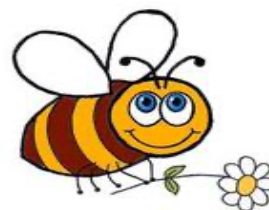




## **The Buzz**

April/May 2022

Monthly Newsletter from  
The Dorchester Garden Club



Welcome to the April/May 2022 Edition of the BUZZ.

Our next scheduled meeting is May 13, 2022 at the Cambridge Yacht Club. The new Yearbook and web pages are available with all the information you will need to know for participating in our "Mini Flower Show", the second in a long time due to Covid-19. For those of you who have not yet paid your annual dues, Barbara Massetti will be available to accept your payment (\$150 Active Member, \$75 Associate Member). Don't forget to ask for your DGC Membership Card to use while shopping at local businesses listed on the back.

The May 13<sup>th</sup> program is a presentation by Dave Harp, a lifelong Marylander, who operates a corporate and editorial photography business in Cambridge, MD. His magazine credits include the *New York Times Magazine*, *Smithsonian*, *Audubon*, *Sierra*, *Natural History*, *Islands*, *Travel Holiday*, and *Coastal Living Magazine*. He teamed up with environmental writer Tom Horton for his book called *The Great Marsh: An Intimate Journey into a Chesapeake Wetland*, and *The Nanticoke: Portrait of a Chesapeake River* depict Chesapeake Bay islands that will be affected by climate change.

If you have any announcements for special events you would like to share with the Garden Club, please send them to me and I will include them in the next BUZZ.

April and May Birthdays.....

Pat Beck 4/15, Gloria Brake 4/20, Connie Glover 4/28, Maura Manley 5/5  
Susan Matthews 4/10, Helen Saum 5/3, Carol Smith 4/26, Ching Stanton 5/19  
Bobbie Tamplin 4/11, Jackie Whisman 4/17, Jane Brighton 5/24, Sandy Johnson 4/12  
Beverly Macindoe 5/8 Clara Mae Stephens 4/17 Sue White 4/24. Miriam Zijp-Koedijk 5/25

David Adams  
President of DGC 2021-2023,  
Interim Editor of the Buzz

Due to a conflict in scheduling, The Annual DGC Picnic scheduled for June 10<sup>th</sup> has been rescheduled and will take place on **Friday, June 17<sup>th</sup>, 2022** at the home of Helen and Jack Saum. Please mark your calendars accordingly.

It has been decided that Dorchester Garden Club/Dorchester County will not participate in the May 2023 Maryland House and Garden Pilgrimage. Perhaps another year we can participate when members are more inclined to get involved. The Pilgrimage is big project/fundraiser and requires many people to make it successful. This year we didn't have enough member interest necessary to be successful.

The Executive Committee also discussed club size. As you know, we have become quite popular, adding several new members over the last few years. Finding a space large enough to accommodate us is challenging (people really like Cambridge Yacht Club) and we are nearly maxed out in our current setting. After much discussion, it was decided that membership will be capped at 65 (currently 61 Active plus 3 prospective) members. Newer members, if not already on a committee, will be assigned to a committee over the next few months. This will help alleviate the burden of work on a few and give newcomers a chance to get involved and meet more of our members. When there is an opening for new members, the sponsor must have been a member for at least two years and actively involved and working on a committee. The policy and procedure manual will be updated and sent to you via email.

**A small group went shopping for flowers and plants for the Dorchester Courthouse on April 19, 2022. Here are the photos**



Plant Shopping for the Courthouse at  
Bella Terra Garden Center



Carol Smith holding Spirea...  
running out of space





Cheryl Willey provides space for one more!

