



PIEDMONT DISTRICT FOOTPRINTS

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A Message from District President Barbara Hollister

A WARM HELLO TO ALL,

We can all agree the summer days have been warm, warmer, and hot. Such a blessing to have had rain, and even though sometimes just a bit too much. These blessings help make our yards gorgeous, and our gardens flourish. Then comes the joy of mowing grass and weeding, this is called the joy of living! Hopefully, all our gardening skills will produce abundance, and we will be able to share with our fellow garden friends and club members.

I am extremely proud that our **Piedmont District and several clubs and councils were recognized with National Garden Club Certificates.** See the full list on p 4.

Our **Fall District Meeting will be on October 13, 2025** at the delightful Virginia Crossings Hotel in Glen Allen. Questions have been asked about why we are having the meeting on the second Monday rather than the third Monday. The date we would have asked for had already been taken. The remaining Piedmont District Meetings for this term have been secured. They are March 16, 2026; October 19, 2026; March 15, 2027. All meetings are on Mondays, and they will all be at the Virginia Crossings Hotel.

We are in for a treat with our District Fall Design Program. **Brenda McManaway will be our guest designer.** Brenda is knowledgeable, skillful, lots of ingenuity, and a fabulous entertainer. Encourage

your fellow garden club members to attend and have a fun day of learning and enjoying being with other gardeners. **A meeting of Club Presidents will be held at 8:30 am on October 13th** in the dining room.

Flower Shows are gearing up for the fall.

Clay Springs will be having a Small Standard Flower Show "Nature's Beauty & Splendor" on Saturday, September 13, 2025 at the First Baptist Church of Ashland, 800 Thompson Street, Ashland, VA 23005.

The Richmond Council of Garden Clubs will be having a Standard Flower Show "Home for the Holidays" on Friday, December 5, 2025 at the Episcopal Church of Epiphany, 8000 Hermitage Road, Henrico, Virginia 23228.

See "Garden Clubbing in the Piedmont" p 7 for other club events and news.

I want to encourage you to **take advantage of our VFGC school offerings.** See the Old Dominion Gardener or the VFGC website for information and registration forms.

Flower Show School Course I, August 18-21, 2025, Roanoke, Virginia

Landscape Design School, October 13, 2025, Richmond, Virginia

Remember, **"Those Who Plant Together, Grow Together."**

I look forward to seeing many of you at our fall District Meeting!

Barbara

Musings about Gardeners

Lorna Boucher, District Chaplain

The world looks very beautiful and full of joy to me,
The sun shines out in glory on everything I see.
I'm but a little pilgrim, my journey's just begun.
They say I shall meet sorrow before my journey's done.
The world is full of sorrow and suffering they
say.....and.....

So far this year, our beautiful world has met that
sorrow and suffering in the forms of floods, fires,
storms and wars, all of which have taken many
lives of all ages - from very young to very old.

Huge tracts of the planet have been ruined beyond
belief and to make matters worse, some members
of our human race have taken it upon themselves
to behave with serious inhumanity to their fellow
men. They have provoked wars, they have
indulged in greed for power, and they have caused
unimaginable suffering and cruelty.

Those of us who believe that "God created the
Earth and all that is therein" may be forgiven for
thinking that the same God must be pretty
disappointed and ashamed. It seems to me that
Planet Earth is taking matters into its own hands
and wreaking havoc.

Fanciful this idea, perhaps, but who can tell?
On the plus side there is a worldwide band of
stalwarts who are determined to take care of Planet
Earth. Their group title is "Gardeners." They are a
diverse bunch - some of them have tiny patches of
Earth, some have enormous tracts of land and
there are many in between, but they are bound
together in their determination to preserve the
beauty and well-being of the land they love.

