



LINDEN GARDEN CLUB OF PINEWILD

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April 2019 Newsletter

President's Message

I look out the window as I write and see a row of daffodils and weeping cherry trees in bloom. The American flag is blowing slightly, and I think how lucky I am to live in this beautiful setting.

Then I look toward the road and see the pine trees bursting with pollen. Oh well, we have to take the bitter with the better.

Seeing the daffodils makes me think of our last meeting at Hospice House. Wasn't that a wonderful program? What an amazing facility. We are so lucky to have this in our own backyard. I was so pleased to see so many of you walking around the garden after the program was over. We missed most of the daffodils, but the slide production was a great substitute. Put it in your memory bank to take a ride around the garden about March 1, 2020.

Now the pace picks up. We have one more meeting at Pinewild this year. The April meeting will feature Mark Prinz, an educator and assistant park ranger at Weymouth State Park. His presentation will be about our native birds and their habits. Vice President Cathy has declared April 18th MUG DAY. She asks that we each take a coffee mug and make a flower arrangement. We will bring them to the meeting and enjoy seeing how ingenious we can all be.

Lunch will be served and for those of you not staying for lunch remember that there is a \$2.00 charge for coffee, tea, or soda. The new charge for lunch is \$15.00.

May will see us on a bus headed for Lavender Oaks Farm and the Niche Gardens in Chapel Hill. We hope that the weather will be sunny and comfortable. It is important to dress for comfort. That is layered if the weather is cool when we start out, rain gear if necessary and comfortable shoes.

June is our Weymouth Luncheon. There will be a sign-up sheet at the April meeting and on the bus for us to designate what dish we will bring to the luncheon.

We will install our new officers, president, vice president and secretary. We do not yet have a candidate for vice president. Cathy Broutsas and her committee have worked hard to find a candidate. I can tell you from my own experience that the prospect of giving two years to the Linden Garden Club is daunting, but once I got into the swing of things it has been a very satisfying and rewarding experience. I have worked with a wonderful board that has really helped me to be successful.

We will vote on a new amendment to our By-laws. It had a first reading in March and it will be voted on in April. It currently reads: The annual dues of the Club shall be due at the March meeting.

Proposed Revision:

The annual Club dues shall be payable by the June Luncheon.

New members joining after January 31 through April 30 shall pay one-half (1/2) of the yearly Club dues. Members joining in May will pay the annual Club dues for the next year.

Your President, *Margie*

Welcome New Members

A warm welcome to the following new member:

Marilyn OTTO, 63 Pomeroy Drive, 215-0564, ottomarilyn@yahoo.com

Raquel Sudol, 12 Bankfoot Drive, 404-483-4717, randrsudol@gmail.com

A Note from Our Membership Chair:

DUES FOR FISCAL YEAR 2019-2020: We will commence collection of dues starting in April. **This year's dues are \$20.** Your payment may be placed in the Linden Garden Club lock box located in the Pinewild Country Club ladies locker room. No envelope needed

If that is not convenient, they can be mailed directly to Dolores Flashman, Membership Chair, 37 Glasgow Drive, Pinehurst, NC 28374. The checks will then be forwarded to our Treasurer, Jan Behnke.

Thank you. If you have any questions please contact me at dfashman11@gmail.com

Dolores Flashman



How to Make Your Meeting & Luncheon Reservation:

Meetings at the Pinewild Club House: When we meet at the Pinewild Club House we will follow the procedures we used last year. Send an email to reservations@lindengardenclub.com. Diane Anello monitors this email address and will take your reservation.

Off-site meetings and special events / workshops: When a luncheon or event requires payment in advance, your payment is your reservation. These payments will be made by using the **Linden Garden Club lockbox** located in the ladies locker room at the club house. No envelopes needed.

Sunshine

Our Sunshine Chair is Nona Burrell. Please let Nona know if a member is hospitalized, ill or has had a death in the family. Nona will send a card to let them know we are thinking of them. Nona may be contacted at nburrell@nc.rr.com.

Mark Your Calendar / Save the Date

All meetings are at 10 a.m. and held at the Pinewild Country Club unless otherwise noted. Go to lindengardenclub.com and select the Calendar tab for more information!

- April 13 Southern Pines Home & Garden Tour / SCC Plant Sale
- April 18 Our Local Bird Population with Ranger Mark from Weymouth State Park
- April 25 *Bloom!* Symposium; Healing Garden Society
- May 16 Bus Trip to Lavender Oaks Farm & Niche Gardens - \$60 
- June 20 Closing Pot Luck Luncheon at Weymouth House (11:00 a.m.)

The Vice President position needs to be filled for our 2019-2020 season. Please consider volunteering. Contact Cathy Broutsas at rxist80@aol.com.



Feed Me!

