

AUGUSTA COUNCIL OF GARDEN CLUBS, INC.

2021-2023
Yearbook



Rita Hamilton, President

Member of:
Azalea District
The Garden Club of Georgia, Inc.
Deep South Region
National Garden Clubs, Inc.

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General Information

Founded 1948 - Incorporated 1954

Comprised of 15 clubs and approximately 450 members

Mission: To coordinate the interests of the local garden clubs and bring them into closer relationships

Augusta Council of Garden Clubs, Inc.

Mailing Address: P.O. Box 40041, Augusta, GA 30909

Meetings

Executive and Governing Board meetings will meet on the fourth Thursday of August, September, January, March and May. The Executive Board will meet prior to the Governing Board as needed, and combined meetings will begin at 10 a.m.



The Meaning behind the ACGC Logo

The Leaf represents the natural world which we enjoy as gardeners, yet it is heart-shaped to portray our love of gardening. The separate veins represent the individual clubs which together create the whole leaf (the Council). The leaf is also a symbol of growth, a goal of our individual members and our Council.

Federation Leaders – 2021-2023

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"Growing With Challenges and Changes"



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"Leave the Chrysalis-Emerge to Beauty"



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2017 Autumn Chase

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"Play Outdoors In Our Playground of Possibilities"



Council Organization

Executive Board

Executive Committee:

<u>Office</u>	<u>Name</u>	<u>Club</u>
President	Rita Hamilton	Iris
1 st Vice President	Charles Duchscher	Azalea
2 nd Vice President	Beth Wiseman	Spade & Trowel
Recording Secretary	Marilyn McDonnell	Iris
Corresponding Secretary	Barbara Horner	Iris
Treasurer	Lottie Gilchrist	Spade & Trowel
Assistant Treasurer	Nancy Lindroth	Spade & Trowel

Appointed:

<u>Office</u>	<u>Name</u>	<u>Club</u>
Parliamentarian	Doris Blalock	Pine Needle of Augusta
Co-Chaplains	Mary Byrd	Pine Needle of Augusta
	Jan Lamke	Magnolia

Advisory Committee (former presidents residing in area):

<u>Name</u>	<u>Club</u>
Doris Blalock	Pine Needle of Augusta
Mary Byrd	Pine Needle of Augusta
Peggy Glover	Garden Arts/ Pine Needle of Lincolnton
Pat Slater	Willow Wood
Karen Oliver	Greenbrier
Pat Hathaway	Iris
Judy Kirkland	After Six
Betty Davis	After Six/ Pine Needle of Augusta
Ann Leonard	Iris
Sue Edenfield	Burkeland

Committee Chairmen:

<u>Committee</u>	<u>Name</u>	<u>Club</u>
Air and Water Quality		
Awards	Ann Leonard	Iris
Birds and Butterflies	Mary Byrd	Pine Needle (Augusta)
Blue Star/Gold Star Marker	Peggy Glover	Garden Arts/Pine Needle (Lincolnton)
Community Beautification/Perennial Garden	Bonnie McClain	Iris
Community Tree Canopy	Brenda Mason	

Education	Ginny Allen	Cherokee Rose
	Judy Kirkland	After Six, Grovetown
Finance	Lottie Gilchrist	Spade & Trowel
	Nancy Lindroth	Spade & Trowel
Flower Show Consultants	Barbara Horner	Iris
	Beth Wiseman	Spade & Trowel
Garden Week (Georgia & National)	Elaine Clark Smith	Spade & Trowel
Historian & Archivist	Betty Davis	After Six, Pine Needle of Augusta
Litter & Recycling	Jan Lamke	Magnolia
Newsletter (<i>Clippings</i>)		
Pull Tabs for Ronald McDonald House	Ginny Allen	Cherokee Rose
Ways and Means	Lottie Gilchrist	Spade & Trowel
Website Coordinator	Teresa May	

Governing Board

The Governing Board is made up of club presidents, a Council representative from each club, plus all members of the Executive Committee.

