

# Summer 2020 The Healing Power of Gardens

## President's Corner

By Diana Morse

### What a Summr!

I've never taken a class on weeds but my backyard is offering lots of study material. Many of them are new to me, as is their speed of growth. But no weed classes in our coming get-togethers!

We are now turning the page toward fall--looking forward to meeting again, albeit on Zoom.

Our theme is "Gardening for All." We'll keep our regular meeting dates and time—the second Thursday, starting at 12:15 p.m. with social time til our 1 p.m. program, followed by our business meeting.

New to our social time will be a testimonial by a member—when did you join, why, how, experiences, and benefits received (friendships, gardening info,...) I'm really interested in hearing our stories.

# Mount Airy Clay Breakers Garden Club Newsletter

Kerr Lake – August 2020 – Pamela Smart



## September Meeting

Mount Airy's first Zoom meeting will be Thursday, Sept. 10, from 12:15 to possibly 3 p.m.

Plans are to start with a get together and sharing til 1 pm when Lorraine will lead the program, and then a business meeting at 2 pm.

Lorraine will be giving three members flowers to make an arrangement—the "Chopped" program scheduled for this spring.

Mary will provide you with a Zoom Invite and instructions for this meeting.

We look forward to "seeing" each other soon.



We will continue to use our 2019-2020 award-winning yearbook for information that didn't change, supplemented with a "yearbook" of several pages to provide relevant material for this year's programs and information.

We'll send that yearbook electronically to all members who can then print it at home. It will be sent both in color and as a black and white document so each person may print it in the format they prefer. It will also be on the website.

Things will be different and will require some flexibility—as we have been doing since last March!

We'll lead off on September 10 with "Informal Arrangements—You Can Do It," guided by Lorraine Leonard--rescheduled from last May.

If you have Zoom knowledge and/or accounts to share, please do. As always, we welcome ideas as we support participation, community outreach, and growing our gardening skills and knowledge.

Diana

## NEWS, NEWS, NEWS!!!!

The Smithsonian Associates will have a streaming program on Jug Bay Wetlands Sanctuary--Birdwatching Stories From a Naturalist (Liana Vitali) on October 21 at 6:45 pm. Members \$30, Nonmembers \$35.

The American Daffodil Society is offering a Virtual Fall Forum 2020 meeting open to everyone, with programs that you can access for a small fee. They will also have a Daffodil photo competition show. You can enter and/or enjoy the results. Consider participating in this chance to learn from the best growers and daffys in the world (US, UK and Australia).

There will be programs (both recorded and zoom), bulb auctions, and the photo show competition, starting late August and continuing through November 8, 2020. Read the email below, go to the links at the registration page at ADS. Contact Mary Anne Barton [wbill@bellatlantic.net](mailto:wbill@bellatlantic.net) for additional information.



## MYSTERY PLANTS!

This was the summer of mystery plants!

Not just one - but two plants were in need of identification in our members' gardens!

These plants brought on a lively discussion on what they possibly could be!

For the one in Diana's garden - far left, Lorraine thought it may be a trumpet vine as there is a flamenco trumpet vine with that color. Pam concurred.

Then Dot asked about this white plant flowering in her son's garden.

Lorraine thought it may be in the Ipomoea family (Morning Glories are in that family too.) Pam seconded that. However Esther noted that this mystery plant looks to her like a datura. I guess the mystery remains!

Diana shared with us this lovely window box in her garden full of caladiums. Beautiful colors.



Mount Airy Clay Breakers  
Garden Club

### Our Officers:

President – Diana Morse

Vice-President – Elaine Arnold

Treasurer – Dot Lower

Secretary – Iona Black

Editors – Mary Woodruff  
& Pam Smart





## HAPPY BIRTHDAY JULIE!

The Garden Club along with members from Concordia Lutheran Church, the Book Club, and the Widow-Widower's Club celebrated Julie's birthday with a drive by birthday party on Saturday, August 29th! Scrumptious cupcakes were provided by Elaine Arnold!