So, as a blessing to the Gardeners of the World:

*Heavenly Father, please grant to all gardeners
wherever they may be, patience, endurance, and
the skill to maintain the health and beauty of our
planet so that it will flourish peacefully for
generations to come.*

CALENDAR

Aug 18-21 Flower Show School I, Roanoke

Sept 15 VFGC Grants Deadline

Sept 30 – Oct 1 VFGC Workshops - State Fair

Oct 13 Piedmont District Fall Meeting

Oct 13-14 Landscape Design School, LGBG*

Nov 3-4 VFGC Symposium. Richmond

Dec 1 Awards Applications Due - District Chair

Feb 15 Piedmont District Grants Deadline

Mar 16 Piedmont District Spring Meeting

*LGBG – Lewis Ginter Botanical Garden, Richmond

It's State Fair Time!



If you would like to have fun and introduce "kids of
all ages" to horticulture and floral design, come on
out and help with the VFGC hands-on activities at
the State Fair.

September 30th 3-7 pm

October 1st from 10 am – 3 pm

To volunteer, contact VFGC Coordinator Judy
Durant: jgdurant@verizon.net

Fall District Meeting Preview

Lili Aram-Bost, Director of Hospitality
Janice Beatty, Director of Programs

On October 13th, our Fall District Meeting will be held at the lovely Hilton at Virginia Crossings in Glen Allen.

You don't want to miss this meeting featuring Brenda McManaway, with the program title of "Fall Flurry."

Brenda is a Master NGC Floral Judge, currently the President of the Blue Ridge Flower Show Judges Council, and President of Creative Floral Arrangers of America. She also serves on the VFGC Committee for Flower Show School and VFGC Symposium.

Her Program, "Fall Flurry" promises to be exciting and fun. Of course, Brenda's six designs will go home with lucky winners. Don't forget to get your opportunity tickets at the meeting.



PIEDMONT DISTRICT FALL MEETING

Monday, October 13, 2025

Registration Deadline
October 4



WHERE: Virginia Crossings Hotel & Convention Center
1000 Virginia Center Parkway
Glen Allen, VA 23059

SCHEDULE & PROGRAM

8:30-10:00	Registration, Coffee, and Shopping
10:00 -11:00	General Meeting
11:00-12:00	Break / Shopper's Spree
12:00-1:00	Luncheon
1:00-2:45	Design Program:

EVENT COST: \$45.00

MENU:

A delicious buffet will feature green salad, composed salads, two hot entrees, plus a hot vegetarian entrée and gluten-free option, choice of three desserts, rolls and butter. Coffee and Tea.

To Register – Deadline October 4th- First review the registration process on page 9 of this *Footprints* issue.

Reservation Form – see page 10 of this *Footprints* issue or download from the website:

<https://www.piedmontdistrictvfgc.org/>

Special for Piedmont District Members: if you wish to enjoy the hotel and amenities including buffet breakfast, you may book a hotel stay October 12th at the rate of \$140 plus taxes. Call 804-727-1400, extension 0, and ask for Piedmont District group rate – code 91F. .

You may also reserve your room online using group code 91F
<https://group.tapestrycollection.com/uszosz>

The deadline for hotel booking is October 6th.



NGC Awards for Piedmont District Congratulations!

District Newsletter
Certificate of Appreciation
"Footprints"

Flower Show Achievement Awards & Rosettes

Richmond Designers' Guild
Horticulture Specialty Show "How Fair Is a Garden"
Thomas Jefferson GC
Horticulture Specialty Show "Spring Splendor"
Piedmont District Judges' Council
Flower Show "Good Vibrations"

Club Certificates of Appreciation

Wildlife Survival Education

Thomas Jefferson GC
Salisbury GC

Floral Design Program

Violet Bank GC
Sleepy Hollow GC

Landscaping Public Grounds

Thomas Jefferson GC

Community Gardens

Salisbury GC

Garden Therapy

Northam GC
Salisbury GC

Beautification Project

Salisbury GC

National Garden Week

Salisbury GC

Club Newsletter

Stonehenge GC
Rock Spring GC

Website

Chesapeake Bay GC

Environmental Education of Youth

Salisbury GC

Horticulture Education of Youth

Salisbury GC



VFGC Symposium November 3-4

Valerie Story, Symposium Chair

Judges, student judges. and those who are just interested in learning more about horticulture and design, register for Symposium! We will have tremendous instructors for our **VFGC Symposium, November 3-4, 2025 at Four Points by Sheraton near Richmond airport.**