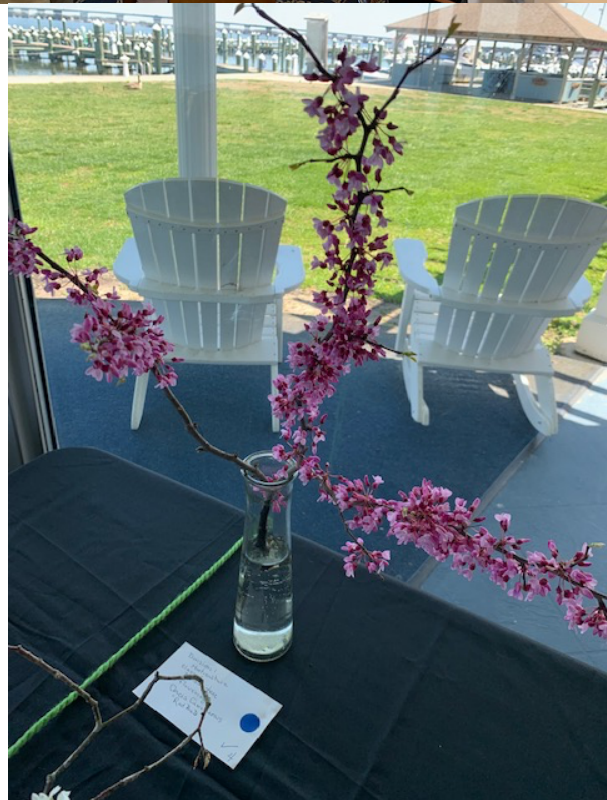


Courthouse pots are filling up

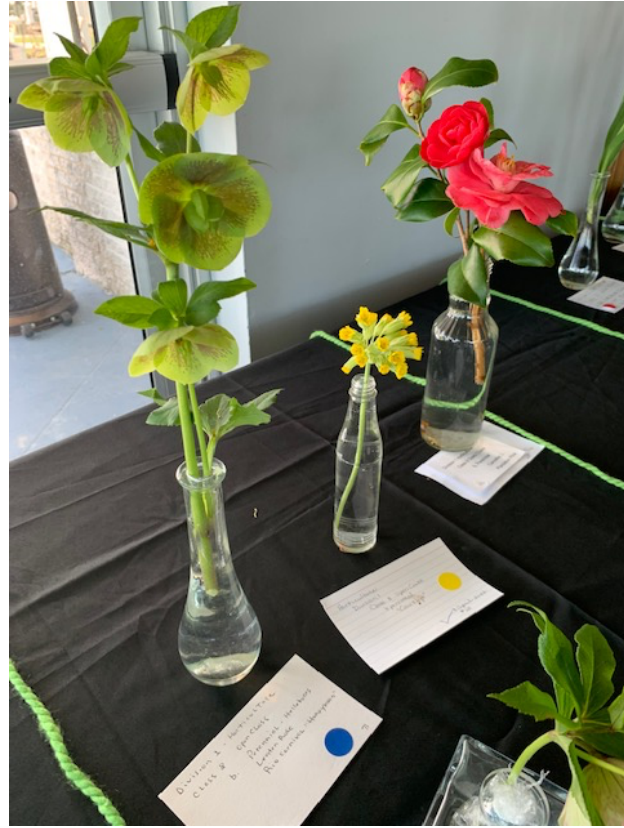
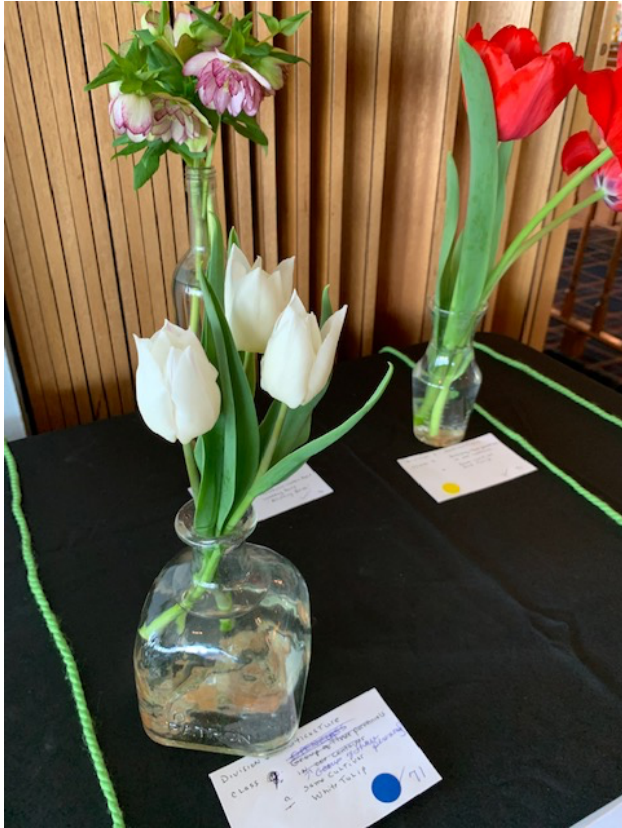




