

Our Year in Review



2021-2022







Horticulture's "Summer's End" Show

Our first in-person horticulture show in 18 months!

26 participants (34% of the Club) and 63 entries

"Best in Show" awarded to Penny Thomas for her orchid

2 commendations from the Judges:

- Entire show, grooming was superb!
- Special class commendation to the Dahlia class

And a special Par class was created for the provisionals because both entries were worthy of blue ribbons!





***NJ Committee Luncheon and Conversation
Thursday, September 30
The Rumson Country Club Riverhouse
Co-hosted by The Garden Club of Princeton***

Cultivated



The Elements of Floral Style

CHRISTIN GEALL

*Enjoy a wonderful
presentation by
Christin Geall who
elevates floral design to
fine art!*









Congratulations to

The Garden Club of Princeton's

GCA Horticulture Judge Emeritus

Penny Thomas



THE GARDEN CLUB *of* AMERICA

JUDGE EMERITUS

presented to

Penny Thomas

*in appreciation of many years of knowledgeable service as a
Garden Club of America Approved Judge.*

Debbie Edwards

GCA President

2021

Year

Thank you, Jane Murphy, for our new nametags!



Jennifer DelVecchio
2016











Civic Projects All Wars Memorial and Mercer Island

October Clean up

All Wars Before



All Wars and Mercer Island After



Floral Design 101 and Workshop







Conservation Program

**Chris Sturm, Managing Director
NJ Future**



Amaryllis Bulb Gift Kits

**A GCP fundraiser benefiting Civic Projects
featuring the best bulbs!**



Moscow



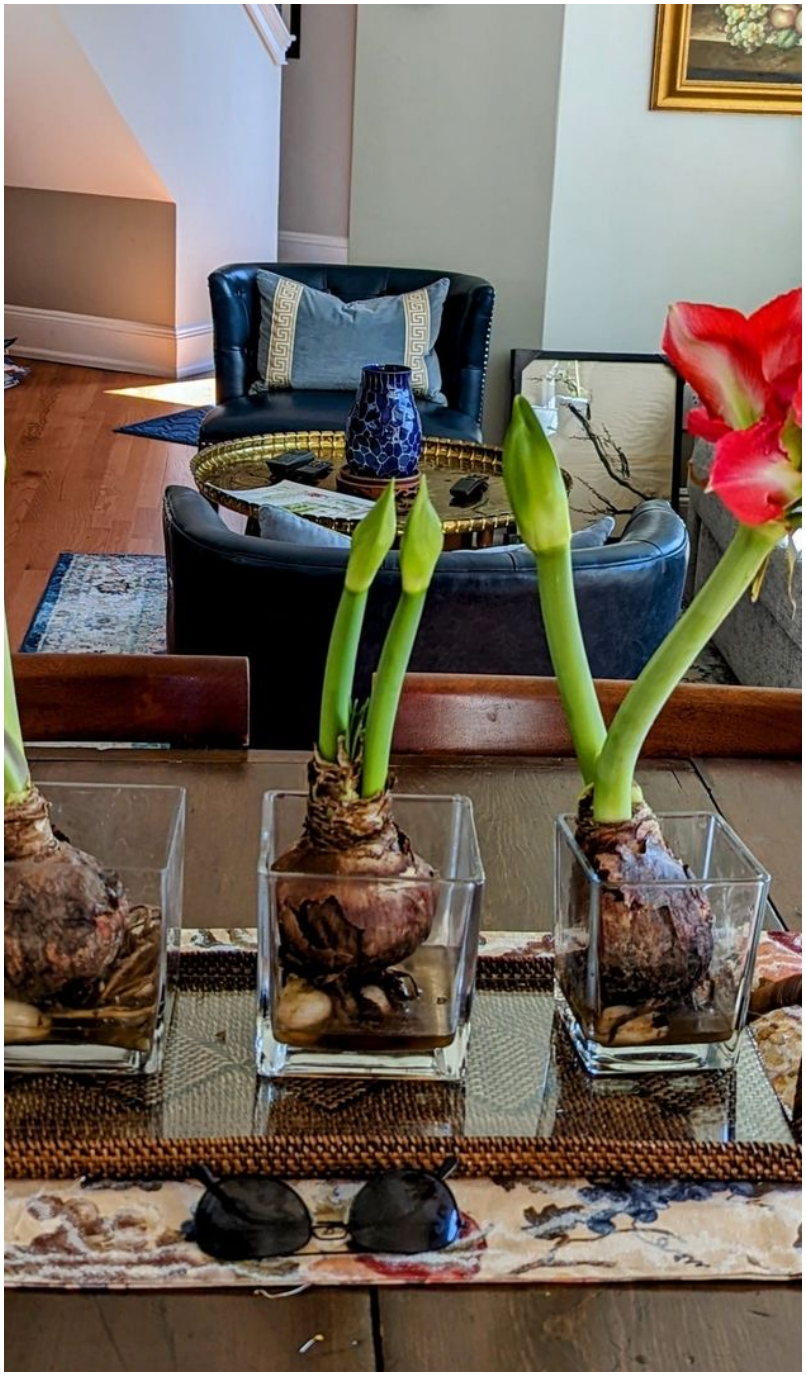
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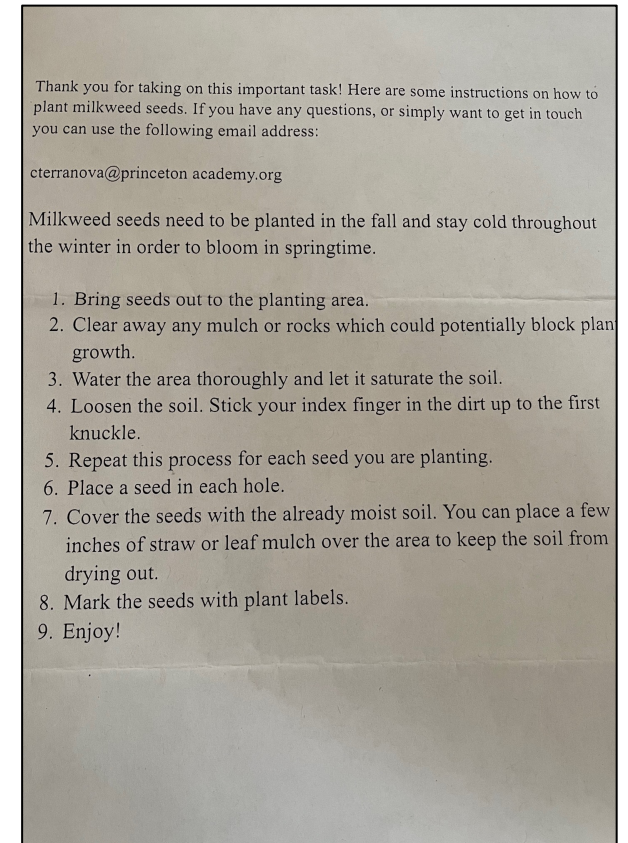
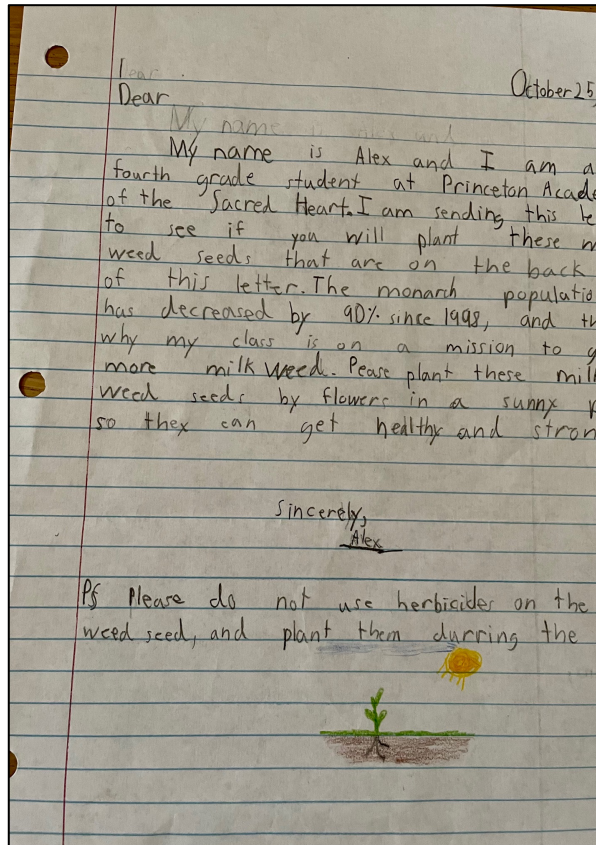


