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The Little Garden Club of Memphis
Member of the Garden Club of America

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Ruthie Taylor

President's Letter

Welcome back to another fun year with LGC! I hope you got lots of R&R this summer because the 2021-22 LGC calendar is full.

Inspirations with Bunny Williams is moving forward, with ticket sales starting today. Our New Member Party will be back this fall and Brad and I are both excited about that. (Brad missed garden club parties more than I did, I think!) The LGC Auction is being revamped by committee chairs Anne Keese, Christy Muller and Weetie Whittemore and will take place next spring. We have amazing Membership Meeting programs, and LGC Reads & LGC In Stitches will continue. LGC Travel has a couple of trips in the works. Details will be coming soon on all of this and more! Suffice it to say that you will have FUN this year!

Before I go any further, I want to talk about the elephant in the

room. COVID was on the way out when we planned these events last spring. Unfortunately, we now have the Delta variant to consider. We will continue to meet as Shelby County Health Department Regulations allow, but please make your own attendance decisions based on your particular health situation. We will take attendance this year so contact Membership Chair Tempe Thompson if you need an allowance.

I am most excited about our new LGC website and hope it will be a useful tool for the club moving forward. Thank you to all who have visited and sent in such kind words and thanks! If you have not a chance to check it out yet, the web address is www.littlegardenclubofmemphis.org. (The LGC Members Area is only accessible via password so be sure to set up your account via the link I sent previously.)

Look forward to seeing you all at MBG next week for our fall kickoff meeting!

Kate

September Membership Meeting



*"Party Flowers"
with John Mark Sharpe
Thursday, September 9, 11:00 am
Memphis Botanic Garden
Hostesses: Connie Adams, EJ Baird, Mimsie Crump and
Catherine Sikes*

We are thrilled to have fabulous local floral designer John Mark Sharpe as our first speaker of the year! You will not want to miss this meeting! John Mark is the owner and creative genius behind John Mark Enterprises, a floral design shop and business in Germantown. He will be demonstrating fun and interesting floral designs that we can do for our own parties, events, lunches or dinners! Not only is John Mark incredibly talented, he is truly delightful and promises to give us new ideas that we will enjoy trying ourselves!

Inspirations with Bunny Williams



*New Date for INSPIRATIONS
Wednesday, November 10
9:30 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.
Memphis Botanic Garden*

INSPIRATIONS featuring the legendary Bunny Williams is just around the corner with a new date of Wednesday, November 10. The date may have changed but the game remains the same!!

Doors open for market at 9:30 a.m. with coffee and champagne as you shop, Bunny will engage and inspire us at 11:00 a.m. and lunch with more shopping will follow. Bunny will be signing her books, which will be available for purchase.

Your committees have been hard at work this summer. At present, there are 16 generous sponsors helping us put on this dynamic event. The publicity team and ticket sales team is gearing up to hit the pavement and our market girls have curated a fabulous selection of items, just in time for your Christmas shopping.