Gina Jogan – Design Instructor

Gina is an NGC Master Judge and Instructor in Design, Flower Show Procedure, and Allied Topics. She has held leadership positions in the Florida Federation of Garden Clubs, the Deep South Garden Clubs, and National Garden Clubs. She has taught workshops in NGC schools as well as at CFAA and OFAD. Her stunning designs have been featured in many publications and online.

Gina will be teaching reflective and floor designs, as well as the Allied topic: Judges' comments on entry cards.

David Robson – Horticulture Instructor

David is a retired horticulture and pesticide specialist from the University of Illinois. A graduate of Iowa State University and the University of Illinois, David has taught for 43 years. He is an NGC Master Judge and worked on the *2027 NGC Book for Flower Shows* and the *NGC Horticulture Exhibiting and Judging* book.

David will be teaching container-grown plants - *Philodendron*, Collections, and the Allied topic: Botanical Arts.

The registration form can be found on p 13 of this *Footprints* issue - or the full brochure on the website:

<https://viriniagardenclubs.org>

Make Room Reservations directly with
Hotel: 804-266-4300 or with
Marriott: 888-236-2427

State you are with the VFGC Block of rooms.
Room cost is \$142.00 with a cut-off date of October 6, 2025

VFGC Grant Applications Due September 15

Melissa Damiano, District Chair

Does your garden club have projects planned for 2025-26 but not enough funds? Consider applying for one of two VFGC grants by Sept. 15, 2025. All clubs are encouraged to apply for a one-year grant of up to \$1000. This can be for a new or ongoing project. A club can apply for more than one grant in the same fiscal year if it is a different project. If the project is ongoing, a club can apply more than one time for a grant for the project (different VFGC fiscal years.) First time applicants shall receive priority over clubs that have received previous grants. The two grants have different applications, chairs, and judging panels. Grant applications can be found on VFGC website

www.VirginiaGardenClubs.org or contact the appropriate chair listed below. (Note: A club cannot apply for both grants for the same project in the same VFGC fiscal year.)

Grants to Beautify and Restore: The purpose of this grant is to provide financial support for clubs to restore gardens that have been damaged by natural disasters within Virginia OR beautify areas within Virginia garden club communities. Priority is given to natural disaster restoration projects. For more information on Beautify and Restore Grants contact: VFGC Chair Judy Ann Fray, ja.fray@verizon.net, 540-948-4220.

Youth Project Grants ('Keys to the Future'): The purpose of this grant is to provide financial support for club members to work with youth to help them realize the rewards and life lessons from gardens and habitats and to become good stewards of the earth. The scope of these programs may include benefits to the community, environmental awareness education, plant-to-food connections, outdoor classroom projects, horticulture education, and the social aspects of gardening. For more information on Youth Project Grants contact: VFGC Chair Grace Morris, glynm@aol.com, 540-447-0042, See the "Keys to the Future" guidelines and application in this *Footprints* issue, pp 11-12.

Smokey Bear/Woodsy Owl Posters

Pat Merson, District Chair



Students will be returning to school soon. It's the perfect time to think about participating in the Smokey Bear/Woodsy Owl Poster Contest. Last year, two Piedmont District clubs participated. Students in grades one through five are eligible to enter the contest. Garden clubs can access contest rules on the Piedmont District website. Let's showcase Piedmont District's talented students!

Posters are due by January 9, 2026.

Please send the posters to:

Pat Merson

11231 Woodland Pond Pkwy.

Chesterfield, Virginia 23838

Judges' Council Meeting Sept 8th

Jane Oliver Smith

Piedmont Judges' Council will have their General Meeting on September 8, 2025, 12:30 – 2:00 at Lewis Ginter Botanical Garden Education Building Classroom 2, Richmond. You may want to come early and have lunch on your own at the café prior to the meeting; there will be others there. The Program will include Julia Clevett presenting the Handbook changes, ethics and professionalism.

