The Colorado Trivia Society

## President's Post: Spreading Our Roots

*"Never can we let earth forget it is a nursery, and people support an another in the process. It doesn't get any better than that."*

*Brian Vogt*

As my one of a kind, three year plan ends this past week, Our long history of being a nursery for our members and our community is at the root of our future. Back in the Garden Club of Denver, the Garden Club of America and in the City of Denver. We revolutionized the Denver Botanic Gardens with its leadership and volunteers. Our nursery is where we spread our roots, providing a safe, welcoming environment, nurturing our members and supporting, encouraging and helping them to do so their own roots. Never mind whether you are a part of our club, and for all only people I hope in the coming days, we will find a hard to find the Gardener in also. We are.

- I am very happy to report that we have secured a new date for the GCA Flower Show of June 1-4, 2020 **Mount Hall at Mile**.
- The GCA Foundation Fund will place a resolution in a tie between the Growth Fund and the Scholarship Fund. Our Scholarship Fund is at the highest ever, meaning, several Female Gardner was declared the winner. Our GCFD Grant Fund is at $1,000.
- Synthesis and every months, we refer to the website calendar to keep abreast of the many opportunities available to our members and our community.
- With Maya and Jennifer the center hub for Garden Calendar Sample and Flower Arrangering sign ups. What Network participants we had last summer, we're at the ready.
- GCD Event Day Nursery at the Butterfly Pavilion. Thursday, April 25 at 9:30 am. Please contact Jennifer Hoffman if you would like to help at the Mother Daughter.
- Our Nursery Chair and the Lone Flower Show "inspiration" and fun lot have a left room in Horticulture and Photography. You have from now, when visiting the annual meeting that much time but when you participate.
- Our Nursery Chair and Jennifer Hoffman, are the ready and for important dates with the Rose Island of Denver.
- Our Nursery Chair and Jennifer Hoffman are the ready for at Mary Coleman's House, 1775 W. Ingle Street at 9 a.m. Bring your spouse or partner if you so desire.
- The Spirit Colorado Meeting program has changed. Now Snowden will serve his meeting photos from his book The Long River The Promise of the Mighty Colorado. Bring your own beverage. The May 7 general meeting will be catered.

Thank you everyone for your warmth, inspiration, and dedication during these years. Our nursery is a place of growth, nourishment, and learning and I look forward to seeing you all the rest of different occasions!

I hope we can perpetuate Brian's legacy by seeing "a garden for all" within our club and our community.

Yours Spring,

**Jess Wesner**

Tuesday, April 1, President Council and Executive Board meeting, Location at 1001 Waring House Money 1 p.m. PC, 2 p.m. Executive.

Tuesday, April 9, April General Meeting, 9:30 a.m. – noon, Michael Hall, Denver Botanic Gardens

Tuesday, April 9, City Park Greenhouse native plants tour, 10 a.m., 2900 E 23rd ave., Denver

Tuesday, April 15, Horticulturist Books, Photography Workshop, 10 a.m. – 2 p.m., Denver Botanic Gardens, Morrey House Library

Thursday, April 17, Spring Bulb Arrangement workshop, 9:30 – 11:30 a.m., Michael Hall, Denver Botanic Gardens

Friday, April 19, GCD Flower Market, Indy date pickup, 1 p.m. 3701 Circle Drive

Thursday, April 25, Earth Day Project, Butterfly Pavilion, 9 – 12 a.m.

Wednesday, April 25, Bouquets for Craig Hospital, 9:30-12:30 a.m., Craig Hospital, 3425 S Colorado St.

Tuesday, May 6, President Council and Executive team meetings on Zoom, 1 p.m. PC, 2 p.m. Executive

Tuesday, May 14, May general meeting, 9:30 a.m. – noon, Michael Hall, Denver Botanic Gardens

Wednesday, May 29, GCD Spring Flong Party, 6 p.m., 1 W. High Street

Thursday, May 31, CCC Spring Planting, 8:30 – 11:30 a.m., 1410 Grant Street.

## April General Meeting

*In April our speaker is Sam Snowden, a conservation photographer and author. Sam's latest book The Living River, The Promise of the Mighty Colorado is a photo journey down the Colorado River from its headwaters in the Rocky Mount Gore Through the. A journey to its scientists, lives and hard as through the canyons and the Colorado River, and photographs taken throughout the watershed. Sam's photos have been published in National Geographic and he will show you and a journey to a conservation and social action on the ecological and cultural crisis facing the Colorado River. Sam's photos have been published in several Living River books with the all the issues of state water allocations, restoring water supplies, conservation, and long-term resilience.*

Tuesday, April 9
9:30 – noon, Garden, Michael Hall
**9:30 – 10 a.m. social*
**10 -10:45 a.m. program*
**10:45-11:15 a.m. business meeting*

### Tour of the First Carton Positive Hotel in the U.S.

Tue February 5, 2019, the GCD conservation committee hosted a tour and happy hour at the new Mission Hotel near Civic Center Park, on what was the original site of

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### Leaf Propagation Workshop – Putting Down New Roots

Courtney, with the help of Lisa, introduced a group of twenty Conservation members to the art of propagating plants at Church of Denver Botanic Gardens YTUS, the afternoon of

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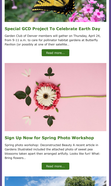

### DBG Cutting Garden Welcomes New Curator

Lynne's Cutting Garden has a new curator, Alyssa Scott, who will be working with us this summer. Alyssa grew up in Virginia and came to Colorado to pursue a professional

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### Special GCD Project To Celebrate Earth Day