The ruby-throated hummingbird is the only hummingbird that breeds in the eastern United States. North Carolina's ruby-throats usually begin migrating south in late summer, while birds from further north continue to pass through North Carolina into October. After this time, other sightings of hummingbirds formerly were considered quite a rarity indeed.

It is time to get our hummingbird feeders up. There are several information sites on NC hummers.

<https://naturalsciences.org/research-collections/hummingbird/nc-hummers>

Through this site, you can help the North Carolina Museum of Natural Sciences study "vagrant hummingbirds"—those that do not migrate south in the winter or are spotted outside their expected range.

<https://www.carolinabirdclub.org/misc/hummingbirds/winterhummingbirds.html>

Information on how you can help hummingbird researcher, Susan Campbell track early sightings.

Program Highlights 2019

April



"Our Local Bird Population"

Mark Prinz, an educator and assistant park ranger at Weymouth State Park will be doing a presentation on our local birds that we find in our gardens and yards. Catherine Jones also has a special surprise presentation for us, entitled "Mug Up for April!" Interest piqued?

Thursday, April 18, 2019, Time: 10:00 a.m., Pinewild Country Club.



Help Fill Our Meeting Place with Spring Joy!

Mug Up!

For our April 18th meeting, buy or pick flowers from your garden and fill a mug with spring color. Bring your mug to our April meeting. Nina and Nora will be there to place your flowers on a display table. Be sure to include a name card with your name, so we can complement each other! *

"Mug Up" is an Irish expression

In Ireland, to be invited to "Mug Up" is considered to be the height of good hospitality!

*This activity is courtesy of The Chapel Hill Garden Club

Menu to follow - watch for E-blast

May



ONLY 8 SEATS AVAILABLE!

Bus Trip to Lavender Oaks Farm & Niche Gardens in Chapel Hill

May 16th – Guest Welcome!



56 happy gardeners will meet at the Pinewild Club House at 8:30 a.m. to board our bus to **Lavender Oaks Farm** in Chapel Hill. A “lunch and learn” event will be held in their elegantly restored historic barn. The earliest blooming variety of lavender should be beginning to bloom in mid May, and we will have time to shop for lavender products as well. For more information on the farm please visit <https://lavenderoaks.farm/>.

The “Lavender Lunch and Learn” features a 30 minute talk on Lavender, building Lavender Oaks Farm, and planting 4,000 lavender plants. The buffet style lunch prepared by proprietor, Karen Macdonald, will be from a seasonal menu. A sample of their typical spring menu is a choice of roasted chicken salad on croissant or a seasonal lavender salad. Both are accompanied by fresh fruit, chips, homemade pickles/pickled vegetables, “Welcome Neighbor Cake” and beverages.

Before we board the bus for Niche Gardens (just down the road), we will have time to walk among the lavender fields and gravel trails, and to experience their Lavender Oaks Farm Shoppe featuring lavender products and local artisan wares. U-Pick Bundles of lavender are \$10 per bunch.

Our second nearby stop will be down the road at **Niche Gardens**, 1111 Dawson Road, Chapel Hill. **They specialize in native North Carolina Plants.** This lies in very nicely with Lynda Acker’s and Beth Steven’s talk on the Native Pollinator Garden at the Village Arboretum. The Niche Gardens staff is sending us 60 catalogs in advance which will be distributed at our garden club meetings. Go to www.nichegardens.com to see this amazing garden nursery.

Our final stop will be back at the Clubhouse, but not before our Bus Trip Hostess Committee plies us with cookies, wine and snacks! **The cost is \$60 transportation, lunch and camaraderie!**

Invite a guest and put your checks made out to the “Linden Garden Club” in the lock box in the women’s locker room (no envelope needed) We will close the registration when we reach 56 passengers

June 20th Weymouth Closing Luncheon

Our annual end of the year luncheon at Weymouth is on Thursday, June 20, beginning at **11:00 a.m.** As is tradition, this luncheon is a potluck. The food sign-up sheet will be circulated at our monthly meeting in April, and will be available again for sign up on our bus trip in May. We will be bringing finger food appetizers, salads, tea sandwiches, desserts, and wine. Signing up is your reservation (and a commitment to bring your designated food item!).

However, if you’d like to attend the June luncheon, and will not have signed up at either the April meeting or on the bus trip in May, you can email Diane Anello by June 12 at reservations@lindengardenclub.com to let her know that you will be attending, and tell her what item you will be bringing for the lunch.

Everyone will receive a reminder call about a week prior to the luncheon.

Questions? Please contact Lynn Hancock, 215-9045 hm6588@msn.com or Diane Anello, 420-2032 dianeandlloyd@nc.rr.com.

7,000 Native Pollinator Seedlings Transplanted!

