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2014-2015**

ACTIVE

Albanese, S
Ashley, R
Baker, L
Bamford, A
Bianco, S
Borner, C
Bostwick, S
Bouyoucos, C
Bowers, S
Burke, S
Catchpole, A
Chace, H
Chase, J
Clymer, L
Conner, J
Conrad, E
Corrigan, J
Cote, S
Cox, T
Cushman, W
Dwyer, C
Farr, O
Ferguson, K
Ferrall, S
Fife, M
Finnegan, M
Forrester, A
Foulke, W
Fox, A
Ghriskey, L
Ginnel, K
Glascott, D
Goodhue, L
Gourd, D
Grand, C
Hallock, L

ACTIVE

Hennessy, L
Hoffman, A
Jones, C
Jones, L
Kernan, C
Kroll, S
Kronenberg, N
Langham, H
Levy, N
Lewis, D
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

ACTIVE

Stockbridge, A
Swank, C
Talty, A
Tatnall, B
Taylor, T
Tine, L
Trotta, B
Von Althann, N
Wamsley, B
Warshaw, H
Weissinger, J
West, S
Winchester, T
Woodhull, D
Wortmann, L

ASSOCIATE

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

AFFILIATE

Babcock, L
Buaron, D
Callahan, T
Eastland, S
Espy, P
Israel, B
Miller, A
Mossman, L
Padwee, J
Polk, A
Purcell, R
Putnam, K
Selby, M
Smith, C
Talbott, J

SUSTAINING

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

ANNUAL REPORTS

2013-2014

BEDFORD GARDEN CLUB

OFFICERS

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Corresponding Secretary.....	Mrs. Paul Matthews
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Recording Secretary.....	Mrs. Philip Longo
Treasurer.....	Mrs. William Gourd

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NOMINATING COMMITTEE

Mrs. Philip Bowers, Chairman
Mrs. John Morris
Mrs. Peter Bouyoucos
Mrs. Anthony Langham
Mrs. Victor Wortmann

REPRESENTATIVES AT GARDEN CLUB OF AMERICA MEETINGS
The Annual Meeting 2014:
New Orleans, Louisiana
May 8-9, 2014

Mrs. Peter Bouyoucos, Delegate
Mrs. John Morris, Delegate

The Zone III Annual Meeting 2014:
Woodbury, New York
June 10-11, 2014

Mrs. Victor Wortmann, President

PRESIDENT'S REPORT

2014

The Bedford Garden Club can be proud of another very productive year. Although our theme this year was “Stop and smell the Roses” we didn’t stop for a minute! I am happy to report on many great projects that highlight this outstanding year!

Last fall was a very busy season throughout Bedford. Our Branch Out! Committee planted dozens of carefully selected street trees in Katonah, at the entrance to the Fox Lane High School Campus and along the Old Post Road commercial district in Bedford. These trees are thriving under the careful watch of Branch Out! co-chairs Virginia Maybank and Heather Langham. This civic project is a wonderful improvement to our scenic roads.

At the same time, thirteen members of the garden club were meeting at the 1787 Bedford Court House, designing a new garden for the courtyard next to the historic building. After multiple meetings, drawings and input from the entire ad hoc committee a design was presented to the Town of Bedford and the Bedford Historic Review Board. Final approval was granted in March and work began in April with the installation of a new fence donated by Garon Fence. After the new herringbone path and patio were installed, committee members amended the soil and planted carefully chosen herbs, boxwood and perennials in the stunning circular design. A donation from the Wilson family in memory of BGC member Linda Wilson was the inspiration behind this beautiful courtyard. The BGC will lovingly maintain the garden for years to come.

I am proud to announce a new internship program sponsored by the BGC. Initial planning of the program was the work of Scholarship Chair Melissa Vail and 1st VP Suzanne Bowers. After reviewing requests for funds, the Internship Committee awarded two \$1000 stipends. The Mianus River Gorge Preserve and Westmoreland Sanctuary were the recipients.

In April, the Conservation Committee, under the leadership of Nancy Kronenberg, announced the start of Operation: Invasives. Members were educated on identifying and removing invasive plants. A small native plant sale was also held at the kick-off meeting. Members were very enthusiastic about getting started removing these pesky invasive plants.

In addition to these great projects, we continued to have healthy attendance at our monthly meetings, workshops and visiting garden trips. Our BYOV (Bring Your Own Vase) workshop in November was a big hit as well as our ever popular Greensday in December. Our programs chair Kim Morris brought us wonderful speakers including Amy Freitag, director at the NYRP, who lectured on the role of the GCA in preserving America’s landscape. Our annual meeting in June at the home of Deirdre Glascott included a small club flower show “Go Native!” that inspired us all to go out and garden!

As I finish my final year as president, I would like to thank every member of the BGC for making these past three years so memorable. I have learned so much from each and every member and I will treasure all of the friendships that I have made in The Bedford Garden Club.

Leslie Wortmann, President

PRESIDENT'S AWARD
2014

Today I would like to honor 13 women who helped make the new 1787 Bedford Court House Garden a reality. The handsome, Williamsburg inspired garden design incorporated ideas from all members of this ad hoc committee. Talent and garden know-how is abundant in this group of hardworking, never-say-never, hands-in-the-dirt group of women and the end product is nothing short of stunning. The Bedford Garden Club can be proud of this project and the women who made it happen.

The Bedford Garden Club

Presents

The President's Award to

Anita Stockbridge

Varner Redmon

Carole Rice

Lindsay Matthews

Ann Paul

Linda Merrill

Mary Finnegan

Carol Bouyoucos

Wendy Foulke

Mimi Lines

Ann Catchpole

Nancy Vincent

"I am proud to present the 2013/2014 President's Award to these fine ladies for their hard work, perseverance and talent"

GARDEN CLUB OF AMERICA ANNUAL MEEETING
Hosted by Zone IX clubs in Arkansas, Louisiana, Mississippi and Texas
May 2014

The 2014 GCA Annual meeting was held on May 8-9 in New Orleans, Louisiana. Representing the Bedford Garden Club were Carol Bouyoucos and Kim Morris. Zone IX Clubs from Arkansas, Louisiana, Mississippi, Tennessee and Texas put on a fabulous week-long event. The title of this year's meeting was "The Rhythm of the Rivers". The official meeting was called to order on May 8 by GCA President, Katie Heins. The welcome speakers, Mary Matalin and James Carville had the audience laughing as they spoke about the city of New Orleans, and its impact on them and their family. The keynote speaker, Dr. Scott Cowen delivered a powerful message about the city of New Orleans and its transformation since Hurricane Katrina struck. He is the President of Tulane University and was quite extraordinary. Everyone in the audience felt the power of his conviction and good deeds. On Friday during the business meeting we listened to Garret Graves, a past Chairman of the Coastal Protection Authority who talked about protecting the coastline of the south. He too, was so passionate about his field and all of the positive changes that have happened in Louisiana since Hurricane Katrina. Besides the business meeting we attended both President's and Delegate's workshops, covering many relevant subjects and giving us new ideas to incorporate into programs for our own club. The Flower Show was beautiful and inspiring and the Lagniappe Boutique offered wonderful wares. We toured both the gardens at the New Orleans Botanical Gardens and the adjacent gardens at the Sculpture Garden. We also visited a spectacular private garden at the home of one of the members of the Garden Study Club of New Orleans. During the week there were many optional tours and workshops that included the Bayou Plantation, the Edible schoolyards of New Orleans, a workshop on entertaining with Bev Church and a photography workshop with Steve Blackmon. On Thursday evening all of the guests were entertained at dinners around the city of New Orleans at 15 private homes. The delicious southern cuisine and beautiful homes and gardens did not disappoint! On Friday evening the meeting was concluded with an elegant Awards Banquet. It was a wonderful 2 days.

Kim Morris, Delegate

ZONE III MEETING REPORT

The Rye Garden Club and the Little Garden Club of Rye, New York

Sept 24th – 26th, 2013

“Seeds of Rye”

The Coveleigh Club in Rye provided a spectacular beachfront venue for this year’s zone meeting. I went along as the delegate with our president, Leslie Wortmann for this informative and entertaining series of meetings and events.

Opening day began with a flower show and plant exchange. Our Horticulture Chair, Virginia Maybank arrived with an impressive collection of entries from BGC members. By the end of the show, Virginia was heading back to Bedford with a First and Second Prize for herself, First prizes for Heather Langham, Nancy Kronenberg, and Nancy Vincent. Two second prizes went to Ellen Conrad and Honorable Mention to Debbie Gourd and Carol Bouycous. Well done BGC!

As the business meeting began, GCA president Katie Heins, welcomed the Presidents and delegates from all over New York State. Her opening remarks expressed her mission to strengthen the relationship between the Clubs in Zone III and the GCA.

Over the course of the three days we heard speakers who shared their knowledge and experience of gardening, conservation and the importance of the historic landscape. Mycolgist Taro Ietake spoke about the benefits of fungi in the garden: scholarship recipient Christine Moskell described her efforts with engaging her community in urban forestry; and Charles Birnbaum gave an inspiring perspective on landscape history and design.

The highlight of Wednesday evening’s awards dinner was when Heather Langham and Virginia Maybank were surprised with the Zone III Club Award for Civic Improvement for their Branch Out initiative.

On the last day we heard a few presidents’ annual reports, one being from Leslie, who did a terrific job (with very little notice!) We were then divided into several round table discussion groups. The exercise was to learn about the many resources available through the GCA.

The Rye Clubs did a fabulous job planning and hosting the meeting and Leslie and I came home feeling very proud of our Bedford part of GCA Zone III!

