

Lake and Hills Garden Club -August 2018 Scuttlebutt Article

“*Summertime, and the livin' is easy*” or so the Gershwin lyrics go. However, the Lake and Hills Garden Club (LHGC) apparently didn't get the message.

The LHGC was featured prominently in two publications this summer, Ideal Living and Keowee Life. Ideal Living, a retirement destination magazine, showcased the Club's origins, successful community programs and initiatives in its article, Passions Passed On. The Lake and Hills Garden Club Celebrates 30 Years. Check out the full article at the LHGC website: <https://www.lakeandhillsgardenclub.com/publicity.html>.

The June edition of Keowee Life, a Keowee Key social magazine, turned its spotlight on Keowee Key's engagement in the certified Community Wildlife Habitat program sponsored by the National Wildlife Federation. LHGC member Alice Guzik is the team leader for Keowee Key's certification program. In a separate article, Keowee Life described the Club's 30th anniversary dinner celebration, monetary donations to the South Carolina Botanical Garden, and the honoring of three charter members.

Not only was publicity active this summer but the Club's programs and projects also remained productive. Garden Therapy members helped Seneca Health and Rehab residents create personal flower arrangements for their rooms on July 20. The Auction committee refined plans for its annual Auction Luncheon to be held on Monday, October 22 at Keowee Key.

Even though the LHGC does not meet in August, please make plans to attend the September 14 meeting at 11:30 a.m. in the Magnolia Room of The Club at Keowee Key®. Remember to call The Club at 944-2151 to make your lunch reservation. Ray Hiler, a member of the Oconee County Beekeepers Association, will present a program entitled, “Bee Aware,” during which members will learn about the current shortage of honey bees and their importance in our environment. Immediately after the meeting, LHGC members will *Go Out and Learn* as they tour Keowee Key's Community Gardens and discuss various gardening methods and soil amendments.

If you are interested in joining the Garden Club or attending first 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 at Keowee Key® in the Magnolia Room, unless otherwise stated. The meetings include a program, lunch, and activities that are both informative and enjoyable.



Kathleen Fosha and Nan Piotrowski explore the Maritime Forest during a field trip to the South Carolina Botanical Garden while James Wilkins (SCBG Education and Resource Coordinator) points out native plants.



Chris McSwain (Garden Therapy Chair), Joy Lutz, Terri Becker and Audrey Bethke represented the Lake and Hill Garden Club as they helped Lila Doyle residents design make-and-take flowers arrangements.



LHGC members Kay Cilensek and Susanna Kanners help a Lila Doyle resident create a personal flower arrangement for her room.