

CVNLA NEWS

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CVNLA Display Booth

Our booth has been making the rounds this year. We started out using the display the first of the year during our Short Course. Then two weeks ago it was used at the Home Show. Thanks go to Elizabeth & Tom Thompson along with Mike Wallace for setting up and manning the booth. There was a lot of public interest in our organization at this booth and it seemed to be a great way to make the public more aware of the professionalism of our group and the services we provide.

We will be using the booth again on Saturday, February 24 at the Streams of Stewardship Symposium on Water Management at Lewis Ginter Botanical Garden. If anyone is available to help man the booth for a few hours that day contact Terry Koci at 305-1259 or info@cvnla.org.

We can always use new pictures of your organization in the display. It is good advertisement for you and shows the versatility of our organization. You can send your pictures of any size to Tom Thompson at: Natural Art Landscaping, 3540 S. Belmont Rd., Richmond, VA 23234. Tom will "weatherize" the picture; he just needs a business card or some type of label to identify your picture.

February 13th - Speaker at Next Meeting

John Barbieri of Riverbend Nursery will be speaking at our February meeting. He will be presenting a power point presentation on "Trends and Up and Coming Perennials for Landscapers & Garden Centers." He has a BS in Ornamental Horticulture from the University of Maryland, has worked for 15 years in a retail garden center in green goods management, 7 years in wholesale green good sales with the last 5 years as Area Manager of Riverbend Nursery. Riverbend Nursery is a grower of perennials, groundcovers, ornamental grasses and seasonal color to independent garden centers and landscapers throughout the Mid-Atlantic area and the South. John also had a feature article published in American Nurseryman in 2005 on Merchandising Perennials. Hope to see you there! If you have any suggestions for speakers contact Charlie Blair at 537-5128 or blair_charles@msn.com.

2007 Short Course

The Short Course this year was deemed a rousing success by both Master Gardeners, our members, and other professionals within the industry. We had a schedule filled with informative, interesting speakers and everyone who attended was sure to come away with some new ideas and knowledge. 177 attended on Wednesday (our pesticide recertification day); 220 on Thursday and 180 on Friday. It will be hard to top this course! If you can think of any ideas for speakers for next year contact Terry Koci at 305-1259 or info@cvnla.org. We will be meeting soon to plan the 2008 Short Course in order to fill our speaker slots before they get prior commitments.

2007 Certified Horticulturalist Course

Another success this year has been our Certified Horticulturalist Course. Classes started a few weeks ago and we have a full class with 34 attendees. Anyone can still take the test by registering with Jeff Miller with VNLA by March 1. The test is on Monday, March 12 from 6:00 p.m. until 10:00 p.m. You can contact Jeff Miller at 800-476-0055 or www.vnla.org.

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Membership News

We have lots of membership activity going on to start the new year off. Terry Lautzenheiser of Chesterfield Technical Center has rejoined CVNLA. We will vote on the membership of Melinda Crouch of Melinda's Garden and Design and Vicki O'Neal of Form & Function at our February Membership Meeting. We have recently received applications from John Wilson of Gillie's Creek Industrial Recycling, Carl Lingerfelt who is with Tilley's Landscaping, and Scott Burrell of the Virginia Historical Society. Be sure to come to our February meeting so you can introduce yourself to John, Carl and Scott.

Maymont Show Help Needed

We have two different types of "opportunities" for you as a member to help CVNLA out at the Maymont Show. First, Tom Thompson needs help with the set up and take down of our CVNLA booth. He needs help setting up on Saturday, February 17; Sunday, February 18; Monday, February 19; and possibly Tuesday, February 20. He needs help with take down on Monday, February 26. You can reach him at 674-5703 or naturalartlandscaping@yahoo.com.

Secondly, Charlie Blair will need help manning the booth during the show during the following times:
Thursday, February 22 – 9:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.
Friday, February 23 – 1:00 p.m. – 5:00 p.m.
Saturday, February 24 – 5:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.
Sunday, February 25 – 9:00 a.m.- 1:30 or 1:30 – 6:00 p.m.
Let him know your first and second choice by email blair_charles@msn.com and he will send back confirmation.

CVNLA Padfolios

We have purchased some padfolios with the CVNLA logo on them for speaker gifts. They are khaki colored with the logo in green and will sell for \$12.00. We will have them available for our membership to purchase at our February meeting.

America's Anniversary Garden



Calendar of Events

Mid-Atlantic Home & Flower Show

February 15-18

Contact: kpowers@tbaonline.org

New Directions in Arboriculture – 2007 Tree Care Symposium

Thursday, February 15 – 8:30 a.m. – 4:15 p.m.

Lewis Ginter Botanical Garden

Contact: (804) 262-9887 ext. 322

www.lewisginter.org

Maymont Flower & Garden Show

February 22-25

Contact: (800) 332-3976

Streams of Stewardship-A Symposium on Water Management

Saturday, February 24 – 10:00 a.m.-4:00 p.m.

Massey Conference Center

Lewis Ginter Botanical Garden

Contact: www.lewisginter.org/streamsofstewardship

Native Plants of Virginia-Selections from the University of Richmond Herbarium

Lecture-"From Flower to Flora: The Nuts and Bolts of Floristic Botany" – reception & viewing after Tuesday, February 27 – 7:00 p.m. – 9:00 p.m.

Lora Robins Gallery at University of Richmond

Contact: (804) 289-8276

"Soil"utions-Using Trees to Find Solutions to Environmental Problems

March 7 – 8:30 a.m.- 3:30 p.m.

Virginia Western Community College

Contact: (434) 220-9024, www.treesvirginia.org

becky.woodson@dof.virginia.gov

Rose Care and Pruning for the Professional

Wed., March 7 or Thur., March 8 – 9-11 a.m.

Maymont's Stone Barn and Italian Garden

\$15 per person; 20% off w/5 or more employees

Register by March 2; call (804) 358-7166 ext. 310

Celebrating the American Garden: English Influences on American Gardens

61st Colonial Williamsburg Garden Symposium

April 29 – May 2, Contact: (800) 603-0948 or

www.colonialwilliamsburg.org/conted

Monthly Dinner Meetings

February 13

March 13

April 10

May 8

June 12 – Picnic



FEBRUARY MEMBERSHIP MEETING
FEBRUARY 13, 2007
6:30 PM SOCIAL HOUR – 7:15 PM DINNER
CASH BAR
\$19.00 PER PERSON

LEWIS GINTER BOTANICAL GARDENS
ROBINS VISITOR CENTER
EDUCATION BUILDING

GUEST SPEAKER
JOHN BARBIERI
RIVERBEND NURSERY

MENU

ANTIPASTO SALAD

MEDITERRANEAN CHICKEN

MANICOTTI

RISOTTO

GREEN BEANS WITH TOMATO & FETA CHEESE

GARLIC PARMESAN BREADSTICKS - ITALIAN BREAD

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BY FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 9