



GETTING READY FOR WINTER: PLAN INTERESTING PROGRAMS

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MEMBERSHIP DEVELOPMENT



WHAT IS SUBSCRIBING MEMBERSHIP?

Great Day Trip for New Members and Garden Friends

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During a recent day trip to Gibbs Garden located in Ball Ground, Georgia, seniors arrived on an assisted living bus and charter buses. Despite many of them using walkers and canes, they were able to observe magnificent gardens. . This could be an outstanding trip for present members and prospective members. Check their website.: <http://www.gibbsgardens.com> for outstanding photos of the gardens.

What is Subscribing Membership? Subscribing Membership is an idea for a special gift!

A Subscribing Member shall be an individual who is committed to the purposes and objectives of the Garden Club of Georgia, Inc. and desires association without the necessity of becoming a member of a local member garden club. A Subscribing Member shall be eligible to participate in all programs and events available to the general membership, shall receive *Garden Gateways* and other informative membership mailings but without the privilege of a vote.

Dues are \$25.00 per year for the Subscribing Member. Reminders will be sent prior to membership expiration. Those unpaid will be dropped from the membership and will be ineligible for awards competition

Making a World of Difference and Helping to Save the Environment!

Open new doors for in-depth creative learning and educational opportunities centered on the natural resources of planet earth: our air, water, forest, land and wildlife. Education is the key to making responsible decisions for today and tomorrow. Educated citizens are responsible stewards, who then are able to make wise choices for conserving and protecting our planet earth and its natural resources.

Become an Ecology Warrior!

The Environmental Concerns and Conservation Committee of National Garden Clubs, Inc. invites you to become an Ecology Warrior as you investigate and study the contents of our [Ecology Warriors Workbook](#).

Make a World of Difference

Remember, you can Make a World of Difference through the choices you make for the conservation and preservation of our natural resources. It's just a matter of what kind of difference you want to make. Choices matter!

Download the Ecology Warriors Workbook (from the NGC Website)

SCHOOL GARDEN TEACHER TRAINING

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GHC hosted the USA Extension's 2016 School Garden Teacher Training program on the Cartersville site. Over 30 local teachers participated. UGS extension staff and GHS faculty/staff also took part. Teachers learned through hands-on workshops how to start a school garden. Topics covered included healthy soil; planting for the school calendar; basic pest management; food safety in the school garden and lesson plans for the gardens.



Mr. Bobby Mixon, a long-time garden club member, recently worked with a group of students in grades one through three. In the photo at left, students explained their botany project. Students had planted beans and observed them in three conditions: bean with much water, bean with sun and water, bean with sun. Students were then asked to gather their projects and prepare an observation sheet on the growth of each example. One student's bean stem broke as it was selected from the tray. He decided to try to use transparent tape to hold it upright. He comments, "Next week we will have to see if the tape was a good idea."

Bobby read to the botany students books about butterflies. Students then painted wooden butterflies and strung them for window ornaments. The books that were read were donated to the school library.

Do you have youth that could use a teacher of 40+ years? Probably, yes would be the answer. Love for youth never diminishes and youth are always excited to have a new person work with them. Involve your youth. They are our future.

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Join Us as we "Leap Into Action," while we

"Sow Seeds of Knowledge and Reap Conservation with Beauty."

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