

History in Bloom

Schedule of Events

Zone VII Meeting ☮ September 22 - 24, 2004

Wednesday - September 22

Please note that St. Thomas' Episcopal Church is across Caroline Street from the Orange Presbyterian Church.

- 10:00 - 5:00 • Registration at Holiday Inn Express
- 11:00 - 5:30 • Complimentary snacks available in lobby
- 12:00 - 1:45 • 2008 Steering Committee Meeting at the Holiday Inn
(2nd floor conference room)
- 12:30 - 5:00 • Flower Show passing, entry, and placement at Orange Presbyterian Church
- 2:00 • Bus leaves from Holiday Inn for Rapidan area Garden Tour
 - * Mount Sharon owned by Mr. and Mrs. Charles H. Seilheimer, Jr.
 - * Summer Duck Wood owned by Mr. and Mrs. James H. T. McConnell, Jr.
- 4:30 • Bus returns to Holiday Inn from Garden Tour
(Guests may go back to flower show, if they choose.)
- 6:00 • Transportation departs Holiday Inn for Dinner Parties in Private Homes

Thursday - September 23

Note: There is no parking available at Orange Presbyterian Church or St. Thomas' Episcopal Church this morning. Please use the shuttle buses.

- 6:00 - 8:30 • Continental breakfast in lobby and hospitality suite of Holiday Inn
- 8:00 - 9:00 • Registration at Holiday Inn lobby
- 6:45 - 8:45 • Shuttle departs every 10 minutes for Flower Show and Round Table Discussions at St. Thomas' Episcopal Church. Churches are across Caroline Street from each other.
- 7:00 - 8:45 • Flower Show passing, entry, and placement at Orange Presbyterian Church
- 7:00 - 8:45 • Challenge Class preparation at Orange Presbyterian Church
- 8:30 • Judges Meeting in the 2nd floor conference room of Holiday Inn
- 8:45 • Last shuttles leave Holiday Inn for Round Table Discussions at St. Thomas' Episcopal Church
- 9:00 - 1:00 • Flower Show closed for judging.
- 1:00 - 5:00 • Flower Show open to the public
- 12:15 - 1:15 • Judges Luncheon at Orange County Historical Society
- 9:00 - 10:45 • Round Table Discussions at St. Thomas' Episcopal Church
- 11:00 • Buses leave St. Thomas' for Barboursville Ruins and Vineyard

- 11:45 - 12:15 • Wine tasting and purchasing at Barboursville Winery
- 12:15 - 1:00 • Luncheon at Barboursville Winery
- 1:15 - 3:00 • Business Meeting at Barboursville Winery
- 3:15 - 5:30 • Visit to Montpelier and Flower Show
 - * 4:15 - Shuttles leave Montpelier for Flower Show every 10 minutes. Last shuttle leaves 4:45
 - * 5:00 - Shuttles leave Flower Show for Holiday Inn every 10 minutes. Last shuttle leaves 5:30
- 7:00 • Buses leave Holiday Inn for Cocktails at The Residence at Woodberry Forest School as guests of Dr. and Mrs. Dennis Campbell, Headmaster
- 8:30 - 10:00 • Awards Banquet in the Walker Fine Arts Center at Woodberry Forest School - Black Tie

Friday - September 24

Note: There is no parking available at Orange Presbyterian Church or St. Thomas' Episcopal Church this morning. Please use the shuttle buses.

- 6:00 - 8:30 • Continental breakfast in lobby and hospitality suite of Holiday Inn
- 7:45 • Shuttles leave Holiday Inn for St. Thomas' Episcopal Church and the Horticulture and Conservation Meetings every 10 minutes
- 8:20 • Last shuttle leaves Holiday Inn for St. Thomas' Episcopal Church.
- 8:00 • Flower Show open to Zone VII
- 10:00 - 12:00 • Flower Show open to the public
- 8:30 - 10:00 • Horticulture Meeting at St. Thomas' Episcopal Church
- 10:00 - 10:15 • Break
- 10:15 - 11:45 • Conservation Meeting at St. Thomas' Episcopal Church
- 11:45 • Shuttles return to Holiday Inn
- 12:00 • Pre-ordered Box Lunches available for pick up at the Holiday Inn
- 12:00 • Flower Show closed
- 12:30 - 1:30 • Exhibitors pick up flower show items from Orange Presbyterian Church

Optional Garden Tour Information, see page 3

Optional Garden Tour

Mount Sharon Garden is located on one of the highest sites in the Piedmont, providing the visitor with breathtaking views in every direction. This garden was restored about five years ago by the current owners, Mr. and Mrs. Charles H. Seilheimer, Jr., with the help of Charlottesville landscape architect, Charles J. Stick. The garden design features several distinctive garden rooms separated by century-old boxwood. Paths lead through a hydrangea and camellia garden, a spring garden, and an exquisite Italianate croquet pitch. Rose covered pergolas and pavilions overlook a formal rose garden. A large mixed border surrounding a badminton lawn ends in a Moorish gazebo. Fountains and statuary accent the garden. Mount Sharon is one of the major gardens of the Virginia Piedmont. Mrs. Seilheimer is a member of the Warrenton Garden Club and Second Vice-President of The Garden Club of Virginia.

Summer Duck Wood is a 1500 acre hunting park managed for wildlife habitat and ecological balance. The property has been under development for about ten years by the owners, Mr. and Mrs. James H. T. McConnell, Jr. The front of the house features a central stone courtyard planted with roses, perennials, fruit trees, and flowering shrubs. Behind the house, the garden features raised granite beds containing herbs, vegetables, and bulbs. Two stone pergolas frame a water garden. A unique feature is the outdoor shower made of a rotunda of clipped hornbeam. Nearby are tree lilacs and hydrangeas. Mrs. McConnell was the national chairman of the Garden History and Design Committee of The Garden Club of America from 1999-2001.