**The first DGC mini-flower show in April 2022 was a success.**







## WEBSITES OF POTENTIAL INTEREST:

The following web sites can be of interest to you:

Website: Pots of gold: the world's most expensive house plants

[https://www.theguardian.com/lifeandstyle/2022/apr/17/gold-leaves-meet-the-30000-pound-houseplants-sparking-a-new-green-crimewave?CMP=Share\\_iOSApp\\_Other](https://www.theguardian.com/lifeandstyle/2022/apr/17/gold-leaves-meet-the-30000-pound-houseplants-sparking-a-new-green-crimewave?CMP=Share_iOSApp_Other)

Website: There are 141 plants considered" endangered" in our County. This is more dire than threatened.

[dnr.maryland.gov](http://dnr.maryland.gov)

The attached link may be of interest to members who have pets in their household. It lists the dangerous plants AND offers alternatives (nice!)

[11-poisonous-houseplants-dogs](#)

How to become successful rearing both indoor and outdoor plants/

[low-maintenance-houseplants-for-beginners](#)

## ***Calendar of Events- 2022-2023***

Note—if you know of any events in the region that should be shared with our membership, please let the Buzz know so we can publicize for others to enjoy as well. *State and District postings ITALICS*, DGC postings BOLD)

### **Cambridge Yacht Club**

<b><i>May 7, 2022</i></b>	<b><i>The Maryland House and Garden Pilgrimage featuring Talbot County. More information to follow.</i></b>
<b>May 13, 2022</b>	<b>DGC Monthly Meeting with David Harp, Photographer. Cambridge Yacht Club</b>
<b>May 17 &amp; 24</b>	<b>Car Trip to Handsell (May 17 and 24) Sign-up sheets at March and April meetings</b>
<b><i>May 24 &amp; 25, 2022</i></b>	<b><i>Landscape Design Course 4 at Turf Valley Resort in Ellicott City</i></b>
<b><u>June 17, 2022</u></b>	<b><u>Annual Picnic at Home of Helen and Jack Saum (note date change)</u></b>
<b>July 2022</b>	<b>No DGC Meeting</b>
<b>August 12, 2022</b>	<b>DGC Monthly Meeting Jeanne Bernard: Presentation on Horticulture, ‘A Growing Habit’ Cambridge Yacht Club</b>
<b><i>September 2022</i></b>	<b><i>Gardening School Course 1 at Cylburn Arboretum</i></b>
<b>Sept 9, 2022</b>	<b>DGC Monthly Meeting Christiane Williams: Saving Garden Seeds, Cambridge Yacht Club</b>
<b><i>Sept 24, 2021</i></b>	<b><i>“Harvest Highlights,” a Standard Flower Show hosted by District I at the Chesapeake College in Wye Mills.</i></b>
<b>October 14, 2022</b>	<b>DGC Monthly Meeting Matt Whitbeck: Ghost Forests, Cambridge Yacht Club</b>
<b>November 11, 2022</b>	<b>DGC Monthly Meeting: Holiday floral design (Judy, Faye, Kay, Mari, Jeanne), Cambridge Yacht Club</b>
<b>December 2, 2022</b>	<b>Holiday Luncheon at Hyatt Chesapeake Bay Resort</b>
<b>December 6, 2022</b>	<b>Wreath Making Workshop at Zion Church: Times to be announced later</b>
<b>January 2023</b>	<b>No DGC Meeting</b>
<b>February 10, 2023</b>	<b>DGC Monthly Meeting: Leaf Manipulation with Susie Middleton, Cambridge Yacht Club</b>
<b>March 10, 2023</b>	<b>DGC Monthly Meeting. (Program)</b>