Dear Redbuds,
This chairman is proud to be your new District Director and will give my all to serve you our Redbud Member Clubs, The Garden Club of Georgia, Inc., Deep South Region and National Garden Clubs, Inc. My theme “Coming Together With Purpose” will highlight what we can do to preserve the environment with projects such as, “Backyard Wildlife Habitat”, “Crown Bees Bee GAP”; also encourage honoring our service men and women with “Blue Star Markers” and promote Education, Conservation and Beauty through our Redbud District Flower Show, “Daisy is Bewitched”. We will need your help with these projects and hope you will volunteer when called upon.

This director has been busy this Spring attending the Deep South Convention in Birmingham, AL. Then The Garden Club of Georgia Convention at Jekyll Island where Redbud was beaming when our State President, Martha Price presented us with lots of state awards. We are looking forward to partnering with our state chairmen and their projects. Traveling to Louisville, Kentucky for the National Convention was exciting and inspirational. Our new National President, Sandy Robinson will highlight concerns for the environment in the following projects: Service in Action, Crown Bees Bee GAP, The Frightened Frog, Monarch Watch, Backyard Wildlife Habitat, and Leap Into Leadership.

Hoping to see you this summer when Redbud along with Dogwood District present two workshops: 1st Club Officers Workshop, Bellmere, July 22, 2015 and 2nd Awards Workshop, Briarlake Baptist Church, August 21st. Come join us.

On the 10th of August, our new Redbud District Board along with the Yellow Daisy Flower Show Committee will meet in Griffin at the Spalding Extension Office, 835 Memorial Drive, Griffin, GA 30233. Board members please bring a covered dish to share. Our host will be the Evergreen Club of Griffin and chaired by Anna Burns and Jane Langford, President of Evergreen. Coffee at 9:30 AM, Meeting 10:00 AM – 1:30 PM. Plan on attending the Fall Annual Redbud District Meeting at Dunaway Gardens on October 15th. A wonderful program & tour will be presented by Jennifer Bingham with project displays and the presentation of award winners. See notices in this newsletter for all the details of these meetings.

If you haven’t seen our FUNraising project, the “Magic Wand”, you will want one, two or more for your Grandchildren, nursing home occupants, not to mention yourself. The delightful lighted musical wand turns your Christmas tree or lamp on and off like magic. So we are off to a roaring start as this director looks forward to working with each and every one of you while we come together with purpose.

Janet McGinnis

Coming Together with Purpose
Conyers Celebrates Garden Week

Conyers Garden Club members met on April 20, 2015 to celebrate Garden Week in Georgia. Members created potted posies for the residents of Morningside of Conyers. Garden Week in Georgia was created by a Proclamation of Gov. Nathan Deal which established it as the third week of April in 2012. Member clubs of the Garden Club of Georgia, Inc. such as the Conyers Garden Club, strive to promote the objectives of the GCG, which are " Beautification, Conservation & Education". Pictured (l-r) are Mary Jackson, Melinda Cowan, Susan Klem, Gail Thomas, Pam Hinesley, Kathy Williams, Susan Hicks, Ann McCoy and Susan Turner along with their creations.

Shenandoah Rose a Winner

Shenandoah Rose Garden Club recently won several awards at the DeKalb Federation Awards Luncheon. 1st Place – Federation Attendance; 1st Place – Horticulture Study/Activity; 1st Place – Garden Center Participation; 1st Place – Library; 1st Place – Gavel; 1st Place – Special Achievement; 1st Place – Newsletter; 1st Place – Website; 3rd Place – Programs. Our group is small, but very active.

Smoke Rise Morning Glories Wins

What an honor! Our club was so surprised to win the DeKalb Federation Dial Heights Club of the Year Award in 2015. We won in 2014 and applied again to acknowledge all the work that members had contributed in 2015.