2021-2023 Club Presidents and Council Representatives

<u>Club</u>	<u>President</u>	<u>Council Representative</u>
AFTER SIX	Pete Miller	Marilyn McDonnell
AZALEA	Beverly Dorn	Charles Duchscher
BURKELAND	Lynne Seeger	TBD
CHEROKEE ROSE	Virginia Allen	
GARDEN ARTS	Jodie Hess	
GREENBRIER	Andrea Butt	Pam Harrison
GROVETOWN	Shiloh Vasquez	TBD
HILLSIDE	Mary Wallace Johnson	Marcelene Markwalter
IRIS	Pat Hathaway	Karen Mauldin
MAGNOLIA	Jan Lamke	Lee Harwell
PINE NEEDLE – AUGUSTA	Mary Byrd	Doris Blalock
PINE NEEDLE / LINCOLNTON	Linda Joiner	
PIONEER	Conda Momcilovic	
SAND HILLS	Kelly Hagler	
SPADE & TROWEL	Beth Wiseman	

Augusta Council of Garden Clubs Club Information

Club	Date	Time	Place	Members
After Six	TBD.	6:30 PM	Wexford Clubhouse	12 (men and women)
Azalea	2 nd Wed.	10:30 AM	Augusta Country Club	28
Burkeland	2 nd Tues.	3:30 PM	Burke Co. Library and homes	28
Cherokee Rose	1 st Tues.	9:45 AM	homes	31
Garden Arts	2 nd Wed.	10:00 AM	Brandon Wilde	21
Greenbrier	1 st Wed.	9:45 AM	homes	32
Grovetown	2 nd Thur.	6:30 PM	homes	6
Hillside	2 nd Tues.	11:00 AM	homes	27
Iris	2 nd Wed.	11:00 AM	Augusta Country Club	39
Magnolia	2 nd Wed.	10:30 AM	homes	18
Pine Needle/Augusta	2 nd Tues.	10:30 AM	Augusta Country Club	39
Pine Needle/Lincolnton	2 nd Tues.	7:00 PM	Lincolnton Library	22 (men and women)
Pioneer	3 rd Tues.	4:00 PM	TBA	17 (men and women)
Sand Hills	2 nd Tues.	11:00 AM	homes	34
Spade & Trowel	2 nd Thurs.	10:00 AM	Augusta Country Club	37

Projects 2021-2023

Blue Star Memorial- Gold Star Memorial/ Peggy Glover

ACGC will propose to place new markers in the Augusta area. (Continuing NGC/ GCG project)

Bonnie McClain Perennial Garden/ Bonnie McClain

Starting in 2000, the ACGC has developed and maintained this Savannah River front garden which has won state and national awards for historic preservation. (Continuing ACGC project)

Community Tree Canopy/Brenda Mason The purpose of this project is to increase the number of trees planted in the CSRA and supports landscape improvement at Hope House.

Environmental Awareness *Clubs are encouraged to contact these chairmen for current information and program resources on these topics:*

Air & Water Quality

Birds and Butterflies/ Mary Byrd

Litter & Recycling/Jan Lamke

(Continuing GCG Projects)

Garden Week in Georgia/ Elaine Clark Smith

The third full week in April has been approved by the Governor as a yearly event. Garden clubs are encouraged to plan special events during week to raise awareness of what garden clubs do in the community (Continuing GCG Project)

National Garden Week/ Elaine Clark Smith

The 1st week in June is National Garden Week. Clubs are encouraged to plan special events to raise awareness of what garden clubs do in the community. (Continuing NGC project)

Toilet Tissue Rolls and Used Candles for Easter Seals/ Jan Lamke

Garden club members save empty toilet tissue rolls and used candles, and turn them in at Executive and Governing Board meetings. Jan Lamke will take them to the local Easter Seals chapter where they will be turned into fire starters and sold as a fundraiser for Easter Seals. (Continuing ACGC project)