This is a good time to print the revised handbook good through July 1, 2025; print in color to show the changes and bring to the meeting. Go to: Gardenclub.org – if you don't have an account when you click on the log in, create an account for members. Once you have created your account and opened the members section, go to flower show school and click on resources to get a copy of the NGC Handbook with all of the changes which you can print out.

Apply for District Grants by Feb 15

Lynn Bell, Chair

Piedmont District will continue to offer grants for NEW and CONTINUING worthy club projects during the 2025-27 term. Worthy projects can include landscaping at schools, libraries, roadsides and other public spaces, environmental and community projects, youth activities, and garden therapy. Priority will be given to projects that promote the Presidents' Projects (NGC, SAR, VFGC) and that could not be undertaken without some financial assistance.

Why not consider applying for funds for a club project? The "user friendly" grant application form is included in this *Footprints* issue (p 14) and is also on the PD website. Please submit only one application per club per year. The deadline for submission is February 15, 2026. Applications will be reviewed by the committee, and winners will be announced at the Spring District Meeting on March 16, 2026.

NGC Plant America Grants 2025-26

Through the Plant America Grant program, **up to \$2,000.00** may be awarded to be used for direct expenses of projects. Projects submitted to receive a grant may be a joint venture with another organization/s. The scope includes:

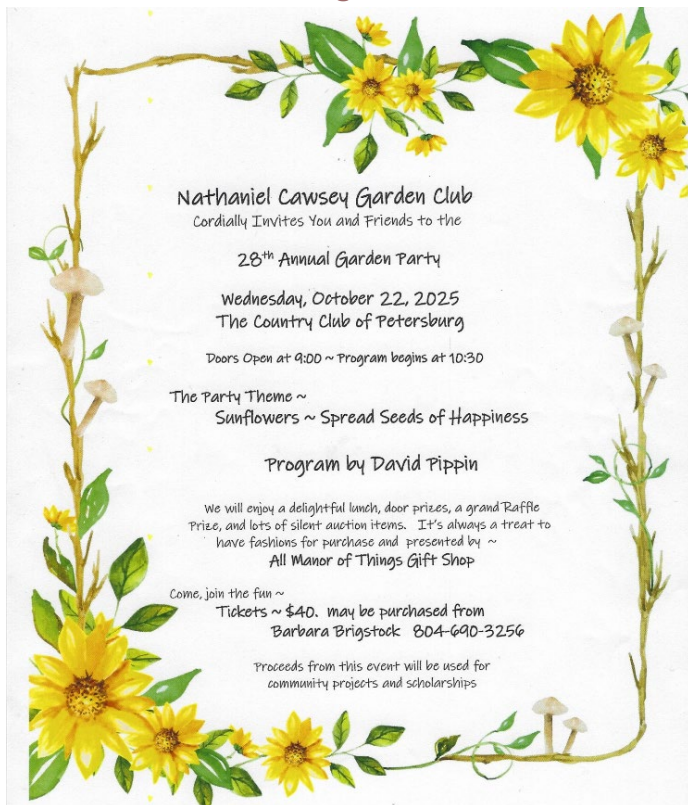
- Beautification and/or restoration
- Community gardens
- School gardens/classrooms
- Landscaping for Habitat for Humanity Homes
- Landscaping of Blue Star Memorial Markers
- Implementation of environmental practices
- A horticulture or environmental educational event for the public

To learn more, go to:

<https://gardenclub.org/plant-america-community-project-grants>

Submit applications by October 15th.

Garden Clubbing in the Piedmont



KILMARNOCK GARDEN CLUB FALL FUNDRAISER

The Kilmarnock Garden Club is very excited to stage its fall fundraising event.

Kathy Ward presents

"Floral Fantasies"

Holiday Designs

October 21, 2025, 11:00 AM

Historic Christ Church in Weems, Virginia

Kathy will create Fall, Thanksgiving, Christmas, and New Year's "Floral Fantasies"!