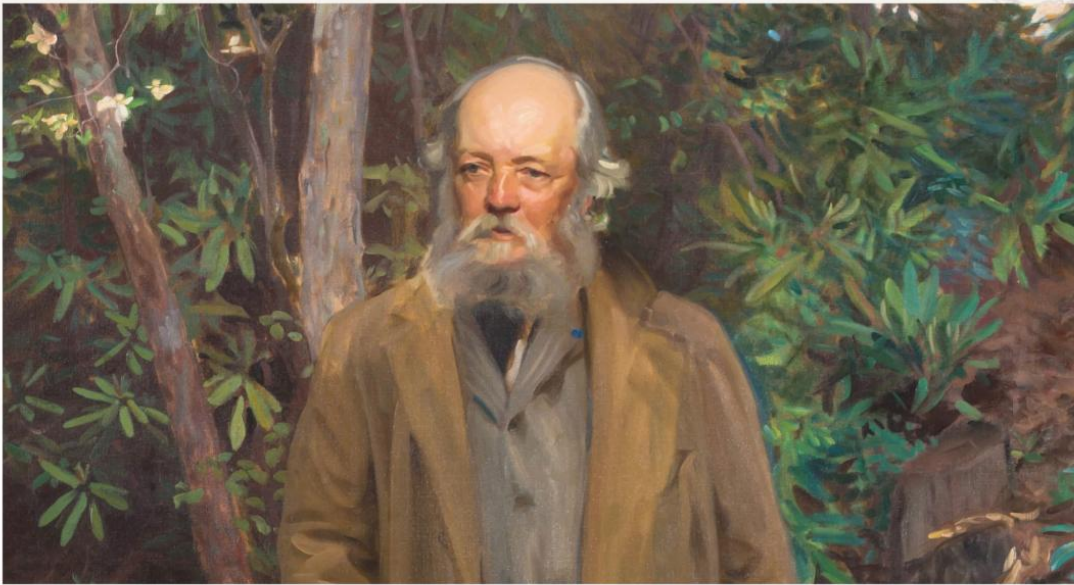
Plan ahead and bring your friends for a fun day of market, inspiration, lunch and fellowship. As always, each member is responsible for 2 tickets. You may purchase these through our new club website (more on that later!) or at our September meeting.

We are looking forward to a wonderful fun filled day!

–Paige and Katherine

[Purchase Tickets and Learn More](#)

Garden History & Design



Frederick Law Olmsted (detail) by John Singer Sargent. Used with permission from The Biltmore Company, Asheville, North Carolina

"An artist, he paints with lakes and wooded slopes; with lawns and banks and forest covered hills; with mountain sides and ocean views."

-Olmsted colleague Daniel Burnham

2022 is the 200th anniversary of the birth of Frederick Law Olmsted who is considered to be the father of landscape architecture, a great public servant, and a very complex figure.

As your Garden History & Design co-chairs, we will be highlighting his life and legacy during the coming year. Historical figures from 200 years ago seem far removed from our lives, but in this case, his living legacy is very accessible in the design of 100 public parks, 50 residential communities and 40 academic institutions in addition to hundreds of private commissions.

Did you know?

Two hundred years ago, public parks were a rarity. In 1850, Olmsted took a six-month walking tour in England that was to prove life changing. He paid a visit to Liverpool, England's "Birkenhead Park". It was so unusual to have a space like that open and available to all. It was there that Olmsted had the radical idea that **PARK ACCESS SHOULD BE A RIGHT OF ALL AMERICANS.**



We hope you enjoy learning more about this great man and his legacy.

–Janet Misner and Leslie Schutt

[Olmstead 200 Website](#)

Summer Memorials and Honorariums

Memorial Fund

In Memory of Bobby Hussey

Ginger and Dabney Collier
Lucia and Hal Crenshaw
Emily and Harvey Kay
Judy Powell
Tempe and Michael Thompson

In Honor of Linda Mallory

Angie Smith

In Memory of Victor Smith

Emily and Harvey Kay
Tempe and Michael Thompson

In Memory of Scotty Triplett

Ginger and Dabney Collier
Lucia and Hal Crenshaw
Emily and Harvey Kay
Gina and John White

Sensory Garden

In Memory of Bobby Hussey

Katherine Gilliland Connell
Michelle and Bill Dunavant
Dot and Dick Fisher
Mary Call and Mott Ford
Janet Misner
Dee Muller
Ruthie and Edward Taylor

In Memory of Victor Smith

Kathy and Ben Adams
Katherine Gilliland Connell
Michelle and Bill Dunavant
Dot and Dick Fisher

In Memory of Ray Tanner

Katherine Gilliland Connell

Kate and Brad Trammell
Nora and Wallace Witmer

Mary Call and Mott Ford

In Memory of Ralph Muller
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September Birthdays



