

# CVNLA NEWS

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## CVNLA Helpers at the State Fair

Thanks go to the following members who came or sent employees to help out with the plantings at the Fair: Arborcare Professional Tree Service, Bartlett Tree Expert Co., Buckhorn Creek Nursery, Chapel Valley Landscape Co., Colesville, Hanover Farms, Natural Art Landscaping, Robertson & Son Landscaping, Shipp & Wilson & Virginia Historical Society. It was a nice day working with our fellow members and everyone enjoyed lunch afterwards. If you get a chance to go to the fair, take a look at the great results!

## October Meeting

The speakers this month will be Carol Negus, President of Bridging Boundaries International and Ralph White, Manager of the James River Park Systems. BBI promotes the empowerment of students and brings them together to improve their world, their homes, their schools, their communications and much more. It is a unique program that endeavors to promote and spread tolerance and acceptance through tomorrow's leaders. They have Student Councils in both Mostar, Bosnia-Herzegovina and Richmond that organize summer workshops for teens in Mostar and Richmond. They promote community service projects such as Richmond Hill and Trash Patrol. Ralph White will be speaking about a small piece of property located within the James River Park System that has been donated to BBI for improvement. The reason these two speakers are coming to our group is that they feel we could be beneficial to each other. We could provide them with some plant material, expertise, etc. The students do the actual work themselves. This could be a good project for CVNLA to help sponsor. The groundbreaking for the "park" is on October 11 so things are moving along pretty quickly. Some of our members are already committed to this project and that is one reason we decided to make it known to our organization as a whole. For more information on BBI check out [www.bridgingboundariesinternational.org](http://www.bridgingboundariesinternational.org). NOTE: The meeting this month will be held in the **Tea Room** at LGBG because every other venue is being used that night. Expect parking to be a little tricky. Hope to see you there!

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## Member News

Garden Graces has submitted an application and the membership will vote on their membership into CVNLA at our October Meeting. Terry Tosh of Garden Graces attended our September Meeting with Ennion Williams of Dover Nurseries.

## Pictures Needed

Since CVNLA has purchased a computer, we hope to use it to display what we are all about in our booth. If you have any pictures that you would like to add to the presentation send them to Tom Thompson at [naturalartlandscaping@yahoo.com](mailto:naturalartlandscaping@yahoo.com).

## Job Opportunity

Lewis Ginter has job openings for 2 horticulturists. Contact Karen Clowers at 262-9887 ext. 331 or Tom Brinda at 690-5980 for details.

## Virginia Garden Festival

From Viette broadcasting live from the garden to children's hour story time, attendees of the 2007 Festival on September 22 were challenged to "go green" and become a champion of the environment. The Festival was recommended in the DC area as the #2 September home and garden event. For, in the words of those that participated, "the great blend of vendors with majority of attendees from the Central Virginia area who convey many favorable comments about the event."

The VGIC Virginia Garden Festival committee sincerely appreciates CVNLA's support and participation. Details of the 2008 event will be available soon. (see related pictures at the end of the newsletter).

- submitted by Sylvia Wright, VGIC volunteer PR and member of CVNLA

## A Milestone for Luck Stone

CVNLA member Luck Stone unveiled a new facility named Charles Luck Stone Center on September 21 in Manakin-Sabot next door to the corporate headquarters, Luck Stone Corporation. Luck Stone's architectural stone division, one of the largest natural stone suppliers in the region, is launching a new concept within the stone industry aimed at creating a one-of-kind shopping experience for buyers. It's part of a major rebranding effort by the company to become a more customer-centric stone supplier, with a focus on fashion-conscious consumers and designers. The new concept will rely heavily on spacious studios (3,254 sq. ft. with a 2,808 sq. ft. garden) like the one in Manakin-Sabot. The studio, which is as much a stone museum and laboratory as it is a store, is Luck Stone's monument to the history and beauty of stone architecture. Members should make a point to visit this exciting new facility.

## Calendar of Events

### Virginia Green Industry Council Meeting Strategic Planning Session

Tuesday, October 16 – 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.  
Virginia State Fair, 8407 Erie Rd., Suite A,  
Mechanicsville  
Contact: [info@viriniagreen.org](mailto:info@viriniagreen.org)

### Tree Care Industry Trade Show & Conference November 7-10

Hartford Connecticut Convention Center  
Contact: [www.tcja.org](http://www.tcja.org) or 800-733-2622

### Chesapeake Conservation Landscaping Council's "Turning a New Leaf" Conference

Friday, November 9 – 8:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m.  
Nor. Virginia Comm. College- Annandale Campus  
Contact: [www.chesapeakelandscape.org](http://www.chesapeakelandscape.org) or  
410-634-2847 ext. 41

### MANTS 2008

January 9-11, 2008  
Baltimore Convention Center  
Contact: [www.mants.com](http://www.mants.com) or 800-431-0066

### 2008 Mid-Atlantic Horticulture Short Course

January 27 – February 1, 2008  
The Founders Inn and Spa, Virginia Beach  
Contact: [www.mahsc.org](http://www.mahsc.org) or 757-523-4734

### CVNLA Short Course

February 6 (Pesticide Recertification), 7 & 8  
Richmond, Virginia  
Contact: Terry Koci at 305-1259 or [info@cvnla.org](mailto:info@cvnla.org)

### Maymont Flower & Home Show

February 21-24  
Richmond, Virginia  
Contact: Tom Thompson at 674-5703 or  
[naturalartlandscaping@yahoo.com](mailto:naturalartlandscaping@yahoo.com)

### Monthly Dinner Meetings

*October 9*

*November 13*

*December 11 (Christmas Party)*

*January 8*

*March 11*

*April 8*

*May 13*

*June 10 (Picnic)*



OCTOBER MEMBERSHIP MEETING

OCTOBER 9, 2007

6:30 PM SOCIAL HOUR – 7:15 PM DINNER

CASH BAR

\$19.00 PER PERSON

LEWIS GINTER BOTANICAL GARDENS

ROBINS VISITOR CENTER

**TEA HOUSE**

CAROL NEGUS-BRIDGING BOUNDARIES INT.  
& RALPH WHITE-JAMES RIVER PARK SYSTEMS

***MENU***

*VINTER'S SALAD*

*ROAST PORK LOIN  
SESAME BBQ SAUCE*

*HERB CRUSTED SALMON*

*LEMON RICE  
STEAMED BROCCOLI*

*ASSORTED BREAD & ROLLS*

*PECAN PIE/ APPLE PIE*

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BY FRIDAY, OCTOBER 5**



Pictures of 2007 Virginia Garden Festival