Marilyn



Double Dream





Princeton Academy Seed Collection Project

All Wars Memorial Cleanup For Veterans Day



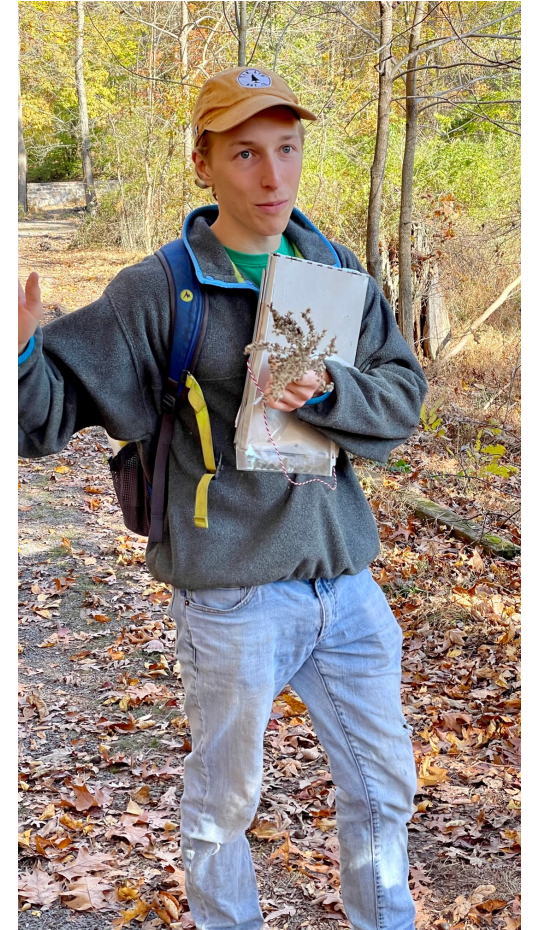
All Wars on Veterans Day



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