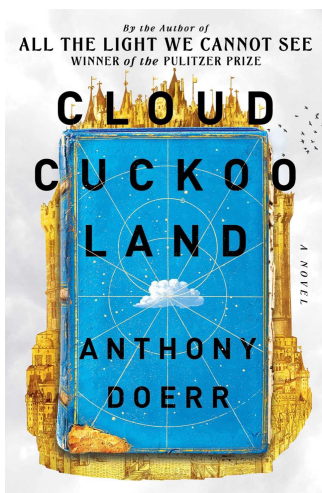
5 Gina White
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16 Leslie Schutt
17 EJ Baird
18 Deborah Tipton
19 Meredith Pritchard
21 Lucia Crenshaw
21 Judy Powell
21 Ann Prince
22 Janet Misner
30 Bradley Fogelman

LGC Reads (and talks...and eats...and laughs)



We plan to host several fun gatherings this fall, winter and spring to discuss three BRAND NEW and highly acclaimed books!

Dates and details coming soon!



Cloud Cuckoo Land

Written by Anthony Doerr, author of *All the Light We Cannot See* and winner of the Pulitzer Prize.

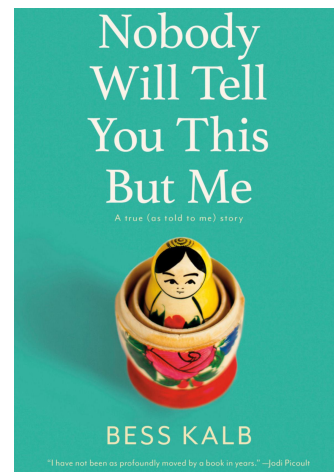
"Set in Constantinople in the fifteenth century, in a small town in present-day Idaho, and on an interstellar ship decades from now, Anthony Doerr's gorgeous third novel is a triumph of imagination and compassion, a soaring story about children on the cusp of adulthood in worlds in peril, who find resilience, hope—and a book. In *Cloud Cuckoo Land*, Doerr has created a magnificent tapestry of times and places that

reflects our vast interconnectedness—with other species, with each other, with those who lived before us, and with those who will be here after we're gone. " -Amazon

Please contact www.novelmemoir.com or call (901) 922-5226 to pre-order your copy which will be released on September 28. We support local book sellers!

In the meantime, if you are looking for something light, hilarious and poignant to read, several of our members have enjoyed *Nobody Will Tell You This But Me: A True (As Told to Me) Story*, by Bess Kalb.

–Leslie Schutt



Horticulture



Shirley Meneice

The Garden Club of America invites you to join us for the Shirley Meneice Horticulture Conference. We will travel the United States and discover the joys of growing a garden and learn as we bring together passionate plant enthusiasts from throughout the country.

Wednesday, September 22

10:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m. CST – morning session
3:00 p.m. – 5:00 p.m. CST – afternoon session

Thursday, September 23

10:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m. CST – morning session
3:00 p.m. – 5:00 p.m. CST – afternoon session

We will explore four very distinct botanic gardens, tour very special private gardens, learn from horticulture demonstrations, listen to experts in horticulture, and share horticulture tips and secrets. Our goal is to nurture your knowledge and love of gardening.

This will be a fun, educational, and entertaining conference that you will not want to miss!

Registration for the virtual conference is free and open to all GCA club members!

The last day to register is Tuesday, September 21

We are starting a Hort interest group, inspired by our photography group. Please email [Gina](#) or [Margaret](#) if you'd like to be on our email list. Everyone is welcome!

The Zone 9 Hort Chairs from Knoxville are asking for any photos of native plants from our area. They have some fun things planned for our zone meeting! It doesn't need to be from your own garden. Please send them to Gina or Margaret by September 10.



*Little Garden Club Field Trip
The Farmstead on Woodson Ridge
Oxford, Mississippi*

From ageratums to zinnias, we will tour the beautiful flower farm featured in *Florists To the Field*. We will have lunch at the farm, and if you'd like to bring your camera, you can stay a little longer for some great photos!

Thursday, September 16
Tour begins at 10:30 a.m.

