President's Post: Spreading Our Roots

There is something infinitely healing in the repeated letters of plant life asserting their vitality after light and spring after the winter. ~ Rachel Carson

The shift to longer days after the winter solstice brings such a sigh of relief. We are in the other side, and we can see more daylight ahead. Spring is near. We are sowing our seed strategy, looking for new plant varieties, planning, perhaps, a new garden bed, and dreaming of the possibilities. Our Garden Club is also sowing a new flower bed. Already the horticulture committee recommended how to create "new beds" to accomodate native seeds, thanks to Deborah Fox's excellent instruction. Our committees are organizing and planning, too, preparing all to enter the June flower show. Please take advantage of these workshops or classes and learn from our experts.

As we look toward the January meeting, I extend one to know that the Executive Committee approved an increase of our Hospitality fees to $50. This will increase a bit our ability to provide food for our meetings. We are the "Garden Club" and we love to share our bounty, including our food and our friendship. Thanks Manager, Ms. Hospitality @ Ms. Ill Health for our meetings, the management operator (or had jumped from the first element of your parking category) is a fully compliant event venue, Our budget was running at a $1,000 deficit for the last fiscal year, and we are in a healthy position to absorb this deficit and cover our coffee, our ice cream meetings, our October open meeting, and our cocktail social every other year. Because of this change, the board has set a goal of increasing our revenue to absorb each fiscal year's participation, so we can keep our fees low.

The February 11 General Meeting will announce the three Garden Club of Denver Youth's Field Trips. For our meeting committee, the GCD Youth Field Trip is highly competitive, collaboration goal between a GCD club and a community partner. We have a wonderful opportunity to share our mission and our passion at the 140,000 gallon "Bee" crawl by mail drop-in to the GCD Winter **Bulletin** on pages 26-29, click here, or go to the GCD extended Community Calendar, Click on the Bee Crawl, and then click on the Bee Crawl. Our national GCD Letter to the Bees Monday, to the Flowers, to and Joe to Bees.

I am EXCITED to see what is come for the year's June Flower Show. / Inspiration." This week will be sure to entertain, educate and encourage collaborative spirit with outreach participation!

Here's to a healthy, creative 2026,

~ Amy Weaver

Calendar of Events

Monday, February 2, Balance Arts Workshop, 10 a.m. - noon, Denver Botanic Gardens, Helman Hall

Monday, February 2, Tour of the Plasma Hotel, 3:45-5:45 p.m., 140 14th St. Denver

Tuesday, February 4, Presidents Council and Executive team meetings via Zoom, 7 p.m. PM, 1 p.m. Executive

Thursday, February 5, GCD Photography Confidential via Zoom, 9 a.m. - noon

Wednesday, February 11, General Meeting, 9:30 a.m. - 11:30 a.m., Helman Hall, Denver Botanic Gardens

Tuesday, March 3, Presidents Council and Executive team meetings by Zoom, 1 p.m. PM, 1 p.m. Executive

Monday, March 23, Entrepreneurial and Propagation Workshop, Denver Botanic Gardens, Helman Hall, 9:30 a.m.

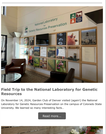
Tuesday, March 31, March General Meeting, 9:30 a.m.-11:30 a.m., Mitchell Hall, Denver Botanic Gardens

February General Meeting

Bee Crawl at Colorado Bee House Photo Credit: Colorado Bee House

The Garden Club of America's mission includes civic grants and scholarship grants. Our February program includes a finalist of the GCA Founder Fund, a presentation of the three GCA finalists' proposals and a presentation by a GCA Grant Recipient. Our Garden Club of Denver Youth Committee/Garden Club of Denver's Youth Committee Chair Kate Wilson.

Tuesday, February 11
Social Hour, 9:30 a.m., Mitchell Hall
Social Hour, serving Mt Coffee and Lattes
GCD 100 #8 only, pringles
***10:45-11:15 a.m., Sunshine meeting*



Field Trip to the National Laboratory for Genetic Resources

On November 20, 2024, Garden Club of Denver visited Agricultural Research Service's National Laboratory for Genetic Resources in Fort Collins. Our tour guides included Dr. Gennady Sunkin.

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GCD Flower Show – Time To Get Inspired

Calling one and all to participate in the Garden Club of Denver June Flower Show! Whether you are a novice or an experienced horticulturist or floral arrangement artist, our exhibitions are open to all.

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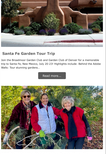

Propagating Native Seeds With Sow Bags

It's a frigid cold snowy day in January. All our members are all their snoozing to get their hands in dirt. Not! It's celebrated at Denver Botanic Gardens to...

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Santa Fe Garden Tour Trip

Join the Accelerator Garden Club and Garden Club of Denver for a memorable trip to Santa Fe, NM, to see 10 of Santa's most iconic, famed Santa Gardens. Tour stunning gardens...

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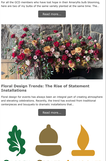

GCD Heralds the Holidays by Decorating the Denver Capitol

Holiday Greeting We offer unexpected surprise delay. Garden Club members gathered to "deck the poll" at the Rockefeller Gardens at the Botanic Gardens. Introducing the Rockefeller Gardens!

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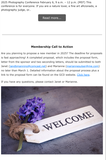

GCD Community Outreach Needs You

All those interested in GCD's community outreach initiatives, please join the Community Outreach Committee. Our Community Outreach Committee will meet the coming months, and all areas our help and commitment to the...

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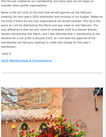

Amaryllis Bulbs Need Time to Bloom

Tom Ellis, Denver Botanic Gardens Horticulture Specialist, shares bulb blooming.

Flower Show: Ann Ellis & Missy Eliot

Garden History & Design: Amy Dadmun

GCA Awards and Founders Fund: Mary Schaefer & Monty Kugeler

GCA Bulletin & Communications: Deborah Foy

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Hospitality: Bar Chadwick

Judging: Missy Eliot

Nominating: Cindy Scott

Programs: Lisa Gould & Suellen White

Scholarships: Priscilla Longfield

Visiting Gardens: Debra Patrician

Website: Meg Nichols

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