Mary Finnegan

ZONE III MEETING REPORT

Three Harbors Garden Club, Woodbury, NY

June 10th – 11th, 2014

“Harbors on the Sound”

The GCA Zone III meeting took place June 10 and 11 in Woodbury New York. Representing the Bedford Garden Club was Leslie Wortmann, President. Hosted by Three Harbors Garden Club, the meeting was a great success with high marks going to their Flower Show and lovely accommodations. The 2 day flower show featured flower arranging exhibits and horticulture exhibits. The BGC, Little Garden Club of Rye and Three Harbors Garden Club were tied for first place for the Corliss Knapp Engle Sweepstakes Award in Horticulture. Awards for cut specimens in horticulture went to Heather Langham, Virginia Maybank and Nancy Kronenberg with Virginia Maybank winning a special award in Horticulture from the Three Harbors Flower Show and the GCA Novice Award in Horticulture. Leslie Wortmann won a first place for her flower arrangement entry and the Sandra Baylor Novice Floral Design Award.

The business meeting featured a keynote address by GCA President Katie Heins and guest speakers Ken and Sue Feustel’s presentation “Caumsett State Historic Park, Natural History and Grassland Restoration”. A “mocktail” cocktail party at Cold Spring Harbor Library and Awards Dinner at Huntington Country Club after the meeting was a perfect way to meet delegates from other Zone III clubs. Wednesday’s meeting featured “Sound Bites from the Harbors of your Club” reports from the Zone III presidents. After the meeting a box lunch and gift plants sent us on our way!

Leslie Wortmann, President

THE BEDFORD GARDEN CLUB

Treasurer's Annual Report
June 1, 2013 – May 31, 2014

CHECKING ACCOUNT

Balance on hand June 1, 2013 \$ 53,437.26

CHECKING ACCOUNT consists of the following funds:

Operating Account	\$ 37,611.61
Wilson-Courthouse Garden Fund	4,827.50
John Jay Garden Fund	638.93
Branch Out Fund	<u>10,359.22</u>
	\$ 53,437.26

Receipts

Dues	\$ 19,825.00
Endowment Donations	800.00
Branch Out Receipts	2,230.00
Projects - Greensday	1,123.45
Visiting Gardens	80.00
Transfer from Mullen Fund	787.00
Transfer from Waller Fund	680.21
Transfer from Newell Fund	3,850.80
Misc.	124.43
Total Receipts	\$ 29,500.89

Disbursements

Operating	GCA Dues	\$ 6,388.00
	Programs	6,562.16
	Horticulture	(56.00)
	Horticulture Pins	1,867.13
	Exhibitions	81.94
	Conservation	515.22
	Seedlings	504.00
	Hostesses	79.40
	Bank Charges	60.87
	Yearbook	774.19
	Communications (Internal)	277.04
	Publicity (External)	426.16

	Insurance	250.00
	Medal Fund (Transfer)	200.00
	Awards	100.00
	Annual Meeting	2,145.45
	NAL Meeting	680.21
	Zone III Meeting	0
	Taxes/Tax Preparation	717.50
	President's Fund	327.69
	Website	<u>191.13</u>
	Sub Total	\$ 22,092.09
Civic Contributions		
	Branch Out	12,802.59
	John Jay Gardens	1,469.41
	Courthouse Garden	<u>8,678.30</u>
	Sub Total	\$ 22,950.30
Project Review		
	Westmoreland Sanctuary	<u>4,000.00</u>
	Sub Total	\$ 4,000.00
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	100.00
	Untermeyer Gardens	150.00
	Sub Total	\$ 2,150.00
	Transfer to Endowment Fund	\$ 800.00
	Total Disbursements	<u>\$ 51,992.39</u>

THE BEDFORD GARDEN CLUB

Treasurer's Annual Report

June 1, 2013 – May 31, 2014

CHECKING ACCOUNT - May 31, 2014 \$ 30,945.76

CHECKING ACCOUNT consists of the following funds:

Operating Account **\$ 28,739.61**

Project Review

Balance 6/1/13	0
C&E Funding	\$ 4,000.00
Gift to Westmoreland	(4,000.00)

John Jay Fund

Balance 6/1/13	638.93
Funding for the year	1,250.00
Disbursements	<u>(1,469.41)</u>
Balance 5/31/14	419.52

Wilson-Courthouse Garden Fund

Balance 6/1/13	\$ 4,427.50
Disbursed	<u>(4,427.50)</u>
Balance 5/31/14	0

Branch Out Fund

Balance 5/31/13	\$ 10,359.22
<u>Disbursements</u>	
Purchases	\$ <u>(12,802.59)</u>

<u>Receipts</u>	
KVIS Grant	2,130.00
Donation	100.00
C&E Funding	<u>2,000.00</u>
	4,230.00

Balance 5/31/14 **\$ 1,786.63**

CHECKING ACCOUNT - May 31, 2014 **\$ 30,945.76**

THE BEDFORD GARDEN CLUB
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MONEY MARKET (Reserved Funds)

Balance as of June 1, 2013	\$	40,480.43
Interest		45.91
Disbursements		(680.21)
Balance as of May 31, 2014	\$	39,846.13

Consists of the following:

Waller Gift – NAL Delegate Funding		
Balance as of June 1, 2013		15,532.61
Interest		17.62
NAL Meeting 2014		(680.21)
Balance as of May 31, 2014	\$	14,870.02

Zone Meeting Reserve		
Balance as of June 1, 2013		12,323.73
Interest		13.91
Balance as of May 31, 2014	\$	12,337.64

Excess Operating Funds		
Balance as of June 1, 2013		12,624.09
Interest		14.38
Balance as of May 31, 2014	\$	12,638.47

ENDOWMENT FUND – Dreyfus

Balance on hand June 1, 2013	\$	45,313.09
Contributions		800.00
Balance on hand May 31, 2014	\$	46,113.09

THE BEDFORD GARDEN CLUB

Treasurer's Annual Report

June 1, 2013 - May 31, 2014

SAVINGS ACCOUNTS

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

Balance on hand June 1, 2013	\$5,130.31
Interest	\$2.52
2013 Annual Meeting	(787.00)
Balance on hand May 31, 2014	\$ <u>4,345.83</u>

2. Newell Memorial Account (Civic & Education Expenses)

Balance on hand June 1, 2013	\$12,620.85
Receipts	0
Interest	\$5.80
Balance plus receipts	\$ 12,626.65
Disbursements (Courthouse Garden)	3,850.80
Balance on hand May 31, 2014	\$ <u>8,775.85</u>

3. Charlotte Sturtevant Memorial Account (Flower Arranging Workshops)

Balance on hand June 1, 2013	\$4,735.45
Receipts	
Interest	\$2.19
Balance plus receipts	\$4,737.64
Disbursements	0
Balance on hand May 31, 2014	\$ <u>4,737.64</u>

THE BEDFORD GARDEN CLUB

Treasurer's Annual Report

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4. Bedford Garden Club Savings Accounts

Balance on hand June 1, 2013 **\$ 12,893.48**

Alice Anderson Medal Account

Balance on hand June 1, 2013 \$ 2,550.87

Interest \$1.19

Contributions \$50.00

Balance on hand May 31, 2014 \$2,602.06

Eloise Luquer Medal Account

Balance on hand June 1, 2013 \$3,905.87

Interest \$1.78

Contributions \$50.00

Balance on hand May 31, 2014 \$ 3,957.65

Winifred Macomber Award Account

Balance on hand June 1, 2013 \$3,331.44

Interest \$1.54

Contributions \$50.00

Balance on hand May 31, 2014 \$3,382.98

Horticulture Award Account

Balance on hand June 1, 2013 \$3,105.30

Interest \$1.42

Contributions \$50.00

Balance on hand May 31, 2014 \$3,156.72

Total Balance on hand May 31, 2014 **\$13,099.41**

THE BEDFORD GARDEN CLUB

Proposed Operating Budget

June 1, 2014 - May 31, 2015

ESTIMATED INCOME

Interest	\$ 50
Dues	23,000
Projects	1,500
Ways and Means	<u>13,000</u>

TOTAL INCOME **\$ 37,550**

ESTIMATED EXPENSES

Operating

Bank Charges	\$ 60
GCA Dues	7,700
Yearbook	800
Corresponding Sec. (Internal)	750
Communications Coordinator (External)	425
Programs	6,000
Hostesses	250
Insurance	250
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	720
Website	195
<u>Contingency/Misc</u>	<u>2,600</u>
Total Operating	\$ 26,900

THE BEDFORD GARDEN CLUB

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Civic and Education

Civic Projects:

Project Review	\$ 3,000
John Jay Gardens	750
Courthouse Garden	750
Branch Out	2,000
Internships	<u>2,000</u>
Sub Total	\$ 8,500

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 \$ 10,650

TOTAL EXPENSES \$ 37,550

RECORDING SECRETARY

2013-2014

As Recording Secretary, I took minutes at each of the Bedford Garden Club Executive Committee and Membership meetings. After the minutes were approved, they were posted to the BGC website.

Leila Longo

CORRESPONDING SECRETARY

2013-2014

As Corresponding Secretary I have had the pleasure of sending out invitations, via Paperless Post, for all of our fabulous monthly meetings. It is so fun to be able to leaf through so many beautiful invitation choices in order to find just the right one for our members to receive.

Thanks to our programs chair and our President, we had a terrific array of presentations this year. The topics were varied and everyone learned a lot. We have had a very robust response to all of our lectures and most especially our “open” meeting that we co-hosted with Rustic, entitled “Manahatta”.

Thank you to all the members for their swift response to our invitations.