The cost of this event is \$55.00 including lunch and design program. For more information or to purchase tickets email: eve.s.runyon@gmail.com

SLEEPY HOLLOW GARDEN CLUB *Purely for Pleasure*



*Celebrating Gardens
& Gardeners*

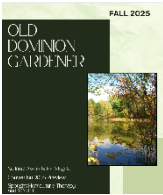
An NGC Horticulture Specialty Flower Show

At SHGC's June 10th flower show, ten club members exhibited 77 beautiful horticulture exhibits. Pictured: *Bonnie Parker* places exhibits for judging.



Calling All Photographers!

Gail Goodrich Harwood, ODG Editor



Thanks to all members who have submitted beautiful photographs, not only for this issue, but for future issues. This is a terrific way to “travel” around the Commonwealth.

To submit your photographs:

- Select *seasonal photographs to complement the ODG seasonal publication schedule*. Select either long shots or close-up photos.
- Send 300 dpi jpegs – if submitting a phone photo, and your email gives you a size choice, select “Actual” or “Large” size.
- Photographs for the cover must be ‘portrait’ orientation – inside gallery photos may be either portrait or landscape orientation.
- If your photograph is not of your own garden or plant(s), please gain permission to print in the *ODG*.
- Send to your district editor by the deadline—include your name and club name; add a caption & location of the photograph.
- Submission considered permission to print.



2025-27

Piedmont District Officers

President
Barbara Hollister

Director of Hospitality
Director of Programs
Treasurer
Recording Secretary

Lili Aram-Bost
Janice Beatty
Claudia Cosby
Susan Delsordo

Footprints & ODG

Send articles and photos in separate files to:

Gail Goodrich Harwood, Editor

email: Footprints@PiedmontDistrictVFGC.org

PHONE: 804-317-8091

Articles are due before the following deadlines:

AUGUST 1, 2025 - FALL

NOVEMBER 1, 2025 – WINTER

FEBRUARY 1, 2026 – SPRING

MAY 1, 2026 -- SUMMER

Please mark your calendars to allow time to meet the due dates. Electronic transmission preferred, photos and graphics encouraged. Please submit photos in jpeg format as separate files, not embedded with text. Submit text in Word format, non-pdf. All articles welcome: club projects, special events, announcements about upcoming events.

Mark the subject of your e-mail submission “Footprints” or “ODG” – ordinarily the same article will not appear in both publications, but some announcements and some parts of articles may appear in both.

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REGISTRATION INFORMATION

Piedmont District Fall Meeting Shopping, Luncheon, & Design Program Monday October 13, 2025

Virginia Crossings 1000 Virginia Center Parkway
Glen Allen, VA 23059

Registration Deadline: October 4

Registration Process Steps

Please review before completing the Registration Form

STEP ONE - Via email: Club Contact sends registration info to the Registrar via email. Include: club name, club contact, number of seats requested (*no registrations by telephone*). List all who are attending (name and voting status). **Please pay particular attention to the correct spelling of names.**

STEP TWO - Via mail: Club Contact submits the completed registration form. The form must be **complete**. **Handwritten submittals must be legible** in order to facilitate the accurate preparation of nametags. **Note that each attendee's role and voting status must be completed according to the key.** With the registration form, **one check must be included covering all registrations.** Make the check payable to VFGC/ Piedmont District.

STEP THREE - Registrar will confirm registration(s) to the Club Contact via email once the form and check are received.

STEP FOUR - Table assignments will be made in the order in which checks are received.

NOTE - Refunds cannot be made. Club Contact is responsible for managing substitutes in the event registrants cannot attend.