To briefly recap, the members volunteered for Garden Therapy at Stone Mountain Estates, decorated the historic Wells Brown House in Stone Mountain Village for Christmas, participated in a wide variety of environmental education opportunities with programs and tips at every meeting, volunteered at the Smoke Rise Charter School atrium school grounds beautification project and re-introduced the bluebird boxes to the Smoke Rise Country Club grounds. Members donated to the Fig Leaf Project, served on various boards and committees for the Federation, Redbud District and Garden Club of Georgia and in general worked very hard to serve our community. We are grateful for the recognition and are indeed inspired to keep on striving for more meaningful activities within DeKalb County in the coming years.
Redbud Participates in Garden Club of Georgia Convention

The 2015 GCG Convention, held at Jekyll Island, was attended by 23 members of Redbud, representing 11 of our 49 clubs: Spade and Trowel, Moonflower, Azalea of Barnesville, Conyers, Breckenridge Garden Arts, Hunting Hill, Old Town GC of Sharpsburg, Mimosa, Azalea of Jackson, Designers, Shenandoah Rose and Avondale Estates. Redbud clubs were named many times during the Awards program, for not only State, but also Deep South and National awards. A complete listing of awards will be posted online soon with GCG. Members attended a Dolphin Boat trip, an excursion to the Sea Turtle Research facility, all business meetings, and the very enjoyable state and district installation ceremonies on Friday.

Janet McGinnis, Redbud District Director, and the Convention floral design based on Amicola Falls.

Materials used were hydrangea and curly willow.

Martha Price, President GCG, as she continues to work through the morning meeting.

Susan Turner, special FUNdraising project, demonstrated the Wonderful Wands at the GCG Convention Redbud District Breakfast.
New Redbud Officers

Installation of the new 2015-2017 Redbud District Officers was done during the Redbud district Breakfast at the GCG Convention in Jekyll Island. The installation ceremony by outgoing Director Emily Wilbert was based on the shells of the sea, very appropriate because of the location of the Convention. Pictured L-R, Beth Wielage, recording secretary; Diane Hunter, co-Director; Janet McGinnis, Director; Rigby Duncan, treasurer. The corresponding secretary, Denise Finley, was unable to be there.

GCG Finance Committee Chosen at Convention

Redbud is well represented on the new GCG Finance Committee.

Pictured are Mary Denney, Finance Chairman, and Susan Turner, Assistant Treasurer, also the Youth Coordinator & Wild & Wonderful Experience Co-Chairman for 2015-2017

Mark your Calendar
Redbud Annual Fall District Meeting
October 15, 2015
Dunaway Gardens, Newnan Georgia
More information to come
Redbud Wins Some More!!

Our wonderful Redbud garden clubs have been winning lots of awards.

**Deep South Region**

1st Place winners:
#8ii Bird Award - Spade & Trowel CG of Thomaston
#31B Publicity Press Book - Redbud District
#33A2 Yearbook Award - Conyers GC
#33A3 Yearbook Award - Smoke Rise Morning Glories GC

2nd Place winner:
Youth Sculpture Contest (Grade 4) - Luke Johnson, Westwood School, Spade & Trowel GC

3rd Place winner:
33A1 Yearbook Award - Ladybugs GC

**National Garden Club, Inc**

1st Place winners:
#30B District Standard Flower Show Achievement Award "Daisy Rocks the Mountain"
#74 Operation Wildflower Outdoor Classrooms/Nature Trails + $750.00
16A2 Yearbook (Deep South Region, first place, 20-29 members)
#16A3 Yearbook (Deep South Region, first place, 30-44 members)
#44B Pressbook (Deep South Region, first place, district)

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**NGC CALENDAR "VISION OF BEAUTY"**

All members of clubs affiliated with National Garden Clubs, Inc are invited to send digital photos for the 2017 Calendar. Submit only Vertical digital photos, taken with a camera with a minimum of (8) mega-pixels. A digital print, size 5”x 7”, must be sent by mail, along with an entry form. Also email the digital image (jpeg), including title and name of the designer, to ngcvob@gmail.com. Send a file that is a minimum of 300 dpi. Maximum (5) entries. Entry form available www.gardenclub.org

CALENDAR DEADLINE: JULY 1, 2015

Mail to:
Brenda Bingham
7 Lenape Trail
Cedar Grove, NJ 07009

For further information contact
Janet McGinnis, jmcgi@bellsouth.net
REDBUD DISTRICT BOARD MEMBERS &
YELLOW DAISY FLOWER SHOW COMMITTEE
MEETING
August 10, 2015
Spalding Extension Office
835 Memorial Drive (GA Highway 16 E)
Griffin, GA 30233
Coffee at 9:30 AM, Meeting 10:00 AM – 1:30 PM

All Board members are expected to attend. Please bring a covered dish to share. Our host will be the Evergreen Club of Griffin and chaired by Anna Burns and Jane Langford, President of Evergreen. Yellow Daisy Flower Show Committee will meet after lunch. Directions: From I-75 take exit 205 less than 1 mile, look on the right for Spalding County Senior Center sign; (converted shopping center) 4-H Office is in the strip center on the left side of the property. If lost call the Extension Office 770-467-4225.