Thank you to everyone who helped put this all together - Linda, Gilda, Elaine, and Ken Ryland - Julie's other half.

## Celebration Photos



Photos by Pam Smart



Camellia – Lucille Gwynn



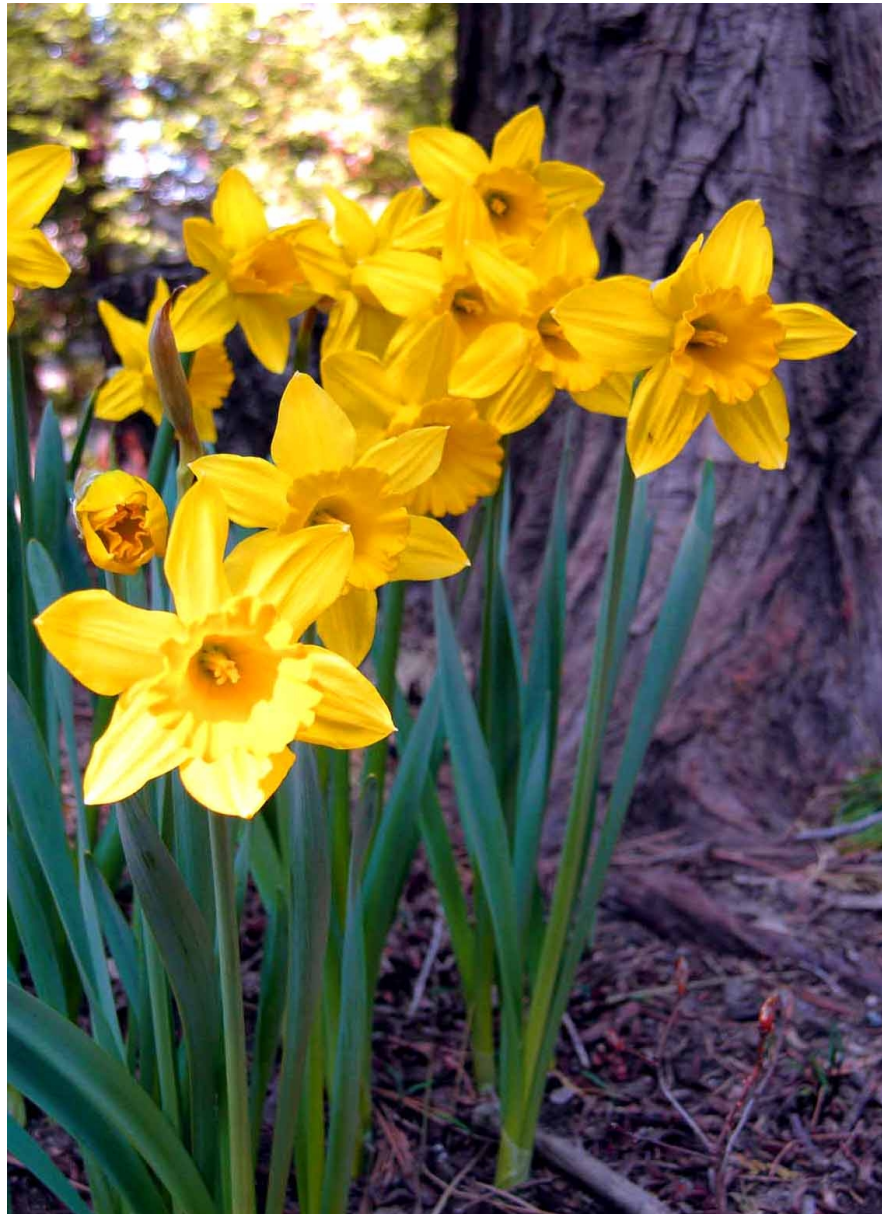


2020 has certainly been a year like no other. We look forward to being able to join together again in person to celebrate gardening and our gardens.

Stay Safe and Stay Well.



## American Daffodil Society



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Woodruff Garden



## SUMMERTIME



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See You Soon