUBON SANCTUARIES

No Report

Denise CR Santomero

BEAVER DAM SANCTUARY:

No Report

Ann McDuffie

BUTLER_MEYER PRESERVE of the Eastern NY Chapter of the Nature Conservancy:

No Report

Joyce Espy

MARSH SANCTUARY:

The Marsh Sanctuary has been active since 1956. They have 150 acres. Sean Devine is the Naturalist, charged with keeping the paths open and running the Community Garden. The garden has a solar powered pump and gravity feeds. The Brookside house is a home for Sean who holds an outside job. There are 4 1/2 miles of trails which he keeps cleared of invasives (bittersweet and poison ivy). A natural species planting project is in place for sun and shade plants. As yet they have no signage, but this is something the Garden Club could help them finance.

There are no paid-staff at the Sanctuary so most work falls in the hands of Sean and a few other volunteer workers.

In October they will hold a 7th Annual Octoberfest.

June Weissinger

MIANUS RIVER GORGE PRESERVE:

No Report

Stacy Albanese

TEATOWN RESERVATION:

No Report

Bitsy Tatnall

WESTMORELAND SANCTUARY:

No Report

Bonnie Trotta

“What Happened in Washington Cannot Stay in Washington”

What happens when 300 knowledgeable, motivated and energetic GCA delegates from all over the country meet in Washington D.C. for the 2012 Con/NAL meeting to learn how to advocate and be spokeswomen for our planet and for future generations’ ability to live healthy, safe lives? Well, they become the next “American Idols”. They spend two days learning how to advocate for clean water, healthy oceans, safe food, fragile lands and plants, animals and insects impacted by climate change. They not only clearly give this message to their legislators on Capitol Hill, but bring the dedication to protect the precious gift of our earthly home, to their clubs and communities. What was learned in Washington cannot stay in Washington, but must be shared with GCA Club members and their community.

Among the dizzying number of things learned were:

A) The earth is changing

1. Extreme climate conditions negate the traditional “past is prologue” assumption, making future planning in every area more difficult.
2. The Defense Department’s strategy for our national security is based on concern about the warming climate conditions, and the dangers this will present worldwide.
3. We get our power from the sun, through the process of photosynthesis. Today’s energy comes from ancient sun power in the form of coal, oil and natural gas, but now we need to figure out how to get our energy from the contemporary sunshine.
4. The world is getting wetter and drier, causing both unusual flooding and drought, with rain more intense, yet more infrequent.
5. Once-in-a-century weather occurrences are becoming common place.
6. Glaciers, on which people worldwide depend on for water, are becoming smaller, producing less water for irrigation and consumptive use.
7. Snow is coming later in fall, stopping earlier in the spring.
8. Water levels in lakes worldwide continue to drop.
9. Each year is hotter than the hottest on record.
10. The 2012 USDA Plant Hardiness Zone Map readjusted the traditional zones positions 5 degree north, because of the warming shift.
11. Native plant species do not have time to adapt to the rapidly changing climatic conditions, leaving over 4000 species critically at risk.
12. Oceans levels are rising and the water is becoming more acidic, threatening to dissolve the shells of sea creatures, like plankton, shrimp, etc.
13. Our National Parks System is more important than ever, and must be adequately supported as it nears its 100th anniversary

B) Importance of fully funding the Land and Water Conservation Fund (LWCF)

1. The LWCF was established by Congress in 1964, to use a small portion of the billions of dollars of the fees paid by companies drilling offshore for oil and gas - so the depletion of one natural resource, offshore oil and gas, supports the conservation of another precious resource, our land and water.
2. The money has been used in all 50 states to acquire land or easements on land for recreational use, protect fragile ecosystems and wetlands restoration, provide

matching grants for state and local parks and recreation projects, pay farmers to conserve their land and provide other conservation tools.

3. But every year except one, Congress has taken money from this popular, vital program for other uses, rather than their intended conservation and recreation purposes, to the detriment of our outdoors.
4. Recent polling found that 86% of Americans support the LWCF and more than 77% support fully funding LWCF at its authorized level of \$900 million a year.
5. Every dollar of LWCF investment has resulted in \$4 of economic value, with 1 in 20 US jobs having to do with the outdoor recreation industry.

C) The power of women on a mission:

1. *Senator Kirsten Gillibrand* reminded us that women tend to take long term views, looking for the best ideas, so when woman's voices are heard in the boardroom and at political discussions, better solutions result. For instance, GCA members should ask for full disclosure on the effects of fracking, including chemicals used, and question why this activity is exempt from the Clean Air and Water Act, so we can figure out a way to safely extract natural gas
2. *GCA member, Ellen Rouse Conrad* told about how the Bedford Garden Club realized that "nature is not waiting for us" and sponsored an environmental conference which changed their community. They developed a public-private partnership which created a city-wide program, Bedford 2020.org, to reduce energy use, recycle waste, plant trees, preserve their natural resources and create a healthier and more sustainable place to live. The "Summit in a Box" was developed as a template for every community to use to plan for a smarter future.
3. *GCA member, Pat Wall*, described the successes of the Portland Garden Club's amazing efforts to protect the beauty of the Columbia River Gorge against development and Indian casinos, and the ongoing vigilance required to preserve this scenic vista
4. *Senator Mary Landrieu* described the Gulf coast "Women of the Storm" movement formed to encourage Congress to pass the RESTORE Act (S.1400), and send 80% of BP fine dollars that may be assessed following the Deepwater Horizon oil spill under the Clean Water Act, back to Gulf Coast states for sustainable housing, safe levees, coastal restoration and to encourage long-range planning along the Gulf Coast.
5. *Kathryn Sullivan*, assistant secretary of the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA) reminded us that the entire world depends on NOAA's very sophisticated and accurate system of scientific climate modeling and weather monitoring, and that our changing climate is the world's greatest challenge. There is an 86% increase in usage of NOAA's climate data for budgeting and future planning by such diverse groups as farmers, home builders, state governments, electrical plants, national military strategists and firefighters. Water and food management depends on understanding what is happening in the atmosphere.
6. *GCA member Kathryn Kennedy*, Executive Director of the Center for Plant Conservation, has collected and preserved 750 of America's most imperiled native plant species and works to replant them in appropriate places, before they become extinct. She supports full funding for the Endangered Species Act, especially in the face of the changing climate conditions.

D) The importance of the Farm Bill, which is voted on every five years:

1. The 2012 Farm Bill is the most important law determining what America eats, because its many sections dictate how we grow food, how we support farmers, how we sell food, and what food assistance programs are available to all Americans.
2. Agriculture is the largest human activity, using 70% of the earth's water, and although less than 1% of the U S our population is involved in farming, more people are now getting into sustainable farming.
3. It is hoped that "Specialty Crops" (all fruits and vegetables) will receive more governmental support - as compared to the agri-business crops corn, wheat, sugar cotton and soy, which have historically received large subsidies.
4. Concern over the rapid growth of Genetically Modified Organisms (GMO) - 85% soy beans and 70% corn are genetically engineered, which are not sufficiently tested or even labeled by the FDA, although many other countries require GMO labeling.
5. Tax Incentive for Conservation Easements, allowing private landowners to permanently retire development rights to protect significant natural resources, is in danger of being eliminated from the 2012 Farm Bill.
6. "The Local Farms, Food, and Jobs Act" is a USDA package of reforms which strengthen local and regional food systems from farm to table.
7. "Know your Food, Know your Farmer" is an innovative USDA mapping tool that is on line and will be continually updated.

E) Highways BEE Act should be included in the House Transportation and Infrastructure Bill:

1. Seventy-four out of 100 different crop types, or one in every three bites of food we eat, are pollinated.
 2. Pollinator have decline has become a major environmental issue today. Beehive colony collapse has resulted in an up to 85% decline in bumble bees.
 3. Humans don't share very well with plants and animals - we just take their landscape, create a monoculture (yards or agriculture) with few native plants and then cover our plants with pollinator-killing pesticides.
 4. The Highways BEE Act (H.R.2381 Highways Bettering the Economy and Environment Act) requires no money, but encourages reduced mowing and native plantings on rights-of-way and adjacent to federal-aid highways, allowing wildflowers and native plants to grow, providing habitat for pollinators, ground nesting birds and other small wildlife – saving money on mowing.
- Submitted by Susan Caven - Vice-Chairman of the Conservation Committee and Sue Klein - Vice Chairman of Nation Affairs and Legislation Committee.

Ellen Rouse Conrad

John Jay Homestead Sundial Garden

2011-2012

Summer maintenance:

We had a large, faithful crew who kept the garden looking beautiful all summer. Volunteers were responsible for a week (or two) and watered, weeded and dead-headed as needed.

Tink Callahan, Ellen Conrad, Wendy Cushman, Cindy Dwyer, Kirk Ferguson, Shelly Ferrall, Debbie Gourd, Mary Kendrick, Sally Kroll, Anita Stockbridge, Varner Redmon, Wendy Ross, Adele Talty, Bonnie Trotta, Melissa Vail, Nancy Vincent & Leslie Wortmann all did a great job.

Spring Clean-up:

Our general garden clean-up took place on April 28, and a large group of ladies spent a couple of hours tidying up. The warm winter, and early spring meant that our garden was already looking beautiful. Cindy Dwyer, Kirk Ferguson, Mary Finnegan, Ann Catchpole Howell, Carolee Jones, Sally Kroll, Heather Langham, Mimi Lines, Lila Longo, Rosemary Mankiewitz, Varner Redmon, Janet Robinson, Adele Talty & Nancy Vincent attended.

Summer Maintenance 2012:

Wendy Cushman, Cindy Dwyer, Shelly Ferrall, Kirk Ferguson, Wendy Foulke, Lisa Hennessy, Sally Kroll, Heather Langham, Cynthia Mas, Kim Morris, Lindsay Matthews, Jenny O'Connor Varner Redmon, Denise Santomero, Louise Talbot, Adele Talty, Taylor Taylor, Bonnie Trotta, Melissa Vail, Nancy Vincent and Susan West have all volunteered for summer duty.

Varner Redmon & Heather Langham

EXHIBITIONS

2011-2012

New Exhibitions Chair, Carol Bouyoucos, introduced her intensions at the fall BGC annual meeting with a call to members to jump in and give flower arranging a try. The focus, with the help of her committee, will be to encourage new members to learn the fine art of flower arranging and emphasize the importance of entering GCA flower shows.

Greenday highlighted holiday home decorating with a demonstration by floral designer, Henry Cochrane. Henry fabricated a mantel piece that incorporated tree bark and eucalyptus leaves as a backdrop for a pair of festive topiaries. The wreathes were decorated by our lively group effort, which made the handiwork all the more fun. Our members donated delicious seasonal treats, books, and gifts for our holiday boutique, which was a huge success.

At January's BGC meeting, visiting GCA master floral arranger Susan Detjens, gave a presentation on new trends in Floral Design. She also put together a mock flower schedule for our members to enter. Bonnie Trotta, Wendy Cushman, Lindsay Mathews, Jenny O'Conner, and Carol Bouyoucos each entered an arrangement from three different classes. Susan designed the flower schedule to encourage new arrangers to try their hand!

At February's meeting, BGC members were encouraged to enter an in-club photography show with the theme of "Winter in the Garden." Carol Bouyoucos awarded first place to Adele Talty, second place to Leslie Wortman, and third place to Nancy Vincent. Throughout the calendar year, the exhibitions committee donated beautiful arrangements for our monthly meetings.

Carol Bouyoucos

GARDEN HISTORY AND DESIGN

2011-2012

This year our committee worked to identify gardens we would like to include in the Smithsonian Archives. They include the Israel, Santomero, Needham, Talty, Maynard & Dwyer (Whitman) gardens. We also worked to research and design an historic garden for the Bedford Court House, but were unable to obtain approval from the Bedford Historic Review Board before the planting season had ended.

We also combined forces, and chairmen with the Visiting Gardens Committee, and had a wonderful private tour of Olana, Frederick Church's splendid house and naturalistic landscape in Hudson, New York. A summer trip to another Hudson River site is planned.

Varner Redmon

HORTICULTURE

2011-2012

The Horticulture Committee activities for the year included several flower show visits, a bulb workshop, a cutting workshop and a member's garden tour.

Our October membership meeting featured Brent Heath from Brent and Becky's Bulbs in Virginia. Brent did a slide presentation about an incredible variety of bulbs. We also gave 3 of the GCA daffodil to each member to plant at home. After the meeting, those members who were interested stayed for a container planting workshop. About 20 members planted Narcissus "Avalanche", Hyacinthus "Carnegie", Tulipa "Calgary", crocus vernus "Jeanne d'Arc" and puschkinia scilloides "Alba". We stored our pots in a cold dark place over winter, watering about once a month. In March, when the weather turned warm we brought them out and had wonderful success.

We also registered for the company's Bloomin' Bucks program which will provide our club with 15% back from any purchases our members make at Brent and Becky's Bulbs. In an effort to get more members familiar with and involved in flower shows we organized groups to visit the Little Garden Club of Rye show in September and the Green Fingers Club of Greenwich show in March.

For our Zone III meeting in June we were asked to bring viburnum plants that we propagated. We held a workshop in February to start hardwood cuttings. About 10 members attended the workshop. Unfortunately none of our cuttings took root. We believe the cause was in part the unusually warm weather we had in March and are afraid they were not kept moist enough.