Lindsay Matthews

STANDING COMMITTEES

CIVIC AFFAIRS AND CONSERVATION

2013-2014

The Civic and Conservation Committee has focused on three initiatives. First, an on-going and very successful effort to plant trees along our roadways called "Branch Out" continues under the leadership of Heather Langham and Virginia Maybank. Second, on April 30, we launched an invasives/natives initiative called "Operation Invasives." "Operation Invasives" will engage the membership in a focused effort to replace identified priority invasives with identified priority natives. We will monitor the effort quarterly and provide GCA with metrics of our effort after a year. Finally, our annual conservation speaker was Eric Sanderson, a TED speaker and ecologist with the Wildlife Conservation Society. He has written a book called Mannahatta which develops the natural history progression of Manhattan from the time of the early Dutch settlers to today.

We remain active participants in the NAL, of which our member Ellen Conrad is NAL Vice-Chair for Climate Change.

Nancy Kronenberg

Adopt-A-Road

2013-2014

The Bedford Garden Club continues to maintain Route 22 from the Shell station to the Bedford Oak. A wonderful group of BGC volunteers dons their vests and puts on their gloves to pick up the trash alongside the road about three times a year. The bright, orange bags are left along the roadside for the DPW to pick up. These ladies deserve many kudos for fighting the elements and traffic while they zealously try to keep Bedford beautiful. Thank you, ladies.

Bonnie MacDonald

Sanctuaries

2013-2014

AUDUBON SANCTUARIES

No Report

Denise CR Santomero

BEAVER DAM SANCTUARY:

No Report

Ann McDuffie

BUTLER_MEYER PRESERVE:

No Report

Joyce Espy

MARSH SANCTUARY:

Good things are happening there. An enthusiastic group met on a Weekend this Spring. The house was been refurbished, painted and is inhabited, happily with a family. The stables are underway with Tim Ghriskey's leadership. A lively group came to support the Sanctuary enjoying wine and nibbles. The gardens are busy this summer - all in all a positive situation.

June Weissinger

MIANUS RIVER GORGE PRESERVE:

No Report

Stacy Albanese

TEATOWN RESERVATION:

No Report

Bitsy Tatnall

WESTMORELAND SANCTUARY

Westmoreland Sanctuary continued to grow this year to meet the needs of our community. This included staff changes, expansion of programming and events, and improvements to our physical facilities.

Our new Director Michelle Miller was joined by Blythe Crasto to oversee Marketing and Development as well as Rachel Diersen and Steve Ricker who handle programs and facility needs.

Rachel has augmented our education programs to meet new State Science curricula and is working with Bedford Central School students. We also help Boy and Girl Scouts meet requirements. There is programming for children of mothers at the Bedford Hills Correctional Facility and The Boys and Girls Clubs of Northern Westchester.

Deeply committed to conservation, the sanctuary has workshops and volunteer activities related to removing invasive species and recording of extant populations of endangered native plants. A generous grant from The Bedford Garden Club is funding an intern to work on this project as well as a terrace garden that will be fenced off from deer and will include a water feature, wildlife plantings and seating.

The expanded event calendar has brought over 1000 visitors to the Sanctuary. Vacation day camps and summer camps as well as our new Shakespeare in the Sanctuary production have brought many new families to our membership base.

Visitors delight in our newly renovated animal enclosures and displays in the museum. We are seeing an enormous growth in visitation, volunteerism, and concern for protecting our sanctuary.

Bonnie Trotta

National Affairs & Legislation

February 2014 GCA NAL Meeting in Washington DC

2014 marks the 45th year of the founding of GCA NAL by Bedford's own, Willie Waller. It was an amazing and informative conference that covered a wide range of issues. 300 delegates from GCA clubs as far away as Hawaii, Maine and Florida assembled to hear an impressive array of speakers, including:

John Podesta, Senior White House Counselor

Senator Susan Collins (Republican, Maine)

Congressman Rodney Frelinghuysen (Republican, New Jersey)

David Yarnold, President and CEO National Audubon Society

Mindy Lubber, President/CEO Ceres

Kristine Kingery, Director of Army Sustainability Policy

and our own, Diane Lewis who spoke about her upcoming book, The Great Healthy Yard Project.

Much of the conference focused on climate change, water shortages, and natural resource depletion. The speakers who addressed climate change delivered a consistent message that climate change is real. They said that 99% of scientists are in agreement on the science, but that a vocal minority skews the debate. They said dealing with climate change is the greatest challenge of our times and one that affects every one of us. There was a consensus that the ramifications of climate change are costly, but that planning needs to incorporate allowances for continued changes while also trying to prevent or mitigate further change. Delegates were urged to bring our voices to the table, and understand that GCA members are an important voice, that we have the potential to be game changers.

Speakers from the Natural Resource Defense Council (NRDC) and the Safe Climate Campaign addressed the significance of EPA regulation of carbon pollution emanating from coal-fired power plants. These plants create 40% of the nation's carbon pollution. EPA's regulation of power plants will be the fight of the century that will involve the executive branch, legislative branch and the states. After coal fired power plants, transportation is the greatest contributor to greenhouse gas emissions. (30% of nation's carbon pollution) EPA regulations promoting higher fuel mileage standards for cars and trucks are addressing this issue.

-Mindy Lubber, President and CEO of Ceres, a nonprofit that mobilizes businesses and investors on climate change, presented a strong argument that spending money now to decrease carbon pollution, preserve water and other natural resources, will save businesses money in the long run. She said investing in corporate sustainability and integrating climate risk into the portfolio is not only a worthwhile investment, but crucial. Looked at this way, environmental regulations are not bad for business, but in fact protective of their long-term interests. She stated that the capital markets are taking on the issues of climate change. The risks of storms, droughts and floods are impacting our GNP, and major companies are integrating sustainability planning into their business plans and requiring that their suppliers do the same.

-Kristine Kingery, Director of Army Sustainability Policy, stated that "the army is the country's largest energy consumer at a cost of \$1.3 billion per year, and we consume 47 billion gallons of potable water per year." She described the army's "Net Zero Initiative", a program to reduce army usage of energy, water and waste. Senator Susan Collins, Republican from Maine, stated that we "need a common sense coalition that doesn't pit the environment against the economy. The environment is the economy."

-David Yarnold, President of National Audubon reiterated the theme: "Conservation doesn't have a (political) party... (soon) people will take climate change personally and will act out of love and protection, not fear."

-John Podesta, Senior White House Counselor, who spoke about the President's Climate Action Plan, urged GCA members to get involved. He said "we need your voice in this debate".

-Other speakers of interest addressed the significance of birds as indicators of climate change; the importance of protecting and building soil; the issues surrounding Duke Energy's failure to prevent leakage from coal ash pools into the rivers of North Carolina; the importance of a national coastal water policy. Two garden clubs spoke of replicable programs in their region – E waste program in Atlanta and Diane Lewis's creation of Bedford 2020's water pledge in the Westchester area.

The Bedford delegates to the NAL spoke with Congressman Sean Patrick Maloney and Senator Kirstin Gillibrand's legislative assistant. We offered the GCA position on several issues:

Climate Change – GCA opposes Congressional action to thwart EPA in its efforts to regulate greenhouse gas emissions, including those from coal-fired power plants. We support EPA regulations that require improved gas mileage standards for cars and trucks.

Federal Budget – We support full funding for EPA and for the Land and Water Conservation Fund.

Water Issues - Water is an increasingly scarce resource and needs to be treated as such. The Clean Water Act is vital and we support EPA's call to increase protections beyond navigable waters currently protected, to include smaller streams and tributaries that feed into these waters. We strongly oppose hydrofracking in our state because, with current technology, it imperils clean drinking water. It also uses over 2 million gallons of water per well. We cannot afford to sully this much water. We also urged federal legislators to prohibit the dumping of mountain top removal waste into adjacent streams. We support the President's Ocean Policy and US ratification of the Law of the Sea.

Energy – We support clean energy and energy conservation and efficiency legislation.

Congressman Sean Patrick Maloney spent 45 minutes with Garden Club members. He is a strong advocate for the environment and was supportive of most of our positions. He suggested that implementation of expanded clean water legislation needs to protect agricultural interests in the district as well.

Senator Gillibrand has supported 100% of the environmental issues that we care about and she continues to do so.

GCA Redwood Grove-GCA president Katie Heins said the grove has been a GCA conservation goal since its founding. Since 1930 GCA members have donated 1.5 million dollars to protect the redwoods in the GCA grove and the surrounding Canoe Creek Watershed. Now \$233,000 remains of the acquisition cost, and the GCA is hoping every member will consider making a contribution. Even \$30 from each member would have a huge impact.

Ellen Conrad, Nancy Kronenberg, Diane Lewis

John Jay Homestead Sundial Garden

2013-2014

Summer Maintenance 2013:

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, 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 all volunteered for summer duty. Ann Catchpole has also lent her special talents as a garden designer by consulting on plants and maintenance.

Spring Clean-up 2014:

After a long, hard winter, we cut back our roses, cotinus and sambucus on April 9. Our general garden clean-up took place on April 23, and a large group of ladies spent a couple of hours tidying up.

New Tuteurs:

New 10-foot tall, iron tuteurs from Battle Hill Forge in Millerton, NY were installed in the garden upon which we anticipate clematis and other vines will climb.

