

# LGC Newsletter



January 2018

Dear Member,

**Happy New Year Everyone!**

January is when we vow to lose those five pounds that seem to never budge and change a habit we don't like. This year instead let's resolve to learn something new, develop a skill we thought beyond us. Your garden, whether it is a spread of beautiful borders and trees or simply a few seedlings on the windowsill, is worthy of your thought and attention. We learn to garden plant by plant. Every time we stick that seed into the potting soil or the garden bed, we learn something. Over time these individual data points become a body of knowledge. So January is a good time to start this journey of a lifetime. Our January meeting will be very special...soup and slides on a wintry day. What could be better? Hope to see you all on the 18th at the Community Center.

Best, Diane



Image by Ronnie Schoelzel

A Look Back At Litchfield Gardens  
Some old favorites from years past...

by Bronwyn Schoelzel

Soup and Summer Memories  
at the  
Litchfield Community Center  
January 18, 2018  
11:30 AM

If you haven't already, please [RSVP](#)

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## **Committee Reports and Announcements**

### **Conservation: Tonja Curry**

We received a lovely note from Carrie Szwed, Education Director of the White Memorial Conservation Center, thanking us for our sponsorship of their Environmental Education Outreaches program. If anyone from the Garden Club is interested in attending one of these classes, you would be most welcome. All programs are on Mondays. Here is the schedule:

January 8 - CT Geology  
Feb. 12 - CT Plants  
March 5 - CT Animals  
April 2 - Measuring Our Impact  
May 7 - Take a Hike

Carrie leads 4 programs a day, the times being: 8:45-9:45am, 10:35-11:35am, 1-2pm, and 2-3pm. If you would like to attend a program, contact Carrie at [Carrie@whitememorialcc.org](mailto:Carrie@whitememorialcc.org) ahead of time so that the school will know to expect you.

Tonja

### **Horticulture: Julia Metcalf**

Hort for January meeting:

Class 1:

- A: Succulents in pot larger than 3"
- B: Succulents in pot smaller than 3"
- C: Mother and baby (pot size not an issue)

Class 2:

- A: Cactus in pot larger than 3"
- B: Cactus in pot smaller than 3"
- C: Mother and baby (pot size not an issue)

Class 3:

- A: Begonias
- B: Mother and baby

Class 4

Forced Bulbs

### **Hospitality: Lisa Horne & Margy Miner**

Please sign-up to hostess for one of our spring meetings. The easiest way to sign-up is online - click [HERE](#) or send [Lisa](#) an email or call 860.567.8216. You can sign up to bring a sweet, savory, fruit or make a centerpiece. Thanks in advance.

Lisa and Margy are looking forward to hearing from you!

## **Photography: Cathy Oneglia**

The Photography Committee will meet on January 24 at the Litchfield Community Center at 3 PM. This will be a problem solving meeting. Bring your issues, questions, experience, hopes and desires regarding mounting, printing, image processing, etc. It would be good to go over GCA definitions often found in Photography Division Classes and some additional GCA materials. Resizing photos for sending to FOCUS or to a flower show is another area that causes some pauses.

Have a wonderful 2018! Cathy

## **Website: Joan Burgess**

The website has been updated with photos from the Holiday Tea. Take a look - click [HERE](#).

Don't see something but want it posted or have a question - contact [Joan](#). Need LGC information - use our website! It's all there and easy to find.

## **Upcoming Events & Member News**

### **A letter from Jeanette Ching -**

*Dear Diane,*

*I wish to thank you for your condolences. I have also received so many sympathy letters from Garden Club friends. They have comforted me immensely.*

*I am easing in to my new life and looking forward to George's Memorial next spring, a celebration of his life. Please share the attached information among LGC friends. Many thanks.*

*Love, Jeannette*

There will be two memorial services for George: Princeton, NJ, his most recent home, and Litchfield, CT, his home for almost 40 years. Both services will be followed by a reception/luncheon. Here are the dates and times:

7 April 2018 at 11am at Trinity Church, 33 Mercer Road, Princeton NJ, followed by a reception in Pierce Hall at the church.

5 May 2018 at 11am at St Michael's Parish, 25 South Street, Litchfield, CT, followed by a reception at the Litchfield Country Club, 256 Old South Road.

Click [HERE](#) to read more.

### **YOU MIGHT BE INTERESTED IN - On the Road with the GCA -**

A new educational program for all GCA club members. In 2018, learn more about the GCA, and have fun doing it! GCA hopes to see you "On the Road." - Note the upcoming events or Click [HERE](#) for full details.

### **New York, NY GCA Headquarters:**

June 8, 2018 (Fri) Highlighting the High Line

June 15, 2018 (Fri) For the Birds! Audubon on Display

**There is an upcoming GCA Visiting Gardens Trip to Dallas, scheduled for April 9-14, 2018...and there are still spots available!** The Founders Garden Club of Dallas will entertain guests in their Smithsonian Institutes Archives of American gardens and in private estates filled with world-class art and library collections. The trip includes a visit to the 15-acre urban park on the grounds of the George W. Bush Presidential Center, The Dallas Arboretum which is one of the Top 10 Botanical

Gardens in America, as well as the fine art collection at the AT&T Stadium.

For additional information and to sign up on the interest list for the Dallas-Forth Worth trip, please click [HERE!](#) You must be logged into the GCA website to view link. Questions, contact [Nancy Rath](#).

### **DATES for your CALENDAR**

- NAL Meeting 2018, Monday February 26th through Thursday March 1st in Washington DC.

#### **Quick Links**

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#### **Contact information**

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