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Board Meeting

Wed., Jan, 13, 2010, 10:00 AM Libris Room at the
Central Library

General Meeting

Wed., Nov. 11, 2009
Registration – 9:30AM
Meeting – 10:00AM
Meyera E. Obernodorf
Central Library,
4100 Virginia Beach Boulevard
Virginia Beach, VA 23452

2009-2010 Officers

President	Reba McClanan
First Vice President	Cheryll Klobuchar
Second Vice President	Laura Jacobson
Recording Secretary	Janet Bacuzzi
Corresponding Secretary	Ellen Orlando
Treasurer	Audrey Kelly

Council Website

Webmaster
www.VBGardenClubs.org

A Message from the President

Reba McClanan, RebaSMc@aol.com
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Greetings and best wishes! Thanks for all your participation and support for so many activities this fall, the board meetings, regular meetings, Fund Raiser, Seniors Gala, and the Historic House Hearing as well as the LED hearing.

I know you are finding the wonderful yearbook which Suzie Duckworth and her fantastic committee created very helpful.

Thanks to Johnnie Miller and Glenda Knowles for coming to the October 14th Planning Commission Meeting. I spoke and so did Glenda who did a marvelous job. The Commission deferred action on the ordinance and appointed a committee of 2 members, Davis Redmond and Jay Bernas to study and bring recommendations back to the group for any action. Please feel free to contact the Planning Department

to get copies of the ordinance. I am told the billboard ordinance will be coming forward after the election. Questions and comments are welcome.

My schedule is sometimes unpredictable but if you will leave your phone number I will do my best to get back to you. My e-mail is RebaSMc@aol.com.

Have a great autumn and Happy Holidays to everyone. Reba McClanan, President
Virginia Beach Council of Garden Clubs

November Council Program

Laura Jacobson

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November 11, 2009

Holiday Tablesapes with Carolyn Dennis

Join us for a delightful presentation of Holiday Tablesapes with Award Winning Table Designer, Carolyn Dennis. Carolyn brings 30 years of floral experience and 60 years of tableware collecting to her program.

Refreshments will be served following the program.

Guests are invited to tour the Galilee Gift Shop.

**Meeting Location: Galilee Episcopal Church,
3928 Pacific Avenue, in Tucker Hall**

Council Dues

Audrey Kelly, wmyluv@cox.net,

486-1733

Dues are payable in October and no later than December 1st. Dues paid after December 1st shall include an additional fee of \$5.00 for each month or part of a month that they are late.

Dues are \$1.00 per club member. Please make check out to the Council of Garden Clubs of Virginia Beach and send them to Audrey Kelly, Treasurer, 629 W. Kingston Lane, Virginia Beach, Va. 23452-4556

COUNCIL OF GARDEN CLUBS YEARBOOK, 2009-2010

Suzie Duckworth, suzied@verizon.net,

363-1050

Please make the following changes in your yearbook.

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Broad Bay Point Greens Garden Club

Meetings: 1st Tuesday at 10:00 am

President: Cyndy Rice

2229 Spinnaker Circle

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Francis Land House

Peggy Caverly, 490-0925

Kay Eckhardt, 486-7328

Cranberries and china berries, feathers and flowers and other exciting and lovely materials will be used to festoon Francis Land House for the winter holidays! Francis Land House winter decorating is December 7th, from 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.

A small budget for decorating supplies is available. Please call Kay Eckhardt or Peggy as soon as you know your needs and desires (lady apples, pineapple half, etc.) and let us know what and quantity. The **deadline** for calling is **November 30th**.

Remember to use materials appropriate to the colonial period, as well as materials that hold-up well. **Your garden club is responsible for keeping your arrangement fresh from Dec 7th to January 6, 2010.** Schedule your time for caring for your arrangements by calling 385-5100 after 9:00 a.m. Due to budget cuts the house is not always open during the week, and we do not want you to make an unsuccessful trip with fresh material in hand.

A few suggestions (you will find many more), but remember , please no bows, no artificial materials (only items you have hand crafted) and no live flowers etc, not growing in this area at this time, please.

backside of magnolia leaves

cabbage
flowers from fabric (hand crafted by a member of your club-not commercially developed)
japanese lotus plant
mistletoe
okra pods
pearl onions
rose hips
spanish moss
wax berries
yarrow

Do not miss this boost to your holiday spirit! Club members plan to view these creations on a weekend when the house is open for walk-in visitors. These decorations are guaranteed to put joy in your hearts!

Awards Chairman

**Cheryll Klobuchar, klobuchar@cox.net
463-4885**

From the ABC Chairman and the Awards Chairman: Suzie Duckworth & Cheryll Klobuchar

Many of our members have asked Suzie Duckworth and myself if and when we would be conducting another “*Informational Workshop*”. So due to popular demand we will hold a workshop on **Wednesday, January 13th**. The workshop will be immediately following the Council’s General meeting.

The purpose of this workshop is to hopefully answer any questions you may have on how to apply for the Council Awards and the ABC projects. We will explain the various awards, what information and/or criteria is required when applying for the awards, including the proper way to submit the entries. This is the time to ask any questions you may have, from how to submit and entry to asking for clarification on a particular award. We want to make submitting entries for awards as painless as possible.