Summer Maintenance 2014:

The following have volunteered to take care of the garden this summer:

Suzanne Bowers, Helen Clay Chace, Tori Cox, Wendy Cushman, Cindy Dwyer, Lisa Hennessy, Cassie Kernan, Sally Kroll, Linda Merrill, Kim Morris, Louise Talbot, Adele Talty, Bonnie Trotta, Melissa Vail, Tina Winchester, Susan West, Leslie Wortmann.
Varner Redmon and Heather Langham

EXHIBITIONS

2013-2014

Members are encouraged to attend and enter local GCA flower shows.

Green's Day highlighted the talents of BGC members through wreath making and boxwood tabletop trees. These pieces were sold through the boutique. Members also donated delicious seasonal treats, books, and gifts for our holiday boutique, which was a huge success.

In March our in-club flower show "Go Native!" was announced. BGC members formed committees and began planning the event which took place at our Annual Meeting on June 18, 2014. Present were seven GCA judges who came from local clubs to judge Floral Design, Horticulture, and Photography. This was a valuable lesson for our members and the event was a huge success for BGC.

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

Carol Bouyoucos

GARDEN HISTORY AND DESIGN

And

VISITING GARDENS

2013-2014

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

2013

- 1) **July 17:** We had a fascinating tour of community gardens sponsored by Bette Midler's New York Restoration Project, and led by Director Amy Freitag. We visited six wonderful gardens in Upper Manhattan and the Bronx, all serving their communities in different ways.
- 2) **August 14:** A perfect summer day, and a perfect summer outing to Storm King, in New Windsor, New York. We had a tour led by the curator, and learned much about the art and natural history of the site.
- 3) **September 18:** Walk on the High Line and a delicious lunch at Tenth Avenue Cookshack on 20th Street.

- 4) **October 23:** A fascinating tour of newly restored Greenwood Gardens in Short Hills, NJ, with owner Sofia Blanchard and Louis Bauer, Director of Horticulture. Thanks to Susan Burke for helping arrange this trip to a Garden Conservancy project.
- 5) **May 14:** Wildflower Island, Teatown Reservation, Ossining, NY. A guided hike for a peek at some beautiful spring flowers. Lunch in Tarrytown, at the farm-to-table restaurant RiverMarket.
- 6) **June 11:** A bus ride to Brooklyn for a look at the roses and new native garden at the Brooklyn Botanic Garden. A picnic lunch, and then a tour of the Weiwei exhibit at the Brooklyn Museum.

Work continues on the documentation of gardens for the Smithsonian Archives. On a club level, we continued to work on the documentation of the Coleman & Susan Burke garden and the Denise & Camillo Santomero garden.

Mary Kendrick, Vickie Morris, Melissa Orme and Varner Redmon

HORTICULTURE

2013-2014

The Horticulture Committee got off to a quick start in September with a propagation workshop on September 17th. Over a dozen members attended and everyone brought ilex cuttings to root for the 2014 Zone Meeting Plant Exchange. We also discussed seed collecting, labeling and storing so that we have our own seeds to plant in the spring instead of buying new each year.

The 2013 Zone III meeting took place on September 24 through 26th in Rye and the Bedford Garden Club produced six beautiful Echinacea plants, propagated from seed by 5 different growers. Our horticulture committee also entered many classes in the zone meeting flowers show and I am pleased to announce the following winners:

Debbie Gourd - Honorable Mention for her Ilex Opaca

Heather Langham - First Prize for her Rosa 'Knock Out'

Nancy Kronenberg - First Prize for her Cedrus atlantica

and Third Prize for her Rosa Bonica

Nancy Vincent - First Prize for her Plectranthus

Ellen Conrad - Second Prize for her Styx japonicus

and Second Prize for her Cotinus obovatus

Virginia Maybank - First Prize for Ilex verticillata

and Second Prize for Cosmos

In October, we held a bulb forcing workshop in my barn. About 2 dozen members came to learn how to force paperwhites, freesia, crocus and rock garden iris. Many members brought their own pots and we potted up bulbs and discussed how to store them and force. All of the bulbs were forced for our homes and many members had great success with the paperwhites and the freesia, less with the crocus and the iris. It was a hard winter so that might have had some effect on the bulbs that needed cooling.

During the winter it was decided to hold a club flower show at our annual meeting in June. The horticulture committee helped write the schedule of 12 classes and then we

held a seed starting workshop on April 9th to plant seeds for the show. Our members produced many beautiful entries for the seed class as well as cut stems and par plants. Results of the flower show classes are listed elsewhere in the annual report.

Throughout the year, the horticulture committee has been working with the conservation committee on an “Operation Invasives” initiative to help our members identify invasive plants in their gardens, to learn how to effectively remove them and to plant appropriate native plants in their place. It has been a great learning experience for the committees and we presented our project to the club in late April.

We actually had two Zone meetings in this calendar year, the second taking place June 9 through 11 on Long Island. We entered six ilex plants grown from cuttings in the plant exchange and won the following prizes at the flower show:

Heather Langham	Third Prize for her cut specimen - Aruncus dioicus
Virginia Maybank	Second Prize for her cut specimen - Paeonia ‘Sarah Bernhardt’
Virginia Maybank	First Prize for her cut specimen - Viburnum dentatum
Nancy Kronenberg	Honorable Mention for her Pelargonium ‘True Rose’ mother-daughter plants grown from cutting
Virginia Maybank	Second Prize for her Aeonium arboretum ‘Atropurpureum’ entered in Par
Virginia Maybank	First Prize for grasses grown from seed and Special award in Horticulture from the Harbors on the Sound Flower Show.

Our last commitment of the year will be our own flower show at Deirdre Glascott’s home on June 18th at the Bedford Garden Club’s annual meeting. All in all, a very good year for the Horticulture Committee with great turnout at our workshops, lots of enthusiasm for planting and lots of entries at flower shops. Great job everyone!

Virginia Maybank

MEMBERSHIP

2013-2014

The Membership Committee is pleased to welcome five talented and accomplished new members this year. Thanks to the Membership Committee: Leslie Wortmann, Lindsay Matthews, Suzanne Bowers and Carol Bouyoucos for their help in reviewing the many letters of support for our wonderful new members.

These are the changes for the past year:

New Members:

Mrs. Martin Gubernick (Robin Ashley)

Mrs. Minturn V. Chace (HelenClay)

Mrs. David Fife (Marian)

Mrs. Timothy Ghriskey (Lisa)

Mrs. Ian Winchester (Tina)

There were no resignations or category changes for this year.

In Memorium: Mrs. Harry W. Fowler (Emily)

Mary Finnegan

PROGRAMS

2013-2014

The Bedford Garden Club welcomed our members at an opening kick-off meeting held at Bedford Golf and Tennis Club on September 25, 2013. The theme for this year was "Stop and Smell the Roses". Leslie Wortmann, the club president, encouraged us to take time to enjoy all the beauty that surrounds us. We listened to Leslie as she read a particularly sweet poem written many years ago by a member about the daily joys of gardening. So fitting! After hearing about all of the plans for the coming year we watched a fantastic movie that Nancy Vincent had helped to produce along with other GCA members for the previous GCA annual meeting in Philadelphia. It was a wonderful video highlighting some special projects that our fellow GCA clubs had completed. Very inspiring!

On October 16th we met at Glen Arbor Golf Club for a demonstration and a power point presentation from Winston Flowers of Boston and Greenwich. Corinne Bonett amazed us with her glorious plant materials and arrangements. Her photographs of parties, table decorations and flower arrangements were beautiful and inspiring. Afterwards we enjoyed a delicious brunch overlooking Glen Arbor's beautiful grounds. It was a great meeting- so well attended and with many members bringing guests.

Traditionally, the club has not held a November meeting. This year right before the Thanksgiving holiday, on November 26th, we decided to try something new. "BYOV" (Bring your own vase) was a huge success. A few members, including Leslie Wortmann (President, past Exhibitions chair) and Carol Bouyoucos, current Exhibitions chair) traveled to Norwalk to a flower wholesaler, returning with loads of beautiful flowers. The next day we met at member Varner Redmon's studio, armed with our own containers and made flower arrangements for the holiday. Such fun to have so many gorgeous flowers to choose from! The more experienced flower arrangers helped us novices... and everyone went home with a wonderful arrangement. This was great fun and I think will be repeated next year, based on our member's feedback.

Greensday, our traditional Holiday meeting was held again at Westmoreland Sanctuary on December 4. We made wreaths for the community including NWHC, Bedford Historical Hall and the John Jay Homestead. We also made wreaths for ourselves with donated greens and special touches provided by Carol as Exhibitions chair. Sam O'Brien, once again, organized a beautiful boutique where we bought delicious holiday treats and gifts. Lots of familiar faces and prospective new members thoroughly enjoyed themselves.

On Tuesday evening, January 14 Bedford Garden Club, along with Rusticus Garden Club hosted Amy Freitag at St. Matthew's Church in the Fellowship Room. The topic of Amy's presentation was "Resilience: A Challenge for the Next Century". She spoke to us about the role the GCA has played in preserving America's landscape. Amy is a great speaker and regaled us with wonderful stories about past GCA members and their part in preserving the beauty of this country. We were happy to hear many familiar names - past members of the Bedford Garden Club! It was a great meeting and very well attended.

On February 12th we met to hear Amy Ziffer, a noted horticulturist speak to us about shade gardening. "Shade Revealed: How to Garden Successfully in Low Light" was the title of her power point presentation. On a snowy winter day it was inspiring to think about spring and summer and planting and growing. Little did we know just how long we would have to wait!

On Wednesday evening, April 23rd the Bedford Garden Club hosted Eric Sanderson at a meeting open to the public held at Historical Hall. Eric is a noted author and spoke to us about "Mannahatta" A Natural History of New York City. The theme of his talk was to provide us with applications for developing climate resilient and ecologically sustainable designs based on historical mapping. It was a great evening - Eric a terrific speaker and the members and many spouses who were in attendance thoroughly enjoyed themselves. A special thanks to Nancy Kronenberg for helping to make the arrangements.

