

FEBRUARY 2023

Dear Memphis Garden Club members,

Happy February! Love is in the air, and I am reminded how much I appreciate each of you. My heart is full seeing the large attendance of active members and sustainers at meetings and various activities.

Our members have loved the interesting workshops and meetings we've attended the past month including Photography 101 and Protect Our Aquifer. Dwayne Estes captivated us with information about the grasslands, meadows and topography of Memphis and the surrounding area.

Jenne Williams is busy working on a Founders Fund project and Ainslie Todd has been selected to create our Botanical Arts entry in the Zone 1X Flower Show in April. Cary Brown and her two committees of at least 10 people are working on the Men's Flower Show on March 1st and the Cathy B. Graham event on March 2nd at the Memphis Botanic Garden. Veazey Krausnick is meeting with Dale Skaggs to plan the Dixon plant sale, special auction and plant preview party.

Our club has so much heart and energy! I am looking forward to seeing you at our joint membership meeting with the Little Garden Club on February 9th. Thank you from the bottom of my heart for all you do to make our club such a success!!

With love and gratitude, Pam



Cary Brown | Men's Flower Show

REAL MEN DO FLOWERS!

Blooms, Boys, and Bourbon!
MGC MEN'S FLOWER SHOW
March 1st, 2023
5:30-7:30 PM
Memphis Botanic Garden- Tickets \$30

A MGC Mentor will be paired with 2-3 BRAVE men per team.

Themes, containers, and flowers will be provided with on site assembly.

Theme is: Men's favorite "G rated" activity

Complimentary drinks for entering teams with win, show and place betting!

Got a team? Need help? Got questions?

Contact: Barton Lynch, Elizabeth Coors, or Lela Smith

(Limited to a total of 9 teams)

Spectator tickets will be \$30 with hors d'oeuvres, Old Dominick signature cocktail cash bar & entertainment! Please send checks to Llewelyn Hall made out to Memphis Garden Club.



Cary Brown | Cathy Graham

Cathy B. Graham received a BFA in painting from the Rhode Island School of Design and studied fashion illustration at Parsons. A frequent host and passionate gardener, she delighted audiences with Second Bloom, her first book on floral design and entertaining. She regularly charms fans across the country with discussions and demonstrations of her unique creations. She lives in New York City and has a home on Nantucket.



Please join the Memphis Garden Club for an event with Cathy B. Graham

Thursday, March 2 Memphis Botanic Garden

9:30 Coffee + Bazaar 10:30 Blooms with Cathy 12:00 - 1:30 Bites, Bubbles + Bazaar



Tickets are \$100 and available for purchase with this link



Cathy B Graham products available at Babcock Gifts Isabelle Krupnick Jewelry Novel







Wild Ones March 7th, 2023 12:00 PM Hughes Pavilion

Suzy Askew and Jill Maylory share the vital importance and great resources to incorporate native plants into our natural landscapes!





Frances Montgomery & Debbie Pittman | **Travel DEAR MGC MEMBERS**:

There is still room for you to go on the Virginia Historic Garden Tour this April. We have 18 members who are now going, but we have room on the bus for more.



Visiting these historic gardens and homes around Richmond with Memphis friends is going to be a special treat. We have found an experienced guide who will reduce any stress of travel logistics so we can pack a lot into three days of touring. All is planned, and an itinerary is below.

The cost is \$1,800 each for those choosing double occupancy and \$2,300 for single occupancy. Interested members are encouraged to call or email either one of us for more detailed information.

Tickets to the gardens go on sale on February 6, so we need to know soon if anyone else would like to join the tour. Please make sure your MGC friends have heard about this fun trip in case they want to join you! It's not too late! Just email or call Debbie Pittman or Frances Montgomery.

Frances Montgomery & Debbie Pittman | Travel

Detailed Trip Itinerary: Memphis Garden Club Virginia Garden Week: April 14 – 18

Friday, April 14

Memphis to Richmond

Several flights that day, arriving in Richmond midday, 12:22 p.m. Members should try and book a flight that arrives midday in Richmond. Option of members arranging their own transportation or motor coach meeting majority of group at airport for transport to hotel.

