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**MEMBERSHIP by CATEGORY
2013-2014**

ACTIVE

Albanese, S
Baker, L
Bamford, A
Bianco, S
Borner, C
Bostwick, S
Bouyoucos, C
Bowers, S
Burke, S
Catchpole-Howell
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
Gourd, D
Grand, C
Hallock, L
Hennessy, L
Hoffman, A
Jones, C
Jones, L

ACTIVE

Kernan, C
Kroll, S
Kronenberg, N
Langham, H
Levy, N
Lewis, D
Lines, M
Longo, L
MacDonald, B
Mas, C
Matthews, L
Maybank, V
Merrill, L
Montross, L
Morris, K
Morris, L
Morris, V
O'Brien, S
O'Connor, J
Ocken, R
Orme, M
Pachios, A
Paul, A
Pinchot, L
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
Warshaw, H
Weissinger, J
West, S
Woodhull, D
Wortmann, L

ASSOCIATE

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

AFFILIATE

Babcock, L
Bennet, C
Buaron, D
Callahan, T
Eastland, S
Espy, P
Israel, B

AFFILIATE

Miller, A
Mossman, L
Padwee, J
Polk, A
Purcell, R
Putnam, K
Selby, M
Smith, C
Talbot, 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

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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. Timothy Woodhull
Recording Secretary.....	Mrs. Philip Longo
Treasurer.....	Mrs. Joseph Maybank

MEMBERS-AT-LARGE

Mrs. James Bostwick
Mrs. William Foulke
Mrs. Roger Stern
Mrs. Bonnie Trotta

NOMINATING COMMITTEE

Mrs. Clinton Kendrick, Chairman
Mrs. John Morris
Mrs. John Redmon
Mrs. Roger Vincent
Mrs. Victor Wortmann

REPRESENTATIVES AT GARDEN CLUB OF AMERICA MEETINGS
The Annual Meeting 2013:
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania
May 1-2, 2013

Mrs. Victor Wortmann, President

The Zone III Annual Meeting 2013:
Rye, New York
September 24-26, 2013

Mrs. Victor Wortmann, President
To be announced

PRESIDENT'S REPORT

2013

Another year has flown by for the Bedford Garden Club and its members. This year, our theme was "Growing Together". Once again, I am in awe of our talented members and their generosity in sharing their gardening knowledge with all of us. I have learned so much this year and have successfully put my new skills to use in my own garden!

We started the year with our September Kick - Off Meeting at The Bedford Golf and Tennis club that ended with a Garden Themed Show and Tell. One by one, members shared their favorite gardening tip, tool or plant. Years of valuable experience spread throughout the room! The best gardening advice may not come from a book but better yet passed on from a mother, grandmother, friend or neighbor. Throughout the year in addition to our fabulous speakers, we had educational plant exchanges and workshops lead by our more experienced gardeners. And speaking of experienced members, our own Ann Catchpole-Howell has been sharing her expertise in cleverly written garden advice monthlies with her "Dig In" Reports. From favorite plant, soil advice and vegetable garden know-how, we are learning from the best!

In October, The Bedford Garden Club was honored at the Ward Pound Ridge Trailside Nature Museum's 75th Anniversary. Early garden club members were instrumental in initiating the building and fundraising for this wonderful addition to the Reservation.

I would be remiss if I didn't mention Hurricane Sandy that blew up the east coast and through Bedford at the end of October 2012. This storm of historical proportions devastated the New Jersey shoreline, NYC and its Burroughs. It toppled trees and power lines all over this area and changed our landscape. Our quick acting Branch Out! Committee flew into action and in January invited the community to a Tree Symposium to offer professional advice for the cleanup and replanting of our treasured trees.

Our standing committees did an exceptional job this year. Membership Chair Mary Finnegan honored 50+ year members with a scarf, special citation and picture in the paper! What an impressive group of women! Horticulture Co-Chairs Deirdre Glascott and Debbie Gourd organized two plant exchanges, a seed workshop and initiated a group of growers to try their skills at growing dahlias for a show this coming fall in Darien. Exhibitions Chair Carol Bouyoucus organized a Christmas decorating workshop and display at Greensday as well as entered numerous photography classes at local shows. Another outstanding year of Visiting Gardens was organized by Varner Redmon and Vickie Morris. They have out done themselves each year with one more impressive garden than the next. Our Conservation Committee Chair Ellen Conrad was recently appointed NAL Vice Chair for Climate Change. Our Civic work, chaired by Heather Langham, included landscaping improvements to Neighbors Link in Mt. Kisco. Heather and co-chair Virginia Maybank kept our Branch Out! program growing. Newly planted street trees all around Bedford are thriving under their expertise. And a special thanks to Kim Morris, Programs chair who has once again provided exciting, educational and inspiring speakers at our monthly meetings without a hitch. Thank you to all of these wonderful women for their extra hard work this year.

I'd also like to thank all of our special Committee Chairs for their dedication this year. Ways and Means Chair Beth Stern, with the help of Party Chair Lindsay Matthews, put together a most enjoyable party and silent auction at the beautiful home of Heather and Tony Langham on March 2. Because of their tireless effort our fundraising goals exceeded our expectations and will assure a sizeable increase to our Project Review Fund for the next few years.

The Bedford garden Club - over one hundred years old and still going strong thanks to the hard working, creative and inspiring women who continue to “stimulate knowledge and the love of gardening among amateurs: to aid in the protection of native plants and birds and to encourage civic planting and conservation”.

Leslie Wortmann, President

PRESIDENT'S AWARD
2013

Over the last two years, I have been so grateful to all of the wonderful women who have made my job a little easier and helped things run a little smoother. But there is one member who has been there for me with her expert advice – her always correct two cents worth of opinion – my dear friend Suzanne Bowers. Suzanne was always available to share her knowledge of club policies, offer support in dealing with difficult issues and always knew just the right thing to say. Her help and guidance has been priceless. And for that, I would like to honor her today.

**The Bedford Garden Club
Presents
The President's Award to
Suzanne Bowers**

“I am proud to present Suzanne Bowers with the 2012/2013 President's Award for her kind guidance, wise counsel, support and stewardship of the Bedford Garden Club”

GARDEN CLUB OF AMERICA ANNUAL MEETING
Hosted by Zone V clubs in Pennsylvania and Delaware
May 2013

The 2013 GCA Annual Meeting took place May 1st and 2nd in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania. Representing the Bedford Garden Club was Leslie Wortmann, President. Our delegate was unable to attend.

This 100th meeting of the GCA was officially called to order on May 1st at 8:30 by President Marian Hill. Philadelphia was the chosen location to host this year's annual meeting as it was the Garden Club of Philadelphia and eleven other clubs (Including the Bedford Garden Club) that met to create our national organization in May of 1913. Our two day meeting was jam packed with speakers and workshops, garden tours and private dinners. Our keynote speakers, Alice Waters, Chef, author and proprietor of Chez Panisse Restaurant in Berkeley California and Amy Freitag, Executive Director of the New York Restoration Project, inspired us all. Ms. Freitag collected a century's worth of photos, facts and anecdotes about the GCA and brought us to laughter and tears. Presidents' Workshops include topics such as Flower Show 101, Communications 101, Club Leadership and Club Membership. Optional workshops included Trough Gardens and Floral Design. Enticing us at every turn was a stunning Flower Show that offered show-stopping, breath taking works of art! A not to be missed shopping boutique did not disappoint and was a huge crowd pleaser.

Our garden tours took us throughout the Main Line and historic Chestnut Hill. The highlight of our tour was Chanticleer in Wayne. Chanticleer, a 35-acre private pleasure garden that displays the beauty of art and horticulture, was breathtaking. A must see! A quick visit to Philadelphia's wonderful museums was a wonderful afternoon spent with some new garden club friends. We took a stroll through center city and spent the afternoon at the Philadelphia Museum of Art, The Barnes and The Rodin Museum. The 2 day meeting was brought to a close on Thursday, May 2nd with the final GCA Reports, Zone Reports and in the evening a Centennial Awards Dinner Gala, to cap off a lovely 2 day event.