On April 30th the Bedford Garden Club met at the John Jay Homestead to hear the launch of "Operation Invasives." This is our club's effort to educate our members about the problem of invasive plants. Members, Diane Lewis, Nancy Kronenberg and Virginia Maybank spoke to us about identifying, removing and replacing invasives on our properties. A chart and hand-out materials were distributed to help us with this project.

On May 21st we traveled (a very short distance) to the beautiful home of Martha Stewart - Cantitoe Farm. We were greeted by Martha's sister and her head gardener, Ryan for a lovely tour of all of Martha's beautiful gardens. Ryan was extremely informative and patient with all of our questions. We were amazed, awed and inspired by the chickens, vegetable gardens, the garden shed, the allee's of boxwood, lilacs, peonies etc. At the end of the tour we were greeted on Martha's patio with delicious lemonade and an array of amazing home-baked cookies. What a treat!

Our year concluded with the annual meeting held at the home of Deirdre Glascott on Westfield Road. We started the day with an in-house flower show - "Go Native". So many club members entered arrangements, photographs, and cut specimens. Deirdre's home was blanketed in the bounty of our club! We had a delicious tea prepared by Adele Talty and her hostesses and then finished with the business meeting. It was a great way to end a terrific year.

Thanks to all who helped with the programs for 2013-2014.

Kim Morris

SPECIAL COMMITTEES

AWARDS

2013-2014

As Awards Chairman, I meet with our president several times during the course of the year. We are very thoughtful about this process, and the giving of awards to deserving members. Every member is included, but a few are stand-outs.

This year we received a Garden Club of America Appreciation Award. I will also be presenting The Conservation Award, The Oliver Memorial Award, The Winifred Macomber Award, two Special Citations.

The GCA Club Appreciation Award

The GCA Club Appreciation Award is given to an outstanding member and we are very proud of her accomplishments. There are many of them!

Varner Redmond has served the Bedford Garden Club in many capacities. She has made an indelible mark on our club and continues to inspire and educate. Her energy is boundless and for the past three years Varner has been leading Visiting Garden Trips. We appreciate her efforts in creating and organizing trips, educating, enthusing and immersing us fully in visual beauty.

Trips included the newly-restored Untermyer Garden on the Hudson River in Yonkers led by Head Horticulturist Timothy Tilghman; a spectacular tour of the Woodlawn Cemetery in the Bronx, led by the wonderful Director, Susan Olsen; a tour in Central Park arranged by the Central Park Conservancy and led by Anna Zagalooff emphasizing history and design; a journey to George Schoellkopf's Hollister House in Washington CT; a tour of community garden's sponsored by Bette Midler's New York Restoration Project and led by Director Amy Freitag; a trip to Storm King Art Center with tour designed by Director and Curator David Cullens with an emphasis on use of landscape at Storm King. This spring includes a garden trip to Teatown Wildflower Island, a tour of Martha Stewart's Garden, a visit to the Brooklyn Botanic Garden "Roses!" and a garden trip to Old Westbury Gardens in Westbury, NY.

Every club president dreams of having a club member as dedicated and committed as Varner. She is an exquisite tour de force!! The citation reads "With deep appreciation for her passion, knowledge, and her creative planning of Visiting Garden Trips."

And now the Bedford Garden Club Awards:

The Conservation Award

This year's Conservation Award is given to a new member with outstanding credentials. The Garden Club of America's Conservation Pledge is to preserve America's beauty and natural heritage for future generations. Part of the pledge reads.... "to encourage the responsible use of our public lands for the benefit of all citizens; and work to reduce industrial, municipal, and household waste and advocate the prevention of pollution of soil, air and water."

We immediately recognized Diane Lewis, and past award winners, Ellen Conrad and Nancy Kronenberg, after their trip to 2014 GCA National Affairs & Legislation Meeting

in Washington DC. Much of the conference focused on climate change, water shortages, and natural resource depletion. The speakers who addressed climate change delivered the consistent message that climate change was real. They said dealing with climate change is the greatest challenge of our times and one that affects every one of us. Diane Lewis spoke about her newly published book The Great Healthy Yard Project. She is also instrumental in the creation of Bedford 2020's water pledge in the Westchester area. Dr. Diane Lewis is an internist and a nephrologist. She has combined her knowledge of medicine with her love of the environment to become involved in a movement to protect our most valuable resources as well as our own health.

**The Bedford Garden Club
Presents
The Conservation Award
To
Diane Lewis**

“For her dedication and drive, she has embraced education as a means for implementing change.”

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.

These three members have shown excellence for their efforts to establish a Scholarship Committee to coordinate BGC's scholarship activities and implement programs to stimulate among amateurs the knowledge and love of gardening, the protection of native trees and plants, and the encouragement of civic planting. It also includes a stipend of \$1,000 for each summer intern. The committee reached out to John Jay Homestead, Marsh Sanctuary, Mianus River Gorge, Ward Pound Ridge Reservation, and Westmoreland Sanctuary. These organizations responded in a most supportive and positive way.

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

Melissa Vail, Suzanne Bowers and Janet Robinson

“For their passion in establishing a Scholarship Committee and working with local organizations to implement programs to stimulate among amateurs the knowledge and love of gardening.”

The Winifred Macomber Award

The Winifred Macomber Award recognizes outstanding effort or achievement in the field of flower arranging and/or garden design. Mrs. Macomber was a longstanding and successful competitor in flower shows, and perhaps more important, mentored less experienced members. This year's award focuses on recognizing the aspect of

“outstanding effort in the area of flower arranging.” All we have to do is look at the beauty that surrounds us! The “Go Native” Flower Show produced by Carol Bouyoucos.

She has a dazzling optimism and enthusiasm that is combined with excellent communication, creative, and organizational skills. Carol’s great vision sets our sights at new levels, and her exuberant outlook has energized the flower arrangers in our club.

**The Bedford Garden Club
Presents
Winifred Macomber Award
To
Carol Bouyoucos**

“For her zeal and encouragement. A flower show would not be complete without her effusive spirit.”

A Special Citation

There are some members who work away, behind the scenes, for the Bedford Garden Club. Their efforts help to promote to our club’s recognition, appreciation, and the support we receive from many local organizations. The Bedford Garden Club is newsworthy, and is published in the Record Review, the Bedford Magazine and others publications. The reason behind this is an astute and elegant member who is a brilliant writer, and she is very resourceful. She has written about Centennial celebrations, events, and programs. She contributed to our focus on civic affairs and conservation with her coverage of “Branch Out” which was hugely important in its infant/beginning stage.

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

“For her eloquent words and creative communication skills.”

A Special Citation

This member has exceptional energy and talent. She has been a member the BGC for many years, and we are grateful for all that she has done and continues to do. As the correspondent to the Garden Club of America “Bulletin”, in 2012, she writes , “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.” And BOY, did she. The video was no small feat!!! Nancy Vincent and Laura Gregg researched, recorded, orchestrated, and coordinated GCA members across the country to complete their production. The video highlights five garden club projects that thoughtfully illustrate the purpose of the Garden Club of America - to stimulate the knowledge and love of gardening, to share the advantages of association by means of educational meeting, conferences, correspondence and publications, and to restore, improve and protect the quality of the environment through educational programs and action in the fields of conservation and civic improvement.

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

“For her enthusiasm, knowledge and resourceful talent and co-producing a video promoting and explaining the Purpose to the Garden Club of America.”

CLUB BOTANIST
2013-2014

I wasn't sure what I was required to do as the club botanist. So I decided to try to be informative about plants and gardens in general. The Bedford Garden Club put up on its web site some of my articles on the following subjects:

Alchemilla Mollis, Boxwood, Cruelty to trees, Summer flowering trees, Euphorbia, Garden lore, Hardy woody Geraniums, Mulch, Tropaeolum majus. Common Nasturtium, Branch drop, August Tips, Perovskia, Club member's veggie gardens, Watering, Damaged Privet hedges, No tomatoes

I hope these helped our club members and that more and more members will frequent our web site.

Ann Catchpole

CORRESPONDENT TO THE GARDEN CLUB OF AMERICA "BULLETIN":
2013-2014

The Zone III Bulletin Chair had asked each club to submit an article once every two years. In 2012 Marilen Tilt had submitted a well-crafted and substantive article on Mrs. Waller, and Joanne Lenden, Fort Orange Garden Club, had submitted an article on our early member Eloise Payne Luquer in anticipation of the GCA 2013 Centennial. I took their submissions as an excuse to rest.

Going forward I will need to produce an article to submit. Ideas are welcome as well as an article itself. Let's make it an article of substance, something that explains how to tackle a specific project.

Nancy Vincent

CUSTODIAN

2013-2014

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 – with Adele Talty
- w. 1 copy current GCA Judging Manual
- x. BGC Banner (2)
- y. 20 needlepoint BGC hostess pins
- z. 2 copies *Gardens of Colony and State* -Kendrick
- aa. 1 GCA framed plaque -Kendrick
- bb. Carton boxes of BGC historical slides of member gardens (need to be itemized and stored appropriately)
- cc. Bullhorn
- dd. 6 lucite picture frames 9x12
- ee. 5 silver picture frames 9x12
- ff. 1 expanding slide screen
- gg. 19 wooden easels

HISTORIAN

2013-2014

A memorial tribute for long time member Emily O'Connor Tucker Fowler was presented to the membership at our February meeting.

