



APRIL 2017

**Hello Federation Friends,**

We hope that you will join us on April 27 for your **Time to Shine!**



**Applause Applause!** It is time for your club to **shine** at our Annual Awards Luncheon on Thursday, April 27 in the Courtyard at Callanwolde. Outgoing President Renie, and her merry band of Awards Volunteers, are working hard to make this year's event spectacular! The awards ceremony will begin at 10:00 a.m. in the Courtyard at Callanwolde, followed by a delicious catered lunch. So make sure you send your reservation and \$20 to Ann Purr by Wednesday, **April 19**.

#### HORTICULTURE

Please remember to bring to our meetings **horticulture** "stuff" to swap – seed, plants, or rooted. Be sure to include the name of each plant, and care instructions. Bring some – take some!

I am pleased to report that last month we exchanged over **100** specimens!



(**Anita Brittian**, Horticulture Chairman)

We are proud to introduce the Federation officers for 2017-2019, who were installed last month.



From Left: **Rigby Duncan**, Installing Officer; **Glendolyn Hallman**, President; **Renie Faulkenberry**, 1<sup>st</sup> Vice President; **Joy Zaidan**, 2<sup>nd</sup> Vice President; **Quill Duncan**, 3<sup>rd</sup> Vice President; **Lorraine Loftis**, 4<sup>th</sup> Vice President; **Sandy Reed**, Recording Secretary; **Sandy Suggs**, Corresponding Secretary; **Ann Purr**, Treasurer



The passing of the gavel – from President to President!

## The League of Legends



All of us have so many of those amazing folks who have given to their garden clubs, and to the Federation, for many years. They inspire us, and are always willing to support us with their wisdom and their heart. We are planning to honor them with a presentation each year at our May General Meeting as they are inducted into our newly created **Legends Club**. How does one become a member? The Club is open to current garden club members 90 years old and above and who, by their involvement, inspire us all to keep planting and sharing. We're asking each club to send us the names of those members they would like to recognize by **April 20, 2017**. Each inductee class will be honored with a special planting on Garden Center grounds, and recognized with a plaque in the Garden Center. Send your nominees to Diane Hunter, [drmchunter@yahoo.com](mailto:drmchunter@yahoo.com).

**MARK YOUR CALENDARS – FOR OUR ANNUAL FEDERATION SALE OF**



**Donated Jewelry**

**and Gently Used Purses**



**at our May 25 General Meeting  
“Bring your Bling” to the April Meeting,  
or Drop Off at the Garden Center!**

(Fundraising Chairman **Rigby Duncan** (404-321-1733), [whatarig@aol.com](mailto:whatarig@aol.com))

## REDBUD DISTRICT NEWS



### All About the B's

It's almost here! Remarkable Redbuds are hard at work putting the finishing touches on the 89<sup>th</sup> Annual Convention of The Garden Club of Georgia on April 18-20. The entire event will be held at the newly renovated Lodge and Spa at Callaway Gardens. We've got great speakers lined up to provide the latest on all things bees, birds, butterflies and bats. Special guests include Arabella Dane, our keynote speaker, and Carol Bullard, Deep South Garden Clubs, Inc. Director. What better way to focus on Georgia's vital pollinators than to be in one of the State's premier gardens during the height of spring?

Activities include tours of the Day Butterfly Center, and Roosevelt's Little White House where we will dedicate the gardens that Redbud Clubs and members financed. On Wednesday we will install the 2017-2019 Redbud Officers at our District Breakfast, and that evening we will be cheering for the Remarkable Redbuds who will go home with awards they receive at the Awards Banquet. (DeKalb Federation has applied for six State awards, so keep your fingers crossed!) We'll see you at Callaway!!

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## GARDEN CLUB OF GEORGIA NEWS



### 2017 Historic Preservation Fundraiser

SAVE THE DATE! Laurel District is pleased to host Tara Dillard, award winning and nationally recognized author and speaker, who hosted her own CBS-TV Show, "The Better Gardening Show." Tara is the author of five books, including *Garden Paths and Stepping Stones*, *Beautiful by Design* and *The Garden View*.

Tara will lecture on Modern Garden Design with Historic Inputs, a subject that is close to her heart. The lunch and lecture will take place Wednesday, April 26, 2017, on the beautiful campus of Berry College in Rome Georgia. The \$40 individual ticket includes lunch, lecture and tour of Martha Berry's House and Gardens at Oak Hill located across the street from Berry College. Prior registration is required.

- 11:30 am to Noon - Check in at Ford Dining Hall - Lobby of Berry College
- Noon to 1:00 pm - Luncheon in Ford Dining Hall
- 1:00 pm to 2:30 pm - Tara Dillard lecture and book signing
- 2:30 pm to 5:00 pm - Tours of Oak Hill and Gardens

- Contact Marie Purser for questions, [.nanapurser6@gmail.com](mailto:.nanapurser6@gmail.com); 770-815-6356

## CALLANWOLDE CORNER



## Volunteers Needed!

Callanwolde is holding its annual

### *Eggstravaganza Easter Egg Hunt*

on Saturday, April 15<sup>th</sup>, from 8:30 am until 12:30 pm, and needs volunteers to help in the Mansion. The hunt features thousands of candy-filled eggs, along with 3 golden "prize" eggs and, of course, the Easter Bunny. In addition, there'll be family games, LEGO building station, face painting, and kids' dance floor. Please contact [kholland@callanwolde.org](mailto:kholland@callanwolde.org) and make sure you let Diane Hunter ([drmchunter@yahoo.com](mailto:drmchunter@yahoo.com)) know so she can add your volunteer hours to your club's total. (It's always a fun time when hundreds of little ones are hyped up on sugar!)



We look forward to seeing you all at our meetings, and to hearing from you if you have any questions or need additional information.

Please mark your calendars for upcoming **Federation** events:

- Annual Awards Luncheon **April 27**
- Recognition of Club Presidents, and 90 Year Members **May 25**
- Annual Sale of Donated Jewelry and Gently Used Purses **May 25**

Also, other upcoming garden club events:

- GCG Annual Convention, Callaway Gardens **April 18-20**
- Garden Week in Georgia, **April 16-22**
- GCG Historic Preservation Fundraiser, Berry College **April 26**
- NGC National Convention, Richmond, VA, **May 16-21**

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