Cost: \$35 per person includes lunch
Deadline is Friday, September 10
Venmo Margaret-Fraser-4
Cash and check also accepted

The Farmstead

#39 CR 2068
Oxford, MS 38655
662-701-7748

Margaret Fraser 901-848-6232
Gina White 901-826-2577

We are excited for this fall with you all!

-Gina White and Margaret Fraser

Photography



Ruthie Taylor

UPDATES AND REMINDERS FROM YOUR PHOTOGRAPHY CHAIRS

- The Covid Project will be accepting submissions through September 30. An e-book will be compiled for viewing on the GCA website and will be available for purchase as a hard copy. Up to two photographs per member allowed. Click [here](#) for link.
- 'This Land is Your Land': The 2021 Focus Contest will accept entries (limited to one per person) via online entry form from September 1 - 30. If there are openings after that, exhibitors may enter up to three additional classes (October 1 - 15). 12 classes. Finalist photographs will be posted on the GCA website for member voting with winning images posted in January 2022. Click [here](#) for link.

If you are a club member interested in improving your photography skills, these are great opportunities to improve your skills. If you are in the Photography Judging Program, these submissions can be added to your J-5 Annual Activity Record.

Upcoming Flower Shows with Photography Classes

October 1, 2021 – Floriography – A GCA Show – Magnolia Garden Club Photography registration is open to all Zone IX members.

October 8, 2021 – Wabi Sabi – A GCA Show – Huntingdon Valley Garden Club and Wissahickon Garden Club Photography Registration is open for all GCA members.

December 6, 2021 – Diamonds are Forever – A GCA Show – Arizona Columbine Garden Club – Photography registration is open to GCA members.

December 13, 2021 – Color – A GCA Show – The Garden Club of Houston Photography registration is open to GCA members.

Links for schedules for these shows are posted in the GCA Calendar, Category “Flower Show”. Click [here](#) for the calendar.

Please don't hesitate to contact us if you have any questions.

–Michelle Dunavant and Catherine Sikes

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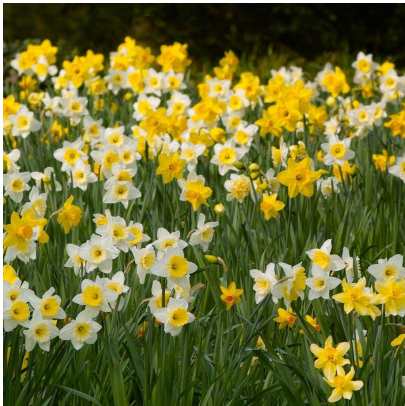
[LGC Member Area](#)



[Visit our website!](#)

Volunteers Needed for Halloween Hike

The MBG is looking for 10 volunteers to help with their Halloween Hike on Saturday, October 30 from 11:00 a.m. until 2:00 p.m. This affair is in place of the Flick or Treat event that they usually sponsor, and it doesn't actually involve any hiking! We'd be participating in the PANSY PLANTING STATION! Please email [Sue Clark](#) or [Kim Lowrance](#) if you'd like to help make some children just a little bit happier that day!!



Daffodil Bulb Sale at The Dixon

Saturday, November 6

10:00 a.m.–1:00 p.m.

Catmur Horticulture Building
(outdoors)

Get ready for a glorious spring! Just in time for fall planting, the Dixon and the Mid-South Daffodil Society will host a daffodil bulb sale. Over 50 different cultivars that grow well in the Mid-South will be available for sale. The bulb sale price list, instructions, and order form will be available on the Dixon website.

Drive-through pick-up only. Pre-orders are required.

[The Dixon Website](#)

Newsletter Submissions

Please send newsletter submissions, as attachments, to ivyvine.lgc@gmail.com or by clicking the button below. Please send any photos or illustrations as separate attachments. Thank you!

–Kirk McClintock

[Newsletter Submissions](#)

September Grass by James Taylor



Join the Little Garden Club Facebook Group!