Leslie Wortmann
President

ZONE III MEETING REPORT

The Rye Garden Club and The Little Garden Club of Rye, New York
Sept 24th – 26th, 2013
“Seeds of Rye”

This meeting will be reported in the next Year Book.

THE BEDFORD GARDEN CLUB
Treasurer's Annual Report
June 1, 2012 – May 31, 2013

CHECKING ACCOUNT

Balance on hand June 1, 2012 **\$ 33,294.35**

CHECKING ACCOUNT consists of the following funds:

Operating Account	\$ 22,502.63
Wilson-Courthouse Garden Fund	5,827.50
Branch Out Fund	<u>4,964.22</u>
	\$ 33,294.35

Receipts

Dues	\$ 15,125.00
Projects	1,600.28
Ways and Means – Langham Party	25,964.05
Transfer from Mullen Fund	887.71
Uncashed Checks Voided	500.00
Branch Out Receipts (detail below)	15,349.00
Total Receipts	\$ 59,426.04

Disbursements

Operating	GCA Dues	\$ 6,350.00
	Programs	3,754.81
	Horticulture	263.41
	Exhibitions	710.84
	Conservation	962.00
	Garden History and Design	0
	Seedlings	209.50
	Hostesses	176.05
	Bank Charges	60.00
	Yearbook	625.00
	Communications (Internal)	714.38
	Publicity (External)	26.15
	Custodian	0
	Insurance	252.00
	Medal Fund (Transfer)	400.00
	Awards	141.90
	Annual Meeting	1,282.71
	NAL Meeting	1,657.72
	Zone III Meeting	0
	Taxes/Tax Preparation	702.50
	President's Fund	316.80
	Website	<u>115.29</u>
	Sub Total	\$ 18,721.06

Civic Contributions		
	Branch Out	2,000.00
	John Jay Gardens	<u>608.07</u>
	Sub Total	\$ 2,608.07
Project Review		
	Deposit (Donation)	(500.00)
	West Patent Elementary School	3,000.00
	Neighbors Link	1,000.00
	Branch Out (FLHS Planting)	<u>2,500.00</u>
	Sub Total	\$ 6,000.00
Donations		
	Beaver Dam Sanctuary	100.00
	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	<u>100.00</u>
	Sub Total	\$ 2,000.00
	Brach Out Expenses (detail below)	9,954.00
	Total Disbursements	<u>\$ 39,283.13</u>
CHECKING ACCOUNT - May 31, 2013		\$ 53,437.26

CHECKING ACCOUNT consists of the following funds:

Operating Account \$ **37,611.61**

John Jay Fund **638.93**

Wilson-Courthouse Garden Fund

Balance 6/1/12 \$5,827.50
Project Review (1,000.00)

Balance 5/31/13 **4,827.50**

Branch Out Fund

Balance 6/1/12 \$ 4,964.22

Disbursements

Printing 342.00
Returned Check 95.00
Stamps 48.00
Troy's (Trees) 6,484.00
Raffle Tree 145.00
Troy's (Planting) 2,130.00
Zino's (Trees) 710.00
\$ (9,954.00)

Receipts

Fall Orders 6,888.00
Deposit 401.00
Bedford 2020 Grant 3,000.00
Raffle Tickets 560.00
FLHS Grant 2,500.00
C&E Funding 2,000.00
\$ 15,349.00

Balance 5/31/13 **10,359.22**

CHECKING ACCOUNT - May 31, 2013 \$ **53,437.26**

MONEY MARKET (Reserved Funds)

Balance as of June 1, 2012	\$ 40,439.97
Interest	<u>40.46</u>
Balance as of May 31, 2013	\$ 40,480.43
Waller Gift – NAL Delegate Funding	
Balance as of June 1, 2012	17,172.11
Interest	18.22
NAL Meeting 2013	<u>(1,657.72)</u>
Balance as of May 31, 2013	\$ 15,532.61
Zone Meeting Reserve	
- Balance as of June 1, 2012	12,312.39
Interest	<u>11.34</u>
Balance as of May 31, 2013	\$ 12,323.73
Excess Operating Funds	
Balance as of June 1, 2011	10,955.47
Interest	10.90
Transfer from Waller Gift	<u>1,657.72</u>
Balance as of May 31, 2012	\$ 12,624.09

ENDOWMENT FUND – Dreyfus

Balance on hand June 1, 2012	\$ 43,938.09
Contributions	<u>1,375.00</u>
Balance on hand May 31, 2013	\$ 45,313.09

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SAVINGS ACCOUNTS

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

Balance on hand June 1, 2012	\$6,013.93
Interest	\$4.09
2012 Annual Meeting	(887.71)
Balance on hand May 31, 2013	\$ 5,130.31

2. Newell Memorial Account (Civic & Education Expenses)

Balance on hand June 1, 2012	\$12,614.59
Receipts	0
Interest	\$6.26
Balance plus receipts	\$ 12,620.85
Disbursements	0
Balance on hand May 31, 2013	\$12,620.85

3. Charlotte Sturtevant Memorial Account (Flower Arranging Workshops)

Balance on hand June 1, 2012	\$4,733.09
Receipts	
Interest	\$2.36
Balance plus receipts	\$4,735.45
Disbursements	0
Balance on hand May 31, 2013	\$4,735.45

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4. Bedford Garden Club Savings Accounts

Balance on hand June 1, 2012 \$ 12,487.27

Alice Anderson Medal Account

Balance on hand June 1, 2012 \$ 2,499.37

Interest \$1.50

Contributions \$50.00

Balance on hand May 31, 2013 \$2,550.87

Eloise Luquer Medal Account

Balance on hand June 1, 2012 \$3,854.26

Interest \$1.61

Contributions \$50.00

Balance on hand May 31, 2013 \$ 3,905.87

Winifred Macomber Award Account

Balance on hand June 1, 2012 \$3,279.95

Interest \$1.49

Contributions \$50.00

Balance on hand May 31, 2013 \$3,331.44

Horticulture Award Account

Balance on hand June 1, 2012 \$3,053.69

Interest \$1.61

Contributions \$50.00

Balance on hand May 31, 2013 \$3,105.30

Total Balance on hand May 31, 2013 \$12,893.48

THE BEDFORD GARDEN CLUB

Proposed Operating Budget

June 1, 2013-May 31, 2014

ESTIMATED INCOME

Interest	\$ 25
Dues	18,000
Projects	1,500
Ways and Means	0
Transfer from Waller Fund	1,200
C&E 2013-14	<u>14,000</u>

TOTAL INCOME **\$ 34,725**

ESTIMATED EXPENSES

Operating

Bank Charges	\$ 60
GCA Dues	6,500
Yearbook	800
Corresponding Sec. (Internal)	750
Communications Coordinator (External)	350
Programs	6,000
Hostesses	250
Custodian	100
Insurance	252
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
NAL Meeting	1,200
Seedlings	500
Taxes	700
Website	150
Contingency	<u>263</u>
Total Operating	<u>\$ 23,325</u>

Civic and Education

Civic Projects:

Project Review	\$ 5,000
John Jay Gardens	1,250
Christmas Wreaths	500
Courthouse Garden	500
Branch Out	<u>2,000</u>
Sub Total	\$ 9,250

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
Untermeyer Gardens	<u>150</u>
Sub Total	\$ 2,150

Total Civic and Education \$ 11,400

TOTAL EXPENSES \$ 34,725

RECORDING SECRETARY

2012-2013

As Recording Secretary, I attended all eight Executive Committee Meetings for the year 2012-2013. I took notes at all Executive Committee meetings. I also took notes for all Membership Meetings where business was conducted (September 2012, December 2012, April 2013, June 2013). After creating notes and putting them into a Word document, I submitted them for verification to our BGC President, Leslie Wortmann. After Leslie approved the notes, they were posted on the BGC website by Varner Redmond. Notes are voted on for approval at the following month's Executive Committee meeting.