In addition, we continue to update a draft of our history from 2006 to the present.

Eventually we hope that this will make the writing of our History Volume V an easier task!

Marilen G. Tilt

HOSTESSES

2013-2014

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

--Anonymous

- September 25, 2013** 9 am refreshments, 9:45 am meeting
Topic: Kick Off Meeting and Autumn Brunch
Place: Bedford Gold & Tennis Club
Hostesses: Lynda Morris, Melissa Orme, Diane Lewis
- October 16, 2013** 9 am refreshments, 9:30 am mtg., 11 am brunch
Topic: Winston Flower Demonstration and Autumn Brunch
Place: Glen Arbor Golf Club
Hostesses: morning refreshments and brunch provided by club
- November 26, 2013** 9:30 am arranging w/ refreshments
Topic: Bring Your Own Vase Fall Flower Arranging
Place: Varner Redmon's Studio
Hostesses: Didi Woodhull, Wendy Cushman, Lisa Hennessy
- December 4, 2013** 9 am refreshments and shopping, 9:30 am meeting
Topic: Community Wreath Making and Boutique
Place: Westmorland Sanctuary
Hostesses: Mary Finnegan, Cassie Kernan, Lynda Morris, Wendy Cushman
- January 14, 2014:** 7 pm refreshments and meeting
Topic: Speaker, Amy Freitag, “Resilience: A Challenge for the Next Century”, a lecture on the role the GCA has played in preserving America's landscape. Joint meeting with Rusticus Garden Club
Place: St. Matthew's Fellowship Hall
Hostesses: Nancy Kronenberg, Kim Morris, Allyson Pachios, Leila Longo, Deirdre Glascott
- February 12, 2014:** 9 am refreshments, 9:30 am meeting
Topic: Speaker, Amy Ziffer
“Shade Revealed: How to Garden Successfully in Low Light”
Place: John Jay Homestead
Hostesses: Virginia Maybank, Heather Langham, Janet Robinson
- March 2014** No membership meeting

April 23, 2014 7 pm refreshments, open to the public
Topic: Speaker: Eric Sanderson, "Mannahatta: The Natural History of Manhattan"
Place: Historical Hall
Hostesses: Susan West, Wendy Cushman, Ann Gambling Hoffman, Carol Bouyoucos, Lisa Hennessy, Bonnie Trotta, Ellen Conrad, Melissa Vail, Wendy Foulke, Liza Clymer

April 30, 2014 9 am refreshments, 9:30 am meeting
Topic: Plant Exchange and Invasive Kick-off initiative
Place: John Jay Homestead Barn
Hostesses: Alexandra Forrester, Liza Clymer, Allison Bamford

May 21, 2014 10 am Tour of Martha Stewart's Garden
Refreshments provided by Martha Stewart

June 18, 2014 11:30 luncheon, Go Native Flower Show and annual meeting
Place: Home of Deirdre Glascott
Hostesses: Kim Morris, Louise Talbot, Linda Merrill, Mary Finnegan, Bonnie Trotta, Holly Warshaw, Lynda Morris, Virginia Maybank, Liza Clymer, Ann Paul, Vickie Morris, Marilen Tilt, Leila Longo, Debbie Gourd

With warm thanks to all our calm, unruffled hostesses !

Adèle K. Talty

NEW YORK COMMITTEE OF THE GCA
2013-2014

No Report

Susan Burke

PHOTOGRAPHY
2013- 2014

No Photographs were taken this year.

Didi Woodhull

POLICY
2013-2014.

No Changes to our By-Laws

Janet Robinson

PROJECT REVIEW COMMITTEE
2013-2014

The new timetable for Project Review worked very well this past year. Applications requesting funding from Project Review were due by January 1st. The Executive Committee discussed the applications received in early February and asked the Membership to vote on approved projects in late February. Funds were granted in early

March, in time for spring planting and planning. This timetable seems organized, fair and manageable and one that I would recommend using for future years.

By January 1st, 2014, the Project Review Committee had received three proposals for funding. The first was from the BGC's own Court House Garden committee. The second from BGC's newly formed Internship Committee. Both of these committees were able to find funding for their projects from different sources within the BGC other than Project Review. The Executive Committee discussed and decided that Project Review funds should be granted primarily to organizations outside of the BGC.

Our third proposal was received from Westmoreland Sanctuary, a Nature Center and Wildlife Preserve in Bedford Corners, NY. Westmoreland requested a grant from the Bedford Garden Club for the improvement of its gardens and landscaping in order to better serve the public. The BGC Membership voted to approve a grant of \$4,000 to Westmoreland to move, redistribute and renew its Wildlife Garden. This project is part of a multi-year, multi-phase campus upgrade that will ultimately result in a more unified Westmoreland campus with improved access and program areas to better meet the organization's mission, programs and public needs.

Suzanne Bowers

PROJECTS

2013-2014

As the Bedford Garden Club celebrated their special Greensday meeting, the Greensday boutique in 2013 was, again, a celebration of all things food. Thanks to many of our wonderful Garden Club members, we had delicious donations for us to sell, from preserved lemons in their adorable packaging to salad dressings, wonderful baked goods, honey, and granola. It was a wonderful success and got everyone in the spirit of the holidays. All of the items were sold including the always adored holiday plants. Thank you all who contributed to the success of the boutique by donating, working or buying. We're looking forward to another fun and successful year in 2014.

Lindsay Pinchot and Sam O'Brien

PUBLIC RELATIONS

2013-2014

The Bedford Garden Club enjoyed a lot of great publicity this season for its many Bedford-beautifying and improving efforts. Beginning in August of 2013, the Record Review ran a full page feature - "Garden club 'spruces up' Bedford Village" chronicling the extraordinary—and very visible—progress the Club's tree-planting initiative "Branch Out" has made, particularly along Routes 172 and 22. Co-chairs Virginia Maybank and Heather Langham were both interviewed: Maybank discussing the importance of renewal: planting new trees where the originals life cycle had ended. Langham spoke about the great response and cooperation Branch Out has received from local property owners. Indeed, as the BGC both purchases and plants the trees, it's a win-win for local businesses.

The Record Review was also on hand with a full-page story "How garden clubs shape national policy" about the BGC and Rusticus-sponsored lecture on January 14th, 2014 by Amy Freitag, executive Director of the New York Restoration Project. Freitag, who is

writing a book about the 101 year old, Garden Club of America, naturally referenced many pioneering BGC members such as Eloise Payne Luquer and Wilhelmine Waller, both nationally recognized defenders of the natural world. Another BGC member, Mrs Oliver Iselin, launched a major anti-billboard crusade to eliminate them from America's landscape—that is when she wasn't sailing in the America's Cup in 1899, riding competitively and boxing!

Freitag's lecture, held at St Matthews, was titled "Resilience: A Challenge for the Next Century" and addressed the need for creative ideas of survival and environmental protection in a post-Sandy world. On June 20th, 2014, the RR reported on the book talk by local nephrologist, internist and environmental activist Diane Lewis, which was sponsored by the Club in conjunction with Bedford 2020. Her new book, "The Healthy Yard Project" discusses healthier, environmentally sound options for keeping lawns green—ie without harmful chemicals which end up in our wells and reservoirs. On May 6th Bedford passed a healthy yard resolution and, as Dr. Lewis reminded the audience, the town of Bedford had also stopped using pesticides on its town properties about five years ago.

Joyce Corrigan

SCHOLARSHIPS

2013-2014

This year the Garden Club formed a new committee to be known as the Bedford Garden Club Scholarship Committee.

The Scholarship Committee planned and launched a new Summer Internship program. The Committee offered stipends to local, neighborhood organizations. We asked interested groups to submit a proposal for a local project which would further our Club's mission. The project would be performed by a summer intern. We would select among applications for projects we wished to support and publicize the winners and their projects at the end of the summer. In this way, we hope to give focus and publicity to our thoughtful partner organizations and our Club.

For this inaugural year, we offered two stipends of \$1000 each, without specifying the age or education level of the intern. We designed project criteria and a short application; announced the program to several organizations; received applications; and chose two—Westmoreland Sanctuary and Mianus River Gorge. We look forward to seeing the results of the interns' work, publicizing the program at season end, and deciding whether or how to modify it for next year.

Melissa Vail and Janet Robinson

SEEDLINGS

2013-2014

The Bedford Garden Club welcomed 5 lovely new members this year. Lisa Ghriskey was proposed by Cynthia Mas but could not come to Seedlings luncheon, also absent was Helen Clay Chace, proposed by Nancy Vincent.

those who came were Robin Ashley, proposed by Liza Clymer; Tina Winchester, proposed by Heather Langham and Marian Fife, proposed by Adele Talty. They were welcomed by the current and incoming presidents and heard a summary of the BGC's activities from each Standing Committee chair.

Didi Woodhull

WAYS AND MEANS

2013-2014

The Ways and Means Committee fund raises every other year. As this was an off year, the committee had no activity during the 2013/2014 garden club year.

Beth Stern

WEBSITE

2013-2014

Our change to website provider Weebly has been successful. While members do not use the BGC website as much as we would like, everyone who is on a computer should be aware that there is useful and interesting information posted including gardening hints, minutes, treasury reports and the schedule of meetings. As each page of the website has a banner photograph, we always appreciate receiving seasonally appropriate pictures from members to use on the website.

More frequent and immediate communication is done using Constant Contact to create a membership-wide e-mail blast. Constant Contact also provides data feedback, which enables us to know how many members have opened the e-mail and how many e-mails may have bounced due to delivery problems. (At the moment we have just one and that is due to the member's firewall.)

