



The Augusta Council of Garden Clubs

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It's Time to Register for the March 23 Spring Luncheon Featuring Designer Jess Margeson

Mark your calendars and plan to attend ACGC's Annual Spring Luncheon on Thursday, March 23 at the Augusta Country Club, 655 Milledge Road. Registration, coffee and fellowship begin at 9: 30 a.m. and the program starts promptly at 10 a.m. Lunch will be served at noon.

Our speaker is Jess Margeson, owner of Frou Frou Designs in Opelika, AL. A 2005 graduate of Auburn University, Jess founded her creative enterprise shortly after graduation. Frou Frou has been featured in *Southern Living* and several other regional publications. Jess also maintains a regular design column in *East Alabama Living* and has recently expanded Frou Frou 's offerings to include interior design in addition to floral design. Jess enjoys teaching and speaking to garden clubs and groups across the Southeast.



Each club is asked to bring a table arrangement designed around our theme: Something Frou Frou – anything fancy, fussy and over the top! If your club expects to fill more than one table, please bring an arrangement for each table.

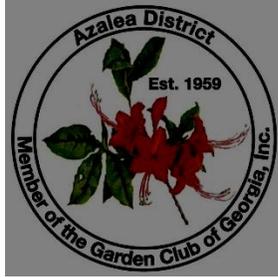
Registration is \$30 and the deadline for registering is March 16. Make checks payable to: Augusta Council of Garden Clubs and mail with completed form to: Dr. Virginia Allen, 2916 Westchester Dr., Augusta, GA 30909. Address questions to Ginny Allen at vallenotr@aol.com or 706.736.6793.

Remember to bring your checkbook or cash for the silent auction -- lots of great creative items. Jess will also be selling her pallet planters as shown here.

REGISTRATION FORM for the luncheon is found on the last page of Clippings.

Update ON ACGC'S 2017 Peek-a-Boo Fall Garden Tour

Mark your calendars for Friday and Saturday, Oct. 6-7 and plan to volunteer and tour six amazing gardens on our Peek-a-Boo Fall Garden Tour. Look for more information in the next newsletter about volunteer opportunities and ticket sales. Remember – this event allows Council to invite outstanding speakers for the annual Spring Luncheon.



Azalea District Board Meeting Call Letter

Calling all Club Presidents, Council Presidents and all Azalea District Board Members to the Azalea District Board Meeting to be held on Tuesday, February 21, 2017 at the GCG Headquarters, 2450 S. Milledge Ave. Athens, GA. The Azalea District Executive Board welcomes you!

Registration will be at 9:30 a.m. With the meeting beginning promptly at 10:00 a.m. Please make your plans to attend and return your registration right away. Registration deadline is February 16, 2017. Morning refreshments and a luncheon will be served.

Join us for this fun and informative meeting to hear what the Amazing Azaleas have been doing and what we will be doing for the next few months. This is the final meeting of the 2015-17 Board. Learn who are the 2017-19 Azalea, State and National Executive Board Members.

Betty Davis, Director

Azalea District Board Meeting
Registration Form

Please fill out and mail to the address below

Name _____

Phone _____

Address _____

City/State/Zip _____

E-mail _____

Garden Club/Council _____

Board Member-Title _____

Club President _____ **Council President** _____ **Club Officer** _____
Club Member _____

Please make check for \$20 payable to:

Azalea District and send to:

Julia Davie

1250 Apalachee Woods Trail

Buckhead, GA 30625

Phone: 706.342.3006 E-mail: jandjdavie@earthlink.net



Environmental Studies School Course III:

Eighteen participants from Georgia, South Carolina and Maryland successfully completed the two-day course at the Savannah Riverkeeper's building. Informative lecturers, demonstrations, and good food kept us happy.

We learned how to teach children to make chia people and how dogs could be trained to find sewage leaks.



Check out the ACGC Facebook page for our photo album from the event. Course IV will be March 10-11, 2017. Each course is \$90 and includes lunch for each day. There is required reading material which you will need to purchase in advance. To receive additional information on these courses, contact Judy Kirkland at jukirkland@knology.net.



Hope House Dedication Held October 25, 2016

In late fall, the Augusta Council of Garden Clubs and the Augusta Woman's Club held a joint dedication to mark the many plantings that these two organizations have made at Hope House. Many thanks to Rita Hamilton (Iris GC), Mickey Goodwin (Sand Hills), and Bonnie Thurmond (Sand Hills) for their efforts on this project during this term.



Iris Garden Club's Landscape Project at Montclair Cerebral Palsy Home

During the fall, the Iris Garden Club began a project to improve the curb appeal of this Cerebral Palsy home in the Montclair neighborhood in Augusta. Club members secured and installed plants from the McCorkle Nurseries Fall Sale and added a fresh layer of pine straw to the yard. The club also placed fall and Christmas wreaths on the front door and took Christmas arrangements to the residents in December.

PULL TABS FOR RONALD McDONALD HOUSE Add Up!

ACGC members collected 219.3 pounds of pull tabs in 2016 to support families staying at the Ronald McDonald House in Augusta. Congratulations to Norma McKinney of Pine Needle Garden Club, Lincolnton, who was awarded a Certificate of Excellence at the Azalea District's Fall Meeting in Mansfield, GA. Mrs. McKinney who is known as the "pull tab lady" is a wonder with her ability to gather the Lincolnton community to save pull tabs for this worthy cause."



Mrs. Norma McKinney, Pine Needle Lincolnton

Cherokee Rose Garden Club Members Enjoy Christmas Luncheon



Magnolia Garden Club Volunteers at East Central Regional Hospital



Members of the Magnolia Garden Club spent a lovely fall morning volunteering with patients at East Central Regional Hospital. Working together, they prepared and planted the flower beds with pansies donated by the club. Magnolia members look forward to garden therapy at ECRH every year. This project gives the people there a beautiful garden to enjoy well into the spring. To support the Fig Leaf Project, members also brought many bags of socks, sweat pants, gowns and underwear to be used throughout the year.

Club members pictured above (from left) are Betty Sivas, Ruth Forbes, Lee Harwell, Ranita Keener, Clinical Services Coordinator, and Betty Holroyd. (Not pictured) Jan Lamke.

HAVE YOU VISITED OUR WEBSITE RECENTLY?

The Augusta Council of Garden Club's Website:

www.augustacouncilgc.com contains a plethora of information about the Council. It's the perfect spot to learn meeting information and more about upcoming projects and events. Some of the information (*Members* section) is password protected to protect members' contact information. If you need the password, contact Ann Leonard at annleonard09@comcast.net.

Deadline for the next issue of *Clippings*

Thursday, March 16, 2017

Send articles with photos (**saved as jpeg files**) to:

normapatterson@comcast.net

Call Norma at 706.294.1698 if you have questions.

REGISTRATION for ANNUAL ACGC SPRING LUNCHEON

Deadline for registering is March 16. Registration fee is \$30. It cannot be refunded once food orders are placed. Please make your check payable to:

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Name for nametag _____

Mailing address _____

E-mail address for confirmation _____

Phone number _____

Name of your garden club(s) _____

Meal type ____ Regular or Special Diet required ____ Vegan ____ Gluten free