Allison Bamford

CORRESPONDING SECRETARY

2012-2013

The Corresponding Secretary was in charge of communicating monthly meeting and event dates and times to the Garden Club membership. By way of "Paperless Post," the Club was able to garner increased attendance, as well as accurate numbers for the Head Hostess and Program Chairs. We encourage all members to become paperless, but those who are unable to do so, the club will continue correspondence to those individuals.

Liz Hallock

STANDING COMMITTEES

CIVIC AFFAIRS AND CONSERVATION

2012-2013

Branch Out!

The focus of the Conservation Committee this year was Branch Out! In the fall we planted an additional 60 trees throughout Bedford, Bedford Hills and Katonah. That includes seven beautiful shade trees that were planted by the Katonah Village Improvement Society along Woods Bridge Road in the commercial center of Katonah as well as 12 trees (9 elms) on Pound Ridge Road just north of Bedford Village in our first organized neighborhood planting. After Sandy hit at the end of October, the Branch Out committee decided that the level of fear and anxiety surrounding trees was off the charts. The group decided that experts and information was needed and convened the STUMPED! Symposium on January 17th at Historical Hall. The event was heavily publicized throughout the town and we had about 60 people show up to listen to Rod Christie of Mianus River Gorge Preserve and Mike Galvin of SavATree talk about the strategies for maintaining a healthy tree canopy and preventing future storm damage. We have two big projects on the calendar for the fall. The first is the planting of 14 trees at the entrance to Fox Lane High School. We have been working with the school and the town for almost two years on this plan and we are happy to report that with funding from the Bedford Garden Club, planting will take place in the fall. The other project that has been over a year in the planning is for the commercial center of Bedford Village. With a grant from Bedford 2020, we will be planting 19 trees on Old Post Road starting at Jeff Israel's office and ending with the Bedford Hardware Store. All the property owners have been contacted and enthusiastically agreed to the planting (except for one hold out). We are also in discussions with St. Patrick's Church, Katonah Elementary School, Bedford Hills Elementary School and KVIS for a second round of planting.

Please join our committee! We need more hands. Please also think about the street you live on, the schools your children attend, your church and anywhere in your neighborhood where a few new trees can make a big difference.

Keep planting!

Heather Langham

Adopt-A-Road

2012-2013

The Adopt A Road schedule was the same as every year; there was a pick-up in the fall and one in the spring. Usually the same wonderful ladies volunteer for this job and their commitments last for about an hour. Everyone is assigned a stretch of the road along route 22 from The Hook Road to the Shell Station. These lovely ladies bring their own gloves, and we provide the vests and bags. When the large orange bags are full, they are left along the roadside. The DPW comes along that afternoon and picks them up.

Thank you, ladies, for giving up your time for this valuable task.

Bonnie MacDonald

Sanctuaries

2012-2013

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: The Butler Sanctuary is being maintained by The Mianus River Gorge Preserve staff and the house there is used by The Mianus River Gorge Preserve. The Meyer Preserve is still maintained by the Eastern New York Chapter of the Nature Conservancy.

These changes were made in order to more efficiently take care of this precious land.

One continuous challenge is the constant battle with invasive plants.

By all means, come take a leisurely walk through this sanctuary and be aware of the beauty of nature; the wild flowers, the birds, the changing of seasons just to name a few.

Joyce Espy

MARSH SANCTUARY:

No Report

June Weissinger

MIANUS RIVER GORGE PRESERVE:

No Report

Stacy Albanese

TEATOWN RESERVATION:

Tea Town Lake Reservation was started in 1963 with a donation of 190 acres by the Swope Family. Today there are 834 acres and 15 miles of trails. Tea Town Lake is 42 acres and offers ice skating and ice fishing in the winter, weather permitting.

There are many programs offered throughout the year for all ages and interests as well as a popular summer camp for children. Of particular interest to BGC members is the 2 acre Wild Flower Island. This is located in the lake, accessible from the main land through gates, then over an arching foot bridge. The island is home to over 230 native and endangered species of wildflower. Visits to the island are by reservation only on weekends, Mid -April thru mid-September, all tours are guided. There are many ways to enjoy this wonderful Westchester resource including volunteer opportunities. Contact Tea Town Lake Reservation, 1600 Spring Valley Road, Ossining, NY.

Bitsy Tatnall

WESTMORELAND SANCTUARY

Westmoreland Sanctuary is entering a period of revitalization and growth. This is reflected in staffing and organizational changes, expansion of our programming and events, and improvements to our physical facilities.

Organizational Changes

In February 2013 Westmoreland hired its first ever Executive Director, Michele A. Miller, Ph.D. Ms. Miller has since joined with the Board of Trustees to embark on an ambitious but fiscally-sound plan for organizational growth. This has included re-organization of staffing, including: hiring of a new Educational Director to replace

Naturalist, Adam Zorn, (summer, 2013); Steven Ricker, long-time Resident Naturalist taking on the new position of Director of Conservation and Wildlife Management, Lisa Ricker becoming Animal Curator and the hiring of an Administrator for fall 2014. These staffing changes will enable to organization to better fulfill its mission of providing environmental education to the public and conservation of its property.

New Programs and Events

During the school year, Westmoreland staff conducts programs for thousands of children from schools all over Westchester (NY), Putnam (NY), and Fairfield (CT) counties and New York City, as well as programs specifically created to enable Boy Scout and Girl Scout troupes to fulfill their rank requirements. During the summer months, we also provide weekly educational programming to children whose mother's are incarcerated in the near-by Bedford Hills Correctional Facility for Women. Starting in 2013/14 we piloted several new educational programs, including multi-week curricula-based preschool, afterschool and summer environmental programs designed to provide participants with a deeper engagement with nature. Also new is our Smart Girls Get Science program, a partnership with the Boys and Girls Club of Northern Westchester which will engage nearly 20 middle school girls, many of them 'at risk' or from a disadvantaged background, in research-based environmental projects. Starting next fall, we hope to pilot a series of programs for special needs children. New conservation programming includes special 'Conservation Days' for public engagement and native and invasive plant surveys.

New or revitalized events for in 2013 include *Shakespeare in the Sanctuary* (July 26-28) an interactive, family-oriented production of *Midsummer Night's Dream* that moves audiences through several locations of the Sanctuary, *Raid the Sanctuary* (Sept. 7-8) Orienteering and Trail Races, Invasive "*Vines to Art*" Workshop (Sept 21-22), in which artist Laura Spector of Rustic Design, Inc. will teach participants how to create unique furniture and art from invasive Bittersweet vines, "*Enchanted Forest*" Walk (October 18, 19), a trail decorated by our community to reflect the enchantment of our woods, *Wine & Cheese Fundraiser* (Nov. 14) featuring organic wines, and a *Winter Bird Festival* (mid-Jan) to raise awareness of our winter resident bird population.

Facilities Renovations

Renovations to Westmoreland facilities in 2012 included a new Invertebrate Investigation Lab with observation tanks for live insects (currently a tarantula, Giant Madagascar Hissing Cockroaches and Giant Thorny Stickbugs), a live beehive display and adjacent discovery area, and a computer/video research module. Upcoming renovations are planned to our kitchen and staff areas as well as upstairs displays.

Bonnie Trotta

National Affairs & Legislation

February 26th – 28th Washington D.C. 2013

Virginia Maybank, Nancy Kronenberg and Ellen Rouse Conrad attended the NAL Conference as representatives of the Bedford Garden Club. The NAL was created in June, 1969 by Wilhelmine Waller, former GCA and BGC President. In the words of Mrs. Waller, the purpose of NAL is to "bring to the attention of the membership important legislative proposals in Washington which fall within the fields of our endeavor." This year's NAL conference was lean on "legislative proposals" but focused primarily on issues relating to climate change amidst despair on the current paralysis of

Congress in addressing these issues. Of particular concern were fears of current “sequestration” plans that will negatively impact many environmental programs. Highlights of the two days of presentations included addresses from:

Frances Beinecke, President, Natural Resources Defense Council, who focused on Climate Change. It is a humanitarian issue and if we park it in "environmental issues" it will not get the attention required to make a difference. She stressed four points on which to focus to make "a green investment in our future." 1. Impact climate change through enforcement of the Clean Air and Clean Water Acts; 2. Protect from fossil fuel boom; 3. Unleash clean energy solutions; and 4. Don't lose ground on our existing environmental laws. Frances also emphasized the importance of the "local voice", like the GCA members, in pressuring Washington - given the current polarity and paralysis in Congress.