In May, Debbie attended a Zone sponsored meeting at Native Landscapes Inc. garden center in Pawling, NY. We were given a lecture by the owner who followed it with a very interesting nature walk on part of the Adirondack Trail. We also purchased some native plants that we can propagate for the 2013 Zone meeting.

As the year came to a close, we planned a garden tour of 7 of our members gardens on the day of the June Annual Meeting. The following members opened their gardens to us prior to the meeting: Susan Burke, Mimi Lines, Barbara Israel, Mary Kendrick, Bonnie Trotta and Vicki Morris. We toured the Santomero property following the meeting at their home. The tour was very well received and the gardens were fabulous.

Deirdre Glascott and Debbie Gourd

MEMBERSHIP

2011-2012

The Membership Committee is pleased to welcome a very accomplished group of new members. Thanks to the members of the Membership Committee, Mrs. Philip Bowers (Suzanne), Mrs. Robert Ferguson (Kirk), Mrs. John Morris (Kim), and Mrs. Victor Wortmann (Leslie) for their help in reviewing the many letters of support for our wonderful new members.

Please find below the changes to our Membership that occurred over the past year:

New Members:

Ms. Alexandra Forester (Alexandra)

Mrs. Eric Kronenberg (Nancy)

Ms. Linda J. Merrill (Linda)

Resignations:

Mrs. Robert Bernard (Elizabeth Sadati)

Mrs. Thomas W. Philip (Lela)

Mrs. J Oliver Montross (Joan)

Category Changes:

	From	To
Mrs. Stephen Lines (Mimi)	Active	Associate
Mrs. John Stockbridge	Sustaining	Active

Mary Finnegan

PROGRAMS

2011-2012

The Bedford Garden Club was off to a great start with our opening meeting held at Bedford Golf and Tennis Club on September 8th. Our new president, Leslie Wortmann spoke of the year to come and urged us to get back to the BGC fundamentals of horticulture, flower arranging, conservation and garden design. After 4 years of environmental summits and celebrations of our club's centennial, our members were eager to get back to basics. A lovely brunch followed the meeting.

Our October meeting featured Brent Heath, a humorous expert on bulbs, and was held at Bedford's Historical Hall. Brent is co-owner of Brent and Becky's Bulbs, based in Gloucester, Virginia. The club enjoyed Brent's lecture and power point presentation on "Bulbs as Companion Plants". Bulbs were offered for sale as well as an array of books written by Brent and Becky. After the meeting a small group participated in a bulb workshop, coordinated by the Hort. Chairs. Here we learned about layering different bulbs to force in a container for a spring time treat. Many thanks to Lisa and Peter Hennessey for so kindly hosting Brent!

On Tuesday, November 16th, Stephen Orr came to speak to the Bedford Garden Club on “Tomorrow’s Garden Design and Inspiration for a New Age of Sustainable Gardening”, also the title of Stephens’ newest book. Stephen is a writer and garden editor at Martha Stewart Enterprises. This meeting, which was held at Bedford Historical Hall, was open to the public, advertised and very well attended. After a wine and cheese reception, Stephen entertained the audience with his lively monologue and beautiful photographs. Afterwards, he kindly answered our questions and signed his beautiful books. Many thanks to Susan Burke for coordinating this fantastic speaker.

In December we celebrated the upcoming holidays with our annual “Greensday” meeting held at the Westmoreland Sanctuary. Carol Bouyoucos, our Exhibitions Chair, organized beautiful greens and floral accessories that were used to decorate wreaths for the NWHC, Bedford Historical Hall, Westmoreland Sanctuary and the John Jay Homestead. The projects committee offered a wonderful holiday bazaar featuring home-made treats and Christmas decorations. Henry Cochran, of Henry Cochran Interiors gave a delightful demonstration of different ways to decorate a mantel and a table top for the holiday season. He was warm, interesting and full of useful tips.

In January we met at the John Jay Homestead to listen to Susan Detjeans, the Vice Chairman of Awards for the Flower Show Committee of the GCA (and a member of the Millbrook GC) on the topic of entering flower shows. Susan took us through her power point presentation and then gently critiqued our in-house flower show. Carol Bouyoucos, our Exhibitions Chair, had organized the show, titled USA Today, with 12 entries from our members in 3 different classes. Susan was extremely informative and encouraged us all to participate in upcoming flower shows.

In February, again at the John Jay Homestead, we were so fortunate to have the noted garden designer, Gordon Hayward, as a speaker at our membership meeting. The topic of Gordon’s lecture was “Your House, Your Garden”, also the title of his fifth book. It was an extremely inspiring lecture featuring 80 beautiful slides of projects that Gordon had worked on, including his own charming homes in Vermont and England. He was patient with our questions and comments and made all 5 of his books available to purchase to our members. Many thanks to Bitsy and Sam Tatnall who kindly hosted Gordon and his wife, Mary, at their Bedford Corners home.

For our membership meeting in April, we left Bedford for the Bronx- for a tour of the Thain Family Forest at the New York Botanical Garden. We were met by Todd Forrest and his capable staff. It was a real treat to walk through the NYBG’s grounds and the newly renovated Thain Forest with such knowledgeable guides. With the success of our ongoing project “Branch Out”, we were armed with lots of “tree” questions! After the tour many members stayed to view the Orchid Show and enjoy a light lunch.

In May we took a break from the traditional planting day held in the past at the John Jay Homestead and instead had 2 meetings. The first was a coffee and plant exchange held at Olivia Farr’s home. We “swapped” cuttings, sipped coffee, and got lots of planting tips from fellow members. We received our new discount cards for our local nurseries and were encouraged to start planting! On May 16th we hit the road again, for a field trip to Stone Barns, a working four-season farm and educational center in Pocantico Hills. We had an extensive guided tour of the grounds and gardens learning about their organic and sustainable methods of growing healthy food and livestock. After a brief meeting we enjoyed a fantastic buffet lunch at Blue Hill, the restaurant at Stone Barns. Lastly we were given fresh eggs to take home- what a treat!

Our final meeting of the year was held once again at the home of fellow BGC member, Denise Santomero. The format was slightly different this year in that we combined our meeting with a wonderful garden tour of member's gardens. After visiting 6 gardens we met at Rabbit Hill for a sumptuous buffet lunch, coordinated by head hostess, Adele Talty. After lunch, we gathered as Leslie, our president, held our last membership meeting with the presentation of awards and introduction of new members. It was a great finale to another informative and enjoyable year.

Kim Morris

SPECIAL COMMITTEES

AWARDS

2011-2012

Our Club president, Leslie and I met this spring to discuss a special GCA award for a member of our club, Bedford Garden Club awards and citations. Even though we have had a quiet year after our Centennial celebration in 2011, your energy is overflowing, and efforts are recognized.

The Awards Committee, on behalf of the Bedford Garden Club, also wrote a seconding letter for the Philipstown Garden Club in support of the nomination of Anne Osborn for the Zone III Conservation Award.

One GCA award is presented this year.

The Garden Club of America Appreciation Award

The GCA Appreciation Award

The GCA Club Appreciation Award is given to this member “For her loyal, uplifting and steadfast commitment to every position she has held within our club. She brings vision and expansion to our evolving mission.” We present this award to Kim Morris.

Kim has been a member of the Bedford Garden Club since 1997, and she has truly made an indelible mark on our Club, and indeed within the GCA. She is an impressive and loyal member with limitless enthusiasm and energy. Kim always volunteers to help in whatever capacity is needed, and has held many positions at the executive committee level. Her Club Positions include: 1999-2001 Projects, 01-03 Corresponding Secretary, 04 Benefit Committee, 08-11 Member at Large, 07-09 Steering Committee Bedford Environmental Summit (this was a huge commitment and effort), 09-10 Clippings, 09-11 Public Relations, 10- present Vice President/Seedlings Chair. 2012 Programs Chair - many positions she held were years that overlapped.

In 1999, Kim received a Special Citation: “For her wholehearted enthusiasm, able assistance and welcome involvement in so many club activities”. She was awarded the Conservation Award in 2009 “For your energy, commitment and leadership in planning and implementing the Bedford Environmental Summit. You took a modest vision and created a grassroots movement and a community of environmental advocates whose work will positively impact our town and our world for many years to come” (Awarded to 9 BGC members). Kim is the recipient of the New York Botanical Gardens “Fundamentals of Horticulture” Certificate in 2010 and that same year received the Oliver Memorial Award. This award is the BGC’s opportunity to honor commitment, achievement and excellence. The newly formed Communications Committee, has been efficiently led by Kim Morris.

In 2011 Kim co-chaired the Centennial Cocktail Party and fundraiser with Cynthia Mas. They both received the Oliver Memorial Award “for their faithful dedication to the Club and for successfully orchestrating the Centennial Cocktail Party and Auction that raised funds for our on-going community projects.” This year, Kim is not only Programs

Chair, but is also finishing up her two year term as 2nd VP which oversees seedlings. She brings enormous energy and creativity to both positions. She plans most aspects of our program schedule, and is a wonderful hostess to visiting speakers thinking of every detail to make them feel at home.

Every club dreams of having a club member as talented and dedicated as Kim, who is able to enthusiastically undertake a project at any moment. She accepts commitment with seriousness, showing extraordinary potential in all areas of the club's activities, and shows no signs of stopping. Kim represents the heart and soul of our club. I am honored to present the GCA Appreciation Award to Kim Morris.

And now the Bedford Garden Club Awards.

Golden Trowel Horticulture Award

The golden trowel is given to a member of the Bedford Garden Club to acknowledge and applaud outstanding contributions in the field of horticulture. There are two members who embody this mission. On a wing and a prayer, they tackled workshops on bulb planting, seed propagation, pruning and rooting with creative energy. They are a tour de force, and always humble about their expertise.

**The Bedford Garden Club
Presents
The Golden Trowel Horticulture Award
to
Deirdre Glascott, and Debbie Gourd**

“For your zealous spirit, creativity and commitment to our club”

The Oliver Memorial Award

The Oliver Memorial Award, established in 1952 in memory of Katherine Starr Oliver, is an in-club award in the form of a silver bowl and a citation. The Oliver Memorial Award is the Bedford Garden Club's opportunity to honor commitment, achievement and excellence. Past recipients represent the very heart of our membership and are all women of great ability and dedication.

Each year, Greensday sets our club into holiday motion, and the Greensday Boutique is a key component to this program. Two girls have orchestrated this boutique with a magnificent sense of style, and infectious spirit for celebration. Their leadership skills, intuitive subcommittee selection, and focused attention to detail are perfected in a holiday boutique filled with treats for all ages.

**The Bedford Garden Club
Presents
The Oliver Memorial Award
To
Sam O'Brien and Lindsay Pinchot**

“For their excellence in bringing inventive, creative, and superb quality to the Greensday Boutique.”

A Special Citation

Our Club is often presented with unique projects that have a lasting effect on our community. We have reached out to community members with our knowledge, expertise and grace. This member brings her keen understanding of history, design, and beautiful essence to a garden that sits before a very old courthouse in Bedford. She commits boundless energy, generosity, and creativity to every project that she embraces. Varner Redmon took on the task of unraveling the photographic archives of the Bedford Courthouse building, dating back to 1867, and how it has changed over time. She created a historical garden that welcomes visitors to our town. It is described as a sanctuary, a respite, a place to contemplate, breathe and reflect. We are truly grateful.

**The Bedford Garden Club
Presents
A Special Citation
To
Varner Redmon**

“For her generosity, creativity, thoughtful, and thorough knowledge of garden history and design”.

CLUB BOTANIST
2011-2012

No Report.

Ann McDuffie

CORRESPONDENT TO THE GARDEN CLUB OF AMERICA “BULLETIN”:
2011-2012

Currently serving on the Garden Club of America Centennial Committee, I am able to keep our club informed with more details on the 2013 GCA Centennial Celebration than I might otherwise be able. These announcements are made through e-mail blasts and the BGC website and have included the 2013 Centennial Project and Founders’ Fund groundbreaking event at the 69th Street Entrance of Central Park, the availability of the GCA centennial book by William Seale and the planning for the June 2013 Centennial Week.

As my role on the GCA Centennial Committee includes organizing historical articles for the *Bulletin*, Bedford Garden Club was well represented in the past year. Joyce Corrigan submitted an outstanding article to celebrate our club’s own 2011 centennial. This article was published in the June/July 2011 issue. Marilen Tilt’s beautifully composed and informative article on our member Wilhelmine K. Waller was in the June/July 2012 issue. Upcoming in the fall will be an article on our member Eloise Payne Luquer by Joanne Lenden of Fort Orange GC.