Pull a Tab for Ronald McDonald House/ Ginny Allen

Clubs are asked to collect tabs from drink and other cans. These may be turned in at Executive or Governing Board meetings. Our local Ronald McDonald House turns them into cash for house needs. (Continuing ACGC project)

Special Dates and Events

October 7, 2021	Azalea District Fall Meeting (ZOOM)
March 8-10, 2022	Deep South Convention (Kenner, LA)
March 24, 2022	ACGC Spring Luncheon/Annual Meeting
April 13, 2022	GCG Convention (Macon)
April	Garden Week in Georgia
April 22-24, 2022	Augusta Tri-Refresher <i>including Sacred Heart Garden Festival</i> <i>Ginny Allen, Betty Davis, Marilyn McDonnell, Co-Chairmen</i>
May 17-20, 2022	NGC Convention (Orlando)
June 5-11, 2022	National Garden Week The purpose of Garden Weeks is to promote garden club activities and membership. Clubs are encouraged to scheduled special events during these weeks and publicize them through the news media. Suggested activities include taking a flower arrangement to a local nursing home, hosting a garden party, planning a club trip to an arboretum, etc. <i>Elaine Clark Smith, Chair</i>

ACGC Website

<http://augustacouncilgc.com/>

To access the Members Only Section: Username: [acgc](#)

Password: [seeds09](#)

Please visit ACGC's Website often to keep up with Council news in addition to district, state, region and national links! Registration forms, contests and upcoming events are posted on the Website.

Please submit your club's articles and photos to be posted on the Website to Betty Davis, bettyboop2315@yahoo.com. Members may post information and photos directly to the Augusta Council of Garden Clubs' Facebook page. If you are uncertain how to do this or are not a Facebook user, you may contact Ginny Allen, vallenotr@aol.com.

Garden Gateways Deadlines

Clubs are invited to submit information regarding anniversaries or major projects. Submitted material should be typed and mailed or e-mailed to the editor. High resolution photographs may also be e-mailed. Editorial deadlines are as follows:

Spring Issue (March, April, May): January 15th

Summer Issue (June, July, August): April 15th

Fall Issue (September, October, November): July 15th

Winter Issue (December, January, February): October 15th

Editor:

Augusta Council of Garden Clubs Dues

ACGC dues are \$20.00 yearly per club and are due by April 1.

These dues should be
mailed to:

*Lottie Gilchrist, Treasurer
Augusta Council of Garden Clubs, Inc.
P.O. Box 40041 Augusta, GA 30909*

Garden Club of Georgia Dues

Clubs are also responsible for dues of \$10.00 per member
Payable to: *Garden Club of Georgia* by March 1.

These dues should be mailed to:

*Garden Club of Georgia
2450 South Milledge Ave. Athens, GA 30602-
5817*

Include the GCG club identification number on the check.

The annual club registration form and new member registration form can be downloaded
from the Garden Club of Georgia Website: www.uga.edu/gardenclub

Garden Club of Georgia Donations

For all GCG donations go to the GCG Website and complete the desired downloadable form.

These can be found at www.gardenclub.uga.edu . Follow the link to *GCG Forms →Support*

Budget

Augusta Council of Garden Clubs, Inc., FY 2020

<u>INCOME</u>	<u>Item</u>	<u>Approved</u>
BANKING	Checking Account Balance Carry Over	\$ 4,000.00
DONATIONS		
DUES	Club Dues	\$ 340.00
PROJECT		
	Education	\$ 1,000.00
	Peek-A-Boo	\$ 1,500.00
INVESTMENTS	Transfers from Investments	\$ 18,333.00
MISCELLANEOUS	Contributions	
WAYS & MEANS		
	Silent Auction 2017	\$ 1,000.00
	Annual Meeting 2019	self-supporting
	CREDITS Collections/voided transactions	
TOTAL INCOME		\$ 26,173.00