Dinner – Option: Jefferson Hotel, trolley transport from hotel to Jefferson

Saturday, April 15

Breakfast at hotel

8:15 a.m. – Depart for Hollywood Cemetery for trolley tour

10:30 a.m. – Depart for Lewis Gitner Botanical Gardens

Guided Tour, followed by lunch and free time to explore the gardens and the shop.

2:30 p.m. – Depart for Maymont, Tour of house and Gardens

Gilded Age estate with nice Italian gardens

5:00 p.m. – Cocktails and Hors d'oeuvres at Maymont

6:00 p.m. - Catered Dinner at Maymont

Sunday, April 16

Breakfast at hotel

9:00 a.m. – Depart for Westover Plantation

12:00 noon – Boxed lunch at Westover Chapel

1:15 p.m. – Depart for Berkeley Plantation

3:00 p.m. – Depart for Shirley Plantation

Monday, April 17

Breakfast at hotel

9:30 a.m. – Depart for Richmond Museum of Fine Arts

10:00 a.m. – Arrive Richmond Museum of Fine Arts for Guided "Highlights" Tour of Museum's

Collections

12:00 noon – Lunch at Museum

1:30 p.m. - Depart for Agecroft, Guided House/Garden Tour

3:30 p.m. – Depart for adjoining Virginia House for cocktails and dinner

5:30 p.m. - Cocktails and dinner, "Virginia House"

If Virginia House isn't available, we will visit Wilton in the early afternoon, then tour the house and gardens at Agecroft and arrange to have dinner there or at a nearby restaurant in the downtown area.

Tuesday, April 18

Breakfast at hotel

Check-out and depart for airport. Number of early flights out of Richmond, returning participants to Memphis around noon.

Roberta Anderson | Horticulture - Spring Flowers

We will have a horticulture workshop on Thursday Feb. 16 at 9 a.m. in the Dixon potting hub. We will be uppotting seedlings for the cutting garden. There is space for six members who want to help. Please email rtasnow@gmail.com to reserve your spot. (New members do not have to reserve a spot.)

The big Mid-South Daffodil Society show is March 18-19 in Dixon's auditorium. This is the best way to see the different divisions and colors of daffodils and to see what grows well in our area.



In Preparation ...

Dale Skaggs is presenting a workshop on planting a container of daffodils on Saturday Feb. 4 from 10:30 a.m. to noon. "Participants will pot up daffodils suitable for entry in the container category of the Mid-South Daffodil Show. Learn the steps to enter daffodil containers in the show, including discussion of forcing bulbs and timing for success with special Zoom guest Brent Heath." Registration is required and is \$40 for Dixon members.

A Saturday Feb. 25 demonstration is on "Show Your Daffodils" and is free. To reserve a space, email nmontesi@dixon.org or call 901-312-1248 by Feb. 20. Members of the American Daffodil Society will show how to groom and stage daffodils to enter in a daffodil show. This can also apply to entering them in any flower show. The daffodil show schedule and entry cards will be explained as well as information and a demonstration about how to enter a collection of five different daffodils in a daffodil show.

Another educational opportunity is Brent Heath's program on daffodils at 2 p.m. on Sunday March 19 in Hughes Pavilion. He is the owner of Brent and Becky's Bulbs and will be speaking on "Undaunted Daffodils." His lecture is written up on page 10 of the Winter Issue of the Dixon's The Leaf.

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Lysbeth Francis | Photography

4:00 pm WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 7 DIXON CUTTING GARDEN

Let's meet to photograph late afternoon budding landscapes and water features.

We will explore the gardens and shifting light patterns found in the waning winter light.



Photo by Terre Sullivant



Photo by Phoebe Miller



Photo by Sheryl Cassibry



Photo by Maryan Mercer



Edie Marshall | Mid-South Daffodil Society



Dixon Gallery and Gardens and The Mid-South Daffodil Society present the 11th annual show!

Enter your blooms and photography on Friday, March 17th, 12-4 pm and on Saturday, March 18th, from 8-9:30 in the auditorium at Dixon.

The Schedule will be on the Dixon website in mid February. Enter your blooms and photography of daffodils. There is also a youth division for children and grandchildren. It is a wonderful display of yellow—come see!!!

Questions? contact Edie Marshall, Veazey Krausnick, Caroline Orr

February Birthdays