REDBUD DISTRICT & DOGWOOD DISTRICT
AWARDS WORKSHOP

August 21, 2015
Briarlake Baptist Church
3715 Lavista Road
Tucker, GA 30084
Coffee at 9:30 AM, Meeting 10:00 AM – 2:00 PM
State Awards Chairman, Jackie Fulmer

Everything you need to know about awards and their application for State, Regional and National Awards. Lunch will be served. Registration information will be sent on the Listserve.
DOGWOOD DISTRICT & REDBUD DISTRICT
INVITE YOU TO ATTEND
CLUB OFFICERS WORKSHOP
Presented by Sara Lanier

Wednesday, July 22nd 2015
10:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m.
At
Bellmere Garden House
10777 Bell Road
Duluth, GA 30097

Cost: $15.00 includes box lunch and hand-out materials

Presidents, Club Officers, all Club Chairmen and other interested members are strongly urged to attend this informative workshop. Topics to be discussed include Officer Duties, How to be an Effective Officer, and affiliations with your District.

Registration & Coffee: 9:30 a.m.
Workshop: 10:00 a.m. promptly
Lunch: 11:30 a.m.
Afternoon Session: 12:15-2:00 p.m.

Deadline to sign up for this workshop is Tuesday, July 14th
Make your checks payable to Dogwood District and mail to:
Nola Hawkinson
6255 Mountain Brook Lane NW
Atlanta, GA 30328
E-mail nolaannh@comcast.net
DIRECTIONS – From I-285
From the West or East

Take Exit 31B GA-141N/Peachtree Industrial Blvd 4.15 miles
Take the GA-141 exit on the left 0.35 miles
Stay straight to go onto GA-141 Peachtree Pkwy NW 7.88 miles
(Continue to follow GA-141)
Turn right onto Bell Road 0.91 miles
On the left 10777 Bell Road, Duluth, GA 30097

DIRECTIONS – From GA-400N/GA-19N
From the South

Take Exit 10 GA-120E (Old Milton Pkwy) 2.8 miles
Turn Left onto Kimball Bridge Road (GA-120) 0.1 miles
Keep Right onto Kimball Bridge Road (GA-120) 3.6 miles
Turn Left onto Medlock Bridge Road (GA-141) 0.2 miles
Turn Right onto Bell Road 0.9 miles
On the left 10777 Bell Road, Duluth, GA 30097

Please fill out the following registration form and send in with your check

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The Garden Club of Georgia, Inc.
&
Charlie Elliott Wildlife Center
Presents a
Wild and Wonderful Experience
July 12-14, 2015
Charlie Elliott Wildlife Center
Mansfield, Georgia

Would a child you know love an opportunity to be surrounded by nature, make new friends and have a wonderful time this summer? Check out the 8th Annual GCG Environmental Education Camp! This camp is open to all children entering 5th or 6th grades. Our young people are invited to spend time learning about environmental and conservation issues plus much more! We have many fun and exciting programs planned with guest speakers and of course, all the fun of the Charlie Elliott Wildlife Center!

Spread the word to your club presidents, members and friends, as space is limited. The fee is $125.00 per child. Call or email for more information and get the Youth in your life involved with this Wild and Wonderful Experience offered by The Garden Club of Georgia, Inc.

Info & registration forms may be found on our website www.gardenclub.uga.edu under “Youth.”

~Questions? Call or email~

Molly Kimler
GCG Youth Coordinator
W&WE Camp Chairman
770-464-3589
mkimler@uga.edu

Susan Turner
GCG 2nd VP & Youth Liaison
W&WE Camp Co-Chairman
770-922-4411
glencree@bellsouth.net
We trust you are excited about our Halloween theme for this year’s Redbud District Yellow Daisy Flower Show September 11-13, 2015. **Daisy is Bewitched** promises to bring a *spooktacular good* time for our annual event. Your Schedule Committee is brewing up much fun in their cauldrons as we put a *Scare in the Air*, a little *Fright in the Night* and harken back to centuries gone by where *All Hallows Eve* was a time to pay homage to the departed, pray for their souls as they await entrance into heaven and shake a fist at the evil that challenges the mortal world.