<u>EXPENSES</u>	<u>Item</u>	<u>Approved</u>
DONATIONS		
	Cherokee Garden Library	\$ 100.00
	Founders Memorial Garden	\$ 100.00
	Garden Therapy	\$ 100.00
	GCG Named Scholarship	\$ 2,000.00
	GCG Scholarship	\$ 200.00
	Historic Preservation	\$ 100.00
	Land Trust - Marshall Forest	\$ 100.00
	LeConte-Woodmanston	\$ 100.00
	Natural Disaster	\$ 100.00
	Roadside Beautification	\$ 100.00

	State Botanical Gardens – Athens	\$ 100.00
	GCG State Headquarters	\$ 100.00
	State Parks & Public Lands	\$ 100.00
	Children's Garden at State Botanical Garden	\$ 100.00
	Penny Pines	\$ 68.00
DUES		
	Garden Club of Georgia	\$ 15.00
	GA Secretary of State (INC. fee)	\$ 30.00
LEGAL & INSURANCE		
	Insurance	\$ 1,000.00
	Legal/Taxes	\$ 700.00
OFFICE EXPENSES		
	Bank Expenses	\$ 10.00
	President's Picture	\$ 150.00
	Post Office Box Rent	\$ 65.00
	Postage	\$ 60.00
	Printing & Copying	\$ 500.00
	Office and Storage Rent	\$ 3,200.00
	Supplies	\$ 200.00
	Website	\$ 175.00
PROGRAMS		
	2019 Annual Meeting Speaker	\$ 2,000.00
	2019 Annual Meeting	self-supporting
PROJECTS		
	Blue Star/Gold Star Marker	\$ 1,800.00
	Education - Other	\$ 1,000.00
	Education Seed Money	\$ 1,000.00
	Flower Show 2019	\$ 500.00
	Fund Raiser	\$ 500.00
	Garden Tour (Peek-A-Boo)	\$ 500.00

	Community Tree Canopy	\$ 200.00
	Riverwalk Perennial Garden	\$ 300.00
	Augusta Needs Projects	\$ 2,000.00
	Pendleton King Park	\$ 500.00
	Hope House	\$ 5,000.00
OTHER		
	President's Discretionary Fund	\$ 300.00
	GCG Convention (President)	\$ 300.00
	President's Meetings/Meals	\$ 400.00
	Memorials	\$ 200.00
	Outgoing President's Gift	\$ 100.00
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Total Expenses		\$ 26,173.00

Augusta Council of Garden Clubs 2021-2023

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BYLAWS

OTHE AUGUSTA COUNCIL OF GARDEN CLUBS, INC. Incorporated 1954 Revised May 25, 2016

ARTICLE I Title

The name of this organization shall be The Augusta Council of Garden Clubs, Inc.

ARTICLE II Objectives

The Augusta Council of Garden Clubs is organized exclusively for charitable and educational purposes under section 501 (c) (3) of the Internal Revenue Code, or corresponding section of any future federal tax code.

The objectives and activities of this organization shall be

- (a) to coordinate the interests of the garden clubs in the CSRA;
- (b) to assist in the organization of new garden clubs; and
- (c) to further the education of members and the public by promoting the projects and programs of National Garden Clubs, Inc., the Deep South Region, The Garden Club of Georgia, Inc., and Azalea District. The mission of National Garden Clubs, Inc. is promotion of beautification, education, and conservation in our communities.

ARTICLE III Membership and Dues

Section 1. The membership shall consist of garden clubs in the Augusta area.

Section 2. Dues for each garden club shall be paid annually and received by the Council Treasurer before April 1. Clubs not having paid their dues by June 1 will be declared in arrears.

Section 3. The fiscal year shall run from April 1 through the last day of March.

Section 4. A written request to join Council shall be submitted by a garden club to Council's First Vice-President (Membership and New Clubs Chairman). The First Vice-President shall:

- (a) submit request to the Executive Board for vote by a majority of those present,
- (b) if approved, submit request to the Governing Board for vote by a majority of those present, and
- (c) notify requesting garden club of acceptance.