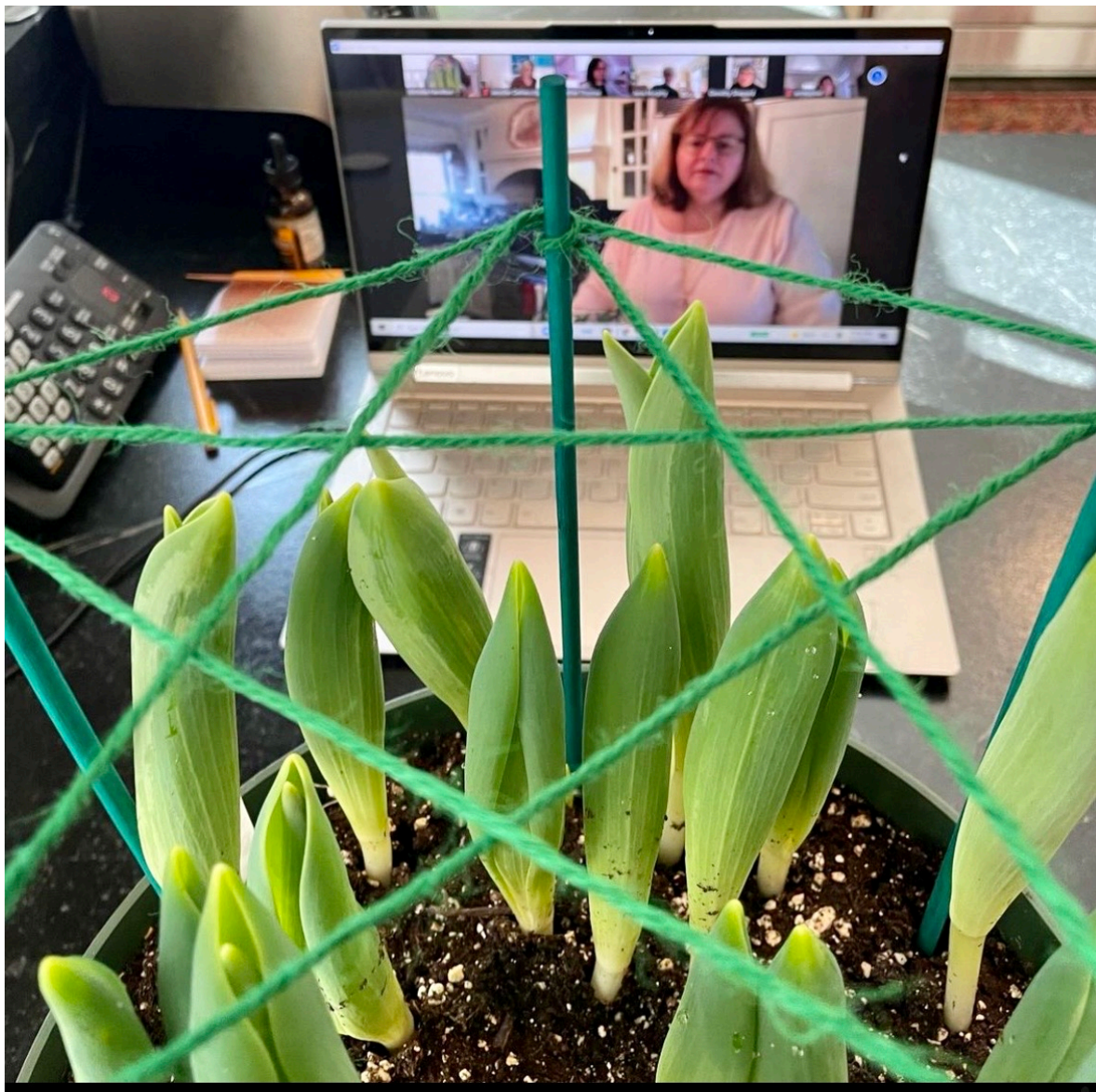




Bulb Forcing at Terhune Orchards



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Photography Program

Michael Forsberg presents
“Finding Home in Flyover Country:
A Photographer’s Journey”



