



Horticulture, Conservation, Floral Design & Photography

THE IVY VINE

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

January 2021



Ruthie Taylor

President's Letter

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definition: persistence in doing something despite difficulty or delay in achieving success.

Our club has definitely persevered during the pandemic. This past fall we adapted our activities to meet COVID restrictions and therefore were still able to gather. We had:

- 3 membership meetings
- 2 board meetings
- 1 new member election
- 1 drive-by welcome for 3 new members
- 3 photography workshops

- 1 horticulture & photography "Victory Garden" contest
- 1 horticulture workshop
- 1 floral design pop-up
- 2 In Stitches needlepoint workshops (new group)
- 3 No Show Book Club suggestions (new group)

Not bad, all things considered. As usual, The Little Garden Club had fun! Thank you for your flexibility and for remaining positive. I appreciate your understanding during this difficult period.

Let's keep patiently persevering and hope for more fun in 2021!

Kate

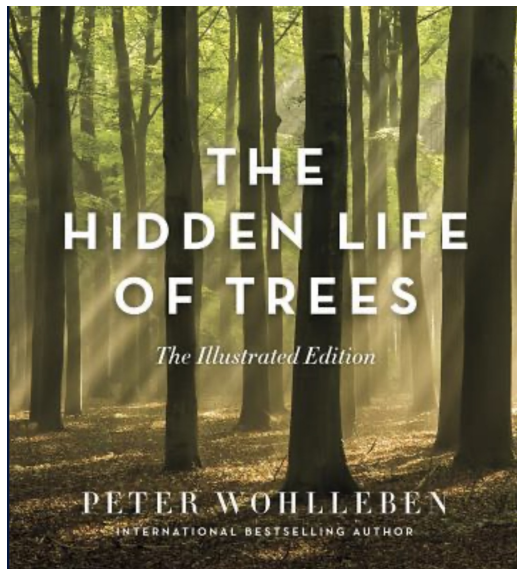
January Meeting Canceled

We are sorry to report that our January meeting has canceled due to our speaker, Kristin Wolter from Everbloom, having COVID-19.

January Birthdays

- 4 Beth Hussey
- 7 Anne Keesee
- 8 Stephanie Weatherford
- 13 Nora Witmer
- 24 Barbara Gassaway
- 24 Karen Wellford
- 29 Emily Kay
- 30 Barbara Keathley
- 31 Dot Fisher

LGC READS: No Show Book Club



We may never walk through a forest in the same way after reading this selection. We think this will make a great book for a cold January day paired with a warm fire and a cup of hot tea.

Enjoy!
-Connie Adams & Leslie Schutt

P.S. We look forward to some forest walking with you all in 2021!

The Hidden Life of Trees: What They Feel, How They Communicate – Discoveries from A Secret World

By Peter Wohlleben

A New York Times Bestseller

With more than 2 million copies sold worldwide, this beautifully-written book journeys deep into the forest to uncover the fascinating—and surprisingly moving—hidden life of trees.

Are trees social beings? In *The Hidden Life of Trees*, forester and author Peter Wohlleben convincingly makes the case that, yes, the forest is a social network. He draws on groundbreaking scientific discoveries to describe how trees are like human families: tree parents live together with their children, communicate with them, support them as they grow, share nutrients with those who are sick or struggling, and even warn each other of impending dangers. Wohlleben also shares his deep love of woods and forests, explaining the amazing processes of life, death, and regeneration he has observed in his woodland.

Garden History and Design



The stunning gardens at North Carolina's Biltmore Estate were one of the last commissions for celebrated landscape designer Frederick Law Olmsted. Photo courtesy of The Biltmore Company.

Garden Club of America/Olmsted 200 Partnership Celebration

GCA clubs will mark Frederick Law Olmsted, Sr.'s 200th birthday with a focus on the importance of parks and open spaces in our communities. The GCA has begun a new initiative called "Parks: Where Nature Meets Community". More information about LGC's participation will be forthcoming.

Olmsted's work in parks and public landscapes was revolutionary. To Olmsted, parks were as much about the mental, physical and social health of societies as they were about aesthetics. He believed strongly in the restorative benefits of time spent in nature.

Beginning in 1857 with the design for Central Park in New York City, Frederick Law Olmsted, his sons and successor firm created designs for more than 6000 landscapes across North America including Central Park in NYC, Prospect Park in Brooklyn and the grounds of the White House to name only a few.

We will continue to highlight his legacy through 2022. To read more, go to the Olmsted website by clicking the button below.

–Janet Misner & Leslie Schutt

National Association for Olmsted Parks

GCA Judging Program

Have you ever *thought about* entering the judging program??? Well, now is a the perfect time to explore the possibility!

GCA is having a National Virtual Judging Workshop in early February and on **February 5**, there will be a session for those who are **not currently in the Judging Program but are interested**. You will hear all about what the program entails and have a chance to ask questions.

Lynn Fulton, Lisa Snowden, Kathy Adams, Kate Trammell, Gina White, Linda Mallory, Vance Lewis, Tempe Thompson and I are all in it, and our lives have been so enriched by being a part of this wonderful GCA program. Ask any of us and I think we would all agree. Along with learning a lot we sure do have a great deal of fun along the way!

Please contact me if you are interested in attending this session on

February 5 and I will get an invitation out to you. There is no pressure to join—this is purely to find out more and a great online opportunity GCA is offering!