Section 5. To be and remain eligible for membership, a garden club must meet the requirements as set forth in The Garden Club of Georgia, Inc., Bylaws, Article III, Section 2.

ARTICLE IV Officers and Their Elections

Section 1. The officers of this organization shall be the President, First Vice-President, Second Vice-President, Recording Secretary, Corresponding Secretary, Treasurer and Assistant Treasurer. All officers shall serve on a voluntary basis.

Section 2. All officers shall be elected in each odd-numbered year for a term of two years and shall serve until their successors are elected and qualified. Term of office is limited to two consecutive years. It is recommended that the Assistant Treasurer advance to the Treasurer position.

Section 3. All officers shall be elected by a majority vote of those present at the Governing Board meeting from the slate of officers presented by the Nominating Committee, with such additional nominations as shall be made from the floor

Section 4. If a vacancy occurs in any office, then the President will recommend an appointee to the Executive Board. If confirmed by the Executive Board, the appointee will then assume the responsibilities of that office.

Section 5. Eligible to vote on all issues are members of the Governing Board, which consists of Officers, Parliamentarian, Committee Chairmen, Former Presidents and one representative from each member garden club.

ARTICLE V

Duties of Officers

Section 1. The President shall

- (a) preside at all meetings,
- (b) appoint a Parliamentarian and all Committee Chairmen necessary for the execution of the programs of Council,
- (c) be an ex-officio member of all committees except the Nominating Committee,
- (d) not authorize the expenditure of funds not specified in the budget without approval of the Executive Board and Governing Board, and
- (e) perform all other duties pertaining to the office.

Section 2. The First Vice-President shall

- (a) assist the President in appointing the Chairman of the Flower Show,
- (b) serve as Membership and New Clubs Chairman,
- (c) be responsible for securing a gift for the outgoing President,
- (d) in the absence of the President, perform all duties of that office, and
- (e) perform other duties as requested by the President.

Section 3. The Second Vice-President shall

- (a) serve as the primary resource for garden club programs, including the "Programs By Preference" and local programs of interest,
- (b) procure the program for the March Annual Spring Luncheon and for any other Governing Board meeting that may specifically require it,
- (c) serve as liaison with the District Director each year Council is scheduled to host the Azalea District Annual Meeting or an Azalea District board meeting,
- (d) in the absence of the President and the First Vice-President, perform all duties of that office, and (e) perform other duties as requested by the President.

Section 4. The Recording Secretary shall

- (a) keep an accurate record of the proceedings of all meetings of the Governing Board, the Executive Committee, and the Executive Board,
- (b) maintain the official documents of the Council, including the bylaws, rules of order, standing rules, correspondence, and minutes; keep the bylaws and other governing documents up-to-date with any changes made through the amendment process.
- (c) bring to each meeting the minutes book and the current Council handbook which contains the bylaws, rules, membership list, committees, and all necessary supplies.
- (d) call the roll at the Governing Board Meetings.
- (e) be proficient in computer skills necessary for performance of this job.
- (f) in the absence of the Corresponding Secretary, perform the duties of that office.

Section 5. The Corresponding Secretary

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- (a) conduct correspondence,
 - (b) send notices of meetings,
 - (c) be responsible for compiling and sending the Council Notes to all clubs not represented at the Governing Board meeting.
 - (d) compile the Yearbook
 - (e) in the absence of the Recording Secretary, perform all duties of that office.