Registration Form – Piedmont District Fall Meeting

Monday October 13, 2025

Virginia Crossings 1000 Virginia Center Parkway Glen Allen, VA 23059

Registration Deadline: October 4

Club Contact Information

Club Name _____

Contact Name _____

Email address _____

Phone _____

Registrant Information

Name (print neatly please)	✓ Voting Status if applicable *
	CP <input type="checkbox"/> VD <input type="checkbox"/> DO <input type="checkbox"/> DC <input type="checkbox"/> FDP <input type="checkbox"/>
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*Voting Status Codes: **CP**= Club President **VD**= Voting Delegate (up to two delegates per club)
DO= District Officer **DC** = District Committee Chair **FDP** = Former District President

Total # of Registrations @ \$45: _____ **Total Check Amount:** _____ (one check)

Note: Buffet will feature a variety of hot and cold choices, including vegetarian and gluten-free options, and desserts.

Mail form and check payable to VFGC/Piedmont District to Registrar Johanna Gilbert:

8423 Shannon Green Court Henrico, VA 23228-1876 email: omagilbert@aol.com

GUIDELINES & APPLICATION

“KEYS TO THE FUTURE” Youth Project Grants

The “Keys to the Future” Youth Project Grants Program, with a simple application procedure, is sponsored by the Virginia Federation of Garden Clubs, Inc. for new or existing youth-centered programs. All VFGC clubs are encouraged to apply for a one-year grant up to \$1,000 for the purpose of working with young people and helping them realize the rewards and life lessons from gardens and habitats for becoming good stewards of the earth. The scope of these programs may include benefits to the community, environmental awareness/education, plant-to-food connections, outdoor classroom projects, horticulture education, and the social aspects of gardening.

APPLICATION DEADLINE: **SEPTEMBER 15** of each year
Must be submitted by a VFGC member garden club.

HOW TO APPLY:

Please fill out the Application form, include a budget and mail to:

Grace Morris

Phone: 540-447=0042

VFGC Grants Committee

916 Glenwood Blvd.

Waynesboro, VA 22980-3409

or email: glyonm@aol.com

PURPOSE: The purpose of “Keys to the Future” Youth Project Grants is to provide financial support for clubs working with youth on a specific project.

PROGRAM CRITERIA:

In evaluating grant applications, priority will be given to programs that emphasize one or more of these elements:

- number of youth participating/reached.
- benefits to the community
- environmental awareness/education
- horticulture educational focus or curricular/program integration
- plant-to-food connections.
- social aspects of gardening i.e., leadership development, team building, community support, or service-learning.
- club member support and participation.

FUNDING GUIDELINES Grants will NOT be provided for:

- projects in which the club does not participate in some aspect.
- salaries or benefits of school personnel
- field trips outside Virginia.
- political action programs
- Eagle Scout projects
- capital drives and building funds.
- scholarships
- endowments
- lawsuits and litigation
- overhead costs
- consumables, one-time use items or giveaways, such as T-shirts, tote bags, food, admission fees, or tuition

Note: The same project is not eligible for both Youth Project Grants and Beautify & Restore Grants in the same VFGC fiscal year.



APPLICATION

"KEYS TO THE FUTURE" VFGC Youth Project Grant

DEADLINE: SEPTEMBER 15, 2025

Date: _____

VFGC District: _____

Name of VFGC Club: _____

Garden Club Contact Person submitting application (Name, address, phone number, email):

***This Chair will email you that your application has been received.**

Please do NOT use hyperlinks. Many judges write notes on the printed applications as they score. If information is important to your application, simply type information concisely.

New Project: Yes _____ No _____

Beginning date: _____ Expected Completion date: _____

Amount Requested: \$ _____ Amount Club Provides: \$ _____ Total
Project Budget: \$ _____

Number of Youth Involved in Project _____ Number Reached by Project _____

Briefly Describe Project, how funds will be used include the following if applicable:

1. Briefly describe project. Application including budget should be no longer than 3 single-sided pages. If handwritten, please legibly PRINT.
2. What is the youth population you are working with on this project?
3. Approximately how many Garden Club Members will be involved in this project and in what roles?
4. Brief statement of any in-kind or volunteer services, please list organization & their role.
5. Location of Project: Ex. If a garden or greenhouse is to be built/used, where is it located?
6. Does your project require special approval of authorizing groups (i.e., school board)?
7. Must include a detailed budget denoting separate line-item cost of each material/component used (i.e., potting soil, pots, plants, etc.).