Nancy Vincent

CUSTODIAN

2011-2012

All items in the Bedford Garden Club's inventory are located in the basement of my
barn, unless otherwise noted. Virginia Maybank

B.G.C. INVENTORY

1. Garden Club files
2. Garden Club histories - Vol's I, II, III and IV
3. 100 Blue Yearbook binders
4. One and a half boxes of Cookbooks
5. Flower Show Supplies
 - a. 2 large halogen worklights
 - b. 4 clip on lights
 - c. 9 clipboards
 - d. 15 black, wood modern blocks
 - e. 18 pieces var. shapes glass and Lucite
 - f. 5 assorted flower pin holders for arrangements
 - g. 2 12" black plates
 - h. 7 trunk slices 1/4" x 12" ovals
 - i. one box small polished black stones
 - j. 2 niches, divided into 4 quarters, 8"x9" each
 - k. 2 white niches, no backs -for small arrangements
 - l. 6 masonite round tables, 36" dia.
 - m. 1 octagonal large niche for 8 miniature arrangements –
two sections (top & bottom)
 - n. 6 large, gray niches with hinged backs
 - o. 3 partitioned basketweave screens
 - p. 4 landscape plot frames -5' x 3' x 10" deep
 - q. 18 misc. stakes for signs
 - r. 14 colored clipboards
 - s. 1 bag hardware for niches
 - t. 2 pkgs. Repair links
 - u. 1 bag clear plastic card holders for exhibitions
 - v. 1 watering can
 - x. 5 white pedestals
 - w. 4 large black pedestal tops
 - x. 6 medium white pedestal tops
 - y. 8 spot lights
 - z. 11 black burlap backdrops (approx 8")
 - aa. étagère / 3 sections (two ends & one center)
 - bb. 4 black frames
 - cc. 15 Italian wine crates used for cut stem staging/Under a Tuscan Sun
 - dd. 4 boards to put over wine crates for cut stem staging and 2 boards each
2' x 8'
 - ee. 6 urns used for challenge class/Under a Tuscan Sun
 - ff. 6 tubes - staging for par class/Under a Tuscan Sun -
(3) 46" high tubes and (3)23" ft tubes

6. Miscellaneous

- a. 8 green tablecloths
- b. 8 flesh color tablecloths
- c. 5 white sheet liners for tables
- d. 41 packs of photo Kemble cards
- e. 1 Bessler lantern
- f. 20 carafes
- g. 18 pressed glass bud vases
- h. 7 grape-motif bulb glasses
- i. 37 large green glass bottles
- j. 20 medium green glass bottles
- k. 14 - 8.5" cylinder glass vases
- l. 13 - 10" cylinder glass vases
- m. small stem clear bottles-approx 25
- n. 14 - 7.5' bud vases
- o. 22 small green glass bottles
- p. 10 extension cords
- q. 15 large clay pots (10 and 12" diameter)
- r. 6 chalk boards
- s. 100 lunch baskets
- t. dark green aprons
- u. 2 videos of 1986 Centennial Celebration -Borner
- v. Silver Tea Service – Kendrick, to Mossman, to Baker, to Maybank, to Conner, to Adele Talty
- w. 1 copy current GCA Judging Manual
- x. BGC Banner (2)
- y. 20 needlepoint BGC hostess pins
- z. 2 copies *Gardens of Colony and State* -Kendrick
- aa. 1 GCA framed plaque -Kendrick
- bb. Carton boxes of BGC historical slides of member gardens (need to be itemized and stored appropriately)
- cc. Bullhorn
- dd. 6 lucite picture frames 9x12
- ee. 5 silver picture frames 9x12
- ff. 5 boxes cocktail napkins
- gg. 2 boxes hand towels
- hh. 1 expanding slide screen
- ii. 19 wooden easels

HISTORIAN

2011-2012

In response to Nancy Vincent's request, we submitted an article on the late Wilhelmine Kirby Waller, former Bedford Garden Club member, President and President of the GCA, for the summer edition of the GCA Bulletin. Although an abridged version will appear in publication, the full article is included at the end of our 2012 Yearbook. In addition, an updated draft of our history from 2006 to present is "in the works", a request of the GCA as it anticipates its Centennial in 2013.

Marilen G. Tilt

HOSTESSES

2011-2012

"One cannot think well, love well, sleep well, if one has not dined well." Virginia Woolf

- September 21, 2011 9 am – lunch
Topic: Kick Off Meeting and Autumn Brunch
Place: Bedford Gold & Tennis Club
Hostesses: Allison Bamford, Suzanne Bowers, Tori Cox
- October 19, 2011 9 am – coffee
Topic: Brent and Becky's Bulbs Lecture, Workshop and Bulb Sale
Place: Bedford Historical Hall
Hostesses: Wendy Foulke, Varner Redmon, Denise Santomero
- November 16, 2011 7 pm meeting and refreshments (open to the public)
Topic: "Tomorrow's Garden" with Stephen Orr, Editorial Director of Martha Steward Living
Place: Historical Hall
Hostesses: Carol Bouyoucos, Debbie Gourd, Lisa Hennessy, Leila Longo, Denise Santomero, Taylor Taylor
- December 7, 2011 9 am – coffee
Topic: Greensday, Demonstration, Community Wreath Making and Boutique
Place: Westmorland Sanctuary
Hostesses: Vickie Morris, Allyson Pachios, Ann Paul, Bonnie Trotta
- January 18, 2012 9 am – coffee
Topic: Flower arranging presentation and challenge with Susan Detjens
Place: John Jay Homestead
Hostesses: Selby Ehrlich, Lindsay Matthews, Susan West
- February 15, 2012 9 am – coffee
Topic: Landscape designer/author Gordon Hayward and winter photo challenge
Place: John Jay Homestead
Hostesses: Susan Bostwick, Storrs Cote, Leila Longo

<u>March 2012</u>	No membership meeting
<u>April 18, 2012</u>	10 am tour and meeting
Topic:	Todd Forrest, tour of Thain Family Forest at New York Botanical Gardens
Place:	New York Botanical Gardens
Hostesses:	none
<u>May 9, 2012</u>	9 am – coffee
Topic:	Plant Exchange
Place:	Home of Olivia Farr
Hostesses:	Liza Clymer, Lisa Hennessy, Heather Langham, Janet Robinson
<u>May 23, 2012</u>	10 am tour - 11:30 meeting and lunch
Topic:	Tour of Blue Hill at Stone Barns
Place:	Blue Hill at Stone Barns
Hostesses:	none
<u>June 20, 2012</u>	9 am tour followed by 11:30 lunch and annual meeting
Topic:	BGC members garden tour, annual meeting and lunch
Place:	Home of Denise Santomero
Hostesses:	Joyce Corrigan, Cindy Dwyer, Mary Finnegan, Lisa Hennessy, Cassie Kernan, Sally Kroll, Susan West

With warm thanks to all our hostesses who provided delicious bites so we could all, in fact, dine well!

Adèle K. Talty

NEW YORK COMMITTEE OF THE GCA
2011-2012

No Report

Susan Burke

POLICY
2011-2012.

No Changes to our By-Laws

Janet Robinson

PROJECT REVIEW COMMITTEE

2011-2012

During the 2011-2012 fiscal year, the Bedford Garden Club voted to give \$1000 from Project Review to the Court House Garden project. As this project has been postponed indefinitely, the \$1000 was put back into the Project Review budget. The Executive Committee and membership then voted to grant \$2,500 from the 2011-2012 Project Review budget and \$500 from the 2012-2013 Project Review budget to the West Patent Elementary School Garden Committee for the expansion of their main garden space, including the expansion of their current vegetable garden and addition of an outdoor classroom. The Executive Committee and entire membership felt that this proposal adequately meets our goals for Project Review and for the Bedford Garden Club in that it promotes and fosters the education and interest of gardening and nature in one of our local schools.

Suzanne Bowers

PROJECTS

2011-2012

As the Bedford Garden Club celebrated their special Greensday meeting, the Greensday boutique in 2011 was a celebration of all things food, a little different from boutiques past. Thanks to many of our wonderful Garden Club members, we had delicious donations for us to sell, from preserved lemons in their adorable packaging to salad dressings, wonderful baked goods, honey, and granola. It was a wonderful success and got everyone in the spirit of the holidays. All of the items were sold including the always adored holiday plants. Thank you all who contributed to the success of the boutique by donating, working or buying. We're looking forward to another fun and successful year in 2012.

Lindsay Pinchot and Sam O'Brien

PUBLIC RELATIONS

2011-2012

The Trailside Museum was founded by two Bedford Garden Club luminaries, Delia Marble and Eloise Luqueur. With the celebration of the Trailside Museum's 75th Anniversary, it was featured in the May/June 2012 issue of the BEDFORD MAGAZINE as well as the September 28th, 2012 issue of the RECORD REVIEW

Another article on the "Perennial" members, those who have been members of the Bedford Garden Club for 50 or more years, appeared in the October 9th, 2012 issue of the RECORD REVIEW

Joyce Corrigan

BGC WEBSITE

2011-2012

Typically, the website updates are at the beginning of the week, but they are not strictly on a weekly basis. An e-mail blast can take its place. Varner Redmon continues to oversee the administrative pages (Members Only section) while I update the blog (Bedford Garden Club section).

Apple, Inc. made the decision to close its MobileMe service as of June 30, 2012 and to discontinue support of its iWeb program. Both of these services were the backbone of our Bedford Garden Club website. Varner and I made the decision to reconstruct the club website on Weebly.com. Thanks to Varner much of the information has been moved already from the IWeb site to the Weebly site. We are hopeful we will have the new website up and running before June 30. Stay tuned!

I can not overstate my appreciation for Leslie Wortmann and others for sending their information “camera ready” and especially for Varner’s continued involvement and effort on the website.

Nancy Vincent

PHOTOGRAPHY

2011- 2012

Various garden club events for the 2011-2012 year were all photographed. The Public Relations committee and the Website committee have the photographs.

Didi Woodhull

GARDEN CLUB OF AMERICA SCHOLARSHIPS

2011-2012

On January 18, 2012, this Committee reported to BGC membership about GCA scholarship programs and activities. The presentation was about the range and scale of GCA scholarship activities nationwide:

- Scholarships are the part of GCA Outreach which encourages new talent and recognizes outstanding contributions of individuals, some established and some emerging.
- In 2010, more than 55 awards and programs were active, totaling more than \$211,000.
- More than 1000 recipients have received support since the first award in 1928.
- The program recognizes awardees at all academic and professional levels, from undergraduate to doctoral students and practitioners.
- Awards can recognize past accomplishments or support further study.
- Fields include botany, conservation, ecology studies, education, history and design, horticulture and landscape architecture.

GCA encourages local clubs to participate by

- Inviting GCA scholars to meetings as speakers,
- Supporting candidate applications for scholarships, and
- Donating to the General Scholarship Fund or to endowed funds at GCA.

GCA recommends that Scholarships be a separate line item in all club budgets.

We are proud to say that BGC consistently supports GCA Scholarships in this way.

At that meeting, it was suggested that BGC offer to work with Trailside Museum /Ward Pound Ridge, to see if any GCA funds might be available to help Trailside commemorate their 75th anniversary, in recognition of their founding by Delia Marble. We forwarded them the summary below, and stand by to help if asked.

Scholarship ideas for Trailside/Ward Pound Ridge, on the occasion of their 75th anniversary, in honor of their founding by Delia Marble.

GCA Scholarships are grants to individuals for specific projects – not so much recognizing organizations for general excellence.

That said, most scholarships are available to non-members as well as members. Possibly Trailside would want to think of an anniversary piece of work they wanted funding for, or work that's already ongoing under the leadership of one of their staff.

As you suspected, it's too late to put something in place for this summer. Nonetheless, here's everything that looked possible on the website....whether it turned out to be, or not.

Founders Fund?

They're probably looking for operations funding, not a huge new project....

Elizabeth Abernathy Hull Fund for Early Environmental Education

Recognizes individuals (including non-members) proposed by members; \$1000 award; application deadline Feb 1.

Partners for Plants

Partners for Plants is a joint initiative of the GCA Horticulture and Conservation Committees. It pairs local GCA clubs with managers of state and federal lands and other significant public lands to monitor rare, endangered, medicinal, or invasive plants. 2010 recorded 26 projects in 18 states. Volunteer project, not funding.

Summer Scholarship in Field Botany

GCA and Hunt Scholarships together.

\$2000 per award, for summer study in the field, undergraduate through Masters Degree; deadline Feb. 1

Fellowship in Ecological Restoration.

\$8000 for graduate study and research at a leading accredited university

Fellowship or Internship in Garden History and Design.

Graduate study, or cataloguing archives at Smithsonian.

Fellowship in Conservation (or general) Horticulture.

Programs for South Carolina, middle states, study at "major botanical garden"

Scholarship in Native Bird Habitat.

For college seniors or graduate students \$4000 financial aid to study areas in the United States that provide seasonal habitat for threatened or endangered native birds and to tend useful information for land-management decisions. Selection made by Cornell Lab of Ornithology after pre-selection by GCA Scholarship committee.

Jan. 15 deadline.

Summer Environmental Studies Scholarships

Higgins and GCA Awards, \$2000 per student, Feb 10 deadline.

For college students following their freshman, sophomore, or junior year. These awards offer students who have demonstrated a keen interest in the betterment of the environment an opportunity for further study at a site chosen by the student. Some of the summer programs that students have completed recently include the study of hazardous waste, marine science, energy, plant resources in the tropics, barrier island ecology, and oil spill cleanup and control.

Melissa Vail

SEEDLINGS

2011-2012

In May, The Bedford Garden Club welcomed three new members: Alexandra Forrester, Nancy Kronenberg and Linda Merrill. Our Seedling lunch was held on June 6th at the Bedford Golf and Tennis Club. The new members were given an orientation package full of interesting material, all 4 of the history volumes of the BGC and the Official Flower Arranging Handbook. The new members were accompanied by their sponsors. The chairs of the standing committees were also in attendance and spoke about their respective jobs, giving the new members a great sense of the club and the year to come.