Section 6. The Treasurer shall

- (a) receive and deposit all funds in the appropriate Council account.
- (b) pay all expenses that are listed in the budget. Other financial needs are to be approved by the Finance Committee and shall be referred to the Executive Board and Governing Board for approval,
- (c) pay the non-budgeted expenditure requests that have been properly submitted according to 'Accounting Procedure Requirements' (see Standing Rules, Accounting Procedure). All reimbursement requests must provide receipts(s) and be accompanied by the Council Reimbursement Check Request Form.
- (d) report a financial statement at each meeting. The financial records shall be audited every odd-numbered year, covering the two-year period April 1 through the last day of March.
- (e) provide all financial documents for review every odd numbered year, covering the two year period from April 1 through the last day of March. The President shall appoint three qualified Council Members to conduct the audit and issue a written report by the following August Board Meeting.
- (f) assure compliance with all local, state, and federal tax regulations for non-profit organizations.
- (g) file and pay state of Georgia corporate registration with the Georgia Secretary of State by April 1.
- (h) collect all mail from the Council official mailboxes in a timely fashion, and respond/distribute promptly,
- (i) utilize the Council designated computer and accounting program for all accounting/book-keeping activities. The Treasurer has a responsibility to learn this program and cross-train the Assistant Treasurer in its use.

Section 7. The Assistant Treasurer shall

- (a) perform the duties of the Treasurer in the event of the absence or disability of the Treasurer, (b) cross-train with the Treasurer in performing all bookkeeping related procedures of the Council, (c) advance to the Treasurer, and
- (d) perform other duties as assigned.

ARTICLE VI Meetings and Quorums

Section 1. The regular meeting of the Governing Board of Council shall be on the last Thursday in May, August, September, and January. A quorum shall be a majority of those present who are eligible voting members. The March meeting is scheduled according to facility availability for the Annual meeting.

Section 2. The regular meeting of the Executive Board of Council shall be the Thursday before the Governing Board meeting. A quorum shall be a majority of those present who are eligible voting members.

Section 3. The Executive Committee (elected officers) shall meet the last Thursday in April.

ARTICLE VII Committees and Boards

Section 1. The Executive Committee shall be composed of the elected Officers and Parliamentarian. The Executive Committee may be called by the President or by a majority of the Executive Committee, when needed, to plan and/or make recommendations to the Executive Board.

Section 2.

The Executive Board shall be composed of the elected Officers, Parliamentarian, Committee Chairmen, and Former Presidents. The Executive Board may be called by the President, or a majority of the Executive Board, when needed. All matters of importance affecting the general policy of the Council shall be submitted to the Executive Board for consideration. On approval by the Executive Board, recommendations shall be presented at the next regular meeting of the Governing Board.

Section 3. The Governing Board shall be composed of the elected Officers, Parliamentarian, Committee Chairmen, Former Presidents, and one representative from each member garden club.

Section 4. The Finance Committee shall be composed of the Treasurer, Assistant Treasurer, President, and First Vice-President. The President shall appoint the Chairman of this Committee. The Finance Committee shall prepare a proposed annual budget to be submitted for approval at the regular March meetings of the Executive Board and the Governing Board. During the odd-numbered year, the above-named incoming Officers are invited to attend the proposed annual budget meeting.

Section 5. The Nominating Committee shall consist of five members. At the May meeting of the even-numbered year (a) two members shall be appointed by the President, (b) one member shall be elected from the Executive Board, and (c) two members elected from the floor by the Governing Board. The Nominating Committee shall submit a slate of officers to be voted on at the January meeting of the next odd-numbered year to the Executive Board and the Governing Board. The new slate of officers will be installed and assume office at the March meeting.

Section 6. The Advisory Board shall be composed of all Former Presidents and the Parliamentarian. The Advisory Board shall serve at the call of the President.

ARTICLE VIII
Parliamentary Authority

Roberts Rules of Order, 11th Edition, shall be the Parliamentary authority for the conduct of business.

ARTICLE IX
Amendments

The Bylaws may be amended at any regular meeting of the Governing Board by a majority vote of those members present, providing the amendment has been presented to the members for review at least fifteen days prior to a regular meeting date.

