



APRIL 2024

Hello Federation Friends,



The Winners!!

Applause Applause! It is time for your club to **Celebrate** at our Annual Awards Luncheon next Thursday, April 25 in the Courtyard at Callanwolde. We will be recognizing lots of winners, enjoying a delicious catered lunch, and **bags 'o cash.** so we should have an exciting time!
(Awards Committee, **Glenn dolyn Joy, Rigby, Gale and Peggy**)



IMPORTANT CHANGE OF DATE

Please mark your calendars for a change of date for our Federation General Meeting in May. The original date of May 23 has been changed due to a scheduling conflict with Callanwolde.

The new date for our meeting, recognition of club presidents, honoring of Legends Club inductees, and our used jewelry sale will be on **Thursday, May 30** at 10:30 in the Courtyard at Callanwolde. (More next month!)

Mark Your Calendars – for our Annual Federation Sale of



Donated Jewelry and Gently Used Purses

at our May 30 General Meeting

“Bring your Bling” to the April Meeting,

(Fundraising Chairman **Rigby Duncan**)



BEAUTIFYING THE GARDEN CENTER GROUNDS

What a lovely and colorful spring this year! Our beautiful grounds at the Garden Center at Callanwolde are bursting with blooms from the snowball viburnum, pansies, and the stunning azaleas. Gardening days are planned for late April and May. If you want to come help us plant our summer annuals, let Sandy Reed or Quill Duncan know! We would welcome your company!



The League of Legends



OUR LEGENDS RETURN!

Celebrate our Legends! This May join us in celebration of accomplishments. Meet our new club presidents and celebrate our longtime members. On May 30 we'll add another crop of amazing ladies to our Legends Club. We created the club in 2017 to honor those wonderful, long-term, dedicated members who've reach the age of 90 during the past year, June 2023 through May 2024. We're asking club members to scan your old and new rosters and identify the amazing women who've given so much inspiration to your clubs and the Federation. Don't worry if you've found that you've missed someone; just send their names along, too. Each honoree will get special recognition and a special PowerPoint presentation with their accomplishments. We're asking nominators to gather a little bit of information about each honoree – comments, a couple of photos. Each honoree will have roughly four slides.

Each member will get a lovely certificate, a framed copy of Michele Spears' invitation and listing in the yearbook and garden center.

Send your information and/or questions to Diane Hunter (drmchunter@yahoo.com, 404-992-7381) no later than **May 10, 2024**.

Information Requested:

Local Club and Person Nominating

Legend's Name

Legend's Mailing Address

Legend's Phone

Legend's email, if any

Two or Three Member Comments About the Legend

Two or Three Photos of the Member From Any Time Period

Thanks for making this an amazing event!
(Legends Chairman, Diane Hunter)



AWARDS! AWARDS! AWARDS!

We were well represented at the GCG State Convention in Peachtree City this month. At the Awards Banquet, DeKalb Federation won the following awards:

- Garden Club Council Award** – First Place
- Gardens for the Challenged** – First Place
- Publications** – First Place
- Website** – Second Place
- Deep South** – Special Achievement - \$100 Cash Prize

We will publish a complete list of individual garden club winners in next month's newsletter.

A MESSAGE FROM CHEROKEE GARDEN LIBRARY



Please join the Atlanta History Center, The Garden Conservancy, Historic Oakland Foundation, and the Cherokee Garden Library on Tuesday, **May 14th**, for an unforgettable evening with renowned garden historian and BBC *Gardeners' World* star **Advolly Richmond** who will discuss her new book, *A Short History of Flowers: The Stories that Make Our Gardens*. The talk will be followed by a reception and book signing celebrating this impactful new work in garden history.

Learn more and purchase tickets: [here](#) (Control key then click to activate.)

As always, I appreciate your continued support of and passion for the Cherokee Garden Library.

Warmest regards,

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~ CLUB CORNER ~

Lullwater GC is having a plant sale, which coincides with the Druid Hills Home and Garden Tour, April 26-28. It will take place in the Lullwater Conservation Garden on Lullwater Road in Druid Hills. Perennials, herbs, shrubs, annuals, moon vines, heirloom tomatoes, and MORE!!



LULLWATER GARDEN CLUB PLANT SALE | 879 LULLWATER PARKWAY
Friday, April 26: 1pm-5pm | Saturday, April 27: 10am-5pm | Sunday, April 28: 10am-5pm

Make sure to stop by the Lullwater Garden Club Plant Sale at 879 Lullwater Parkway. They will be offering their popular vines, house plants, perennials, and annuals for sale. These contributions go towards the restoration and upkeep of the Lullwater Conservation Garden, a stop on this year's Tour.



REDBUD DISTRICT NEWS



Well, we asked for *Y'all to Come* – and *Y'all Came!!* Congratulations to all of the Remarkable Redbuds who hosted the 96th Annual GCG Convention! It was a huge success, and we have received many compliments!! And many thanks to all who attended and supported our raffles. The winners of the Cash Raffle are:

\$500 – Susan Barton, Avondale Estates Garden Club

\$250 – Kay Finley – Betty Grimes' Daughter

\$125 – Melody Gaskins, Spade & Trowel Garden Club, Thomaston

Special guest at the Convention was National Garden Clubs President, Brenda Moore, shown below (L) arriving, with her host, Bonnie Pennington.



AN INVITATION FROM CALLANWOLDE

Thank you for letting me sit in on your meeting here at Callanwolde last month. I love gardening, and I was so fascinated by all the information about honeybees (it really made me want to start a hive!).

I wanted to let you know about an event coming up here that might be of interest to your members. On **May 30** at **6:00**, two of our Master Gardeners will be leading a tour of the Callanwolde gardens and talking about the work they do.

If any of your members are interested in attending, we would love to have them. They can [RSVP here](#). (Control key then click to activate.)

Thank you again!

Julia Byrne

Development Engagement & Volunteer Coordinator



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

- Annual Awards Celebration, Callanwolde **April 25**
- Federation Board Meeting, Garden Center/**Zoom May 2**
- Federation General Meeting, Callanwolde **May 30**
- Legends Club Recognition Ceremony **May 30**
- Recognition of Club Presidents **May 30**
- Jewelry and Purse Sale **May 30**

Also, other upcoming garden club events:

- NGC National Convention, Denver **May 2-5**

Rigby Duncan

Communications Chairman

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