Gina McCarthy, who was nominated on February 27 to replace Lisa Jackson as head of the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA), spoke about recent accomplishments at EPA to curb carbon pollution. Since 2009, when greenhouse gas emissions were found to pose a threat to public health and carbon was found to be a significant contributor, carbon has been deemed to be a contaminant that could be regulated under the EPA's authority. EPA is working to reduce the use of coal in powering electric plants in order to reduce carbon emissions. (Coal powered plants create 40% of nation's carbon emissions.) EPA's goal is to work with power plants to shift from coal to natural gas in order to maintain jobs and not sacrifice service. Carbon emissions from vehicles is another target for EPA. Their goal by 2025 is to double fuel economy of vehicles, thereby reducing fuel consumption by 12 billion barrels.

Other speakers included:

Harris Sherman, Under Secretary for Natural Resources and Environment – U.S. Forest Service. NRCS - Extensively involved in mitigation of forest and soil destruction. Goal is to use green infrastructure to solve problems, such as planting trees along salmon streams to cool over-heated water arising from water treatment plants.

Tom Kiernan, President National Parks Conservation Association - Help keep parks open. Sequester threatens parks. Use national parks as a gateway drug in getting your legislators to think environment and conservation: do not cut park funding.

Peggy Olwell, Plant Conservation Program Lead, Bureau of Land Management, U.S. Dept of Interior - New unit focused on plant research - producing and collecting native plant seeds to replant land devastated by forest fires etc.

J.P. Leous, Outreach U.S. Director, Climate Action Network (USCAN). Climate is NOW the buzz: Moral obligation to act. Extreme weather/impact on 4 out of 5 Americans.

Lesley Kane Syzmal, Director, Outdoors American Coalition - land and water conservation fund (LDCF). An urgency re: the continuation of LDCF, due to be renewed, or not, in 2015.

Congressman Bill Owens, D-NY. Concerned about sensitive environmental areas, i.e. Adirondack Park. Extreme weather/storm patterns call for economic and environmental political compromise. Keystone Pipeline - voted in favor several times. Fracking in NY. He stands behind Governor Cuomo. We need to assess the risks versus the economics. He supports fracking transparency bill, but does not believe that it will pass in current Congress.

Senator Angus King, I-Maine. Economic development and quality of life is

underscored by the importance of the physical place.

Congressman Eric Blumenauer, D-Oregon - Message to colleagues on the floor on the congressional record advising them to harken to the message of the GCA delegates! He believes that we are starting to hear the cracks in the damn/ blocking action in the legislature. He believes that we are closer to making significant movement forward in the environmental area in the near future.

Peter Buck, Director & Producer, Carbon Nation - see film. Info on such will be posted on GCA website.

Congressman Rob Wittman, R-VA - We must understand and protect our natural resources and environment for future generations. At national level we need to create national policies that do this.

Senator Sheldon Whitehouse, D - RI - Oceans is a big issue in his state. He believes that things are loosening up on climate change. There is now a bicameral task force on climate change. Passion for addressing climate change issues is building.

Lobbying Meeting with Senator Gillibrand

Senator Gillibrand applauded the Garden Club of America 's commitment and dedication to working towards change through governmental process and our efforts to inform our representatives on the issues that impact our environment.

The Senator believes that there is an opportunity for the legislature to come together in addressing the climate change issues, (now referred to as extreme weather conditions.)

Senator Gillibrand is optimistic about the issue on "carbon tax" and feels that, if postured accurately, it might be one of the first steps toward a broader energy policy.

On Fracking Gillibrand urged the NYS NAL delegation to continue to call attention to our local and state government on the issue of Fracking. There are four main points on which we need to focus: 1. Disclosure/transparency on all chemicals used in the Fracking process; 2. Disclosure of all studies re: Fracking and health issues; 3. Waste water recycling methodology; 3. Post Fracking treatment of wells and the correlating issue of methane in our water. Further, we discussed the concept of "bonding" all gas extraction companies, thus offering some security to communities to cover the aftermath expenses and infrastructure repairs.

Congressman Sean Patrick Maloney was not available to meet with our delegation, but his aide spoke with us briefly.

Nancy Kronenberg and Ellen Conrad

John Jay Homestead Sundial Garden

2012-2013

Summer maintenance 2012:

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. 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 all did a great job.

Fall Plant Exchange:

On October 17, we divided perennials in the Sundial Garden, and shared them with lucky members.

Spring Clean-up:

Our general garden clean-up took place on April 24, and a large group of ladies spent a couple of hours tidying up. Here's a list of the hard workers: Ann Catchpole, Liza Clymer, Mary Finnegan, Alexandra Forrester, Debbie Gourd, Mary Kendrick, Nancy Kronenberg, Heather Langham, Linda Merrill, Anita Stockbridge, Adele Talty, Bonnie Trotta, Melissa Vail, Nancy Vincent, June Weissinger and Leslie Wortmann.

Summer Maintenance 2013:

Wendy Cushman, Cindy Dwyer, Shelly Ferrall, Lisa Hennessy, Cassie Kernan, Sally Kroll, Linda Merrill, Varner Redmon, Denise Santomero, Louise Talbot, Adele Talty, Bonnie Trotta, Melissa Vail, Nancy Vincent and June Weissinger and have all volunteered for summer duty. Ann Catchpole has also lent her special talents as a garden designer by consulting on plants and maintenance.

Varner Redmon and Heather Langham

EXHIBITIONS

2012-2013

The focus, again this year, was to encourage new members to learn the fine art of flower arranging and emphasize the importance of entering GCA flower shows.

A workshop on Cloches and Terrariums was held at the home of Carol Bouyoucos in November. The committee created fantastic pieces which were incorporated into the holiday display at Greensday. They were all sold as part of the boutique!

Green's Day 2012, highlighted table decorating with a demonstration by Carol Bouyoucos. With the theme "Winter Wonderland" a table was set featuring natural elements - branches, angel vine, grapevine orbs, offset with silver and white antique collectable's. The wreathes were decorated by our members, which made the handiwork all the more fun. Our committee received a letter of thanks from Northern Westchester Hospitals for the four wreathes we donated to the hospital. Once again, the Boutique was a huge success!

Throughout the calendar year, the exhibitions committee donated beautiful arrangements for our monthly meeting.

Carol Bouyoucos

GARDEN HISTORY AND DESIGN

And

VISITING GARDENS

2012-2013

The combination of the Garden History & Design and Visiting Gardens Committees has resulted in many wonderful, well-attended trips this year.

1) We went to the newly-restored Untermyer Garden on the Hudson River in Yonkers on October 24, and had a wonderful tour led by Head Horticulturist (and Head Enthusiast) Timothy Tilghman. We then had a very good lunch at Zuppa in Yonkers.

2) Spring was late this year so we did not take our April trip in early May. We had a spectacular tour of Woodlawn Cemetery in the Bronx, led by the wonderful Director, Susan Olsen. Susan then took us to a great neighborhood restaurant, Rory Dolan's, in Yonkers.

- 3) May 22 found us in Central Park on a tour arranged by the Central Park Conservancy. Our very knowledgeable guide, Anna Zagaloff, gave us an interesting look at the park, emphasizing its history and design. The perfect end to our tour was a marvelous lunch at Bitsy Tatnall's new apartment.
- 4) On June 12, we made the journey to George Schoellkopf's Hollister House in Washington, CT. Mr. Schoellkopf gave us a wonderful tour, and patiently answered all of our questions. We had a delicious box lunch from The Pantry in the spectacularly lovely garden. Thanks to member Susan Burke, Chairman of the Hollister House Garden.
- 5) Future trips planned: On July 17, we have arranged a tour of community gardens sponsored by Bette Midler's New York Restoration Project, and led by Director Amy Freitag. In August we will go to Storm King Art Center on the 14th, for a tour designed by Director and Curator David Cullens especially for us, with an emphasis on use of landscape at Storm King.