Kim Morris

VISITING GARDENS

2011 – 2012

This year the Visiting Gardens Committee and the Garden History & Design Committee combined forces (and chairmen.) We initiated a plan to visit all of the major garden sites in the Hudson River Valley. We began in September, with a beautiful, if misty tour of Wave Hill, the 28-acre public garden and cultural center in the Bronx overlooking the Hudson River and Palisades. The fall gardens there are especially beautiful.

In October we had a fantastic private tour of Olana, Frederick Church's splendid house and naturalistic landscape in Hudson, New York. Linda McLean, Olana's site manager who arranged our tour, was at the John Jay Homestead in Katonah for many years, and is an old friend of the Bedford Garden Club. Although they are not open to the public, we were able to see the Church children's nursery on the third floor and the open belvedere on the roof with a view of the magnificent Hudson River fall foliage. After our tour, we had a fun lunch and explored Hudson's shops.

A summer trip to another Hudson River site is planned.

Varner Redmon and Mary Kendrick

WAYS AND MEANS

2011-2012

No Report

Beth Stern

YEARBOOK

2011-2012

Yearbooks were distributed quite late this year. About half were distributed to members at the Greensday meeting 2012 and the rest were mailed. More and more reports are e-mailed to the editor. The membership list is maintained on the club's website as well as in the year book. As any contact information changes, please inform our web mistress, our membership chair as well as your year book editor.

Liddy Baker

IN MEMORIUM

Retrospective of a Pioneer
Wilhelmine Kirby Waller
GCA President 1963-1968

On a cool September morning near the turn of the second millennium, Willie Waller walked out of Tanrackin House onto her driveway and surveyed the landscape: There to her right was the fence and field where mares nuzzled their young. To her left stood the apple orchard; once the scene of Easter egg hunts and games for the farm children. Directly below to the north, along the maple tree-canopied allee, she could see the outdoor riding ring which had recently been installed. Behind her lay the gardens where soon giant pumpkins would be harvested and displayed on the covered porch at the eastern side of the house. This was the season she loved. Even the old dairy farm with its warm, earthy smell and lively collection of neighborhood cats could be evoked through the fall mist of early morning beyond the hill below the farm. Oh how lovely it was! Still busy and productive!

. Standing there in the early morning light Willie realized that this was where it had all begun, her happy explorations of the natural world on her grandparents' Tanrackin Farm. How well she remembered her childhood, scouring the winter woods and fields for signs of life: the skunk cabbage sprouts which she carefully measured, the katydid's call predicting rain and the eerie cry of the tree toad as it announced the first frost. When Willie and her parents moved there in her teenage years and later as an adult, she would begin the quest of a lifetime, the passion of a life: to protect the natural world that she had grown to know and to love. Remembering it all, Willie began her morning walk through the farm. She hadn't much time. Garden club ladies were coming for luncheon. They were looking to her for advice and inspiration for a new environmental initiative they wished to launch ...

Wilhelmine Stewart Kirby was born in New York City on January 19, 1914 to Wilhelmine and Gustavus Town Kirby. She was educated at the Chapin School and on April 7, 1942 married Thomas Mercer Waller, the charming Virginian and fellow horseman whom she had met in South Carolina where her parents spent the winter. Tom was the only man she knew who "liked to leave the party early," taking advantage of cool mornings for rides on horseback. Both Willie and Tom remained early risers all their lives as they coexisted peacefully on the Bedford, NY Farm which they now inhabited. Together they operated a highly successful breeding stable and dairy farm, with Tom training their thoroughbreds for the Belmont race track and Willie overseeing her hunters and a new breed of small thoroughbred English ponies.

After her marriage, and in memory of her mother, Willie joined the Bedford Garden Club and became Chairman of its Conservation Committee before assuming its presidency in 1949. By then she knew all about gardening, farming and the natural integration of animals, plants and their surroundings. She would soon publish "The Large Place," a treatise on farming techniques for amateur farmers in the Westchester County area.

She had already managed her own large place with efficiency and skill.

Imagine her dismay when Willie learned in the early 1950s that traces of the insecticide DDT had been discovered in the milk of her husband's purebred Guernsey cows.

Imagine her distress at noting the waning bird population on the farm after several aerial

spraying of that strong agent. Intended to do away with the leaf-eating Gypsy Moth, it was wreaking havoc on much other life at Tanrackin. Entreating local officials to resist further applications to her property proved fruitless. Thus began her friendship and professional relationship with Rachel Carson, noted scientist and author whose forthcoming book "Silent Spring" would finally elicit awareness of the devastating effects of DDT and other chlorinated hydrocarbons. Years later Rachel and Willie's efforts were rewarded when in 1972 DDT was banned in America as an agricultural insecticide. For Willie there was now no turning back. She was in the trenches of a war against environmental destruction and would devote her life to that cause. Working as a civic leader in her town, her county, her state and eventually her country, Willie joined countless boards and organizations whose missions were to preserve quality of life by fighting against pollution and over-development. From her work with the Nature Conservancy to service on planning boards, to her efforts on behalf of land stewardship, to membership on the New York State Conservation Committee and including advisory positions to four U.S. presidents, her efforts were tireless. As friend and Executive Director of the Mianus Gorge Conservation Committee Anne Hubbell French said, "When Willie Waller arrived at a meeting, everyone knew that she meant business!" Her business- that of improving the lives of ordinary citizens- was apparent far and wide. Highway beautification, an environmental concern during the Lyndon Johnson administration, was one of Willie's pet projects. With Ridgefield Garden Club member Louise McKeon she testified before Congress and spoke strongly against billboard advertising which marred the new highway system and defaced the landscape. At that time too, she befriended First Lady "Bird" Johnson, and joined in efforts to beautify the nation's capital, encouraging the GCA to take part as well. When she became a member of the Advisory Committee to the Secretary of State for the 1972 United Nations Conference on the Human Environment in Sweden, her work assumed an international scope .

. Through it all, however, it was the GCA that held her lifelong devotion. As its president from 1965-68 Willie realized that if The Garden Club of America were to impact environmental legislation into the future, a special committee was needed for research and decision making on the eventual positions it would take. In 1969 The National Affairs and Legislation Committee, originally a subcommittee of Conservation, was formed by Willie for that purpose. She became its first chairman. Today the NAL continues to impact legislative proposals, importantly bringing them to the attention of GCA's membership. In 1972 Willie was awarded GCA's highest recognition, the Frances K. Hutchinson Medal, awarded to the member or non-member of national importance for outstanding service to conservation. Throughout her life it remained the achievement of which she was most proud.

The day began to warm. Basket in hand, Willie proceeded to the lower cutting garden to pick flowers for the dining room table. Her grandfather's ancient Jane Cowl Dahlia tubers still produced enormous blooms, their pale coral flowers nearly overpowering arched stems. Further on grew bright gourds and pumpkins. She would ask one of the farm boys to choose several for her guests. Willie climbed slowly up the hill to the house, passing the pony barn and greeting the dogs who waited, tails wagging energetically, as she rounded the bend.

The house was cool- a relief in the late morning heat. Willie handed her bouquet to Anna, the caregiver who had been with her for so many years. She would know what to

do with them. When she reached the second floor she headed for the office at the end of the hall and opened the filing cabinet whose contents bore witness to a long, productive life. There were letters from the presidents with whom she had worked; Lyndon Johnson, Richard Nixon, Gerald Ford, Ronald Reagan and George H. W. Bush. She leafed through countless Minutes from long ago meetings, photographs, mementos, and her speech accepting the Nature Conservancy's Oak Leaf Award. At last she found what she was looking for. It was filed under the heading: GCA Speeches and Remarks."

Pulling out an old copy of words she had delivered to the Palmetto, Florida garden club in 1989, the year after GCA's seventy-fifth anniversary, she began to read:

"Between 1969 and 1972 the GCA became a strong participant in the environmental movement. In those years we helped to win three major victories: the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969 which committed the country to treating the environment sensibly and to forcing federal agencies to file environmental impact statements before spending federal funds on new projects. The Clean Air Act in 1970 committed the country to specific standards for air quality and included regulation on automobile emissions, once considered off limits. The 1972 Water Pollution Amendments set long term goals and specific interim standards for cleaning up the nation's water. We must carry on - looking around us in awareness, joining hands with each other, with business and industry, with local, state and federal authorities - to lift the quality of the areas in which we live. In this way, we will continue to be true to the heritage handed down to us by the founders of The Garden Club of America."

She could hear her words as they rang out that day. They resonated still. She would encourage her new garden club friends during lunch and would support them in any way she could. Tucking a copy of her notes under her arm, Willie strode through the hall, down the staircase and attended the ringing doorbell.

Willie Waller's death on April 7, 2004, occurred sixty- two years to the day, after her marriage to Tom. She had recently celebrated her 90th birthday. Her passion for the earth and her determination to save it have resulted in the enduring efforts of the GCA to protect our world. This larger than life woman, who so strongly believed in the Garden Club of America, will long be remembered.

Marilen G. Tilt

NATIONAL LEVEL AWARDS
THE GARDEN CLUB OF AMERICA

MEDALS

- 1929 Miss Eloise Payne Luquer, Achievement Medal
1942 Miss Delia West Marble, Francis K. Hutchinson Medal
1953 Mr. Edwin deT. Bechtel, Jane Righter Rose Medal
1962 Miss Elizabeth R. Van Brunt, Eloise Payne Luquer Medal
1963 Mrs. Paul Sturtevant, Katharine Thomas Cary Medal
1971 Mrs. Thomas M. Waller, Francis K. Hutchinson Medal
1993 Mrs. Anne H. French, Margaret Douglas Medal
1997 Mrs. Harold L. Tiné, Eloise Payne Luquer Medal

GCA FLOWER SHOW AWARDS

- 1923 Horticultural Medal of Merit in Bronze (now obsolete) to Mrs. Moses Taylor
1949 Horticultural Medal of Merit in Bronze – The Bedford Garden Club (Mrs. Robert A. Chamber, Conservation Chairman), for a woodland planting at the International Flower Show in the GCA Conservation Exhibit
1975 Certificate of Excellence for “R.S.V.P. Bedford”
1977 Certificate of Excellence for “Flowers in the Park”
1981 Certificate of Excellence for “Fete des Fleurs”
1985 Harriett DeWaele Puckett Creativity Award, Mrs. Richard H. Lawrence
1985 Catherine Beattie Medal, Bedford Garden Club
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1986 Catherine Beattie Medal, Bedford Garden Club
1990 Elizabeth Platt Corning Medal, Bedford Garden Club – Mesdames Reynders, Jr., Jackson, Wilson and Tiné
1993 Harriett DeWaele Puckett Creativity Award – Mrs. Richard H. Lawrence
2007 Dorothy Vietor Munger Award – Mrs. Roberto Buaron

GCA PUBLIC RELATIONS AWARD

- 2000 The Bedford Garden Club
2010 The Bedford Garden Club

GCA ZONE AWARDS
Zone III Civic Improvement Award

- 2011 Ellen Conrad

Zone III Conservation Award

One may be given a year in each zone for outstanding service to conservation within the zone.

- 1964 Mrs. Dennis Dix, Mrs. Richard F. Reid, and Mrs. Loudon Wainwright Jr.
- 1969 Mrs. James J. Lowe
- 1975 Mrs. Frederick V. Austin Jr.
- 1987 Mrs. James R. Pierce
- 1993 Mrs. Alfred E. Wamsley III
- 1999 Mrs. Steven J. Niemczyk

Zone III Historic Preservation Award

- 1999 Mrs. Ronald R. Atkins

Zone III Creative Leadership Award

Awarded for outstanding and unusual talent in the field of leadership exemplifying continued judgment and initiative over a period of time.

- 1980 Mrs. Thomas M. Waller
- 2001 Mrs. Roger B. Vincent

Zone III Flower Arrangement Award Barbara Spaulding Cramer Award

- 1985 Mrs. George W. Hill Jr.
- 1995 Mrs. Richard H. Lawrence

Zone III Corliss Knapp Engle Horticulture Sweepstakes Award

- 2001 Bedford Garden Club at Zone III Meeting

Zone III Horticultural Arts Awards

- 2000 Mrs. C. H. Mitchell

Zone III Elizabeth Platt Corning Award

- 2001 Mrs. Harold Tiné

Zone III Ann Lyon Crommond Award

- 2001 Mrs. C. H. Mitchell at the Zone III Meeting

Zone III Marion Thompson Fuller Brown Conservation Award

- 2001 Mrs. George D. Bianco, Mrs. Steven J. Niemczyk,
Mrs. Camillo M. Santomero III, Mrs. Alfred E. Wamsley III
2006 Mrs. George D. Bianco, Mrs. Francis A. Goodhue III, Mrs. Stephen V.
Lines, Ms. Charlene Mitchell, Ms. Caroline Niemczyk, Ms. Anne Putnam,
Mrs. Camillo M. Santomero III, Mrs. Norman Selby

GCA AWARDS TO NON-MEMBERS

**GCA Certificate of Acknowledgement
To Non-Members for Conservation**

- 1988 Mrs. Bradford M. Purcell
1996 Mrs. Ralph Szur (Elizabeth Herr)
1998 Mr. Peter Zamlowski
2001 Mr. Samuel F. Pryor III
2005 Mrs. Richard Pearl

**GCA Conservation Commendation
To Non-Members**

- 2011 Lee Roberts, Town Supervisor, Town of Bedford

**GCA Certificate of Acknowledgement
To Non-Members for Historic Preservation**

- 1996 Mr. G. Palmer LeRoy

**GCA Certificate of Acknowledgement
To Non-Members for Horticulture**

- 1999 Mrs. Alice R. Ireys

GCA CLUB AWARDS

GCA Medal of Merit

Awarded by a member club to one of its own members, with the approval of the Garden Club of America Medal Awards Chairman, for contributions of exceptional merit in the field of horticulture, conservation or civic achievement, within the area of a member's respective club.