GCP Member Millena Coffey featured in Winter Issue of River Towns

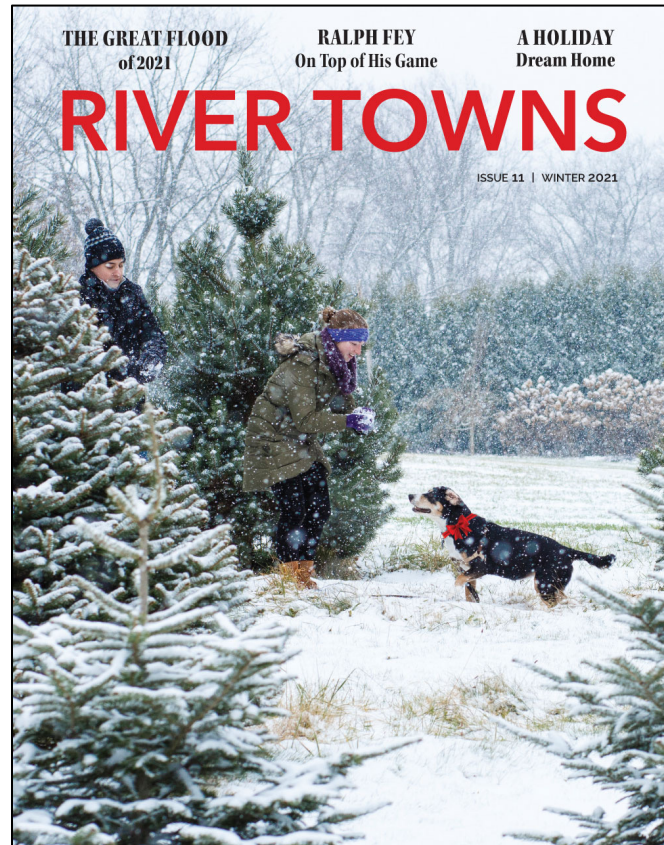


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A Life of Collecting

Millena and Tim Coffey have turned their Lumberville home into a showcase for art and antiques from around the globe.

By TRACY ECCLESINE MIE

When Millena and Tim Coffey bought their home in Lumberville in 1995, they named it Buckshire to honor Bucks County and the shires of Great Britain, one of their favorite spots for antiques. But perhaps they should have called it Buckshire Museum, since their chateau-style home and two outbuildings are packed with antique collections from around the globe, including their former homes in Europe and the Middle East.

In the living room, about three dozen red-and-black plaid wooden objects known as Tartanware are neatly arranged on a table. Dating to early nineteenth-century Scotland, they are mostly small boxes with the distinctive Stewart clan plaid. One box opens to reveal a two-inch leather-bound Bible, complete with tiny text.

GCP In the News!

ZONE IV: NEW JERSEY

Zone IV is comprised of 11 New Jersey state clubs with a total of 875 club members.

Contact: zone4leadership@gcamerica.org



As part of their reforestation P4P, GC of Princeton members collected Virginia knotweed seeds and learned about this native plant from Friends of Princeton Open Space Director of Natural Resources and Stewardship Anna Corichi.

ZONE IV PHOTO GALLERY

ENJOY FEATURED PHOTOS
DISPLAYED IN THE SLIDESHOW –
AND SEE MORE IN THE GROWING
ZONE IV PHOTO GALLERY!

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The GC of Princeton enjoyed a Visiting Gardens trip that included holiday shopping at Terrain's flagship, followed by the conservatory at Longwood Gardens and a drive through their magical holiday lights!

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thegardenclubofamerica The Garden Club of Princeton recently secured two generous grants to help with an eighteen-acre forest restoration project at Billy Johnson Mountain Lakes Nature Preserve. The grants, \$9,500 from the New Jersey Committee, an area committee of The Garden Club of America, and \$2000 from the GCA's Partners for Plants grant, will enable Friends of Princeton Open Space to purchase plant material and aid forest restoration.

More via link in bio.

The Garden Club of Princeton's “Let it Snow” Themed Tree at Morven’s 2022 Festival of Trees



Floral Design Wreath Decorating Workshop



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Visiting Gardens' Trip to Longwood Gardens





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Provisionals Host Our Christmas Workshop



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Horticulture's Starting From Seed Workshop



El Dorado Zinnia – *zinnia elegans*



Dark Purple Opal Basil – *ocimum basilicum*

Garden History & Design Program



**Marta McDowell
presents
“The Life and
Legacy of
Frederick Law
Olmsted”**

**A GCA Founders
Fund
Letter of Intent**

**Submitted
by
The Garden Club Of
Princeton**

Riparian Restoration Project



**Billy Johnson Mountain Lakes Nature
Preserve**

A Garden Open House & Spring Tulip Tour at Heather Thomas' home





Beds & Borders Spring 2022

Container & Hanging Plants

This fundraiser benefits The Garden
Club of Princeton and Civic Projects.

Thank you, Betsy Hoover for
organizing this effort!



