I have chosen to begin this final landscape newsletter as an editorial in order to use the first person. When I accepted the position as Landscape Newsletter editor, I made a promise to myself that I would visit each site of which I wrote and do my own photography. I have visited all sites and with the exception of two or three photographs, I have made each photo. (I particularly remember a very hot day alone in the Birmingham Botanical Gardens, and the fun I had with my son as we walked the Olmsted LinearParks!)

And now for my final newsletter - This one will be a little different as I made no visit but sat at my desk and researched some of my favorite landscape architects. Please enjoy.

*Sine die*
The following landscape architects are listed in no particular order, chronologically or otherwise:

**Andre Le Notre**

Le Notre is known as the principle gardener and landscape designer of the gardens of Versailles – his masterpiece. He designed the Tuileries Gardens of Paris and extended its westward vista to include what is now known as the Champs-Elysees. Other notable accomplishments include the gardens of the Chateau de Chantilly (see design below) and the gardens of Fontainebleau. Charles L’Enfant was influenced by Le Notre when designing the grounds of the United States Capitol.

**Garrett Eckbo**

Garrett Eckbo is an American landscape architect known partly for two important landscape books: *Landscape*
for Living and The Art of Landscaping. He is primarily known for his forward thinking role in landscape architecture. His education was received at Harvard University and The University of Californian at Berkeley.

One of his first designs was for camps for the migrant agricultural workers of California. During World War II, he designed site plans for the settlements of defense workers on the west coast. Always forward thinking; he embraced the California mode of indoor/outdoor living.

Frederick Law Olmsted

The best known of all American landscape architects and the “Father of Landscape Architecture,” is Frederick Law Olmsted - his accomplishments are well-known. One issue of the landscape newsletter was devoted to him. Central Park and the grounds of Biltmore in Asheville, North Carolina are perhaps his best known designs.
Capability Brown

Capability Brown (1716-1783) was considered England’s greatest gardener, having designed over 170 parks. A trip to England would not be complete without visiting one of his parks. When roaming around, look for a naturalistic landscape with great lakes and bridges. Some of his greatest designs can be found at the following sites: Alnwick Castle in Northumberland, Burghley House in Lincolnshire, Chatsworth in Derbyshire and Croome Park in Worcestershire. All are open to the public.

Gertrude Jekyll

“The love of gardening is a seed once sown that never dies.” GJ
More about Gertrude Jekyll

Gertrude Jekyll, (1843-1932) was a British horticulturist, garden designer, writer, artist and photographer. During her lifetime, she created over four hundred gardens in the United Kingdom, Europe and the United States. She also wrote over one thousand articles for various publications. She was one of the greatest of all English garden designers. If her surname sounds familiar, it should. Her brother was a friend of Robert Louis Stevenson who used his name in his novella, Dr. Jekyll and Mr. Hyde.

More quotes by Gertrude Jekyll –
“A garden is a grand teacher. It teaches patience and careful watchfulness; it teaches industry and thrift; above all, it teaches entire trust.”

“There is no spot of ground, however arid, bare or ugly, that cannot be tamed into such a state as may give an impression of beauty and delight.”

A Jekyll Design
Announcements

The Rome Federated Garden Clubs, Inc. and Laurel District will host The NGC’s Landscape Design Schools in Rome, GA on the following dates:

- August 7 & 8, 2019, Course I
- November 20 & 21, 2019, Course II
- February 12 & 13, 2020, Course III
- August 28 & 29, 2020, Course IV

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