ARTICLE X
Insurance

Each Director or Officer of the Augusta Council of Garden Clubs, Inc. (hereafter ACGC) shall be indemnified by ACGC against those expenses which are allowed by the laws of the State of Georgia and which are reasonably incurred in connection with any action, suit or proceeding, contemplated, pending, or threatened, in which such person may be involved by reason of his or her being or having been a Director or Officer of ACGC. Such indemnification shall be made only in accordance with the laws of the State of Georgia and subject to the conditions prescribed therein. ACGC may purchase and maintain insurance on behalf of any such Officers and Directors against any liabilities asserted against such persons whether or not the ACGC would have the power to indemnify such Officers and Directors against such liability under the laws of the State of Georgia. If any expense or other amounts are paid by way of indemnification, other than by court order, action by Members or by any insurance carrier, the ACGC shall provide notice of such payment to the Members in accordance with the provisions of the laws of the State of Georgia.

ARTICLE XI
Dissolution

Upon the dissolution of the Augusta Council of Garden Clubs, Inc., the Executive Committee shall, after paying or making provision for the payment of all the liabilities of the Council, dispose of all the assets of the Council in such manner, or to such organization or organizations organized and operated exclusively for charitable, educational, religious or scientific purposes as shall at that time qualify as an exempt organization or organizations under Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1954 (or the corresponding provision of any future United States Internal Revenue Law), as the Executive and Governing Boards shall determine. Any such assets not so disposed of shall be disposed of by the Court of General Jurisdiction of the county in which the principal office of the Council is then located, exclusively for such purposes or to such organization or organizations, as Court shall determine, which are organized and operated exclusively for such purposes

Standing Rules – Policies

1. Each Officer and Committee Chairman shall make a written report at the expiration of the term of office.
2. A gift for the outgoing President shall be a State Life Membership in The Garden Club of Georgia or any garden-related project.
3. Meeting registration fees shall be paid for the current President, or representative, for all District and State Meetings. The outgoing President shall represent Council at the convention in the odd-numbered years.
4. A memorial of \$25 will be given in the name of The Augusta Council of Garden Clubs, Inc., to a chosen garden-related project in case of death of a former or current President of Council.
5. Time for the Executive Board and Governing Board Meetings will be 10 A.M. unless changed by either Board.
6. Council shall pay for a framed picture of the outgoing President.
7. The President and Treasurer shall sign all long-term rental leases, with the approval of the Executive Board.
8. The Membership Data list is considered “restricted” and any distribution must be authorized by the President.

Accounting Procedure

A. Annual Budget

The Finance Committee is responsible for the annual budget preparation.

1. The annual budget is prepared in accordance with the Bylaws, Article VII, Section 4.
2. The Garden Club of Georgia’s programs and projects recommendations are reviewed before other programs and projects are considered for approval.
3. The Garden Club of Georgia’s fund request recommendations are reviewed before other fund requests are considered for approval.
4. A Chart of Accounts is established for both income and expenditures. This chart will fluctuate as accounts are added or inactivated by the Finance Committee.
5. Club fiscal year covers period April 1 through the last day of March.
6. All income and expenditure transactions must be submitted in a timely manner.
7. Expenditures must be presented for reimbursement within thirty (30) days of the closing of the fiscal year which is March 31 (no later than April 30).

B. Amended Budget

Based on Article V, Section 6, when a new project or program is presented to the Finance Committee, it must include a mission goals statement and a proposed funding request.

1. If approved, the Finance Committee presents the project or program to the Executive Board for approval or disapproval.
2. If approved, the Executive Board presents the project or program to the Governing Board for final approval or disapproval.
3. If approved, the budget is amended and a new budget account designation is added to the Chart of Accounts by the Treasurer.
4. If any Governing Board approved budget account will exceed its approved amount, it must be resubmitted to the Finance Committee prior to overrun for approval or disapproval.

C. Income

1. Income is defined as money received. All income transactions must be submitted in a timely manner.
2. Based on the Chart of Accounts, income transactions are accomplished by submission of a completed Income Deposit form combined with source documents.

3. Exception: Interest income and transfer of funds between investment and checking accounts.

D. Expenditures

Expenditures are defined as funds disbursed.

Expenditures must be presented for reimbursement within thirty (30) days of the closing of the fiscal year which is March 31 (no later than April 30).