Many thanks to Janet Farrell, Karen Fogle, Karen Herring, Sandy Garratt, Cathy DiDonato, Jody Young, Dyann Romay-Slywka, Pat Rackowski, Virginia Fenton, Cathy Brady, Nora Anzinger, Margie Butcher, Cathy Novitsky, Cathy Jones, Jeanie DeParis, and Jackie Churchbourne for their support and fine work transplanting **7,000** native pollinator seedlings that will be planted in the Arboretum Pollinator Garden.

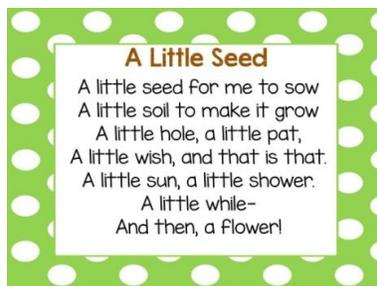
Linda Acker and Beth Stevens will keep us informed of progress on the pollinator garden.

We received the following note from Beth Stevens of the Village Heritage Foundation:

Thank you so much for recruiting such a terrific group of volunteers! Please pass on many thanks to all who joined us today. What a phenomenal group - I am still in awe of how much we accomplished in 2 hours!!!! We really couldn't have done it without you all. Thank you!

I will keep you all informed about the progress of our babies!

Cheers, Beth



Local Events of Interest

April 13 – Southern Pines Home & Garden Tour

The Southern Pines Garden Club Home and Garden Tour is coming up on Saturday, April 13th, from 10:00 to 4:00. If you would like to hostess, please call Mary Jo Morris at 692-5656. Shifts are 9:30-

1:00 and 12:30-4:00. A "Thank you" admissions ticket is provided to each hostess.

Advanced tickets for \$20 can be purchased at the Women's Exchange Log Cabin in Pinehurst. Tickets are \$25 day of event.

April 25 – *Bloom!* Symposium; Healing Garden Society

Marta McDowell, a garden historian and the best-selling author of "All the Presidents' Gardens," will speak at the Healing Garden Society's "*Bloom!*" symposium on Thursday, April 25, in the Cardinal Ballroom, at the Carolina Hotel, in Pinehurst. The event is sponsored by The Healing Garden at the Clara McLean House.

McDowell will trace the fascinating history of how our presidents and their families left their imprint on the White House grounds.

A wine and cheese reception begins at 5 p.m. and the program starts at 6 p.m. Copies of her award-winning book will be available for purchase and signing. Tickets are \$50 and may be purchased at the Clara McLean House, on the campus of First Health Moore Regional Hospital, or by emailing FoundationRSVP@firsthealth.org or calling (910) 695-7500.

Sponsored by The Healing Garden at the Clara McLean House.

Volunteer Opportunities

Vice President Position:

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Our Linden Garden & Maintenance

In three weeks we will pick up the annuals to plant in the garden. Please try to keep the week of April 15th open for amending the soil and planting the flowers! We will need about 15 people to get this done in the morning as Chris Little likes for us to be done before the golfers come up the 9th fairway. As soon as we have a weather forecast I can decide on the days and send out an eblast. Stay tuned!

A special thank you goes to Cathy Didonato and Cathy Brady for raking, weeding and cleaning out the bushes Friday, March 30th.

The garden looks great!
Sandy Garratt



Visit the Linden Garden Club Website

Take a look at the "Events in the Sandhills" page of the website. There are many events listed for the coming spring, The Blooming Art Show, The Weymouth Dirt Gardeners and all the programs for the Sandhills Horticultural Society. Workshops and programs include Moles and Voles, Growing Tomatoes in the Sandhills, Micro Gardening, Designing a Stencil Glass Mosaic Mirror, Botanical or Lace Impressed Pottery Platters, Succulent Containers and Native Plants. Plus Starworks will be doing a workshop. All information is listed on the website page

Just a reminder that if you are not receiving the monthly newsletter to please contact Janet Farrell at janet.farrell7@gmail.com. She will check to make sure we have your correct email address. ALSO, it is important that if you do change your email address to let Janet Farrell or Dolores Flashman know as soon as possible so we can make all the changes necessary for our records.

For our new members, the web site address is: www.lindengardenclub.com
You can see all pages without a password except for the **members' page**. For access to this page, **type in: lindengardenclub and the password is: pinewild2013**. Please contact me if you have questions!

Sandy Garratt
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sandymg@aol.com



Gross! Ticks!

Susan Strine, Master Gardener and bird enthusiast shared this with Sandy Garratt. Sandy has posted this to our website under the Events tab.