- 1962 Mrs. Arthur W. Butler
1962 Miss Helen Clay Frick
1966 Mrs. Donald W. Marshall
1969 Mrs. William Botzow
1972 Miss Dorothy H. Hinitt
1973 Mrs. Dennis Dix

GCA Medal of Merit (con't)

1979	Mrs. Clarence E. Woodward
1983	Mrs. Ronald R. Atkins
1989	Mrs. C. H. Mitchell
1996	Mrs. Bradford M. Purcell
1998	Mrs. Thomas D. Cunningham Jr.
2000	Mrs. Roger B. Vincent
2010	Mrs. Winthrop Conrad
2011	Mrs. Philip Bowers

GCA Certificate of Appreciation

Awarded to a club member for dedicated and sustained participation in activities within the recipient's own club upon application to the National Member Awards Chairman. Only one may be presented each year.

1997	Mrs. John M. Baker
1998	Mrs. William S. Miller
1999	Mrs. John B. Babcock Jr.
2001	Mrs. Peter Ehrlich
2004	Mrs. Louis B. Harder
2011	Mrs. Peter Bouyoucos
2012	Mrs. John Morris

GCA Civic Improvement Award

2010	Mrs. John Redmon
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GCA Historic Preservation Achievement Certificate

1996	Mrs. George C. Sharp
1997	Mrs. Ronald R. Atkins
1998	Mrs. Joan Oliver Montross
1999	Mrs. Harold R. Talbot Jr.

GCA Horticultural Achievement Certificate

Awarded for excellence in the field of horticulture within the Club.

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. Myhrum and Mrs. Russell E. Sard Jr.
1962	Mrs. William Botzow and Mrs. Edward R. Weidlein Jr.
1976	Mrs. Jacques A. Mitchell III
1977	Mrs. Clarence E. Woodward
1991	Mrs. G. Peter Reed
1993	Mrs. Joseph L. Mankiewicz
1999	Mrs. Samuel S. Polk

THE BEDFORD GARDEN CLUB AWARDS

Winifred Macomber Awards

(For earlier years see Bedford Garden Club History – Volume IV)

- 2006 Mrs. Philip Bowers & Mrs. Anthony Langham
- 2007 Mrs. Roberto Buaron
- 2008 Mrs. John Redmon
- 2009 Mrs. Victor Wortmann
- 2010 Mrs. Victor Wortmann
- 2011 Mrs. John Talty

Horticulture Award / Golden Trowel

(For earlier years see Bedford Garden Club History – Volume IV)

- 2007 Mrs. Thomas Trotta
- 2008 Mrs. Paul Matthews
- 2009 Mrs. Coleman Burke
- 2010 Mrs. Matthew Ocken
- 2011 Mrs. Josh Levy
- 2012 Mrs. James Glascott, Mrs. William Gourd

The Oliver Memorial Award

(For earlier years see Bedford Garden Club History – Volume IV)

- 2006 Mrs. C. H. Mitchell
- 2007 Mrs. Marion Wyeth
- 2008 Mrs. Charlton Reynders
- 2009 Mrs. John Farr
- 2010 The Communications Committee: Mrs. John Morris, Mrs. John Ryan,
Mrs. John Redmon, Mrs. Robert Bernard, Mrs. Peter Bouyoucos & Mrs.
Roger Vincent
- 2011 Mrs. Paul Mas. Mrs. John Morris
- 2012 Mrs. Bryce O'Brien, Mrs. Jeremy Pinchot

Conservation Award

(For earlier years see Bedford Garden Club History – Volume IV)

- 2006 Conservation Project Committee: Melissa Selby, Caroline Niemczyk,
Shirley Bianco, Mimi Lines, Anne Putnam, Denise Santomero & Lyn
Goodhue
- 2007 Mrs. Norman Selby
- 2008 Mrs. Samuel Tatnall
- 2009 Mrs. George Bianco, Mrs. John Farr, Mrs. Daniel Ginnel, Mrs. Edwin
Hoffman, Mrs. Steven Lines, Mrs. John Morris, Mrs. Caroline Niemczyk,
Mrs. John Stockbridge, Mrs. Samuel Tatnall
- 2010 Mrs. John Stockbridge
- 2011 Mrs. John Farr, Mrs. Anthony Langham, Mrs. Joseph Maybank

President's Award

(For earlier years see Bedford Garden Club History – Volume IV)

2006	Mrs. Roberto Buaron
2007	Mrs. John Milnes Baker
2008	Mrs. Roger Vincent
2009	Mrs. Joseph Maybank
2010	Mrs. Winthrop Conrad
2011	Mrs. Daniel Ginnel, Mrs Francis Goodhue
2012	Mrs. Stephen Lines

THE BEDFORD GARDEN CLUB AWARDS
SPECIAL CITATIONS

(For earlier years see Bedford Garden Club History – Volume IV)

- 2006
- Mrs. Anne Putnam “for her excellent articles on our water project”
 - Mrs. Thomas Philip “for her beautiful designs for our Flower Show this year and other years”
 - Mrs. Robert Cushman “for her stewardship of the Exhibitions Committee and her exciting workshops”
 - Mr. James Edgar (a non-member) ‘for his inspired advice, creativity and technical support in creating “Gulp-Bedford’s Drinking Water” and the narration of “History of the Bedford Garden Club”.’
- 2007
- Mrs. John Gerard Finnegan “for her dedication and enthusiasm for every job asked of her and particularly for graciously keeping the records of the workings of the club enabling the wheels of progress to advance.”
 - Mrs. Victor Wortmann “for her enthusiasm and willingness to tackle any task and for her creative eye and her growing skills in flower arranging.”
- 2008
- Susan Burke “for her quiet behind the scenes leadership that has brought the Bedford Garden Club an exciting partnership with the New York Botanical Garden.”
 - Susan McDowell “for her caring and efficient leadership of the Membership Committee and her competence in producing the great class of 2007.”
 - Anita Stockbridge “for her generous contribution of time and talent and for her energy and creativity that has taken Greesday to a new level.”
 - Suzanne Bowers and Heather Langham “for their insight and energy in developing a model Seedlings orientation program.”
 - Allison Bamford, Kate Ginnel, Dierdre Glascott, Rachel Ocken and Adele Talty “for fulfilling our vision of an exemplary Seedling class.”
 - Samuel M. V. Tatnall “for his unwavering support of our Conservation and Civic Affairs projects.”
- 2009
- Varner Redmon “for her extraordinary contributions to the Bedford Garden Club: for the website that created the Bedford Environmental Summit and for the magnificent new plan for the John Jay Garden, contributions that will resound among our membership for years to come.”
 - Suzanne Bowers “for her competence and professionalism in recruiting and initiating our newest members and for her talent, kindness and consideration in tending to the needs of our existing members.”
 - Heather Langham “for her exceptional contributions to the Bedford Garden Club, for the magnificent new plan for the John Jay Garden and for the creation of the first phase of our centennial tree project.”

SPECIAL CITATIONS (con't)

- 2010 -Cynthia Mas “for her infectious, uncorked enthusiasm, her unbridled sense of humor, her knack at finding solutions to challenges, and her superior organizational skills.”
-Polly Finn and Selby Ehrlich “for your fierce dedication, boundless loyalty, and cherished history with the Bedford Garden Club.”
-Wendy Ross “for her unwavering pursuit of perfection in the awards application process, her jovial spirit, and her political adeptness in our alliance with the John Jay Homestead.”
- 2011 -Daphne Root “For her boundless loyalty to our club, her gentle and caring way with people and for her love of learning about gardening.”
-Marilen Tilt “For her dedication, to finding, saving and sharing the cherished history of the Bedford Garden Club.”
-Nancy Vincent “For her guidance and wise counsel, for her quiet leadership and sensitivity, and for her helping to build the structure to carry the club into the 21st century.
- 2012 -Varner Redmon “For her generosity, creativity, thoughtful and thorough knowledge of Garden History and Design”

**PAST PRESIDENTS
OF THE BEDFORD GARDEN CLUB**

	Honorary President 1929-1937 - Mrs. Frank Hunter Potter
1911-16	Mrs. Frank Hunter Porter
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 3 rd
1975-77	Mrs. Clarence E. Woodward
1977-79	Mrs. Hugh S. Coward
1979-83	Mrs. Foxhall A. Parker
1983-85	Mrs. James R. Pierce
1985-88	Mrs. Thomas D. Cunningham Jr.
1988-91	Mrs. Roger B. Vincent
1991-93	Mrs. Charles H. McDuffie
1993-95	Mrs. Harold R. Talbot Jr.
1995-97	Mrs. J. Paul Kennedy and Mrs. Alfred E. Wamsley III
1997-99	Mrs. James C. Treadway Jr.
1999-2001	Mrs. Clinton J. Kendrick
2001-2003	Mrs. Donald P. Mossman
2003-2005	Mrs. John Milnes Baker
2005-2007	Mrs. Joseph Maybank

**PAST PRESIDENTS
OF THE BEDFORD GARDEN CLUB
(con't)**

2007-2009 Mrs. Winthrop Conrad
2009-2011 Mrs. Stephen V. Lines
2011-2013 Mrs. Victor Wortmann

**BY-LAWS
OF THE
BEDFORD GARDEN CLUB, INC.**

Last Revised 2011

The BEDFORD GARDEN CLUB wrote its first By-laws in 1911. It is one of the twelve Founder Clubs which in 1913 founded The Garden Club of America.

Article I

Name

This Association shall be known as the
BEDFORD GARDEN CLUB, INC.

Article II

Object

The object of the Club shall be to stimulate knowledge and love of gardening among amateurs, to aid in the protection of native plants and birds, and to encourage civic planting and conservation.

Article III

Directors

1. The control and conduct of the property and business of the Club shall be vested in a Board of Directors comprised of six members. All directors shall be elected annually by a majority vote of the members of the Club present, or by proxy, at the Annual Meeting of members, including any adjournment thereof, except that vacancies occurring during the year may be temporarily filled by the Board until the next Annual Meeting of members.
2. Meetings. The Board of Directors shall meet annually immediately following the Annual Meeting of Members and shall elect officers.* The Board of Directors shall meet at such other dates throughout the year as it may determine.

* Incorporation requires a Board of Directors. The membership elects the directors, who then elect the officers. However, the Nominating Committee, in proposing candidates for the Board, will recommend those whom they propose for specific office (to be shown in parentheses on the slate). It can be assumed that the recommendations of the membership will be followed by the Board.

The Board of Directors will consult with and work with the Executive Committee as described in our By-laws.

3. Quorum of Board of Directors. Fifty percent of the Board of Directors shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business in any meeting of the directors.

Officers

The officers of the Club shall be a President, a Vice-President, a Second Vice-President, a Corresponding Secretary, a Recording Secretary, and a Treasurer, who shall be elected by the Board of Directors to serve two years or until their successors are elected. Three officers, the President, First Vice-President, and Corresponding Secretary, shall be elected on the odd year; the Second Vice-President, the Recording Secretary, and the Treasurer on the even year. No President shall hold office for more than four years in succession.

Article IV

President

The President shall preside at all meetings of the Club, and shall be an ex-officio member of all committees except the Nominating Committee. She shall be Chairman of the Executive Committee, shall appoint the Chairmen of all Committees, shall arrange for the orientation of new members, and shall perform such other duties as may be assigned to her by action of the Club or the Executive Committee, and as pertain to the Office of President, including acting as a legal Trustee of all Club finances. The Vice-President, or in her absence the Second Vice-President, shall have all the powers and shall perform all the duties of the President in case of her absence or disability.

Article V

Treasurer

The Treasurer shall be custodian of all funds, shall disburse all money, shall collect all dues and receive donations and income from special projects. She shall also act as a legal Trustee of all Club finances. She shall present a report at all Regular Meetings and a duly audited Annual Report at the Annual Meeting.

Article VI

Secretaries

The Corresponding Secretary shall give notice of all meetings, shall conduct the correspondence of the Club and notify the Garden Club of America of any changes in membership.

The Recording Secretary shall keep the minutes of the meetings, and act as a legal Trustee of all Club finances.