It is our hope that each club will send at least one representative to this workshop, if your club is unable to send someone that day but is interested in the information that will be handed out; please contact either Suzie Duckworth, ABC Chairman, at 363.1050 or suzied@verizon.net or Cheryll Klobuchar, Awards Chairman, at 463.4885 or c-klobuchar@cox.net.

Suzie and I hope to see many familiar, along with new faces at this workshop. So mark your calendars for **Wednesday, January 13th, 10:00 a.m. at the Central Library** for an information filled meeting. This is one workshop you won’t want to miss. We hope to see you there.

I am pleased to announce that Glenda Knowles has a new award, the ***Glenda Knowles Virginia Beach Historic Preservation Commission Award***. Please check out this award, it is not in the 2009-2010 Council Yearbook. The holidays are almost upon us and many of these buildings are in need of some help from volunteers. If you have any questions, please contact either Glenda Knowles or myself.

Glenda Knowles VB Historic Preservation Commission Award

To the clubs(s) that support the efforts of this Commission by means of assisting in the decorating of these historic properties for tours, receptions, etc. Advance notice of these opportunities will be listed in the Taproot and announced at Council board and general meetings.

Documentation: A BOE must include:

cover page with the name of the award, year, club name and name and phone number of the person submitting the award.

Page 2: For each function that the club participates – the date, the name and address of the property, and the names of those club members that participated. IF club funds are used for the project (flowers, food, etc.) these should also be documented. Please include the number of hours that your club worked. (i.e. three hours = 9-12 noon) Please include one group photograph of your club members participating, and a photograph of the exterior of the property.

Winners will be chosen according to number of functions supported and number of club members participating (based on percentage)

Large Clubs: (21 plus members) First: \$30 Second: \$20 Third: \$10

Small Clubs (1-20 members) First: \$30 Second \$20 Third: \$10

REQUEST FOR INFORMATION

Information is needed about the Council of Garden Club of Virginia Beach's history. The Council will be celebrating its 60th anniversary in 2010, we are looking for information concerning past projects from 1950 to the present. If anyone has any information including pictures, slides, articles, etc. would you please contact Sylvia Brewington at 340-0907. Thank you for helping make this a wonderful celebration.

Wreath-Making

Carolyn Dennis,
390-3292



Workshop

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Mark your calendars on December 9th for the annual Wreath-making Workshop at **4141 Dam Neck Road**. It is directly across from directly across from the New Castle Elementary School.

Ed Barnes will have his staff provide the boards, greens, fruits and staples, but remember to bring your **own staple gun and clippers**.

Donuts and coffee will be provided for the hungry workers!

Adele announced that the Pilot will be covering the wreath making event. Look for us in the gracious living section on Sunday. Great job Adele!

Twenty Fourth Annual Christmas Craft Faire

Johnnie Miller, JMill61558@verizon.net,
467-1540



Francis Land House
3131 Virginia Beach Blvd.
Faire Hours:
Friday, Nov.6th 12-5
Saturday, Nov 7th 10-5
Sunday, Nov 8th 12-4

Crafts, door prizes, raffle, live dulcimer music
Francis Land House specialty
“Brunswick Stew” Ham Biscuits, Home Baked Goods and White Elephant Room.

Please come and enjoy shopping in an old-fashioned atmosphere.

Publicity Chair

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In case you missed it, the 2009 Council Award
Winners (first place) were published in the Milestones section of the Beacon on Thursday, October 15th.



Dedication of the
Fragrance Garden

Reba S. McClanan

The city of Virginia Beach
Department of Parks and Recreation
Cordially invites you to attend the
Dedication of the Reba S. McClanan
Fragrance Garden
Saturday, November 7, 2009, 1:30 p.m.
At Red Wing Park
1398 General Booth Boulevard

**The Princess
Club
Holiday Garden
Bazaar and
Greens Sale**



Anne Garden

Where: First Presbyterian Church, 300 Thirty-
Sixth St., Virginia Beach
Date: Wednesday, December 2, 2009
Time: 10:00 a.m. until 3:00 p.m.

Please come, browse through the vendors, enjoy baked goods and punch, and shop for Holiday gifts and greenery!

In addition, there will be many vendors selling holiday and gift items.

Items for sale: Holiday Greens and Wreaths, Garden Boutique, bake sale, jewelry, handbags & accesso-

ries, heirloom dolls, sterling silver, handmade ceramics, painted canvas banners, antique linens, chocolates, holiday home decor, hospitality gifts.

Linkhorn Park Garden Club

We are deeply saddened at the loss of two of our board members. Wava Reigel, our Treasurer passed away and Terry Jones, our 1st Vice President passed away recently. Needless to say our club is grieving and they both will be terribly missed.

Great Neck Meadows Garden Club

Great Neck Meadows Garden Club will hold its annual "Silent Auction" on Tuesday, November 10th at 7:00 p.m.

Auction items normally consist of jewelry, crafts, ceramic, holiday decorations, etc. The Auction will be held at the home of Mary Simmons, 2125 St. Marshall Drive in Great Neck Meadows subdivision. This is an opportunity to "meet and greet" area garden club members and to socialize and talk about your favorite garden club activities.

Drinks and light refreshments will be served.
Please RSVP to Sandy Claxton at 481-4894.

.....The *TAPROOT* is available online at the council website, www.VBGardenClubs.org.
Deadline for items for the January/February issue of Taproot is Tuesday, December 15, 2009
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