BEDS & BORDERS





New Beginnings

The Garden Club of Princeton
Photography Show

February 2022

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Novice Award



Sue Brahaney

New Beginnings

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Best in Show



BEST IN SHOW

PHOTOGRAPHY

PRESENTED TO: *Linda Sedgewick, "SWASH ZONE"*

CLASS: *V: Refresh*

JUDGES' CITATION: *Creativity Personified*

SHOW: *New Beginnings*

DATE: *February 24, 2022*

THE GARDEN CLUB of AMERICA

Princeton Health Department
presents:

Mayor's Wellness Campaign "Look How We've Grown..."

A social isolation community project
that includes an at home watercolor
painting and seeding garden kit.



Princeton Health Department presents:

Mayors Wellness Campaign

SOCIAL ISOLATION COMMUNITY PROJECT

Join the Princeton community in this year's Mayors Wellness Campaign theme, "Look how we've grown..." Each participant will receive a free at-home watercolor painting and seedling garden kit. Completed paintings and flowers will be displayed during a celebration event in the Spring! More details TBA.



Interested in participating?
Contact us!

healthdepartment@princetonnj.gov
(609) 497-7608

Partners:

Arts Council of Princeton
Garden Club of Princeton
Princeton Senior Resource Center



NJ Committee Growing Fund A 2021-2022 Grant Winner

The Garden Club of Princeton

Mountain Lakes Riparian Restoration

The purpose of the grant is to provide funding for native plants and other costs of restoring 25 acres of riparian areas that are infested with invasive species in the Billy Johnson Mountain Lakes Nature Preserve, a public park in Princeton New Jersey.

Amount granted: \$10,000

Floral Design Program

Jen Figge, Figge Floral Design Studio





A Virtual Viewing of

**Olmsted and America's
Urban Parks**

Floral Design Fascinator Workshop

Wednesday, April 13th @6:30pm

Cindy Olentine's home

3801 Lawrenceville Road, Princeton

Please RSVP to Cindy cynthiolentine@gmail.com

Botanical artist, Emily Vickers, will demonstrate how she creates her signature fascinators. Learn how to create a fascinator for the May show. Wine and snacks will be served!



Sophie Glover featured in Spring 2022 Bulletin



Gardeners, Creatives, Advocates

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Gardeners, Creatives, Advocates profiles club members embodying the work of the GCA to garden, create, and advocate. This quarterly series focuses on our diverse club members, demonstrating who we are and what we do across the country and the common but distinctive threads that connect us. Here we profile three club members from Minnesota, New Jersey, and Texas making a difference in their communities on matters related to water. Watch for members of your club to be featured!

Sophie Glover

The Garden Club of Princeton, Zone IV



Sophie Glover installing wetland sponges in Rosedale Lake near Princeton, New Jersey, to help combat harmful algal blooms. Photo courtesy of Sophie Glover

When Sophie Glover sees a need, she quietly steps in to fill it. A chance comment from a friend saying she did not know how to navigate the public trails in the Princeton, New Jersey, area inspired Sophie to write *Walk the Trails in and around Princeton*, with proceeds going to trail maintenance. This book describes multiple hikes through preserved open space, each with a special landmark to discover. Exploring the outdoors with her young children led to concern over disappearing farmlands and the resulting

impact on water supply, which led to a career in local conservation. Sophie served four years as chair of the Princeton Environmental Commission, where she was integral in the passing of a resolution calling for the release of a new statewide water-supply plan, the first in 20 years.

Sophie currently serves as assistant director of policy at The Watershed Institute, whose mission is to keep water clean, safe, and healthy through education about more intense green infrastructure and smart environmental policy. A recent project involves creating native-plant-filled floating sponges to combat harmful algal blooms appearing in local lakes. When asked what we all can do to help with water conservation, Sophie offers two easy suggestions: one, simple lawn aeration, which can mitigate what has become an almost impervious surface; and two, plant natives—their deep roots are critical to containing stormwater runoff.