Article VII

Executive Committee

1. The Executive Committee shall consist of the six officers of the Club (the Board of Directors), the Chairmen of all Standing Committees, four members from the Club at large, and upon invitation of the Executive Committee, the Chairmen of Special Committees. In the absence of the Chairman of a Standing Committee or a Special Committee, the Committee's Vice-Chairman shall serve. Subject to these By-laws and to any action taken by the members of the Club at any Annual or Special Meeting, the affairs and business of the Club, the electing of its members and the disbursement of its funds shall be in charge of this Committee.
2. The four members from the Club at large shall be elected at the Annual Meeting to serve for one year only, or until their successors are elected.
3. During the year, there must be a minimum of six monthly meetings of the Executive Committee, and five days' written or electronic notice shall be given to each member. Seven of its members shall constitute a quorum. Special Meetings may be called by the President or any five members of the Committee.
4. The Executive Committee or the President shall submit at each regular meeting of the Club a short report of the affairs of the Club, or such report as the Club may direct.
5. The Board of Directors shall have power, in case of a vacancy in any office provided for under Article III or in the elected membership of the Executive Committee, to fill the vacancy for the unexpired term.
6. Any member who has special business she may wish to present to the Executive Committee, is privileged to bring it before a meeting of the Executive Committee, after having notified the Corresponding Secretary of her intention.
7. The Executive Committee shall have power to deal with all infringements of the rules of the Club.
8. (a) An officer of the Club who shall be absent for three successive meetings without providing a report or explanation satisfactory to the Executive Committee shall be deemed to have resigned.

(b) If a Standing Committee is not represented at three successive meetings by a Chairman or Vice-Chairman or by a report of the Committee presented by the Secretary, the Chairman of such Committee shall have deemed to have resigned.

(c) A member at large must present an explanation satisfactory to the Executive Committee for her absence from three successive meetings.

9. Order of business for the Executive Committee shall be as follows:

- Minutes of the Committee.
- Treasurer's Report.
- Reports of both Secretaries.
- Reports of Standing Committees.
- Election of new members.
- Reports of Special Committees.
- Unfinished business.
- New business.

Article VIII

Nominating Committee

1. This Committee shall consist of five members. The Chairman shall be appointed in October by the President in consultation with the Executive Committee. Two members shall be appointed from the Executive Committee and three from the Club at large. The Chairman will become a member of the Executive Committee. She and her committee will serve for that calendar year.
2. The Committee shall nominate a ticket of candidates for the Board of Directors and four members at large and shall notify the Corresponding Secretary, who shall mail a list of candidates so nominated to each member of the Club at least ten days before the Annual Meeting. This committee may also assist the President or President-elect in appointments of all Standing and Special Committees.

Article IX

Custodian

There will be a Custodian, appointed by the President, whose duties it shall be to have the care and custody of all files, records and archives and all other properties of the Club (except funds and securities) when turned over to her by the Officers and Chairmen of Committees.

Article X

Standing Committees

The Chairman of each Standing Committee shall be appointed by the President as soon as may be after the Annual Meeting and announced at the next regular meeting of the members. The members of each Standing Committee shall be appointed by the Chairman of such Committee after consultation with the President.

There shall be the following Standing Committees:

1. Program – It shall be the duty of this Committee to arrange programs for all meetings covering and consistent with the work and interests of the Standing Committees, and other interests and projects of the Club, to arrange dates and places of meetings subject to the approval of the Executive Committee, and to prepare notices of meetings for the Corresponding Secretary three weeks in advance.
2. Membership – It shall be the duty of this Committee to receive the names of candidates for membership, to pass on the eligibility of the candidates and to present their names to the Executive Committee, and to inform the Treasurer and Corresponding Secretary of any changes in membership.
3. Exhibitions – (Known as Flower Show by GCA). It shall be the duty of this Committee to be responsible for flower arranging and for providing workshops for the members. There shall be at least one exhibition each year.
4. Conservation and Civic Affairs – It shall be the duty of this Committee to encourage the wise and sound management of our natural resources both locally and nationally; to encourage the setting aside and maintenance of natural areas; to stimulate an interest in conservation in the community; to promote interest in community improvement and to work to preserve the integrity, stability and beauty of this area.
5. Horticulture – It shall be the duty of this Committee to stimulate the knowledge and love of horticulture among the members; to institute courses in horticulture for members, and to cooperate with local horticulture programs.
6. Garden History and Design – it shall be the duty of this Committee to educate the Members about American landscape and garden design, to demonstrate how American Garden history is and has always been an integral part of the cultural and social life of the communities in which these gardens exist, and to continue to add to the GCA Collection at the Archives of American Gardens by researching, documenting and photographing important American gardens - past and present, large and small, simple or complex, classical or vernacular.

Article XI

Meetings

1. Annual Meeting – The Club shall hold an Annual Meeting of the members for the election of Directors and the four members of the Executive Committee from the Club at large and for the transaction of such other business as may come before the meeting. This meeting shall be held in June at such date, hour and place as may be designated by the Board of Directors. Order of business for the Annual Meeting shall be as follows:

Minutes of last Annual Meeting.
Treasurer's Report.
Reports of both secretaries.
Reports of Standing Committees.
Reports of such special Committees as may be designated by the President.
Unfinished business.
President's Report.
Report of the Nominating Committee.
Election of Board of Directors and Members at Large.

Nominations from the floor may precede the elections and a plurality of votes shall elect.

New business.

2. Regular Meetings – A minimum of seven Regular Meetings shall be held each year. The places and the dates proposed by the Program Committee shall be approved by the Executive Committee.

Order of Business for Regular Meetings shall be as follows:

Minutes of last meeting.
Treasurer's Report.
Any reports at the direction of the President.

3. At least ten days' written or electronic notice shall be given each member of all meetings except Special Meetings.

4. Special Meetings – Special Meetings may be called by the President or at the written request of any five members, sent to the Corresponding Secretary, stating the object for which such meeting is called. The Corresponding Secretary shall notify all members in writing of the date and object of such meeting, giving not less than three days' notice, and no other business than that stated in the notice shall be transacted at a Special Meeting.
5. Twenty-five members shall constitute a quorum at all meetings of the Club.
6. Our Club depends on the active participation of its membership. Members are expected to attend the monthly meetings and to be active in the Standing Committee of their choosing. Members are asked to support and respect the work of their fellow members who organize and plan for each Bedford Garden Club event. In the instance where it is not possible to attend meetings on a regular basis, members are asked to contribute to the Club in ways that will be mutually beneficial.

Article XII

Members

1. Admission to membership in the Club shall be limited to those owning property and residing in Northern Westchester County, or renting in this area for a minimum of two years, and exhibiting a strong interest in horticulture, flower arranging, or conservation and civic affairs or garden history and design.
2. The total membership excluding Affiliate Members shall not exceed our quota of 125 members of which the total of Associate Members shall not exceed 25 and the combined total of Active and Sustaining Members shall not exceed 100.
3. There shall be four classes of membership:
 - a. Active Members. This category constitutes the working members of the Club. They shall attend meetings regularly, serve on committees, and take part in the projects of the Club.
 - b. Associate Members. Associate Members shall have full privileges of the Club, including the power of voting. Their attendance at the Regular Meetings and participation in any active work of the Club is optional. This category of membership shall not exceed 25 in number and shall be limited to any member who has served as a President of the Bedford Garden Club and/or has served on the zone or national level of the GCA.

- c. Sustaining Members. Members who have completed fifteen years of satisfactory service and who are no longer desirous or able to participate in our Club's activities, are eligible for this membership at the discretion of the Executive Committee. These members shall have the privileges offered by the Garden Club of America. They may attend meetings of the Bedford Garden Club and elect to chair a committee, vote or hold an office if they desire.
- d. Affiliate Members. Affiliate Membership may be granted upon request to any member in good standing who has moved to another area.
 1. An Affiliate member may not represent her Club as a delegate of a Zone or Annual Meeting.
 2. The Bedford Garden Club Affiliate Member is an active member of The Garden Club of America and shall have the privileges offered by the Garden Club of America. The Affiliate Member may attend Bedford Garden Club functions but may not vote, chair any committee or hold office.

Article XIII

New Members

1. The first step in proposing a new member is to contact the Membership Committee Chairman who will explain the procedure.
2. A candidate of membership shall be proposed and seconded in writing by members of the Club. The letters of the proposer and seconder together with three letters from members by whom the candidate is well known shall be sent to the Chairman of the Membership Committee. Those on the Membership Committee may not write these recommendations.
3. A member may propose only one and second only one candidate for membership and may write only three endorsing letters during a Club year. A member may not write for a relative for membership in the Club. A member may not propose, second or endorse names for membership until she herself has been a member for six months.
4. Candidates shall be considered by the Membership Committee in the order of the submission of their names together with the letters of their proposers, seconders and three endorsing letters as above provided, and no candidate shall be considered until all the requirements of this By-law shall have been complied with.

5. Former members and children of former or present members whose names are proposed for membership shall be considered prior to other candidates. Former members who desire to be reinstated need only be proposed and seconded in writing by members. The six Officers and those on the Membership Committee may not write these recommendations. Reinstated members shall have the original date of membership, resignation and reentry listed in the Yearbook.
6. Candidates duly proposed and presented as provided for above shall be voted on by the Executive Committee for admission to the Club. Voting shall be by secret ballot. Two adverse votes shall exclude.
7. Active Members are expected to serve on at least one of the following committees: Horticulture, Exhibitions, or Conservation and Civic Affairs or Garden History and Design unless excused by the Executive Committee for extenuating circumstances.
8. In conformity with the Garden Club of America policy regarding dual membership, incoming members of the Bedford Garden Club shall not hold membership in two Garden Club of America's Clubs situated in one locality.

Article XIV

Resignation

Resignation from membership shall be made to the Membership Chairman in writing.

Article XV

Annual Dues

Dues are subject to change at the discretion of the Executive Committee and the Garden Club of America.

All dues include the dues of the Garden Club of America. All members who shall have failed to pay these dues within a month of the second notice shall cease to be members of the Club, except as provided under Article VII, Section 7.

Article XVI

Guests

Members may bring their house guests to any meeting of the Club except Annual or Special Meetings. Persons living in the neighborhood who are not members of the Bedford Garden Club are not entitled to attend meetings except with the approval of the Membership Chairman and the President. The Hostess should be consulted when a meeting is held in a member's house.

Article XVII

Amendments

These By-laws may be amended at an Annual or Special Meeting by a two-thirds vote of those present and voting. No amendment shall be considered unless the Corresponding Secretary shall have mailed or electronically mailed a copy thereof to each member of the Club at least ten days before the meeting.

Article XVIII

Disposition of Funds

No part of the assets of the Club shall inure to the benefit of any member of the Club. In the event of the dissolution of the Club, all remaining funds shall be turned over to the Garden Club of America.

Article XIX

Policy

Any service rendered to the Club by a member should be provided at cost with no profit to that member.

**HOSTESSES AND PROGRAMS SCHEDULE
2012-2013**

September 19, 2012 **9:00 AM (11:15 Brunch)**
Speaker: President / Club members
Topic: Kick-off Meeting with Garden Show and Tell
Place: Bedford Golf and Tennis Club
Hostesses:

October 3, 2012 **9:00 AM - Refreshments**
Speaker: Peter Hatch
Topic: Gardens and Grounds at Monticello
Place: John Jay Homestead
Hostess:

October 17, 2012 **9:00 AM**
Speaker: Members Plant Exchange
Topic Sundial Garden Plant Division Workshop
Place: John Jay Homestead
Hostess:

December 5, 2012 **9:00 AM - Refreshments**
Speaker: to be announced
Topic: Greens Day. Traditional Wreath Making
Place: Westmoreland Sanctuary
Hostesses:

January 16, 2013 **10:00 AM**
Speaker: to be announced
Topic: Tour of GCA, Rare Book Exhibit
Place: GCA Headquarters, 14 E. 60th St. #3, NYC
Hostesses:

February 20, 2013 **9:00 AM – Refreshments**
Speaker: to be announced
Topic:
Place: Bedford Historical Hall
Hostesses

March 2013 **No Meeting**

April 24, 2013 **9:00 AM – Refreshments**
Speaker: Ellen Ogden
Topic: “The Complete Kitchen Gardener”
Place: St. Matthews Parish Hall
Hostesses:

May 15, 2013

10:00 AM

Speaker: Peter Kukielski, Curator of the Peggy Rockefeller Rose Garden
Topic: "Leading the Search for Self-Reliant Roses"
Place: New York Botanical Gardens
Hostesses:

June 19, 2013

11:30 AM

Topic: Annual Meeting and Luncheon
Place: To be announced
Hostesses:

RESPONSIBILITIES OF HOSTESSES

- (1) It is the responsibility of the Chairman of Hostesses to appoint a Head Hostess and four co-hostesses for each Garden Club meeting, in addition to the member in whose house the meeting is held.
 - (a) In the event that the appointed Head Hostess cannot fulfill her responsibilities, she is expected to get a replacement and report the change to the Chairman of Hostesses at least two months before her assigned meeting.
 - (b) The Head Hostess and her co-hostesses make and work out all details and arrangements involving hospitality for the meeting and tea.
 - (c) The Head Hostess should confer first with the member in whose house the meeting is being held to ascertain what will be needed in the way of chairs, coat racks, flowers, food, china, silver, direction signs, parking attendant and table for the President.
 - (d) The Head Hostess then makes arrangements with her co-hostesses to work out details and decide what will be provided for refreshments. She contacts the Treasurer for money from the Hostess Fund, which is provided through the dues, as an assessment of \$5 per member.
 - (e) The Head Hostess should contact the Corresponding Secretary a few days before the meeting to find out how many acceptances have been received. She should not purchase any plastic cups, napkins, plates, etc., until our supply is exhausted. The Custodian is in charge of these items as well as the large coffee and hot water (for tea) pots, which are needed upon occasions.
- (2) Co-hostesses may be asked to come the morning of the meeting to help set up chairs or to stay after the meeting to help the hostess put her house back in order.
 - (a) If a co-hostess is unable to fulfill her responsibilities, she is to get a substitute and report the change to her Head Hostess at least two months before her assigned meeting.
- (3) Flower arrangements are the responsibility of the hostesses. If the help of the Flower Arranging Committee is desired, it should be requested in plenty of time.
- (4) All members are asked in turn to be hostesses and it is hoped that all meeting and tea arrangements will be kept as simple as possible.
- (5) During their term of office, the President, two Secretaries, Treasurer and Chairmen of Civic Affairs and Conservation, Flower Arranging, Horticulture and Programs will be excluded from being asked to be hostesses.