Make *No Bones About It*, this will be a show with something for everyone as Traditional, Creative, Hanging and Petite Designs come together for a *Wee Witching* event. Daisy will be donning her guise, ready to invite you to *Enter if you Dare*, with a wreath design staged on a door. She will lead you to her *Spooky Soiree* of Four Exhibition Tables, Type II, each depicting a Halloween Dinner Party. Her *Little Shop of Horrors* Petite Section will feature a hanging design of *Batty Bats*, *Wee Witching* Traditional or Creative Small Designs and Four Small plaques entitled *Skeletal Remains*. More design fun awaits your curiosity!

The Horticulture Division will feature your entries of *Spooky Silhouettes* (Trees); *Mystic Magic* (Shrubs); *Magical Potions* (Herbs); *Boldly Boo-tiful* (Roses); and *Tasty Treats* (Fruits and Vegetable), to name just a few.

Educational Exhibits will feature themes of cooking and/or growing herbs in *Bone Appetite* and *Bone Chilling*, an exhibit highlighting bats and bat boxes.

Our Junior Aged Youth (pre-school through age seven) will be creating *Monster Mask*, a traditional or creative design incorporating a mask, provided by the show committee. Intermediates (ages eight through twelve) will incorporate recycled item(s) in a traditional or creative design for their theme *Once Possessed*. Intermediates are also eligible for entry in the NGC/GCG Youth Sculpture Contest, using proper design dimensions; see rules at gardenclub.org or ask youth chairman Joanne Bennett for details. Lastly, our High School entrants will create a traditional or creative design with the theme *Bubbling Cauldrons*. All Youth Horticulture will be comprised of Flowering Specimens, Foliage Cut Specimens and Fruits and Vegetables.

Yes, your Show Committee Chairmen have *Eerie-sistible* opportunities for you to volunteer to serve as a clerk, a hostess or help set up the show. With a little *Hocus Pocus*, the Horticulture Division will be transformed with your help in the horticulture check-in area or horticulture placement. We need people willing to shuttle judges and clerks from the Memorial Hall parking lot to Memorial Hall, and others to assist with refreshments for workers and tearing down the show. If you are willing to offer a few hours of your time, please contact Show Chairman Susan Turner, glencree@bellsouth.net; 770-922-4411; cell: 404-502-8147 or Show Co-Chairman, Betty Lester, at bettylester@charter.net; 706-884-7257.

You may contact any of the chairmen listed to answer questions or sign up directly with them. They will be happy to hear from you!

업체 Clerk to assist Judges – Ann Purr, Chairman 770-921-9070 apurr@comcast.com
Design Entries – Joy Zaidan, Chairman. 770-493-8475 cell: 404-735-9379  jzaidan@bellsouth.net

��置花卉分类团队 - Emily Wilbert, 主席 770-502-8381 themomemw@gmail.com

配置花卉安置团队 – 主席希望与 Dian Goldwire, 共同主席 706-882-2667 jgoldwi@bellsouth.net

女主人迎宾队伍 - Beth Wielage, 主席 404-294-5765 bwielage@bellsouth.net

摄影团 – 协助捕捉我们的美好回忆！需要主席！

穿梭协助队伍 – Denise Finlay, 主席 770-939-8878 2finleys@bellsouth.net

布置与标志团队 – Janet McGinnis, 主席 770-939-8878 jmcgi@bellsouth.net

员工招待队伍 – Sandy Suggs, 主席 770-493-8136 sandysuggs@bellsouth.net

青年团队 - 设计与花卉参赛项目 Joanne Bennett, 主席 404-636-3856 joanneb571@aol.com

我们的宣传主席，Mary Lovings，将发送一份新闻稿给各个俱乐部“填空”并带到当地报纸。这有助于让更多的人了解 YDFS，你当地的花园俱乐部和 GCG！

考虑一个俱乐部捐款来帮助支付这次 Redbud 区域事件的费用。此捐款可算作参加一个 Redbud 区域项目作为您俱乐部主席的报告。此外，它帮助该区域达到 75% 参与水平以申请全国花卉展奖！

请将支票邮寄给 Redbud 区域到 Rigby Duncan 2800 Hunting Hill Lane Decatur, GA 30033-1504

额外细节：

设计和花卉参赛项目可以提交到星期四，9月 10 日从 1:00-6:30 p.m. 时。设计和花蕾来自居住在亚特兰大市以外的参赛项目可以提交到星期五，9月 11 日从 8:00-9:30 a.m. 时。