Work continues on the documentation of gardens for the Smithsonian Archives. Vickie Morris attended a Zone III GH&D workshop in NYC in October and was inspired to include a larger variety of gardens in the Archives. On a club level, the documentation of the historic Whitman Garden, the Coleman & Susan Burke Garden and the Denise & Camillo Santomero Garden are all nearing completion.

Vickie Morris and Varner Redmon

HORTICULTURE

2012-2013

The Horticulture Committee had a busy year and focused primarily on growing plants. Our newly added Fall Plant Exchange was held in the John Jay Homestead Sundial Garden. The garden was in need of much dividing so we held a dividing workshop. There was so much to be done that we hired a gardener to do most of the heavy labor and there were many wonderful plants for sale at the PX.

Also in October, the Rusticus Garden Club held a flower show. The horticulture chairs entered several items into the cut specimen categories and it was our first experience doing that. We also prepared and entered plants from Ellen Conrad's garden. We took home several awards and honorable mentions including a first place award for Deirdre's beautiful Tree Hydrangea.

The Zone 3 Annual meeting will be held in September of 2013 and features the Montine McDaniel Freeman Horticultural medalists from 1995-2012. After our lack of success with hardwood cuttings last year on the Viburnum, the horticulture chairs decided to give this another try with Smokebush cuttings from the John Jay garden. We had our own private workshop in January where we did the cuttings, dipped them in hormone, planted them in flats and put them in Ziploc bags. We also bundled some and planted them in the ground in Deirdre's vegetable garden. All of the cuttings leafed out and looked great for a couple of weeks and then died. The bundle in the ground was dug up in spring and had not rooted.

Also for the Zone meeting we planned a seed workshop. We purchased Echinacea seeds (Coneflower-purple) from Annie's Heirloom Seeds in the fall. We refrigerated them for several months and had a planting workshop in mid-March at Virginia Maybank's new greenhouse. Eight ladies attended. Reports are that everyone's seeds germinated well and most have been moved outdoors. We will likely have another workshop in the

fall to pot some up for the zone meeting and to fill out the entry cards. At the planting workshop we also handed out copies of the GCA Basic Plant Propagation Handbook. The Garden Club of Darien is having a show in October 2013. The Challenge Class: Birds Eye features a "Red Pigmy" dahlia. We purchased a dozen tubers from Swan Island Dahlias which arrived in late April. We delivered them to our 12 volunteers and hope to have many to bring to the show.

In late April we had our annual Spring Plant Exchange, also at the John Jay garden. We cleaned up the garden including weeding and pruning and Ann Catchpole gave us all a rose pruning lesson. Then we exchanged plants that members brought from home. We are pleased to pass on the reins of the Horticulture Committee to Virginia Maybank. We learned so much in our two years and enjoyed the experience.

Deirdre Glascott and Debbie Gourd

MEMBERSHIP

2012-2013

The Membership Committee is pleased to welcome a highly accomplished group of new members. Thanks to the Membership Committee, Suzanne Bowers, Lindsay Matthews, Kim Morris, and Leslie Wortmann for their help in reviewing the many letters of support for our wonderful new members.

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

New Members:

Mrs. Blair Lewis (Diane)
Mrs. David Morris (Lynda)
Mrs. Paul Orme (Melissa)
Mrs. Holly Warshaw (Holly)

Resignations:

Mrs. Richard H. Witmer (Jean)

Category Changes:

	From	To
Mrs. David P. Callahan (Tink)	Active	Affiliate
Mrs. Samuel S. Polk (Anne)	Active	Affiliate

In Memorium:

Mrs. Lewis B. Harder (Dotty)
Mrs. Marion S. Wyeth (Nancy)

Mary Finnegan

PROGRAMS

2012-2013

The Bedford Garden Club was off to a great start with our opening meeting held at Bedford Golf and Tennis Club on September 19th. Leslie Wortmann, BGC president, kicked off the new year with a program, capturing our theme of "Growing Together". We also had a Garden Show and Tell. Members gave examples of tools, plants or even

books, fiction and non-fiction that all had a common theme of gardening. A lovely Autumn Brunch followed the meeting.

On Wednesday, October 3 we joined a group of like-minded organizations to listen to Peter Hatch, Director of Gardens and Grounds at Monticello, speak about Thomas Jefferson and Hatch's recently published book, entitled, "A Rich Spot of Earth". The meeting was organized by the Friends of John Jay Homestead and supported not only by the BGC, but also Rusticus GC, Pound Ridge GC, The Farmer's Club, The Herb Society and Bedford 2020. The lecture was also open to the public. All the groups contributed with refreshments prior to the meeting. Peter's book was available for sale, which he also kindly signed. After the lecture, the beautiful grounds of the John Jay Homestead were open to be toured. Thank you to our member, Heather Langham for hosting Peter. On Wednesday, October 17, the Horticulture Committee hosted a Plant Exchange and Dividing Workshop. This was held at the John Jay Homestead. Please see details in the Horticulture Annual Report.

In December we celebrated the upcoming holidays with our annual "Greensday" meeting held at the Westmoreland Sanctuary on Wednesday, December 5. Carol Bouyoucos, our Exhibitions Chair, provided 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. Carol also made a fantastic table-top display and showed us how to create centerpieces and mantel tops with bell jars and miniature plants and trinkets.

On January 16th we braved the weather and met at GCA annual headquarters to meet and hear a lecture from Reed McIlvaine, of Renny and Reed, the successful floral event design firm. Reed was a terrific speaker - interesting and humorous! He showed us a terrific power point presentation and answered our many questions about the parties and events that his firm so beautifully coordinated. We also had a tour of the GCA headquarters and a preview of the rare books that the GCA owns in its library. Afterwards we enjoyed a lunch in the pretty dining room. Many thanks to Storrs Cote (Reed's cousin!) who helped make the connection to Reed.

On February 20th, we met at the Bedford Historical Hall to hear Mike Lemonick talk about his book "Global Weirdness". Mike came from Princeton, NJ where he is a professor to speak to our club. He was fascinating to listen to and was so generous with his time - we had many questions! Mike brought along his book, which sold out in minutes and took orders for those who couldn't get a book. Many thanks to member Linn Jackson's daughter, Eleanor who helped make the arrangements to get Mike to Bedford.

For our membership meeting in April, we met at the fellowship room of St. Matthew's to hear Ellen Ogden, the author of "The Complete Kitchen Gardener". Ellen was fabulous! She is a horticulturist, an artist, a chef and a cooking instructor. Her power point was filled with great tips, beautiful photographs and delicious sounding recipes. And many copies of her book were purchased and signed. We left the meeting completely inspired by our new friend! Thank you to Bonnie Trotta who kindly hosted Ellen.

In May on the 15th we headed south to the NYBG to hear Peter Kukielski talk about roses. What a resource! He spoke not only about the history of the roses in the Peggy Rockefeller Rose Garden, but also explained his work on searching and developing self-

reliant roses. Due to the fickle weather we had this spring there were not as many roses in bloom. But Peter's lecture inspired us... and I heard many members comment that they would be back to see the garden in all of its glory.

Our final meeting of the year was held once again at the home of fellow BGC member, Denise Santomero. 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. Afterwards we enjoyed a tour of the beautiful gardens with a pretty hand-out that Ann Catchpole- Howell prepared. As Leslie announced at our opening meeting- we grew together! Thank you to all for a terrific year!

Kim Morris

SPECIAL COMMITTEES

AWARDS

2012-2013

Every member of our club deserves an award, but each year we gather to acknowledge some distinguished members. Leslie and I worked together on a GCA award and this spring we determined the Bedford Garden Club awards and citations. One Garden Club of America award is presented this year, and eleven Club awards.