Garden Club of Denver members will gather on Thursday, April 25, from 9-11 a.m. to care for pollinator habitat gardens at Butterfly Pavilion (or possibly at one of their nearby

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### Sign Up Now for Spring Photo Workshop

Spring photo workshop: Horticulturist Beauty & Nature artist Jo Hendera Illustrator included the attached photo of sweet pea blossoms. Jennifer Hoffman Garden Club of Denver, Lynne's Cutting Gardens Spring Blooms

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### Outreach Volunteers Needed for CCC Planting Day

Join us on May 22 at Civic Center Park to assist the Civic Center Conservancy. The Garden Club of Denver's dedicated volunteer day is during CCC planting week. Please

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### Spring Bulb Arrangement Workshop

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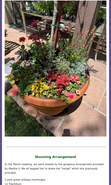

### GCD March Meeting Recap

In March, the garden club enjoyed a wonderful presentation by Mary Bowman, Denver Botanic Gardens Horticulturist. Her talk was engaging, spoken, we had the opportunity to hear about her

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### Tap Into GCA's Library

The GCD Conservation Committee recommends the book Wild by Design by Laura J. Martin. You can find more information on the link for the GCA Library Website it is another

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### In Memoriam

Join the first day of spring this year, we lost a valued member of Garden Club of Denver, **Fiona Kerns**. Fiona became a member in 1991, serving as president from 1992-1994. She was the GCA Zone Chair for Conservation and Horticulture, and Conservation Committee Chair for the Rocky Mountain District, serve on the garden club, always taking time to smile and always with a lot of gift. According to Hope Cartozo, "She was a very wise lady the world is the poorer for her passing. Fiona was born in Ireland, in 1931, and lived in Ireland, "until I was married in Kansas City, Mo.,"in 1 in 1954, on the house. We was married 64 years, 2 months, 2 days."

**Nancy Downing** was president from 1998-1000. She was thoughtful and efficient. She was on the Historian committee who got the Western History Archives in the Denver Public Library to take our glass plate images and make them available to the public. She was also a member of the Garden Club Hostess and Nancy Kaczka awards. I remember her amazing windows arrangements in the coffee cups that was given in our flower shows. She had a lovely home and garden. Nancy was a member over 40 years. Her husband, Hamilton, followed her Wednesday Group.

**Nina Wasinguard** was a member of GCD for 35 years. She took seriously in the Garden Club of America Flower Show, and was a very good arrangement and a high rep experience. In some show she was the Director Sections, especially in the Conservation. She also helped at the DBG Plant Sale when it was at the Denver Botanic Gardens Conservatory. Nina was a very good volunteer accepted and devoted from many Gardenings with special and a lovely smile. She was a close friend and Linda has. Remarks by Minnie Wasinguard.

### GCD Flower Show Horticulture Class 22: Abuse and Abetter – A Pollinator Container

We still celebrate bees insets entries in this class.

Other discussions about what constitutes a native canvas or non-native, which will performs well in our high plains desert climate (more like Plant Select varieties), and what is the best way to display the pollinator container for judging participants, the class description should read "Must have to have their name and a photo of plants you have to a quantity of these species minutes is where the pollinator container is. Plant Select entries listed on the Plant Select website directly."

Please note on your entry cards which pollinator plants are native and which are non-native.



### Stunning Arrangement

In the March meeting, we were wowed by the gorgeous arrangement provided by Marilyn G. We all engaged her to share the "secret" which she graciously shared:

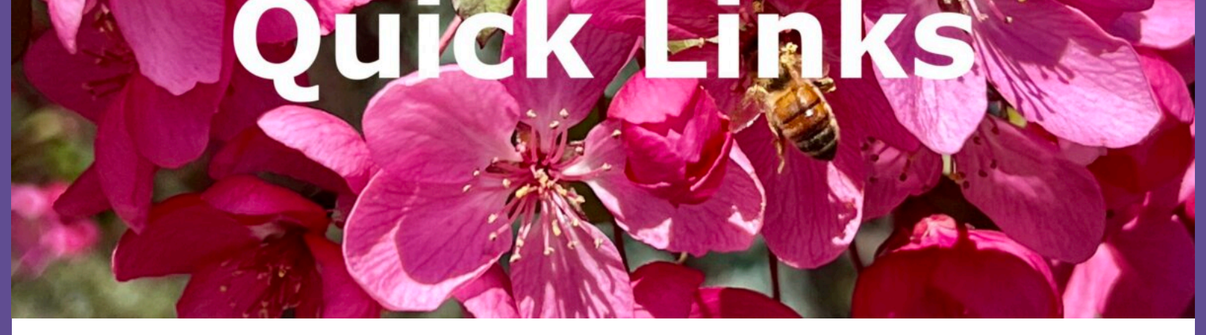
1 quart green antique hydrangea
1 qt Pearlmum
1 qt Mandarin Expression Roses
1 qt Hypericum Berries Red
1 qt black pussy willow stems
1 qt pussy willow stems
1 qt Ranunculus Ranuncs
Lots cotton or tiny sisal



### Send Us Your Photos

Garden Club of America's The Real Dirt magazine wants to publish club members' photos! Let the cover and in the pages – and our healthy welcome submissions from our members! Photographs of cities and garden-related visits, to arts and galleries. Ms. Phillipson@rcnet.com.

Go ahead, jump in!

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**Mission:** Founded on a mutual love for gardening and the natural beauty of Colorado, the Garden Club of Denver seeks knowledge and expertise in horticulture, conservation, floral design and photography, and shares these ideas and skills with its members and the community.

**Vision:** Dig In Together!

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