花卉参赛项目卡片可以从花卉配置委员会主席 Emily Wilbert (themomemw@gmail.com; 770-502-8381) 或共同主席 Rosalie Gage 和 The DeKalb Federation Garden Center at Callanwolde (404-872-5730) 获得。

开始思考您将进入哪些您所珍视的花卉参赛项目！我们还需要各种类型的切割标本，以及开花和盆栽植物；凤梨花，兰科植物，非洲紫罗兰，仙人掌和多肉植物，蕨类和常春藤，例如。将您在家种植的西红柿，西瓜，辣椒和其他蔬菜！
Upon final completion, the flower show schedule will be posted on the Redbud District (www.redbuddistrict.com) and DeKalb Federation websites (www.dekalbfederation.com) for your review of design and horticulture classes. As always, Club Presidents will receive a schedule via US Mail.

A few blue ribbon-winning tips on entering horticulture in the flower show:

- **Horticulture Cards:** The Section, Class and Botanical name (genus and species) are to be filled out with pencil. Pencil or ink may be used for the rest of the card. The use of waterproof address labels is still permitted. **Do not use computer-generated labels unless you have a laser printer.** Ink jet labels are not waterproof.
- Be sure your horticulture entries are well-groomed (clean the leaves, remove diseased and spent leaves)
- Make sure there is enough water in the bottle and that the stem is in the water.
- There are to be no leaves below the water line in the bottle (Exception: gladiolus).
- A cut specimen that is upright in the bottle is likely to score higher. Therefore, use the green Styrofoam or oasis to wedge cutting in bottle and improve pose of specimen.
- In order to be eligible for a blue ribbon and top exhibitor award, exhibitor must list genus and species (botanical name) on entry card.

Our YDFS Team is confident that *Daisy is Bewitched* will be a fun and unique show. Mark your calendars and enter your data for September 11-13, 2015. Setup will begin on Tuesday, September 8th at Memorial Hall in Stone Mountain Park. Complimentary park entry passes are available upon request from Susan Turner glencree@bellsouth.net; 770-922-4411, Betty Lester, bettylester@charter.net; 706-884-7257 and the Garden Center at Callanwolde (404-872-5730).

See you September 11
As Daisy Gets Bewitched
In memory of former GCG President Suzanne Wheeler, North Georgia Council of Flower Show Judges is sponsoring a Flower Show School to be held at Bellmere Garden House in Johns Creek. Come and join us September 28-30, 2015 for Course I. Learn the “ins and outs” of flower shows and how to create and judge award-winning designs. Georgia’s own, Fay Brassie, NGC Flower Show School Instructor, will exhibit and discuss traditional mass, line, line/mass and still life designs. If your focus is on horticulture, then you’ll want to come and hear Darlene Newell, NGC Flower Show School Instructor from West Virginia, talk about chrysanthemums, succulents and cacti, and how to grow, show and judge them.

Flower Show School is not only for prospective flower show exhibitors and judges, but also for all garden club members and all persons interested in flower design and horticulture. While the primary purpose of these courses is to train those aspiring to become flower show judges, many people attend for information only. Each of the four courses, offered approximately every six months, includes Horticulture curriculum, Design instruction and Flower Show Procedure. The cost for each course is $125.00. For further information, contact Joy Zaidan, GCG Flower Show Schools Chairman at jzaidan@bellsouth.net or 770-493-8475.

*See registration form on next page*
**The Suzanne Wheeler**
FLOWER SHOW SCHOOL

Course I

**Registration Deadline: September 14, 2015**
NO REFUNDS AFTER SEPTEMBER 20, 2015

**Course I: September 28-30, 2015**
(The 2007 *Handbook* is required for credit)

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Make Checks Payable To:
NGCFSJ Flower Show School

Mail to: Cookie Roland, Registrar & Co-Chairman
2771 Anscot Court, Snellville, GA 30078-3005
r_cookie@att.net

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Fees include lunch and 2 breaks with snacks on Tuesday and Wednesday
Celebrate 40th Anniversary of Cherokee Garden Library
Award winning author and America’s Favorite Gardener
Ken Druse
Wednesday, October 14, 7 pm
McElreath Hall, Atlanta History Center
AtlantaHistoryCenter.com/CherokeeGardenLibrary or call 404.814.4150