The GCA Club Civic Improvement Award

The GCA Club Civic Improvement Award is given to two outstanding members “For your combined steadfast commitment to civic improvement, and your inspiration and passionate dedication to environmental conservation. Planting trees expands horizons throughout our entire community.”

Both of these members have held numerous positions within our club, and co-chaired many amazing events. The focus of this award is to recognize their enormous efforts and success with Branch Out! Virginia Maybank and Heather Langham are the Co-Founders of Branch Out! A tree planting program initiated in 2010, and funded by the Bedford Garden Club, it addresses the importance of trees in our community and celebrates 100 years of civic commitment to Bedford. This project focuses on educating our community about the protection and preservation of trees. It also includes a major effort to encourage native tree planting along Bedford’s residential and commercial roads.

Both women’s spirit and interest was informed by the Casey Tree project in Washington D.C. whose mission is to restore, enhance and protect the tree canopy of the nation’s capitol. In October of 2010, Barbara Shea, the founder and President of Washington D.C.’s Casey Tree Project, spoke at Historical Hall in Bedford Village. She discussed the D.C. tree project and how the town of Bedford might apply the successes they achieved. The address goes on to say, “We applaud the efforts of the Bedford Garden Club and urge everyone to learn more and to participate in this community-wide effort.” Over the last few years the town of Bedford has lost hundreds of street trees to storms, old age, salt run-off and removal by utility companies. The century old maple, sycamore and oaks lining our beautiful roads give Bedford its historic rural character. Trees are a natural means of curbing pollution, reducing storm run-off and reducing home energy costs. The mission of Branch Out! is to plant the next generation of these trees, one tree at a time with the help of our community.

Branch Out! has planted 103 trees in Bedford since beginning the project in 2010. The goal is to plant 2020 trees by year 2020. Virginia and Heather designed a beautiful and friendly website for Branch Out! The website is critical to the success of this huge endeavor. The site makes it easy for the public to understand reasons to plant trees. It gives tree profiles and sponsor’s the planting of eight native tree species; Sugar Maple, White Oak, Sycamore, American Elm, Black Tupelo, Eastern Red Bud, Flowering Cherry, and Flowering Dogwood. These trees are completely in character with our zone and are the trees that have lined our roads for centuries. The website gives one the ability to apply for a tree and save up to 50% off retail prices. It offers planting instructions and how to care for your new tree. The website is a valuable resource and

reflects their hard work and passion of our community. Virginia and Heather have also given numerous talks to enthuse, insight and educate our club and community about trees.

Branch Out! is also affiliated with Bedford 2020's Land Use Task Force focused on working with community members to educate the public and take actions to recognize the environmental, commercial and social benefits of trees. The Bedford 2020 Coalition mission is to lead, organize and promote a community wide effort to reduce greenhouse gas emissions 20% by 2020 and to create a sustainable community that conserves its natural resources. For the past five years Virginia Maybank and Heather Langham have been the meaningful spokespeople, cheerleaders and a guiding inspiration for all of us to plant trees. They have not wavered from the goal of planting 2020 trees by 2020, and possess a generous attitude toward their dissemination of knowledge. Virginia and Heather's passion and zeal are extraordinary! Planting a tree will expand our horizons and leave a legacy for future generations.

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 their outstanding contributions in the field of horticulture. This member is fairly new to our club; her youth and contagious knowledge are a bit overwhelming. She grew up in Bedford, earned a degree in Environmental Studies at the University of Oregon and a Masters in Ethnobotany from the University of Kent in Canterbury.

Ethnobotany (from ethnology, study of culture and botany, study of plants) is the scientific study of the relationships that exist between people and plants.

Alexandra Forrester is an instrumental force at the Mt Kisco Elementary School garden project and hired by the Bedford Central School District to implement the school garden project in other district schools. She teaches in an experiential way by giving children a love for learning through plants.

The Bedford Garden Club

Presents

The Golden Trowel Award

To

Alexandra Forrester

“For her intrepid pursuit of horticulture knowledge, her infectious love of gardening, and her generous spirit in sharing her gifts.”

The Oliver Memorial Award

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

This member has shown excellence for her efforts in celebrating five glorious women for their 50 years of BGC membership. She researched each member, awarded Special Citations and delivered scarves to commemorate their grand contribution to our club. The members she acknowledged are Polly Finn, Tanya Lowe, Susie Ewing, Louise Cunningham, and Helen Parker. Our club history is our heart and soul, and she has committed boundless energy and time to the cause of remembering it, securing it, and sharing it.

**The Bedford Garden Club
Presents
The Oliver Memorial Award
To
Mary Finnegan**

“For her boundless loyalty to our club, her gentle and caring way with members and sharing the cherished history of the Bedford Garden Club.”

A Special Citation

These two fearless leaders took on the Annual Fundraiser this year. Their leadership skills, including a clear vision, intuitive subcommittee chair selection, and a focused attention to detail were key elements of the event’s success. This event was not only resplendent and joyous, but exceeded our fundraising goal. We are extremely grateful for their dedication and hard work.

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

Lindsay Matthews and Beth Stern

“For their faithful dedication to the Club and for successfully orchestrating our Annual Cocktail Party and Auction that raised extraordinary funds for our on-going community projects.”

A Special Citation

We thoroughly appreciate this new member for her dedication, brainpower, and commitment to conservation. With superior organizational skills and infectious spirit, she orchestrated a most successful Tree Symposium, this year titled “Stumped by Sandy?” which included acclaimed tree experts who address the best strategies for saving, maintaining and preventing future tree damage.

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

Nancy Kronenberg

“For her brilliant organization of the Tree Symposium, and her commitment to conservation and the preservation of Bedford”.

A Special Citation

We are blessed by this member's finesse and organization skills. Each month we gather for a meeting, and are greeted by delicious food and drink. Every meeting is seamless - without one hitch or glitch. We recognize this member for her deft ability to coordinate hospitality with beauty and taste.

The Bedford Garden Club

Presents

A Special Citation

To

Adèle Talty

“For her superior organizational skills as leader of hospitality, and her enthusiastic spirit and boundless energy.”

A Special Citation

This member is a gift to our club for her keen knowledge of gardening, and her enthusiastic ability to share that knowledge. She has graciously posted valuable information and tips on our website. She embodies the Bedford Garden Club's mission to stimulate and encourage the love of gardening. She is the “go to” member with answers to any question or concern about your garden, and she enlightens us along the way.

The Bedford Garden Club

Presents

A Special Citation

To

Ann Catchpole-Howell

“For her infectious love of gardening, her expertise, and passion for sharing it with members.”

A Special Citation

Our club is extremely lucky to welcome an impressive Seedling class. We recognize three new members for their commitment, curiosity, interest and involvement in club meetings and outings. You can always find them in the garden, a willingness to share their expertise, and warm companionship. They have made a mark, and we embrace their enthusiasm and generous spirit.

The Bedford Garden Club

Presents

A Special Citation

To

Alexandra Forrester, Nancy Kronenberg and Linda Merrill

“For fulfilling our vision of an exemplary Seedling class.”

CLUB BOTANIST

2012-2013

No Report.

Ann McDuffie

CORRESPONDENT TO THE GARDEN CLUB OF AMERICA "BULLETIN":

2012-2013

The Garden Club of America's Centennial Celebration final event was June 3, 2013. With that the GCA Centennial Committee disbanded and my responsibilities within that group ended. Over the previous five years, I had two main tasks: to oversee the submission of articles of historic interest to the GCA *Bulletin* and with a co-chairman Laura Gregg to oversee the production of a video promoting and explaining the Purpose of The Garden Club of America.

The Bedford Garden Club can be proud to have figured prominently in the eight centennial articles submitted to the *Bulletin* through the GCA Centennial Committee. Marilen Tilt, our Historian, had a beautifully crafted article on our late member Wilhelmine Waller published in the June/July 2012 *Bulletin*. In the following *Bulletin* there was an article on Eloise Payne Luquer, a BGC member. This article was composed by Joanne Lenden of Fort Orange Garden Club. Can we continue in this prolific style? The current Zone III *Bulletin* Chairman hopes so.

