

FINAL: SCUTTLEBUTT April 2020: Lake and Hills Garden Club

Spring forward, fall back. That's one of those little sayings that we use to help us remember things, like which way to set our clocks when Daylight Savings Time starts and when it ends. The Lake and Hills Garden Club (LHGC), however, needs no such reminder this year as the LHGC has sprung into action this spring with gusto.

The Club welcomed 12 new members to its first orientation lunch at the Bistro on Friday, February 28. The lunch proved to be a terrific two-way learning opportunity. Board members shared basic information about the Club, its projects, and donations to help new members get "planted." New members shared their backgrounds, interests, and skills that could enhance the LHGC. The LHGC plans to hold new membership orientation luncheons quarterly in 2020.

Nearly 20 LHGC members attended the West Piedmont District - Garden Club of South Carolina Annual Spring Meeting and Awards Luncheon on Wednesday, March 4 in Anderson. The LHGC received the following first place awards:

- Arbor Day Celebration
- Planting Native Plants
- Yvonne Morris Native Plants Program
- President's Report (70-99 members)
- Yearbook (70-99 members)

Embracing and studying errors as a way to learn more effectively was the driver behind the program at the March 13 LHGC meeting. Experienced floral designer Christine Drays from Heartwarmers presented the program, "What's Wrong with This Arrangement?" Christine intentionally created several poorly designed arrangements so that members could spot errors and suggest better design principles. Then members had the opportunity to put into practice what they had learned by designing their own floral arrangements in a workshop.

Please come join us for next month's meeting on Friday, April 10 when author Claudia Hembree will present *Jocassee Journeys*, a sharing of her memories of the people who inhabited the Jocassee Valley before the construction of the dam and the creation of Lake Jocassee. Call The Club at 864-944-2151 by Wednesday, April 8 to make your lunch reservation.

It will be "Time for Tea" on Thursday, April 23 when the LHGC hosts a special event, a Garden Tea Party, from 3 - 5 PM at the Club Terrace. RSVP to The Club by April 16 for a lovely afternoon of tea sandwiches, scones, sweets and tea while listening to melodies provided by harpist Alyson Webber. Steve Lorch, CEO and Founder of Table Rock Tea Company will present a program. Festive garden party attire is optional.

If you are interested in joining the Garden Club or attending as a guest, please contact membership chairs Diana Beane at (304) 546-9110 or Edna Melamed at (864) 944-8791. Monthly meetings are held on the second Friday of the month at The Club in the Vista

South Ballroom. The meetings include a program, lunch, and activities that are both informative and enjoyable.



LHGC members enjoyed the West Piedmont District Annual Spring Awards Luncheon at Tucker's Restaurant in Anderson on March 4. The LHGC won five first-place awards.



Gibbs_Garden_Group.JPG: The sunlight was nearly as brilliant as the millions of daffodils that 22 Club members enjoyed on their March 6 day trip to Gibbs Gardens.



Just a “few” of the dazzling daffodils sweeping across a hill at Gibbs Gardens that the LHGC enjoyed on their recent day trip.