



Garden Club 2018 February Newsletter

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Message from Chairman Betsy: I think we have fun and interesting programs lined up for the year. If anyone hears about something interesting to do during the year we can always add it in or make a substitute. It was great to see so many new GC members. Welcome to all.

February Activities: We will meet at Harbourside Nursery on Tuesday February 20 at 10 am for a demonstration on pruning by Rachel Tipton. Please let Betsy Hughes know if you plan to attend as the maximum participation is about 15 (betsy.hughes099@gmail.com).



March Activities:

- Litter pick-up on a two mile stretch of Highway 55 through Oriental is scheduled for Friday March 16. Meet at the parking lot of Town & Country at 9 am.
- On Thursday March 22 we will be carpooling (meet at 8 am at the clubhouse) to Raleigh for the Art in Bloom program at the NC Museum of Art (2110 Blue Ridge Road, Raleigh 27607. 919-839-6262). Plan to meet at the Museum at 10:30 am. We are not arranging for a private docent tour. You need to make your reservation now to get a ticket that can be mailed to you or arrange for "will call". Lunch has been scheduled for Sittis Lebanese Restaurant at 1 pm (137 S. Wilmington St, Raleigh 27601, 919-239-4070). Guests are welcome.



Get your wood popsicle
plant markers from
Gwen Rhodes

April Activities: Plan to meet at the clubhouse on Tuesday April 17 at 9 am to do some light yard work (raking, weeding, pruning). Anne Parker and Lynne Kaplan are hostesses.



Yard of the Month: After discussion with several members it has been decided to keep the YOM judging from March through December rather than dropping March and August as indicated at the January meeting and in the Bylaws draft revisions because it is an important community activity and keeps the club in the news. Lynne Rousseau and Suzanne Jantzen have volunteered to be the judges for the March YOM. We are still in need of at least two members to volunteer to judge the August yard. If the weather is such that an appropriate yard cannot be found for March and/or August or any other month then a winner does not need to be selected. Judges for the April yard are Gay Webster and Michele Musella. In addition to providing a picture and brief statement about the winning yard to the *Pamlico News*, please email picture and winners name to Suzanne Jantzen (suzj130@gmail.com) for the newsletter.

Other Activities:



- Don't miss the Tuesday March 6 OWC General Meeting. Bring Easter baskets and/or items for the baskets (such as wrapped candy, small stuffed animals, toys/game, grass). This Home Life project brings a little joy at Easter to children in need. The meeting also features presentations by some very famous/influential ladies both past and present!
- OWC Chowder Cook-off is Saturday March 17 at Toucan Grill/Marina Courtyard, 11 am to 2 pm. If you can help with this fun fundraising event contact Sally Belangia, sally.belangia@firstcitizens.com.
- Wilmington Azalea Festival is April 11-15. There is a parade, shag dancing, street music, art contest and sale, and much more. For information call 910-794-6650 or visit info@ncazalea festival.org.

Bet You Did Not Know

- ❖ January 21 was Squirrel Appreciation Day.
- ❖ February 3 was Feed the Birds Day.
- ❖ March 3 is Peach Blossom Day.
- ❖ March 12 is Plant a Flower Day (May be a bit early for us).
- ❖ March 20 is First Day of Spring (Thank You, Thank You).
- ❖ March 26 is National Spinach Day.
- ❖ March 28 is Weed Appreciation Day (Kill a Weed Day would be better)



Welcome New GC
Members:
Carol Glorioso
Sharon Morgan