

FINAL | Lake and Hills Garden Club October 2018 Scuttlebutt Article

“Bee Aware” was Ray Hiler’s message at the September 14 meeting of the Lake and Hills Garden Club (LHGC). Hiler, a member of the Oconee County Beekeepers Association, expressed concern about the honey bee shortage during his presentation, while pointing out the many ecological and economic benefits of honey bee culture. Following the meeting, many Garden Club members participated in the September *Go Out and Learn* activity, a tour of Keowee Key’s Community Gardens. Not only did members enjoy visiting the gardens, but they also learned about various gardening methods and soil amendments.



Lake and Hills Garden Club member Karen Pfaff (L) and Vice-President Lynn PODE (R) admired vibrant peppers during their recent tour of the Community Gardens as part of the Club’s *Go Out and Learn* Activity.



A mature okra plant with yellow blossom and pod thrives at the Community Gardens in LHGC member Nan Piotrowski’s plot.

Make plans now to attend the next LHGC meeting on October 12 meeting at 11:30 a.m. in the Magnolia Room of The Club at Keowee Key®. Remember to call The Club at 864-944-2151 to make your lunch reservation. While final Auction planning is the focus of the October meeting, the Auction Centerpiece Committee will share several of their arrangements and demonstrate how they were created.

Garden Club members are getting ready for a big wrap up to October as they finalize their preparation for the 30th Annual LHGC Luncheon and Auction, “Birds of a Feather.” Proceeds from the Auction, the Garden Club’s only fundraising event, support many projects benefiting not only Keowee Key but also the local community. The 2018 Auction is full of surprises, both in location and raffle prizes. This year, the Auction and Luncheon will be held in the Keowee Key Event Center on October 22 with the Silent Auction beginning at 10:30 a.m. and the Luncheon at 12:00 p.m. Fabulous new raffle packages await, including the:

- *All About Me* package which includes various types of popular pampering.
- *Come Fly with Us* which begins with a plane ride and ends with a Champagne Dinner for Two at The Club.

Tickets are still available for the Auction and Luncheon, so don’t miss out. Grab your \$25 tickets now! Contact Karen Pfaff at kpff01@sbcglobal.net or 630-452-2914. Checks may be made payable to the Lake and Hills Garden Club. Cash is also accepted.