NOTE: Grant funds can only be used for the stated project.

Unused grant funds must be returned to VFGC by May 15 with the Final Report. The same project is not eligible for both Youth Project Grants and Beautify & Restore Grants in the same VFGC fiscal year.

Judging is based on the following Scale of Points:

-Scope of Project	35
-Club Member Involvement	35
-Criteria Met (read Guidelines)	10
-Detailed Budget Completed	15
-Application Form Completed	5

Attach Detailed Project Budget

Mail to: Grace Morris 917 Glenwood Blvd. Waynesboro, VA 22980-3409 Phone: 540-447-0042

OR Email to: glyonm@aol.com

Any questions, please contact Grace Morris.

VFGC SYMPOSIUM REGISTRATION FORM

November 3-4, 2025

Four Points by Sheraton, Richmond Airport

Name _____

Address _____

City/State/Zip _____

Cell Phone # _____ Email _____

Club _____ District _____

Medical Dietary Restrictions _____

Status: Student () Accredited () Life () Master ()

Circle one: Testing Auditing Neither

Date of Last Certification/Audit _____

FEES

Full course price includes Monday and Tuesday Lectures and Lunches.

() Full Course \$185 _____

Single Event

() Horticulture & Lunch (Mon.) \$ 95 _____

() Design & Lunch (Tues.) \$ 95 _____

() Manual emailed free of charge **OR**

() Printed Manual \$ 10 _____

MUST BE PREORDERED-Available at Registration

*If postmarked after **October 23, 2025**,*

add \$30 late fee _____

TOTAL ENCLOSED _____

Make check payable to:

Virginia Federation of Garden Clubs, Inc.

Write Symposium in memo line and mail to:

Dianna Busch, Registrar

14453 Rillhurst Drive

Culpeper VA 22701

540-353-9044

diannabusch@comcast.net

****DEADLINE: OCTOBER 23, 2025** No refunds after this date.**

PIEDMONT DISTRICT GRANT APPLICATION
Deadline – February 15, 2026

Club: _____ Number of Members: _____
Club Contact Name: _____
Address: _____
Phone: _____ Email: _____

Type of Project: _____

(Can include Landscaping Public Spaces such as schools, other public building grounds, roadsides, etc.; Youth Activities; Garden Therapy; Blue Star Memorials; or other Environmental and Community Projects.)

Project Beginning Date: _____ Proposed Completion Date: _____
(Completion date should be no later than March 1, 2027)

Clearly describe your project on 1 side of paper. Use up to 3 additional sides for landscape plans, budget, and before photos.

- Location of project.
- The purpose of the project and who it will benefit.
- If a landscape project, give approximate dimensions and include a copy of landscape plan.
- Include “before” picture of the area.
- Include a list of plant material.
- Include a proposed budget and source of funds, i.e., from club, outside.
- Source of labor, i.e., club members, others.
- If this is a new phase of a project, briefly describe what was previously done and include a photograph of the previous project.
- Who will maintain the property once it is complete?
- If not a landscape project, fully describe the project.
- Priority and weight will be given to projects that support the Presidents Projects (NGC, SAR, VFGC). These funds are for new projects or projects not yet completed that clubs would be unable to undertake without grant.

PLEASE SUBMIT YOUR APPLICATION BY **February 15, 2026** TO: LYNN BELL, PIEDMONT DISTRICT GRANTS CHAIRMAN, 2361 CASTLE HILL ROAD, MIDLOTHIAN, VA 23113-1143 OR EMAIL IT TO lhbell1120@aol.com. ANY QUESTIONS CALL 804-320-8578. WINNERS WILL BE ANNOUNCED AND CHECKS AWARDED AT THE DISTRICT SPRING MEETING ON MARCH 16, 2026.