

OFFICIAL COLLECT OF THE GARDEN CLUBS OF NORTH CAROLINA

Our Heavenly Father, who dost feed the birds and clothe the flowers, and who knowest and careth for every need of us. Thy children, so enlighten our minds to use wisely all the gifts of Thy Mighty Hand that we, being imbued with Thy Holy Spirit, may so work Thy will that those who come after may mark their path by our footsteps.

For all the beauty of the earth, Father in Heaven, we thank Thee.

For our families, our friends, our free and beautiful country, Father in Heaven, we thank Thee.

We beseech Thee of Thy great goodness and tender mercy to forgive our sins and grant that as we work together in fellowship we may draw closer to Thee, Almighty God, in whose name we pray. Amen.

CONSTITUTION AND BY-LAWS OF GREENVILLE GARDEN CLUB

ARTICLE I NAME

The name of Greenville Garden Club was given a department of Greenville Woman's Club when the club was organized in 1925. It affiliated with the Garden Clubs of North Carolina in 1939. The Club withdrew from the Woman's Club in 1963.

ARTICLE II. OBJECT

The object of the Club shall be to encourage beauty in every day living through home and community gardening, to aid

in the promotion and conservation of natural resources, to encourage civic beauty and roadside beautification, and to cooperate with other organizations that further the interests of horticulture and conservation.

ARTICLE III MEMBERSHIP

Section I Any woman interested in the objects which this Club was formed may apply for membership in the Club. Each new member must be sponsored by two members of the Garden Club, in good standing.

Section II. The Membership Chairman may submit names of prospective new members to the Executive Board at any regular meeting. Upon recommendation of the Executive Board, the Club shall vote on the names, and the new members admitted to membership upon payment of dues.

Section. III Active members are expected to attend all monthly meetings. If they miss more than three meetings, without good reason, they will be automatically on inactive roll.

ARTICLE IV. OFFICERS — ELECTIONS

Section I. The officers of the Club shall be a President, First Vice President, Second Vice President, Third Vice President, Recording Secretary, Corresponding Secretary, Treasurer, Reporter and Parliamentarian.

Section II. A Nominating Committee of three members shall be elected by the Executive Board at the January meeting.

Section. III. The nominating Committee shall present a slate of officers at the February meeting, to be elected at the March meeting, and installed in April.

Section IV. The term of office shall be for 2 years.

Section V. The officers of the Club and all Committee Chairman shall constitute the Executive Board, and shall meet when called to do so by the President.

ARTICLE V MEETINGS

Section. I. The regular meetings of the Club shall be held the third Friday in each month from September to June, unless changed for a good reason.

ARTICLE VI. STANDING COMMITTEES

Section I. The Standing Committees shall be — Calendar, Conservation, Membership, Elizabethan Garden, Sheppard Memorial Library, Ways and Means, Horticulture and Plant Exchange, Garden Therapy, Park, Litterbug, Telephone, Exhibits, Book and Boone Botanical Garden.

Section II The President shall appoint any other Committee as needed for the advancement of the Club.

Section III. Each Chairman of a standing committee shall work with her corresponding State Officer, and shall outline plans for her committee at the first Fall meeting of the Club.

ARTICLE VII ANNUAL DUES

Section 1. The annual dues for each member shall be \$2.25, part of which shall be pro-rated for the State Garden Club dues.

Section II. There shall be no initiation fee for new members.

Section III. Any member who has not paid annual dues by March 1st, shall be dropped from the Club membership.

ARTICLE VIII. AMENDMENTS

Section 1. The Constitution may be amended at any regular meeting of Club, provided the proposed changes have been submitted at a previous meeting, whether a called meeting for the purpose, or a regular meeting. Two-thirds of the votes cast shall be essential to amend the Constitution or By-Laws.