

Cassina Garden Club



NEWSLETTER

May 2006

“Creation . . . Conservation . . . Celebration Cassina’s Legacy”

MAY MEETING: Meeting Date – Thursday, May 11 – 11:00AM
(NOTE: Time difference.)
Meeting Place – Cassina’s Cabins
Program – Annual Picnic & Installation of Officers

Hostesses for our annual picnic are: Eleanor Plumbo and Betty McCartney, co-chairs; Anne Caswell, Lynell Chance, Caroline Covin, Maddie Criswell, Denise Hidalgo, Catherine Johnston, Lella Kelso, Marcia Gardini, Bev Lessing, Jane Rives, Emily Swift, Bonita Wright, Anita Yow and your Officers and Standing Committee Chairs.

If anyone would like to volunteer, call Betty at 638-3011.

The more the merrier!

Something new for this year: Sponsors of prospective new members are encouraged to bring their prospect to the picnic! Please call Beverly Nash, 638-5791, to make a reservation for your prospective new member.

BOARD MEETING – please note: The May meeting will be held on Thursday, May 4 at 9:30 am in Cassina’s Cabins. Standing Committee Chairs are asked to please attend and bring your final report (which was due on April 1st!). Many of you have already responded but some have not, so please attend to this TODAY!

CASSINA BOUQUETS . . .

- to all our members who “lunched and learned” on the campus of FLETC,
- to all of you who have gardened away in your respective plots at the cabins. The gardens look wonderful despite the lack of rain. Thanks to our new well, we’re still a ’bloom.

FROM INCOMING PRESIDENT FRANCES ALLEN: All Board Members and Committee Chairman for 2006-2007 are asked to attend a planning meeting to be held at Frances Allen’s home, 1410 S. Windward, at 10 am on Thursday, May 18. Please R.S.V.P to Frances, 634-1410, tfin410@bellsouth.net.

If you have not already volunteered for some Cassina responsibility for 2006-2007, you are encouraged to serve on at least one committee and maybe more! Our goal is to have each Cassina member also be a committee member. Call Frances to volunteer, 634-1410.

NEWS FROM the Garden Club of Georgia convention held in Atlanta last week. Cassina President Marie attended the Oleander District Breakfast only to learn that the District meeting this fall will be held in Brunswick. I know we'll be asked to participate.

Awards were presented by the President of the National Garden Club, Kitty Larkin, and the President of the Garden Club of Georgia, Dollie Harper. I gratefully accepted on behalf of all Cassina members the following:

- **First Award for our Newsletter**
- **Second Award for our Yearbook**
- **Certificate of Achievement from GCG for our Newsletter**
- **Certificate of Appreciation from the National Garden Club for our participation in national programs**
- **Standard of Excellence Award from the Garden Club of Georgia in recognition of our many accomplishments**

We should have also received awards (which were lost) for:

- **Garden Therapy**
 - **100% of Calendars Sold**
 - **Membership Increase**
 - **LeConte-Woodmanston**
- Oh, well, we know we did it!**

SSI COUNCIL of GARDEN CLUBS: The Council will meet on Monday, May 15, 9:30 am at the Cassina Cabins. Robert Overman, videographer with the University of Georgia Marine Research Institute, will present two subjects of interest: Shrimp Boat Lore, and Georgia Wildflowers. A brief slide presentation will be given. Members and guests are invited. Please call Ruth Kolumber, 634-1272, and tell her you will join her.

ANNUAL DUES were payable to Kay Harrell, Treasurer, by the April meeting. If unpaid by May 1, a FINAL NOTICE will be sent and your membership terminated. The treasurer tells me that 3 Active and 2 Associate members dues remain unpaid. Call Kay, 634-0323, to check your status.

COOKBOOKS – Just a reminder that the Cassina Cookbooks are a priceless wedding present for the new bride. Furthermore, they wrap nicely, mail easily and are convenient to obtain.

GARDEN UPDATE by Frances Allen

Some varmint recently ate the tender cotton plants but a new crop of plants is on their way. Also, peanuts are beginning to come up in the beds. We plan to transplant some of them over by the new well. Remember to check and weed as needed your plot. With the warmer weather and spring rains (hopefully), a bumper crop of weeds can grow almost overnight.

**We'll have 2 group work days at the gardens to get them ready for our picnic:
Saturday, April 29 and Saturday, May 6 – Both days at 9:00 am.**

Come & have some fun weeding with your fellow Cassina members!

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NATIONAL GARDEN WEEK, JUNE 4-10 – celebrate!