Although she is a graduate of Princeton University and received an MBA from Columbia University and a post-masters Certificate in Sustainability from The New School, Sophie cites her work on the GCA's National Affairs & Legislation and Conservation committees as the best education she ever received.

—Tucker Trimble, Plainfield GC, Zone IV

Vivian Todd

Magnolia Garden Club, Zone IX



Vivian Todd at Port of Beaumont, following the progress of the fight against aquatic invasives. Photo by Melanie Dishman


A knowledgeable advocate for the eradication of invasive species, Vivian Todd never thought her passion would lead her to the local port in Beaumont, Texas, and the issue of ballast water. The Port of Beaumont is the fifth-busiest port in the nation by tonnage and brags eight berths with three more going up. Ships carrying everything from bulk grain to military cargo gain access from the Gulf of Mexico and the Intracoastal Waterway. These freighters also bring with them invasive species from all over the world captured in the ballast water tanks. While

studying land-based invasives, Vivian soon learned the larger threat to our US waters is aquatics, with costs in damages stretching into the billions annually.

Town Topics Talks to Civic Projects

TOWN TALK
Forum for the expression of
about local and national issues

Question of the Week
What are your favorite spring flowers?
(Photos by Weronika A. Plo


Susan: "Magnolia blooms — they tell me when the danger of frost is over. Unfortunately this year the frost hit the trees and the blooms were killed. That tells me to wait a week and start my planting without the worry of the frost."
Mary: "The daffodils! They are out there nodding their pretty little yellow and white heads — they are so cheery and are a harbinger of spring. They also last a long time in water."
— Susan Brahaney, Lawrenceville
with Mary Funsch, Princeton


Meg: "Daffodils. I like their smiling faces when they pop up in spring."
Joan: "I love the color pink and cherry blossoms are my favorite! They always make me think of the warm days ahead."
— Meg Michael, Princeton with Joan Mullen, Skillman


Adrienne: "Daffodils, because they make me think of spring and are so cheerful and just make me happy."
Jennifer: "My favorites are hellebores because they are the first to spring up through the frosty soil."
— Adrienne Longo, West Windsor
with Jennifer Delvecchio, Skillman

Horticulture Program

Kim Feddersen, Fair Orchids

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Fair Orchids
Kim Feddersen
973-495-4863
fairorchids@aol.com

Greenhouse: Open Saturdays, ** 10:30AM - 3:00PM**
at **324 Three Bridges Road,
Hillsborough, NJ 08844** } *Gravel drive, no sign
at the road. Come to
the first greenhouse.*

Snail mail (USPS) only: 49 S. Pierson Road, Maplewood, NJ 07040

NJ allows greenhouses and garden centers to remain open,
as long as masks are worn and social distancing observed.

**** = I might attend AOS judging on the 2nd (Philly)
and/or 3rd (Morristown) Saturday of the month.**

**** = Times approx., I often stay later, but I might leave by 3 PM if watering is done.**

**Please call/text
973-495-4863 to
confirm that I am
in the greenhouse.**

February: 5, 12, 19 & 26 open

Directions with map, rev.
2.pdf
Size: 500.96 Kb

Horticulture's "Daffs and Friends" Show

Jane Murphy's
Bleeding Heart

Wins Best in Show!



Conservation Committee's Rainbow Hill Hike









2022 GCA Annual Meeting

Hosted by Zone IV

**Sheraton Parsippany
Parsippany, NJ**

**Friday, April 29
Saturday, April 30**



GCP Chairs of the 2022 GCA Annual Meeting

Please join me in thanking
GCP's Annual Meeting Chairs:

Invitations	Wendy Mager
Invitations	Meg Michael
Badges	Jane Murphy
Registration	Maureen Stellato

Thank you to all GCP volunteers
who will supported Badges &
Registration during the event!



GCP Volunteers at GCA Annual Meeting



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Provisionals & Floral Design's

Mother's Day Arrangement Workshop







Visiting Gardens'

**Spring Trip
to
Central Park**