This website about ticks was recently sent out to MGVs (Master Gardener Volunteers) to read and pass along. The Pinewild Garden Club members may like to read more about them and how to avoid bites. [Ticks and Tick-Borne Diseases | NC State Extension Publications](#)

A new tick-borne illness is now being seen in NC with worrying increases. This site tells about it. [Why are so many people getting a meat allergy? | Mosaic](#)

Note that people who are bitten by a tick carrying a particular sugar molecule called, Alpha-Gal, can also become allergic to anything with an animal ingredient in it and, for gardeners, allergies to manure and bone meal.

Sandhills Horticultural Society Calendar

Register by email: landscapegardening@sandhills.edu

Thursday, April 4th 10:00a.m. to 12:00 p.m. Design Your Own Stained Glass Mosaic Mirror.

Diane Flanagan from ARTworks in Vass is bringing one of her most popular classes to the Gardens. This would make a lovely gift for Mother's Day! In order to ensure the best possible experience and personalized attention for each participant, class size is limited to 16 students. An afternoon session may be added from 1:00 p.m.-3:00 p.m. if the morning session fills quickly. All supplies and tools will be provided. Horticultural Society members \$40, non-members \$50. Registration required.

Wednesday, April 10th 12:00 p.m. to 1:00 p.m. Lunch & Learn in the Gardens -How to Become a Backyard Beekeeper.FREE!

Pat Brannon, certified beekeeper and owner of Brannon Apiary, will discuss how you can begin your very own backyard bee apiary. The main points to be covered will be basic bee anatomy, types of flowers that attract honeybees, and a practical look at what you will need to set up a home apiary. She will also discuss some of the barriers that you may encounter in beginning your new hobby. Bring your lunch and the Gardens will provide drinks. Registration required.

Saturday, April 13th 8:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. Sandhills Horticultural Society Plant Sale.

The Sandhills Horticultural Society will hold its spring plant sale offering perennials, woody plants, and bulbs at the horticultural building area (Steed Hall) of Sandhills Community College. For information or to pre-order call 910-695-3882.

Friday, April 26th 2:00 p.m. -5:00 p.m. & Saturday, April 27th 9:00 a.m. -12:00 p.m. Annual Bedding Plant Sale.

The Landscape Gardening Students are working hard to provide you the best of the best for your spring garden. This sale offers a variety of flowers, herbs, tomatoes, and peppers. Order forms must be turned in by Friday, April 12th. Order forms are located in Steed Hall and the Ball Visitors Center. For more information or to receive an order form please call (910) 692-3882 or e-mail landscapegardening@sandhills.edu

Sandhills Horticultural Society Calendar, continued

Thursday, May 2nd 10:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. Botanical or Lace Impressed Pottery Platters. ARTworks of Vass is back!

Maegan Lea of Fickle Pottery is bringing one of her most popular classes to the Gardens. Students may choose to bring their own botanicals or piece of lace to capture or choose from those that Maegan provides. All supplies and tools will be provided. To allow time for drying, firing, glazing, and firing; class projects will be ready by June 3rd. The Horticultural Society will contact you and arrange for pick up at the Ball Center. Class size is limited to 24. An afternoon session may be added from 1:00 p.m. –3:00 p.m. if the morning session fills quickly. Horticultural Society members \$50, non-members \$60. Registration required.

Monday, May 20th 12:00 p.m. to 1:00 p.m. Lunch & Learn in the Gardens –STARworks. FREE!

Joe Grant, glass studio director, will discuss the history of their building and organization; the programs offered (education, residencies, internships, etc.); the art they produce; the artists, and the gallery space. Bring your lunch and the Gardens will provide drinks. Registration required.

Thursday, June 6th 11:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. Succulent Container Workshop. Not sure how to begin or how to care for succulent plants?

Carol Lucas, owner of Carol Lucas Designs, will be here to show you the proper way to plant succulents in containers and various creative planting designs. You will go home with your very own masterpiece to keep or ideal gift for Father's Day! All supplies are included: pot, soil, decorative item for your design. Class size is limited to 12 but an afternoon session from 1:00 p.m.-2:00 p.m. may be added if the morning fills quickly. Horticultural members \$30, non-members \$35. Registration required.

Monday, June 17th 12:00 p.m. to 1:00 p.m. Lunch & Learn in the Gardens – Inviting Nature into your Garden with Native Plants. FREE!

Lisa Thompkins, owner of Carolina Heritage Nursery in Waxhaw, NC will be giving a talk about the importance of incorporating native plants into our landscape. She will discuss our current landscaping practices, their unintended consequences, and ideas for creating a more hospitable landscape for ourselves and wildlife by incorporating native plants. Bring your lunch and the Gardens will provide drinks. Registration required

Become a Member of the Sandhills Horticultural Society:

Be the first to find out about workshops being offered and receive a discount. Find out about the many other benefits to becoming a member. Call 910-695-3882.



Linden Garden Club

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Niche Gardens, Chapel Hill, N.C.