All expenditure transactions must be submitted in a timely manner. Expenditures must be presented for reimbursement within thirty (30) days of the closing of the fiscal year which is March 31 (no later than April 30).

Based on Chart of Accounts, expenditure transactions are accomplished by submission of a completed Check Request form combined with source documents in accordance with the transactions listed below:

1. Approved budget line item transactions covering routine billings for rent, gas, insurance, water
2. Approved budget line item transactions covering other expenditures (excluding programs and/or projects) require (1) a completed Check Request form signed by the requesting Council member and (2) an invoice or receipt.
3. Approved budget line item transactions covering program and /or project expenditures require (1) a completed Check Request form signed by the Committee Chairman and the requesting Committee member and, (2) an invoice or receipt.
4. If any approved budget line item transaction will exceed approved amount, it must be resubmitted to the Finance Committee prior to approval or disapproval.

FORMER PRESIDENTS of THE AUGUSTA COUNCIL OF GARDEN CLUBS

Mrs. Katie Sue Persall*(John T.)	1948-49
Mrs. Sarah Marks* (Eugene D)	1949-50
Mrs. Tracy Cohen* (Rodney S)	1950-51
Mrs. Lois Perkins* (Henry) Mrs.	1951-53
Zealy Cato*	1953-55
Mrs. Mattie McCormack* (Amon)	1955-57
Mrs. Nell Golosky*(Walter J.) Mrs.	1957-61
Fairy Drawdy* (Sherman) Mrs. Dot	1961-63
Siebert* (Thomas) Mrs. Dot.	1963-65
Marbut* (H.C.)	1965-67
Mrs. Katie Evans* (J. B.)	1967-69
Mrs. Boots Wittenberg* (Morton)	1969-71
Mrs. Jo Agostas* (William)	1971-73
Mrs. Gladys Cox* (Briscoe C.) Mrs.	1973-75
Eunice Jones* (Clarence R.) Mrs.	1975-77
Nell Combs* (Guy)	1977-79
Mrs. Pat Wiseman* (William) Mrs.	1979-83
Bobbie Inglett (W. L. Jr.) Mrs.	1983-85
Doris Blalock (Horace) Mrs.	1985-87
Laurie Wolfe* (Eugene F.) Mrs.	1987-89
Doris Blalock (Horace) Mrs. Mary	1989-91
Byrd (Joe E.)	1991-93
Mrs. Carol Parsons (Wayne S.)	1993-95
Mrs. Eunice Jones* (Clarence R.)	1995-97
Mrs. Peggy Glover (M.M.)	1997-2000
Mrs. Pat Slater (Wallace)	2000-2003
Ms. Jeanne Cornell*	2003-2005
Mrs. Karen Oliver (Henry)	2005-2007
Mrs. Jil Powell (Gene)	2007-2009
Mrs. Pat Hathaway (B.J.)	2009-2011
Mrs. Judy Kirkland (Larry)	2011-2013
Mrs. Betty Davis (Roger)	2013-2015
Ms. Ann Leonard	2015-2017
Ms. Sue Edenfield	2017-2019
Mrs. Betty Davis	

*deceased

President's Award

President	Year	Awardee
Pat Slater	2001	Vivian White
	2002	Genie Lehman
	2003	Opal Davis
Jeanne Cornell	2004	Pat Wiseman
	2005	Doris Blalock
	2005	Carol Parsons (special award)
Karen Oliver	2006	Polly Iwasko
	2006	Jo Agostos (special award)
	2007	Bonnie McClain
Jil Powell	2008	Mildred Zeigler
	2009	Mary Byrd
Pat Hathaway	2010	Pat Mims
	2011	Meredith Nicholson
Judy Kirkland	2012	Ginny Allen
	2013	Ann Leonard
Betty Davis	2014	Genie Spears
	2015	Marilyn McDonnell
Ann Leonard	2016	Fran Weber
	2017	Marilyn McDonnell
Sue Edenfield	2018	Virginia Allen
	2019	Fran Weber
Betty Davis	2020	
	2021	