The membership list is no longer simply one hardcopy list in the Yearbook. The use of technology and different applications means our members' contact information is on several lists in several different venues. If any member fails to inform the Communications Committee, the President or the Membership Chair of a change in contact information, that member will be out of the loop for certain types of communications depending upon whether it is an e-mail or street address change.

Consider that each member's contact information needs to be correct on: BGC's e-mail program, the Directory on our website, Constant Contact for sending e-mail blasts, Paperless Post for sending our meeting notices, and the GCA website. For this reason **if you notice that you are not receiving BGC or GCA information from any of these listed sources of information, please immediately notify Varner Redmon or me.**

With the mention of Varner Redmon comes my huge appreciation for her willingness to continue to share in the work of this committee's responsibilities.

Membership suggestions on how to better communicate are helpful. Let us hear from you as communication is a two-way street.

Nancy Vincent

YEARBOOK

2013-2014

Yearbooks were distributed in September. This year all committee heads were very timely in submitting their reports by e-mail. This definitely helps. About half of the yearbooks were distributed to members at our opening meeting and the rest were mailed. 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
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1986	Catherine Beattie Medal, Bedford Garden Club
1990	Elizabeth Platt Corning Medal, Bedford Garden Club – Mesdames Reynders, Jr., Jackson, Wilson and Tiné
1993	Harriett DeWaele Puckett Creativity Award – Mrs. Richard H. Lawrence
2007	Dorothy Vietor Munger Award – Mrs. Roberto Buaron

GCA PUBLIC RELATIONS AWARD

2000	The Bedford Garden Club
2010	The Bedford Garden Club

GCA ZONE AWARDS

Zone III Civic Improvement Award

2011	Ellen Conrad
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
- 2014 Bedford Garden Club at the 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

GCA Medal of Merit (con't)

1972	Miss Dorothy H. Hinit
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
2014	Mrs. John Redmon

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

GCA Horticultural Achievement Certificate (con't)

1993 Mrs. Joseph L. Mankiewicz
1999 Mrs. Samuel S. Polk

THE BEDFORD GARDEN CLUB AWARDS

Winifred Macomber Awards

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

2006 Mrs. Philip Bowers & Mrs. Anthony Langham
2007 Mrs. Roberto Buaron
2008 Mrs. John Redmon
2009 Mrs. Victor Wortmann
2010 Mrs. Victor Wortmann
2011 Mrs. John Talty
2014 Mrs. Peter Bouyoucos

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
2014 Mrs. Norman Selby, Mrs. Philip Bowers, Mrs. Howland Robinson

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

Conservation Award (con't)

2007 Mrs. Norman Selby
2008 Mrs. Samuel Tatnall
2009 Mrs. George Bianco, Mrs. John Farr, Mrs. Daniel Ginnel, Mrs. Edwin Hoffman, Mrs. Steven Lines, Mrs. John Morris, Mrs. Caroline Niemczyk, Mrs. John Stockbridge, Mrs. Samuel Tatnall
2010 Mrs. John Stockbridge
2011 Mrs. John Farr, Mrs. Anthony Langham, Mrs. Joseph Maybank
2014 Mrs. Blair Lewis

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
2014 Mrs. Paul Matthews, Mrs. John Stockbridge, Mrs. John Redmon, Ms. Ann Catchpole, Mrs. John Finnegan, Mrs. Steven Rice, Mrs. Stephen Lines, Mrs. William Foulke, Mrs. Peter Bouyoucos, Mrs. Linda Merrill, Mrs. Timothy Paul, Mrs. Roger Vincent

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.”
- 2014 - Joyce Corrigan “for her eloquent words and creative communication skills.”
- Nancy Vincent “for her enthusiasm, knowledge and resourceful talent in co-producing a video promoting and explaining the purpose of the Garden Club of America.”

**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
2014-2015

Executive Board Meeting 9/3/2014

September 17, 2014 **9:00 AM**
Speaker: President / Club members
Topic: Kick-off Meeting
Place: Bedford Village Court House
Hostesses:

Executive Board Meeting 10/8/2014

October 15, 2014 **9:00 AM (11:00am brunch)**
Speaker:
Topic: Guess Who's Coming to Brunch
Place: Glen Arbor Golf Club
Hostess:

Executive Board Meeting 11/12/2014

November 19, 2014 **7:00 PM**
Speaker: Dianne Lewis, MD
Topic "The Great Healthy Yard Project"
Place: Historical Hall, guests encouraged
Hostess:

November 25, 2014 **9:30 AM** *A Special member Event*
Speaker: BYOV (Bring Your Own Vase)
Topic Holiday Flower Arranging
Place: Varner Redmon's Studio
Hostess:

Executive Board Meeting 12/4/2014

December 10, 2014 **9:00 AM - Refreshments**
Speaker: Nancy Vincent will introduce BGC Video
Topic: Greens Day and shopping. Traditional Wreath Making
Place: Westmoreland Sanctuary
Hostesses:

Executive Board Meeting 1/14/2015

January 21, 2015 **9:00 AM**
Speaker: To be Announced
Topic:
Place: St. Matthews Church Hall
Hostesses:

Executive Board Meeting 2/4/2015

February 11, 2015 **9:00 AM**
Speaker: To be Announced
Topic:
Place: St. Matthews Church Hall
Hostesses

March 2015 **No Meeting**

Executive Board Meeting 4/8/2015

April 15, 2015 **9:00 AM**
Speaker: to be Announced
Topic: Plant Exchange & more
Place: John Jay Homestead
Hostesses:

Executive Board Meeting 5/6/2015

May 13, 2015 **9:00 AM**
Speaker: to be announced
Topic:
Place: Waccabuc
Hostesses:

June 12, 2015 **7:00 PM**
Topic: BGC Fundraiser
Place: At the home of Vicky Morris

Executive Board Meeting 6/10/2015

June 17, 2015 **11:30 AM**
Topic: Annual Meeting and Luncheon
Members Exhibit of Garden Memorabilia
Place: At the home of Leslie Wortmann
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
125-131 East Main Street, Suite 200
Mt. Kisco, NY 10549
Tel: (914) 244-4450
Email: David.Buchwald@gmail.com

Example:

Dear Assemblyman Buchwald

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
John R. Dinin
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

2008: Zone II, Norfolk, VA (May 4-6)
Pres: Ellen Conrad
Del: Mimi Lines

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

2010: Zone IV, East Brunswick, NJ (May)
Pres: Mimi Lines

2011: Zone X, Indianapolis, ID (Apr 27-30)
Pres: Kim Morris substituted
Del: Carol Bouyoucos

2012: Savannah, Georgia (Apr 15-17)
Pres: Leslie Wortmann
Del: Heather Langham

2013: Zone V, Pennsylvania (May 1-3)
Pres: Leslie Wortmann

2014: Zone IX, New Orleans (May8-9)
Pres: Carol Bouyoucos substituted
Del: Kim Morris

ZONE III ANNUAL MEETING

Orange & Dutchess (Sept. 16-18)
Pres: Ellen Conrad
Del: Bitsy Tatnall

Fort Orange (June 6-11)
Pres: Ellen Conrad
Del: Wendy Cushman

East Hampton (June)
Pres: Mimi Lines
Del: Carol Bouyoucos

Millbrook (June 21-23)
Pres: Mimi Lines

Philipstown, NY (Jun 12-14)
Pres: Leslie Wortmann
Del: Suzanne Bowers

Rye & Little GC of Rye, NY (Sept 24-26)
Pres: Leslie Wortmann
Del: Mary Finnegan

Three Harbors, Woodbury, NY (June 10-11)
Pres: Leslie Wortmann
Del:

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
July	2013	New York, NY – New York Restoration Project
Aug	2013	Storm King, in New Windsor, New York.
Sept	2013	Walk on the High Line, NYC
Oct	2013	Greenwood Gardens in Short Hills, NJ
May	2014	Wildflower Island, Teatown Reservation, Ossining, NY
June	2014	Brooklyn Botanic Garden

BEDFORD GARDEN CLUB
MEMBERSHIP

NEW MEMBERS

RESIGNATIONS

DECEASED

2013-2014

Mrs. Martin Gubernick
Mrs. Minturn Chace
Mrs. David Fife
Mrs. Timothy Ghriskey
Mrs. Ian Winchester

Mrs. Harry W. Fowler

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

PRESIDENT

2007 - 2009: Mrs. Winthrop Conrad 2014 - 2016: Mrs. Peter Bouyoucos
2009 - 2011: Mrs. Stephen Lines Mrs. John Morris
2011 - 2014: Mrs. Victor Wortmann

FIRST VICE-PRESIDENT

2007 - 2009: Mrs. John Redmon 2011 - 2015: 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 2014 - 2016: Mrs. James Glascott
2010 - 2012: Mrs. John Morris
2012 - 2014: Mrs. Timothy Woodhull

TREASURER (even years)

2007 - 2013: Mrs. Joseph Maybank
2013 - 2015: Mrs. William Gourd

RECORDING SECRETARY (even years)

2003 - 2007: Mrs. John G. Finnegan Jr. 2012 - 2016: Mrs. Philip Longo
2007 - 2010: Mrs. Anthony G. Langham
2010 - 2012: Mrs. Mark Bamford

CORRESPONDING SECRETARY

2005 - 2007: Mrs. Charles W. Parsons 2011 - 2013: Mrs. Peter Hallock
2007 - 2008: Mrs. J. Howland Robinson 2013 - 2014: Mrs. Paul Matthews
2007 - 2009: Mrs. Aaron Taylor 2014 - 2015: Mrs. John Talty
2009 - 2011: Mrs. Aaron Taylor