HOW TO'S FOR WRITING YOUR LEGISLATORS

1. To contact your senators and representatives they recommend that we use the email. Because of Security concerns in the post September 11th environment, US mail service is exceedingly slow to government offices in Washington.
2. Your name and address should be on your stationery.
3. Try to personalize the message suggested by the Conservation Committee regarding environmental issues of concern to all of us, locally, or as described in the GCA Bulletin Action Alert and HOTLINE.
4. Identify the bill number: i.e. H.R.1 or S.1.
5. In most cases, unless otherwise specified, write to:

The Hon. Charles E. Schumer
757 Third Avenue, Rm. 17-02
New York, NY 10017
Tel: (212) 486-4430
Email: senator@schumer.senate.gov

Example:

Re: S. –
Dear Senator Schumer:

The Hon. Kirsten Gillibrand
531 Dirksen Senate Office Building
Washington, DC 20510
Tel: (202) 224-4451

Example:

Re: S. –
Dear Senator Gillibrand:

18th District

The Hon. Sean Patrick Molony
18 West Main Street
Beacon, NY 12508
Phone: (845) 831-9110
Email: info@seanmaloney.com

Example:

Re: H.R. --
Dear Congressman Molony:

For State Issues

40th Senatorial District

The Hon. Greg Ball
1441 Route 22, Suite 205
Brewster, NY 10509
Tel: (845) 279-3773
Email: gball@nysenate.gov

Example:

Dear Senator Ball

89th Assembly District

The Hon. David Buchwald
4 Martine Avenue, PH104
White Plains, NY 10606
Tel: (914) 831-3764
Email: David.Buchwald@gmail.com

Example:

Dear Assemblyman Costelli

For Westchester County Issues

The Hon. Peter Harckham
Westchester County Board of Legislators
800 Michaelian Office Building
148 Martine Avenue – 8th floor
White Plains, NY 10601
Tel: (914) 995-2810
Email: Harckham@WestchesterLegislators.com

For Town of Bedford Issues

Bedford Town Supervisor
Lee V.A. Roberts
Bedford Town House, 321 Bedford Road
Bedford Hills, NY 10507
Tel: (914) 666-6530
e-mail: supervisor@bedfordny.com

Updated November, 2012

GARDEN CLUB OF AMERICA ANNUAL MEETING AND

ZONE III MEETING ATTENDANCE

G.C.A. ANNUAL MEETING

1984: Nashville
Pres: Margie Pierce
Del: Starr Lawrence

1985: San Francisco
Pres: Margie Pierce
Del: Louise Cunningham

1986: Pittsburg
Pres: Louise Cunningham
Del: Candy Borner, Selby Ehrlich

1987: Somerset, N.J.
Pres: Louise Cunningham
Del: Candy Borner, Selby Ehrlich

1988: Detroit
Pres: Louise Cunningham
Del: Nancy Vincent

1989: Palm Beach
Pres: Nancy Vincent
Del: Anne Polk

1990: New York City
Pres: Nancy Vincent
Del: Cathy Smith

1991: New Orleans, April 1991
Pres: Ann McDuffie
Del: Nancy Vincent

1992: Baltimore
Pres: Ann McDuffie
Del: Linn Jackson

1993: Chicago (May 16-19)
Pres: Ann McDuffie
Del: Bonnie Trotta

1994: Hawaii (May 1 -4)
Pres: Louise Talbot
Del: Lynn Babcock

1995: Boston (May 13 -17)
Pres: Louise Talbot
Del: Had to cancel
Nancy Vincent attended both as Zone III Chair

ZONE III ANNUAL MEETING

Bedford
Pres: Margie Pierce
Del: Nancy Vincent

North Country
Pres: Margie Pierce
Del: Sandra Husted

GC of Ulster
Pres: Louise Cunningham
Del: Mary Helen Kennedy

Essex County Adirondack
Pres: Louise Cunningham
Del: Alice Wallis

Southampton GC (June 21-23)
Pres: Nancy Vincent
Del: Mimi Mitchell

GC Orange & Dutchess County
(May 30 -June 1)
Pres: Nancy Vincent
Del: Ann McDuffie

Fort Orange GC, Albany (Sept 25 -27)
Pres: Nancy Vincent
Del: Betty Wamsley

GC East Hampton
Pres: Ann McDuffie
Del: Mimi Lines

Millbrook GC (Sept 14- 16)
Pres: Ann McDuffie
Del: Linda Wilson

Philipstown (June 1 -3)
Del: Louise Talbot
Del: Joan Montross

Rye & Little GC Rye (Oct 11-13)
Pres: Louise Talbot
Del: Mary Helen Kennedy

Three Harbors GC, Cold Spring (Jun 7-9)
Pres: Louise Talbot -not there
Del: Betty Wamsley & Susan Treadway

GCA ANNUAL MEETING

- 1996: Newport, May 19-23
Co-Pres: Betty Wamsley
Del: Libby Mossman
Nancy Vincent attended both as Zone III Chair
- 1997: Philadelphia (April 27 -30)
Pres: Co-Pres: Mary Helen Kennedy
Del: Susan Treadway
- 1998: Williamsburg, Va. (April 26-30)
Pres: Susan Treadway
Del: Liddy Baker
- 1999: Parsippany, NJ (May 15 -18)
Pres: Susan Treadway
Del: Mary Kendrick
- 2000: Cleveland (May 13 -17)
Pres: Mary Kendrick
Del: Linda Coveny
- 2001: Orlando, FLA (May 6 -9)
Pres: Mary Kendrick
Del: Libby Mossman
- 2002: Dallas, Texas (April 7-9)
Pres: Libby Mossman
Del: Wendy Ross
- 2003: Rye, New York (May 4-6)
Pres: Libby Mossman
Del: Liddy Baker
- 2004: Zone VI, Washington, DC (4/25-27)
Pres: Liddy Baker
Del: Kirk Ferguson
- 2005: Zone XI, Kansas City (Apr. 24-27)
Pres: Liddy Baker
Del: Virginia Maybank
- 2006: Zone XII, Denver (May 20-24)
Pres: Virginia Maybank
Del: Susan McDowell
- 2007: Zone I, Boston (May 13-17)
Pres: Virginia Maybank

ZONE III ANNUAL MEETING

- Syracuse GC (June 11 -13)
Co-Pres: Mary Helen Kennedy
Del: Liddy Baker
- Southside & North Suffolk GC's
(Sept. 16- 18)
Pres: Susan Treadway
Also: Vincent/French/Mitchell/Wamsley
- Lake & Valley GC, Cooperstown
(May 26-28)
Pres: Susan Treadway
Del: Mary Kendrick
- Allyn's Creek GC & Rochester GC
(Sept 1999)
Pres: Susan Treadway
Del: Varner Redmon
- GC of Lawrence, LI (June 13-15)
Pres: Mary Kendrick
Del: Libby Mossman
- Bedford & Rusticus GC's (Sept. 25-27)
Pres: Libby Mossman
Del: Betsey Johnson
- GC of Irvington-on-Hudson(June 11-13)
Pres: Libby Mossman
Del: Linda Coveny
- No Annual Zone Meeting for Zone III
- North Country GC (June 1-3)
Pres: Liddy Baker
Del: Betty Wamsley
- GC of Ulster (Sept. 20-22)
Pres: Virginia Maybank
Del: Janet Robinson
- Essex County Adirondack (Sept. 26-28)
Pres: Virginia Maybank
- Southampton (June)
Pres: Virginia Maybank
Del: Louisa Tiné

GCA ANNUAL MEETING

2008: Zone II, Norfolk, VA (May 4-6)

Pres: Ellen Conrad

Del: Mimi Lines

2009: Zone VII, Providence, RI (May 1-4)

Pres : Ellen Conrad

2010: Zone IV, East Brunswick, NJ (May)

Pres: Mimi Lines

2011: Zone X, Indianapolis, ID (Apr 27-30)

Pres: Kim Morris substituted

Del: Carol Bouyoucos

2012: Savannah, Georgia (Apr 15-17)

Pres: Leslie Wortmann

Del: Heather Langham

2013:

2014:

ZONE III ANNUAL MEETING

Orange & Dutchess (Sept. 16-18)

Pres: Ellen Conrad

Del: Bitsy Tatnall

Fort Orange (June 6-11)

Pres: Ellen Conrad

Del: Wendy Cushman

East Hampton (June)

Pres: Mimi Lines

Del: Carol Bouyoucos

Millbrook (June 21-23)

Pres: Mimi Lines

Philipstown, NY (Jun 12-14)

Pres: Leslie Wortmann

Del: Suzanne Bowers

Rye & Little GC of Rye

Three Harbors

TRIPS TAKEN and FLOWER SHOWS HOSTED

July	1985	Katonah: Visit Sturtevant & Reed Gardens
Sept.	1985	Tour of Old Westbury
July	1986	Tour Reed & Israel Gardens
July	1987	Trip to Constitution Island, Hudson River
Sept.	1987	Trip to "Boscobel"
Oct.	1987	Tour Pepsico Gardens
July	1988	Trip to Central Park: Conservancy & Zoo Gardens
Oct.	1988	Trip to Storm King Art Center
July	1989	Trip to John Saladino's "Robin Hill"
July	1990	In-House Flower Show: Connie Bennett's
April	1991	Trip to Washington, D.C.
July	1991	In-House Flower Show: Mary Kendrick's
June	1993	Benefit: Israel Garden Party, Flower Show
July	1993	Trip to "Stonecrop"
Sept.	1993	Clearwater Sail on Hudson River
April	1994	Trip to Millbrook
July	1994	Trip to "Kykuit"
May	1995	Trip to Philadelphia
July	1995	Trip to "Montgomery Place"
May	1996	Trip to Wilmington
July	1996	Trip to Eastern L.I. - Bob Dash, East Hampton
Oct.	1996	In-Club Flower Show, "Lasdon Park"
May	1997	Visit to Enid Haupt Conservatory at NYBG
June	1997	Small Flower Show "Nature's Rhapsody"-Village Green
July	1997	Trip to Millbrook: Lithgow, "Wethersfield", "Far-A-Field"
July	1998	Trip to Berkshires: Kellogg, Beinecke, McLennan, "Chesterwood", "Tanglewood", "Naumkeag", etc.
May	1999	Trip to Bob Baker's Tree Peony Garden, Redding
June	1999	Benefit: "Bedford Honour" the Dwyers
July	1999	Trip to Litchfield Hills: Bunny Williams, etc.
July	2000	Trip to Nantucket
April	2001	Benefit: Rick Darke, speaker
June	2001	Trip to Watch Hill, Pru Regan
Sept.	2001	Zone III Meeting, Bedford & Rusticus
Oct.	2001	Trip to Worcester, MA "EcoTarium"
July	2002	Trip to Fishers Island
Oct.	2002	Benefit: Tom Armstrong, speaker
Oct.	2002	Trip to Woodlawn Cemetery
Oct.	2002	Trip to Bruce Museum, Greenwich CT
June	2003	Trip to "Highstead" Arboretum
July	2003	Trip to Newport RI
Nov	2003	Trip to Staten Island Botanical Gardens
June	2004	Benefit, Mr. & Mrs. Kowitz
July	2004	Visits to Special Local Private Gardens
Aug	2004	Visit to Stone Barns Farm Center