–Ruthie Taylor
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Honorariums and Memorials

In Memory of Ray Tanner
Michelle and Bill Dunavant
Tempe Thompson
Barbara and Lewis Williamson
Elizabeth Williamson
Mary Call Ford
Connie and Lou Adams
Ginger Collier

In Memory of Jack Powell
Michelle and Bill Dunavant
Tempe Thompson
Barbara and Lewis Williamson
Kathy and Ben Adams
Ruthie and Edward Taylor
Mr. and Mrs. Ed Eleazer Jr.
Mary Margaret Holmes
Mary Call Ford
Flo McGowin
Dee and Ralph Muller
Graham and Lynn Fulton
Dot and Dick Fisher
Connie and Lou Adams
Ginger Collier
Janet Misner

In Memory of Gail Davis
Laughlin
Tempe Thompson

In Memory of Joan Wood Beard
Tempe Thompson
Mary Call Ford
Michelle and Bill Dunavant
Dot and Dick Fisher
Ginger Collier

In Honor of Tempe Thompson
Kathy and Ben Adams

In Honor of Kate Trammell
Kathy and Ben Adams

In Honor of Sue Clark
Gay Boyd

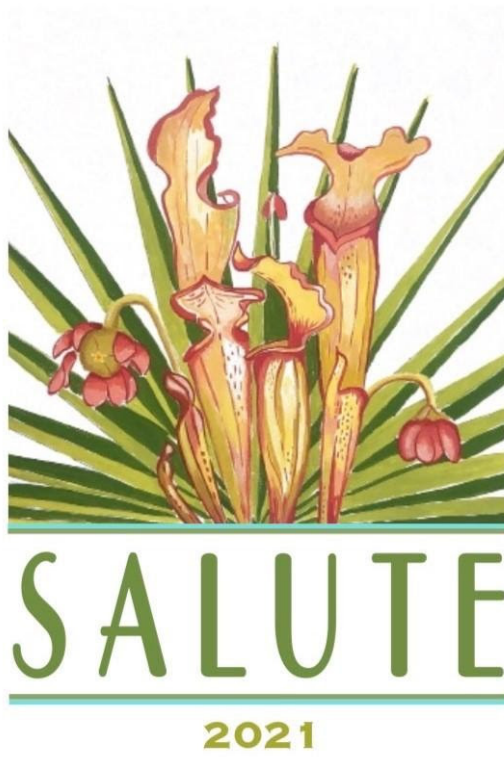
In Honor of Margaret Fraser
Gay Boyd

In Honor of Stacey Hussey
Gay Boyd

Please sent memorials and
honorariums to:
Jeannie Tabor
6500 May Creek
Memphis, TN 38119

Photography

We hope you all had a wonderful Christmas and here's to a Happy and Healthy New Year! Below you will find some important reminders from your Photography Chairs.



ONLINE CONTEST FOR ZONE IX MEETING 2021

Remember when we were all having fun with Murray Riss back in November at the Dixon? Well, I bet you all took some GREAT photos that you can enter for the Zone IX *Salute 2021* Virtual Flower Show.

Following is a reminder of the Class:

Class 4 – Salute to the Journey

Create a color image of a landscape or seascape showing a path, road, bridge or other means of travel. Digital image size for all entries is 1–5MB sRGB. Photos must be submitted by February 23, so we are asking you to email your photos to us by January 13. Last year, we had many entries, so get snapping. Please contact Catherine or Michelle if you are interested in participating. This will be so fun, so we hope many of you will participate.

PHOTOGRAPHY CONFERENCE

Thursday, January 21

10:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m. – Morning Session

2:30 – 4:45 p.m. – Afternoon Session

Please don't forget that on January 21 there will be a Photography Conference. The Committee has been working hard to bring you an outstanding and informative day of photography. Don't forget to register.

REGISTRATION IS FREE AND OPEN TO ALL GCA CLUB MEMBERS!
Last day to register is Tuesday, January 19

Register for Photography Conference

GCA eNews

We know that March seems such a long way off, but in reality it is around the corner. Our Zone IX is responsible for sending in photographs for the March eNews. The photos are due by February and must be

- taken in March
- taken in Zone IX
- 1 MB or larger
- landscape/horizontal

You don't have to wait until February. If you have a photo, go ahead and send to photo editor, [Kelly Bronfman](#) at with eNews photo in the subject line. For further information, you can go to the GCA website under [Communications Committee](#) and click on photo guidelines for eNews.

Catherine and I would love to see representation from the LGC. Look back at old photos that you have--you never know there might be one lurking around!

Heres to 2121 and good things to come!

–Michelle Dunavant and Catherine Erb Sikes

You Are the New Day

You are the new day
You are the new day
I will love you more than me
And more than yesterday
If you can but prove to me
You are the new day
Send the sun in time for dawn
Let the birds all hail the morning
Love of life will urge me say
You are the new day
When I lay me down at night
Knowing we must pay
Thoughts occur that this night might

Stay yesterday
Thoughts that we as humans small
Could slow worlds and end it all
Lie around me where they fall
Before the new day
One more day when time is running out
For everyone
Like a breath I knew would come I reach for
The new day
Hope is my philosophy
Just needs days in which to be
Love of life means hope for me
Borne on a new day
You are the new day

-John David



Please submit your January Ivy Vine article by Wednesday, January 20. If you have photos to include, please send them separately, not in a document. Thank you!

Ivy Vine Submissions



Join the Little Garden Club Facebook Group!