No doubt in an upcoming *Bulletin* there will be descriptions of Centennial Week in NYC. Mayor Bloomberg declared June 3 as Garden Club of America Day. The night before there was a festive dinner at the Colony Club, and at midday on the 3rd was the dedication of the renovated 69th Street Entrance to Central Park, funded by the 2013 Founders Fund and all 200 GCA member clubs. All members of GCA clubs were invited to attend the NYC festivities. Leslie Wortmann, Denise Santomero and Nancy Vincent were there. Additionally, there was the opportunity to see the GCA Library Committee's exhibit of GCA's rare books at the prestigious Grolier Club, tours of GCA Headquarters and a reception to meet GCA's scholar at the New York City office of the American Academy in Rome, GCA's first scholarship established in 1928. As Vice Chairman of the Library Committee, our member Varner Redmon was instrumental in the Grolier exhibit.

The GCA centennial logo was used first to indicate the centennial articles in the *Bulletin*, but over time became ubiquitous – on a flag, on stationary, on "centennial" everything! Our own Carol Bouyoucos created the GCA centennial logo.

While the centennial articles and logo are now part of GCA history, let us not allow our club's participation in the *Bulletin* to become history.

Nancy Vincent

CUSTODIAN

2012-2013

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 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. 1 expanding slide screen
- gg. 19 wooden easels

HISTORIAN 2012-2013

Our focus for the year has been the completion of a draft of our history from 2006 to the present which has been submitted by our president. Our suggestion is that the draft be kept current thereby providing an easier task for the ultimate editor of a future history, volume V.

Marilen G. Tilt

HOSTESSES

2012-2013

“The Hostess must be like the duck...
Calm and unruffled on the surface,
And paddling like hell underneath.”

--Anonymous

September 19, 2012 9 am – lunch

Topic: Kick Off Meeting and Autumn Brunch
Place: Bedford Gold & Tennis Club
Hostesses: Don't have record for this meeting

October 3, 2012 9 am – coffee

Topic: Peter Hatch, Director of Gardens and Grounds at Monticello (joint garden club meeting, open to public)
Place: John Jay Homestead
Hostesses: Susan West (I apologize to others who brought items, I have no record due to getting a new computer and losing data)

October 17, 2012 9 am – coffee

Topic: Members Plant Exchange and Sundial Garden Plant Division Workshop
Place: The John Jay Homestead
Hostesses: Kim Morris, Mary Finnegan, Janet Robinson

December 5, 2012 9 am – coffee

Topic: Greensday, Demonstration, Community Wreath Making and Boutique
Place: Westmorland Sanctuary
Hostesses: Heather Langham, Joyce Corrigan, Linda Merrill, Tori Cox

January 16, 2013: Meeting at GCA Headquarters
No refreshments needed

February 20, 2013 9 am – coffee

Topic: Speaker, Mike Lemonick
Lead author, *Global Weirdness*
Place: Bedford Historical Hall
Hostesses: Polly Finn, Kirk Ferguson

March 2013 No membership meeting

April 17, 2013 9 am --coffee

Topic: Speaker, Ellen Ogden, Author, *The Complete Kitchen Gardener*
Place: St. Matthew's Parish Hall
Hostesses: Nancy Kronenberg, Taylor Taylor, Tori Cox

April 24, 2013 9 am – coffee
Topic: Plant Exchange and clean up
Place: John Jay Sundial Garden
Hostesses: Debbie Gourd, Lindsay Matthews,
Alexandra Forrester

May 15x, 2013 10 am NYBG lecture, tour Topic:
Topic: Speaker: Peter Kukielski, Curator of the Peggy Rockefeller Rose
Garden “Leading the Search for Self-Reliant Roses”
Place: New York Botanical Garden
Hostesses: no refreshments needed

June 19, 2013 11:30 lunch and annual meeting
Topic: Tour of Rabbit Hill Gardens, annual meeting and lunch
Place: Home of Denise Santomero
Hostesses: Cindy Dwyer, Daphne Root, Diane Lewis, Virginia Maybank,
Wendy Cushman, Joyce Corrigan, Leila Longo, Ann Paul, Linda
Merrill, Mary Kendrick, Deirdre Glascott (at press time--subject
to change)

With warm thanks to all our calm, unruffled hostesses !

Adèle K. Talty

NEW YORK COMMITTEE OF THE GCA
2012-2013

No Report

Susan Burke

POLICY
2012-2013.

No Changes to our By-Laws

Janet Robinson

PROJECT REVIEW COMMITTEE
2012-2013

During the 2012-2013 fiscal year, the Project Review Committee and the Bedford Garden Club voted to give \$2500 to Branch Out! to fund the planting of 11 trees at the entrance of the Fox Lane Middle School and High School. The planting will take place in Fall 2013. Through a lengthy process Branch Out! gained approval for the plan from the Bedford Central School District administration which includes a mixture of Sugar Maple, Norway Spruce and Yoshino Cherry trees. This project meets the criteria for Project Review in that it is local, involves civic planting for the enjoyment of all and the beautification of our town and uses native plants.

Suzanne Bowers

PROJECTS

2012-2013

In 2011, the Greensday boutique did something a little different in selling homemade delectables. It was such a success that they decided to make it a new tradition and in 2012 there was again 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. Another new and very successful tradition this year were several wonderful terrariums that were created by some very talented members. 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 2013.

Lindsay Pinchot and Sam O'Brien

PUBLIC RELATIONS

2012-2013

We were fortunate in that members of the press captured the many colors that make up our Club--like a wild iris!

-The Record Review ran "Garden Club Honors 'Perennial' Members" on October 19, 2012 where, exhibiting our sense of personal devotion, we honored Polly Finn, Susie Ewing, Helen Parker, Tanya Lowe, Louise Cunningham and Odette Austin for their 50 plus years of service.

-Showing off our deference to our heritage, in the September 28th issue of the RR and the June issue of Bedford Magazine, there were features on the 75th anniversary of the Trailside Museum, founded by BGC members Delia Marble and Eloise Luquer "Garden Club, Trailside, a longtime 'natural' alliance" (Record Review Sept 28, 2012). It was at the October 13th event at Ward Pound Ridge that Rob Astorino declared October 13 "Bedford Garden Club Day"

-And in January 11, 2013 The Record Review ran "Garden Club seeks to preserve area trees" which was a feature about Branch Out's first "Tree Symposium" held at Historical Hall, a response to the devastation of Hurricane Sandy. Speakers included Mianus River Gorge's Rod Christie and Mike Galvin of SavATree. The very well-attended event was moderated by the Club's own Anne Kronenberg.

Joyce Corrigan

BGC WEBSITE

2012-2013

Technology changes at a rapid pace and IWeb, the previous software being used for the BGC website was no longer to be supported. Converting from IWeb to Weebly, an internet website service, has been successful. Varner Redmon is an integral part (read that as "the brain") of all technology decisions and implementation. Our use of Weebly has been in place for the past year. The membership list; information on new members; the schedule of club meetings; a list of the Executive, Standing and Special Committee members; minutes and treasurer reports; and a link to photographs can all be found on the website. Additionally, the blog contains information on both upcoming and past meetings and trips, and educational pieces of interest to our members.

Ann Catchpole has started a series on her favorite plants. These informative and well-written pieces have been posted on the blog as well as distributed by an e-mail blast since they are too good to miss! Since the website is updated on a weekly basis at best, and this committee senses that many of our members do not frequently access the website, Constant Contact is going to be used for more announcements. These will particularly handle upcoming events, many of which need prompt response. Membership suggestions on how to better communicate are helpful. Let us hear from you. Communication is a two-way street.

Nancy Vincent

PHOTOGRAPHY

2012- 2013

Various garden club events for the 2012-2013 year were all photographed. The Public Relations committee and the Website committee have the photographs.

Didi Woodhull

GARDEN CLUB OF AMERICA SCHOLARSHIPS

2012-2013

In early 2012, the Scholarship Committee reached out to Trailside Nature Museum/Ward Pound Ridge, offering to help them source GCA funds for a 75th Anniversary project, in recognition of their founding by Delia Marble. We reached out to them at the time of their anniversary in October 2012, to offer again. Other than that, it was a quiet year for the Scholarship Committee.