MEMBERS-AT-LARGE

2005 - 2007: Mrs. Roberto Buaron, Mrs. Victor Wortmann,
Mrs. Seth Cameron, Mrs. John Ryan
2007 - 2008: Mrs. George Bianco, Mrs. Aaron Taylor,
Mrs. John McGarry
2008 - 2009: Mrs. J. Howland Robinson, Mrs. John Morris
Mrs. John Talty, Mrs. James Glascott
2009 - 2010: Mrs. Robert Bernhard, Mrs. John Ehrlich
Mrs. Robert Finn, Mrs. Charlton Reynders
2010 - 2011: Mrs. Clinton Kendrick, Mrs. Anthony Langham,
Mrs. Peter Bouyoucos, Mrs. James Glascott
2011 - 2012: Mrs. Bonnie Trotta, Mrs. Steven Kroll, Mrs. Stephen Morris,
Mrs. Victor Von Althann
2012 - 2013: Mrs. James Bostwick, Mrs. William Foulke, Mrs. Roger Stern,
Mrs. Bonnie Trotta

MEMBERS-AT-LARGE (con't)

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

2014 - 2015: Mrs. Matthew Ocken, Mrs. Martin Gubernick, Mrs. Stuart Ross,
Mrs. Paul Orme

NOMINATING COMMITTEE CHAIRMAN

2005-2007: Mrs. Samuel Polk	2007-2009: Mrs. A. Knowlton Reynders
2009-2010: Mrs. Stuart Ross	2011-2012: Mrs. John Redmon
2013-2014: Mrs. Clinton Kendrick	2014-2015: Mrs. Philip Bowers

STANDING COMMITTEES

CIVIC AFFAIRS AND CONSERVATION

2007 - 2009: Mrs. Samuel Tatnall, Mrs. Thomas Trotta
2009 - 2010: Mrs. Samuel Tatnall, Mrs. Winthrop Conrad
2010 - 2011: Mrs. Paul Matthews
2011 - 2013: Mrs. Anthony Langham, Mrs. Winthrop Conrad
2013 - 2015: Mrs. Anthony Langham, Mrs. Eric Kronenberg

SANCTUARIES

Audubon

1989-2009: Mrs. Marion S. Wyeth
2009-2014: Mrs. Camillo Santomero

Beaver Dam

2001-2014: Mrs. Charles McDuffie

Butler-Meyer Preserve

1986-2014: Mrs. Christopher B. Espy

Marsh Sanctuary

2007-2014: Mrs. Walter Weissinger

Mianus River Gorge

1997-2009: Mrs. W. Macy Johnson
2009-2012: Mrs. John Redmon,
Mrs. Todd Noonan
2012-2013: Mrs. Todd Noonan

Teatown Reservation

2009-2014: Mrs. Samuel Tatnall

Ward Pound Ridge

2007-2011: Mrs. Harold Tine

Westmoreland Sanctuary

1989-2014: Mrs. Thomas R. Trotta

NATIONAL AFFAIRS AND LEGISLATION

2007 - 2009: Mrs. Joseph Maybank
2009 - 2015: Mrs. Winthrop Conrad

JOHN JAY GARDENS

2007 - 2011: Mrs. Anthony G. Langham

2011 - 2015: Mrs. Anthony Langham, Mrs. John Redmon

FLOWER ARRANGING/EXHIBITIONS

2007 - 2011: Mrs. Victor Wortmann

2011 - 2014: Mrs. Peter Bouyoucos

2014 - 2015: Mrs. Paul Matthews

GARDEN HISTORY AND DESIGN

2007 - 2013: Mrs. John Redmon

2012 - 2015: Mrs. John Redmon, Mrs. Stephen Morris

HORTICULTURE

2007 - 2009: Mrs. Roberto Buaron

2009 - 2010: Mrs. Matthew Ocken

2010 - 2011: Mrs. Winthrop Conrad

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

2013 - 2015: Mrs. Joseph Maybank

MEMBERSHIP

2005 - 2008: Mrs. Sean McDowell

2008 - 2011: Mrs. Philip Bowers

2011 - 2015: Mrs. John Finnegan

PROGRAMS

2005 - 2007: Mrs. Robert Clymer

2007 - 2009: Mrs. Robert Cushman

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

2011 - 2014: Mrs. John Morris

2014 - 2015: Mrs. Robert Clymer

SPECIAL COMMITTEES

AWARDS/MEDAL AWARDS

2007 - 2009: Mrs. Charlton Reynders

2009 - 2011: Mrs. Stuart Ross

2011 - 2014: Mrs. Robert Clymer

2014 - 2015: Mrs. Peter Hennessy

CENTENNIAL COMMITTEE

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

CENTENNIAL PROJECTS

BRANCH OUT 2012-2014 Mrs. Antony Langham, Mrs. Joseph Maybank

MKES VEGETABLE GARDEN 2011-2012: Mrs. Winthrop Conrad

CLUB BOTANIST/WORKSHOPS

2003 - 2009: Mrs. C. H. Mitchell

2014 - 2015: Ann Catchpole

2009 - 2013: Mrs. Charles McDuffie

EDITOR OF “CLIPPINGS” NEWSLETTER

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

CORRESPONDENT TO THE GCA PUBLICATIONS COMMITTEE

2005 - 2009: Ms. Anne Putnam 2009 - 2015: Mrs. Roger Vincent

CUSTODIAN/ARCHIVES

2007 - 2015: Mrs. Joseph Maybank

HISTORIAN

2003 - 2009: Mrs. Roger B. Vincent

2009 - 2014: Mrs. Rodman Tilt

HOSTESSES

2007 - 2008: Mrs. Jonathon Connor

2011 - 2014: Mrs. John Talty

2008 - 2009: Mrs. J. Howland Robinson

2014 - 2015: Mrs. David Morris

2009 - 2011: Mrs. Robert Cushman

Mrs. Holly Warshaw

NY COMMITTEE OF GCA

2007 - 2015: Mrs. Coleman P. Burke

POLICY

2005 - 2009: Mrs. Joseph Mankiewicz

2009 - 2011: Mrs. Gordon Hamilton

2011 - 2014: Mrs. J. Howland Robinson

2014 - 2015: Mrs. Timothy Paul

PROJECTS

2007 - 2009: Mrs. John Stockbridge

2009 - 2011: Mrs. Shelly Ferrall, Mrs. Bryce O’Brien, Mrs. Jeremy Pinchot

2011 - 2015: Mrs. Bryce O’Brien, Mrs. Jeremy Pinchot

PROJECT REVIEW (1st or 2nd VP)

2007 - 2008: Mrs. John Redmon

2008 - 2010: Mrs. Paul T. Matthews

2010 - 2011: Mrs. Steven Kroll

2011 - 2015: Mrs. Philip Bowers

PUBLIC RELATIONS

2005 - 2009: Mrs. Anne Putnam

2011 - 2015: Mrs. Gary Corrigan

2009 - 2011: Mrs. John Morris

PHOTOGRAPHY

2005 - 2009: Mrs. Camillo Santomero

2011 - 2014: Mrs. Timothy Woodhull

2009 - 2011: Mrs. Peter Bouyoucos

2014 - 2015: Mrs. David Morris

WEB SITE

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

2011 - 2015: Mrs. Roger Vincent, Mrs. John Ryan

SCHOLARSHIP COMMITTEE

2005 - 2009: Mrs. Marion Wyeth
2009 - 2014: Mrs. Norman Selby

2014 - 2015: Mrs. Howland Robinson

SEEDLINGS/NEW MEMBERS (2nd VP)

2007 - 2008: Mrs. Philip Bowers, Mrs. Anthony Langham
2008 - 2010: Mrs. Paul T. Matthews
2010 - 2012: Mrs. John Morris
2012 - 2014: Mrs. Timothy Woodhull

2014-2015: Mrs. James Glascott

SUMMIT COORDINATOR

2009 - 2011: Mrs. Winthrop Conrad

TREE PROJECT

2009 - 2015: Mrs. Anthony Langham, Mrs. Joseph Maybank

TRIPS AND VISITING GARDENS

2007 - 2009: Mrs. Frank Kernan & Mrs. Peter Hennessy
2009 - 2011: Mrs. John Farr, Mrs. Paul Mas
2011 - 2012: Mrs. John Redmon & Mrs. Clinton Kendrick
2012 - 2015: Mrs. John Redmon & Mrs. Stephen Morris

WAYS AND MEANS

2007 - 2009: Mrs. Robert Clymer
2009 - 2011: Mrs. Daniel Ginnel
2011 - 2014: Mrs. Roger Stern
2014 - 2015: Mrs. Peter Hallock, Mrs. Paul Mas, Mrs. John Stockbridge

YEARBOOK

2007 - 2015: Mrs. John Milnes Baker

REPRESENTATIVES TO GCA

2007 - 2009: Mrs. Roberto Buaron, Awards Committee, Zone III Chairman
2007 - 2009: Mrs. John Redmon, Archive Committee, Zone III Representative
2007 - 2013: Mrs. Roger Vincent, GCA Historian
2011 - 2015: Mrs. John Redmon, Library Committee, Vice Chairman
2013 - 2014: Mrs. John Redmon, Archives Committee, Vice Chairman
2013 - 2014: Mrs. Winthrop Conrad, National Affairs and Legislation (Climate Change),
Vice Chairman

GARDEN CLUB OF AMERICA JUDGES

Exhibitions

Horticulture

Mrs. Foxhall A. Parker, ('89-'14)
Mrs. Foxhall A. Parker ('15) Judge Emeritus

Mrs. Charles E. McDuffie ('97-'15)