TRIPS TAKEN and FLOWER SHOWS HOSTED

Oct	2004	Visit to Tallix Foundry and DIA – Beacon Museum
Feb	2005	Visit to Central Park and Cristo Gates
Apr	2005	Visit to Chelsea Flower Dist.
Jul	2005	Visit to Battery Park Conservancy Gardens
Oct	2005	Greenwood Gardens
June	2006	A Small Flower Show – “Under a Tuscan Sun”
July	2006	Southampton – Dominique Buaron
Oct	2006	Stone Crop in Cold Spring, NY
Jan	2007	Culinary Institute of America
June	2007	Martha Stewart’s and Phyllis Warden’s gardens
July	2007	Sarah Kowitz’s house and many gardens in England
Nov	2007	NYBG KiKu exhibit
Nov	2007	Kikuit Rockefeller estate
Apr	2008	Nanny Wyeth’s daffodil garden
May	2008	New York Metropolitan Museum of Art – Floral designers
July	2008	Woodbury, Sharon and the Litchfield Hills – private gardens
May	2009	Boston, MA “The Hidden Gardens of Beacon Hill”
June	2009	New York City - The High Line
July	2009	New Canaan, CT – Phillip Johnson’s Glass House
Aug	2009	Sharon, CT – 3 private gardens
Oct	2009	Greenwich, CT Brant Foundation Gallery
May	2010	Kent, CT – Bunny Williams “Trade Secrets”
May	2010	Rumson, NJ – 2 Trenton Gardens & many in Rumson
Sept	2010	Greenwich, CT Brant Foundation Gallery
Oct	2010	Stockbridge, Manchester VT, Shelburne Farms VT – private gardens
May	2011	Lakeville, CT – Bunny Williams “Trade Secrets” & 5 private gardens
June	2011	Greenwich, CT Landsman’s Garden; Bedford – Fox’s garden
Sept	2011	Bronx, NY - Wave Hill
Oct	2011	Hudson, NY - Olana

BEDFORD GARDEN CLUB
MEMBERSHIP

NEW MEMBERS

RESIGNATIONS

DECEASED

2011-2012

Ms. Alexandra Forester
Mrs. Eric Kronenberg
Mrs. Linda Merrill

Mrs. Robert Bernard
Mrs. Thomas Philip
Mrs. J. Oliver Montross

2010-2011

Mrs. Stephen Morris
Mrs. W. Paul O'Connor
Mrs. William G. Foulke
Mrs. Philip Longo

Mrs. James A. Edgar
Mrs. Robert A. Falise
Mrs. Gordon C. Hamilton
Mrs. R. Adams Perry III

Mrs. Linda Coveny

2009-2010

Mrs. David P. Callahan
Mrs. Gary P. Corrigan
Mrs. Cornelius Crane
Mrs. Josh Levy
Mrs. M. Victor Von Althann

Mrs. Denny Haight
Mrs. Ross Jones
Mrs. J. Paul Kennedy
Mrs. Charles W. Parsons
Mrs. John A. Weisser Jr.

Mrs. Oliver C. Hazard

2008-2009

Mrs. Robert Bernard
Mrs. Peter Bouyoucos
Mrs. Lloyd B. Cox
Mrs. William Gourd
Mrs. Peter Hallock
Mrs. Todd Noonan
Mrs. Christopher Pachios

Mrs. Charles Edmonston
Mrs. Sean MacDowell
Mrs. James Pierce
Mrs. John Regan
Mrs. Charles Whitin

Mrs. Hugh McMillan
Mrs. Kendrick Wilson

2007-2008

Mrs. Mark Bamford
Mrs. Daniel Ginnel
Mrs. James Glascott
Mrs. Matthew Ocken
Mrs. Adele Talty

Mrs. Dennis Dix
Mrs. Philip D. Miller
Mrs. Thomas Schillerstrom
Mrs. Earl R. Stege

Mrs. John M. Young

2006-2007

Mrs. Jonathon Connor
Mrs. Aaron Taylor

Mrs. Seth Cameron

Mrs. Benjamin Branch
Mrs. Graham Clark
Mrs. C. M. Van Winkle

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BEDFORD GARDEN CLUB OFFICERS/COMMITTEE CHAIRS

2007 - 2013

PRESIDENT

2007 - 2009: Mrs. Winthrop Conrad

2011 - 2013: Mrs. Victor Wortmann

2009 - 2011: Mrs. Stephen Lines

FIRST VICE-PRESIDENT

2007 - 2009: Mrs. John Redmon

2011 - 2013: Mrs. Philip Bowers

2009 - 2011: Mrs. Steven Kroll

SECOND VICE-PRESIDENT (even years)

2006 - 2007: Mrs. Philip Bowers & Mrs. Anthony Langham

2007 - 2010: Mrs. Paul T. Matthews

2010 - 2012: Mrs. John Morris

2012 - 2014: Mrs. Timothy Woodhull

TREASURER (even years)

2007 - 2014: Mrs. Joseph Maybank

RECORDING SECRETARY (even years)

2003 - 2007: Mrs. John G. Finnegan Jr.

2012 - 2014: Mrs. Philip Longo

2007 - 2010: Mrs. Anthony G. Langham

2010 - 2012: Mrs. Mark Bamford

CORRESPONDING SECRETARY

2005 - 2007: Mrs. Charles W. Parsons

2009 - 2011: Mrs. Aaron Taylor

2007 - 2008: Mrs. J. Howland Robinson

2011 - 2013: Mrs. Peter Hallock

2007 - 2009: Mrs. Aaron Taylor

MEMBERS-AT-LARGE

2005 - 2007: Mrs. Roberto Buaron, Mrs. Victor Wortmann,
Mrs. Seth Cameron, Mrs. John Ryan

2007 - 2008: Mrs. George Bianco, Mrs. Aaron Taylor,
Mrs. John McGarry

2008 - 2009: Mrs. J. Howland Robinson, Mrs. John Morris
Mrs. John Talty, Mrs. James Glascott

2009 - 2010: Mrs. Robert Bernhard, Mrs. John Ehrlich
Mrs. Robert Finn, Mrs. Charlton Reynders

2010 - 2011: Mrs. Clinton Kendrick, Mrs. Anthony Langham,
Mrs. Peter Bouyoucos, Mrs. James Glascott

2011 - 2012: Mrs. Bonnie Trotta, Mrs. Steven Kroll, Mrs. Stephen Morris,
Mrs. Victor Von Althann

2012 - 2013: Mrs. James Bostwick, Mrs. William Foulke, Mrs. Roger Stern,
Mrs. Bonnie Trotta

NOMINATING COMMITTEE CHAIRMAN

2005-2007: Mrs. Samuel Polk

2007-2009: Mrs. A. Knowlton Reynders

2009-2010: Mrs. Stuart Ross

2011-2013: Mrs. John Redmon

STANDING COMMITTEES

CIVIC AFFAIRS AND CONSERVATION

2007 - 2009: Mrs. Samuel Tatnall, Mrs. Thomas Trotta

2009 - 2010: Mrs. Samuel Tatnall, Mrs. Winthrop Conrad

2010 - 2011: Mrs. Paul Matthews

2011 - 2013: Mrs. Anthony Langham, Mrs. Winthrop Conrad

SANCTUARIES

Audubon

1989-2009: Mrs. Marion S. Wyeth

2009-2013: Mrs. Camillo Santomero

Teatown Reservation

2009-2013: Mrs. Samuel Tatnall

Beaver Dam

2001-2013: Mrs. Charles McDuffie

Ward Pound Ridge

2007-2011: Mrs. Harold Tine

Butler-Meyer Preserve

1986-2013: Mrs. Christopher B. Espy

Westmoreland Sanctuary

1989-2013: Mrs. Thomas R. Trotta

Marsh Sanctuary

2007-2013: Mrs. Walter Weissinger

MKES Vegetable Garden

2012-2013: Mrs. Winthrop Conrad

Mianus River Gorge

1997-2009: Mrs. W. Macy Johnson

2009-2012: Mrs. John Redmon,

Mrs. Todd Noonan

2012-2013: Mrs. Todd Noonan

NATIONAL AFFAIRS AND LEGISLATION

2007 - 2009: Mrs. Joseph Maybank

2009 - 2013: Mrs. Winthrop Conrad

JOHN JAY GARDENS

2007 - 2011: Mrs. Anthony G. Langham

2011 - 2013: Mrs. Anthony Langham, Mrs. John Redmon

FLOWER ARRANGING/EXHIBITIONS

2007 - 2011: Mrs. Victor Wortmann

2011 - 2013: Mrs. Peter Bouyoucos

GARDEN HISTORY AND DESIGN

2007 - 2013: Mrs. John Redmon

2012 - 2013: Mrs. John Redmon, Mrs. Stephen Morris

HORTICULTURE

2007 - 2009: Mrs. Roberto Buaron

2009 - 2010: Mrs. Matthew Ocken

2010 - 2011: Mrs. Winthrop Conrad

2011 - 2013: Mrs. Jim Glascott, Mrs. William Gourd

MEMBERSHIP

2005 - 2008: Mrs. Sean McDowell

2008 - 2011: Mrs. Philip Bowers

2011 - 2013: Mrs. John Finnegan

PROGRAMS

2005 - 2007: Mrs. Robert Clymer

2007 - 2009: Mrs. Robert Cushman

2009 - 2011: Mrs. Francis Kernan, Mrs. Peter Hennessy, Mrs. John Stockbridge

2011 - 2013: Mrs. John Morris

SPECIAL COMMITTEES

AWARDS/MEDAL AWARDS

2007 - 2009: Mrs. Charlton Reynders

2009 - 2011: Mrs. Stuart Ross

2011 - 2013: Mrs. Robert Clymer

CENTENNIAL COMMITTEE

2009 - 2011: Mrs. Daniel Ginnel, Mrs. Francis Goodhue

CENTENNIAL PROJECTS

BRANCH OUT 2011-2012 Mrs. Antony Langham, Mrs. Joseph Maybank

MKES VEGETABLE GARDEN 2011-2012: Mrs. Winthrop Conrad

CLUB BOTANIST/WORKSHOPS

2003 - 2009: Mrs. C. H. Mitchell

2009 - 2013: Mrs. Charles McDuffie

EDITOR OF "CLIPPINGS" NEWSLETTER

2007 - 2010: Mrs. John Ryan, Mrs. John Morris 2010-2011: Mrs. John Ryan

CORRESPONDENT TO THE GCA PUBLICATIONS COMMITTEE

2005 - 2009: Ms. Anne Putnam

2009 - 2013: Mrs. Roger Vincent

CUSTODIAN/ARCHIVES

2007 - 2013: Mrs. Joseph Maybank

HISTORIAN

2003 - 2009: Mrs. Roger B. Vincent
2009 - 2013: Mrs. Rodman Tilt

HOSTESSES

2007 - 2008: Mrs. Jonathon Connor
2009 - 2011: Mrs. Robert Cushman
2008 - 2009: Mrs. J. Howland Robinson
2011 - 2013: Mrs. John Talty

NY COMMITTEE OF GCA

2007 - 2013: Mrs. Coleman P. Burke

POLICY

2005 - 2009: Mrs. Joseph Mankiewicz
2011 - 2013: Mrs. J. Howland Robinson
2009 - 2011: Mrs. Gordon Hamilton

PROJECTS

2007 - 2009: Mrs. John Stockbridge
2009 - 2011: Mrs. Shelly Ferrall, Mrs. Bryce O'Brien, Mrs. Jeremy Pinchot
2011 - 2013: Mrs. Bryce O'Brien

PROJECT REVIEW (1st or 2nd VP)

2007 - 2008: Mrs. John Redmon
2010 - 2011: Mrs. Steven Kroll
2008 - 2010: Mrs. Paul T. Matthews
2011 - 2013: Mrs. Philip Bowers

PUBLIC RELATIONS

2005 - 2009: Mrs. Anne Putnam
2009 - 2011: Mrs. John Morris
2011 - 2013: Mrs. Gary Corrigan

PHOTOGRAPHY

2005 - 2009: Mrs. Camillo Santomero
2009 - 2011: Mrs. Peter Bouyoucos
2011 - 2013: Mrs. Timothy Woodhull

WEB SITE

2009 - 2011: Mrs. Roger Vincent, Mrs. John Redmon
2011 - 2013: Mrs. Roger Vincent, Mrs. John Ryan

SCHOLARSHIP COMMITTEE

2005 - 2009: Mrs. Marion Wyeth
2009 - 2013: Mrs. Norman Selby

SEEDLINGS/NEW MEMBERS (1st or 2nd VP)

2007 - 2008: Mrs. Philip Bowers, Mrs. Anthony Langham
2008 - 2010: Mrs. Paul T. Matthews
2010 - 2012: Mrs. John Morris
2012 - 2013: Mrs. Timothy Woodhull

SUMMIT COORDINATOR

2009 - 2011: Mrs. Winthrop Conrad

TREE PROJECT

2009 - 2011: Mrs. Anthony Langham, Mrs. Joseph Maybank

TRIPS AND VISITING GARDENS

2007 - 2009: Mrs. Frank Kernan & Mrs. Peter Hennessy

2009 - 2011: Mrs. John Farr, Mrs. Paul Mas

2011 - 2012: Mrs. John Redmon & Mrs. Clinton Kendrick

2012 - 2013: Mrs. John Redmon & Mrs. Stephen Morris

WAYS AND MEANS

2007 - 2009: Mrs. Robert Clymer

2009 - 2011: Mrs. Daniel Ginnel

2011 - 2013: Mrs. Roger Stern

YEARBOOK

2007 - 2013: Mrs. John Milnes Baker

REPRESENTATIVES TO GCA

2007 - 2009: Mrs. Roberto Buaron, Awards Committee, Zone III Chairman

2007 - 2009: Mrs. John Redmon, Archive Committee, Zone III Representative

2007 - 2013: Mrs. Roger Vincent, GCA Historian

2011 - 2013: Mrs. John Redmon, Library Committee, Vice Chairman

GARDEN CLUB OF AMERICA JUDGES

Exhibitions

Mrs. Foxhall A. Parker, ('89-'14)

Horticulture

Mrs. Charles E. McDuffie ('97-'14)