Melissa Vail

SEEDLINGS

2012-2013

The Bedford Garden Club welcomed 4 lovely new members this year. Our talented new group of Seedlings includes Holly Warshaw, Melissa Orme, Lynda Morris and Diane Lewis. A Seedling Luncheon was held at the Bedford Golf and Tennis Club on Thursday, May 16. The new members were joined by their sponsors, members of the Executive Board and Committee Chairs who helped welcome them to the club. The Seedlings were given a brief description of the club and all it has to offer. Gift bags with BGC History books, flower arranging tips and GCA information were handed out.

Didi Woodhull

VISITING GARDENS

2012 – 2013

See GARDEN HISTORY AND DESIGN

WAYS AND MEANS

2012-2013

On March 2nd, multitudes of marvelously dressed Bedford Garden Club members attended the Bi-Annual fundraiser. Held at the gorgeous home of Heather and Anthony Langham, the party was a lively, fun-filled evening and a great success, netting almost \$26,000. Beautiful Spring-inspired invitations were a preview to the theme of the event, and were designed and created by Carol Bouyoucos. Libation and food were coordinated by Dierdre Glascott and Leila Longo, and the specialty drinks and delicious

gourmet appetizers contributed to the lively and energetic mood of the evening. The silent auction, co-chaired by Lindsay Matthews and Beth Stern, was a special part of the event, and could not have been so without the generous donations of our talented members. Most of the items were art themed, and presented a gorgeous backdrop for the many other creative and unique offerings up for bid. Despite a chilly evening, all were warmed by the food, drink, auction, beautiful artwork, exquisite setting, and wonderful company. A special thanks to Leslie Wortmann, whose input was invaluable in planning from beginning to end, and to all who volunteered their time, money and efforts in creating this memorable evening.

Beth Stern

YEARBOOK

2012-2013

Yearbooks were distributed in September. About half were distributed to members and the rest were mailed. More and more reports are e-mailed to the editor and more and more of them in a timely way. 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

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
1986	Harriett DeWaele Puckett Creativity Award, Mrs. Richard H. Lawrence
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
2013	Virginia Maybank and Heather Langham

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. Hinit

GCA Medal of Merit (con't)

1973	Mrs. Dennis Dix
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

GCA Horticultural Achievement Certificate(con't)

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
2013 Ms. Alexandra Forrester

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
2013 Mrs. John Gerard Finnegan

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

Conservation Award (con't)

- 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
- 2013 Mrs. Philip Bowers

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”
- 2013 - Lindsay Matthews and Beth Stern “For their faithful dedication to the Club and for successfully orchestrating our Annul Cocktail Party and Auction that raised extraordinary funds for our on-going community projects.”
- Nancy Kronenberg “For her brilliant organization of the Tree Symposium, and her commitment to the conservation and preservation of Bedford”.
- Adele Talty “For her superior organizational skills as leader of hospitality, and her enthusiastic spirit and boundless energy.”
- Ann Catchpole- Howell “For her infectious love of gardening, her expertise, and passion for sharing it with members.”
- Alexandra Forrester, Nancy Kronenberg and Linda Merrill “For fulfilling our vision of an exemplary Seedling class.”

**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
2011-2014 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
2013-2014

September 25, 2013

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 16, 2013

9:00 AM - Refreshments

Speaker: Winston Flowers
Topic: Flower Arranging Demonstration
Place: Glen Arbor Golf Club
Hostess:

November 26, 2013

9:30 AM

Speaker: BYOV (bring your own vase)
Topic: Fall Flower Arranging Workshop
Place: Varner Redmon's Studio
Hostess:

December 4, 2013

9:00 AM - Refreshments

Speaker: to be announced
Topic: Greens Day. Traditional Wreath Making
Place: Westmoreland Sanctuary
Hostesses:

January 14, 2014

7:00 PM

Speaker: Amy Freitag
Topic: The Role the GCA has played in Preserving America's Beauty
Place: St. Matthews Church Hall (joint Meeting with Rusticus Garden Club)
Hostesses:

February 12, 2014

9:00 AM - Refreshments

Speaker: Amy Ziffer
Topic: "How to Grow Successfully in Low Light"
Place: John Jay Homestead
Hostesses

March 2014

No Meeting

April 23, 2014

9:00 AM - Refreshments

Speaker: to be Announced
Topic: The fight against invasives
Place: Bedford Historical Hall
Hostesses:

May 21, 2014

10:00 AM
Speaker: to be announced
Topic:
Place:
Hostesses:

June 18, 2014

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
Hart Senate Office Building
Washington, DC 20510
Tel: (202) 224-6542
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
123 Grand Street, 2nd Floor
Newburgh, NY 12550
Phone: (202) 225-5441
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

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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

ZONE III ANNUAL MEETING

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| 2008: Zone II, Norfolk, VA (May 4-6)
Pres: Ellen Conrad
Del: Mimi Lines | Orange & Dutchess (Sept. 16-18)
Pres: Ellen Conrad
Del: Bitsy Tatnall |
| 2009: Zone VII, Providence, RI (May 1-4)
Pres : Ellen Conrad | Fort Orange (June 6-11)
Pres: Ellen Conrad
Del: Wendy Cushman |
| 2010: Zone IV, East Brunswick, NJ (May)
Pres: Mimi Lines | East Hampton (June)
Pres: Mimi Lines
Del: Carol Bouyoucos |
| 2011: Zone X, Indianapolis, ID (Apr 27-30)
Pres: Kim Morris substituted
Del: Carol Bouyoucos | Millbrook (June 21-23)
Pres: Mimi Lines |
| 2012: Savannah, Georgia (Apr 15-17)
Pres: Leslie Wortmann
Del: Heather Langham | Philipstown, NY (Jun 12-14)
Pres: Leslie Wortmann
Del: Suzanne Bowers |
| 2013: Zone V, Pennsylvania (May 1-3)
Pres: Leslie Wortmann | Rye & Little GC of Rye, NY (Sept 24-26)
Pres: Leslie Wortmann
Del: |
| 2014: | 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
Oct	2012	Yonkers, NY – Untermyer Gardens
May	2013	Woodlawn, NY – Woodlawn Cemetary
May	2013	New York, NY – Central Park Conservatory
June	2013	Washington, CT – Hollister House
July	2013	New York, NY – New York Restoration Project
Aug	2013	Storm King, NY – Storm King Art Center

BEDFORD GARDEN CLUB
MEMBERSHIP

NEW MEMBERS

RESIGNATIONS

DECEASED

2012-2013

Mrs. Blair Lewis
Mrs. David Morris
Mrs. Paul Orme
Mrs. Holly Warshaw

Mrs. Richard Witmer

Mrs. Lewis Harder
Mrs. Marion Wyeth

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

For earlier years see “**The Story of the Club – Volume IV**”

BEDFORD GARDEN CLUB OFFICERS/COMMITTEE CHAIRS

2007 - 2014

PRESIDENT

2007 - 2009: Mrs. Winthrop Conrad

2011 - 2014: Mrs. Victor Wortmann

2009 - 2011: Mrs. Stephen Lines

FIRST VICE-PRESIDENT

2007 - 2009: Mrs. John Redmon

2011 - 2014: 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 - 2013: Mrs. Joseph Maybank

2013 - 2014: Mrs. William Gourd

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

2013 - 2014: Mrs. Paul Matthews

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

MEMBERS-AT-LARGE (con't)

2013 - 2014: Mrs. Robert Finn, Ms. Linda Merrill, Mrs. Christopher Pachios, Mrs. Timothy Paul

NOMINATING COMMITTEE CHAIRMAN

2005-2007: Mrs. Samuel Polk
2007-2009: Mrs. A. Knowlton Reynders
2009-2010: Mrs. Stuart Ross
2011-2013: Mrs. John Redmon
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SANCTUARIES

Audubon

1989-2009: Mrs. Marion S. Wyeth
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