**District VI Report**

District VI is thriving and is very active in our communities. Our clubs work hard to improve and beautify our towns. We have a wonderful group of officers that strive to keep these clubs involved and informed. We met in Camden last summer to plan our activities and create a budget. Our district meeting, held in Luverne, was wonderful and very productive. The food and decorations were so special, and the speaker was informative. This past year District VI added a quarterly newsletter. Thanks goes to Rose Winkler for all of her hard work to get it out on time. We enjoy being together and are looking forward to our district meeting in Camden in October.

Our district has 11 clubs and a total of 133 members with a total of 82 life members.

**Camellia Garden Club** has 12 members, which includes one new member this year and 6 life members, which is an increase of 4. Celebrating 90 years. They meet on the 2nd Tuesday of each month so they can stay to attend the Master Gardener’s Lunch and Learn as a group following their meeting. The club was invited by Yaupon GC to hear a program by Morgan Pendergast, director of the Auburn University Donald E. Davis Arboretum. Pending projects are a plaque to be presented to Maxwell AFB for the Shumard oak tree the club donated, and a gift basket to thank First Presbyterian church for their generosity in the use of their facility for meetings.

**Canterbury Bells Garden Club** has 9 members and 9 life members. The club has been dealing with loss and illness this year, which has made it difficult to work on projects.

**Down to Earth Garden Club** is Club of Distinction, participated in a flower show, Every Light a Prayer for Peace, and the GCA scholarship fund. They planted 23 trees and observed Arbor Day.

**Fleur de Lis Garden Club (Camden)** participated in civic beautification, holiday house lighting and Every Light a Prayer for Peace. They love to decorate downtown Camden for the different holidays and maintain the 23 planters downtown. They are excited to host the district garden club meeting in October.

**Fleur de Lis Garden Club (Clanton)** has 9 members and 4 life members. They bought and delivered 16 throws to the Gardens Assisted Living Facility in Clanton.

**Georgiana Garden Club** is a Club of Distinction and won a District award. They participated in butterfly study, bird sanctuaries and civic beautification, garden therapy Every Light a Prayer for Peace and GCA Scholarship Fund. They continue to decorate the Georgiana Hank Williams Museum for Christmas. Their club is 75 years old. They are most proud of their garden therapy at the VA Hospital.

**Luverne Garden Club** participated in butterfly study, bird sanctuaries, civic beautification, and conservation. They donated to the Goshen High School Ag. Department hydroponics project. They co-hosted our district fall meeting.

**St. Fiacre Garden Club** participated in bird sanctuaries, civic beautification, conservation, and holiday house lighting. They planted 50 trees. They decorated a cabin at the Pioneer Museum in Troy and co-hosted our district fall meeting.

**Scattered Seeds Garden Club** is a Club of Distinction participated in bird sanctuaries, civic beautification, conservation, flower show, garden therapy, Every Light of Prayer for Peace and GCA Scholarship fund. They are most proud of their garden therapy at Crowne Health Care/Nursing Home.

**Southern Charm Garden Club** participated in civic beautification, flower shows, holiday lighting and Every Light of Prayer for Peace. They are very proud of sponsoring, with Prattville’s Yaupon Garden Club, two flower shows at the State Fair. Members decorated Old Alabama Town for Christmas. The club is celebrating their 75th anniversary.

**Yaupon Garden Club** has 22 active members with 12 life members. They participated in numerous projects this year. They partnered with Southern Charm Garden Club to present the NGC Flower Show, *Let’s All Go to the Movies”* at the Alabama National Fair. They provided gifts (lap throws, personal items, and lotions) to a local nursing home at Christmas. They made an entry in the Autauga County Christmas Tree Trail fundraiser for the Autauga County Family Support Center along with a donation of $300. The members met at Buena Vista Mansion in November to decorate with hand-made living garlands and door arrangements. This historic home is used as a wedding and event venue. They are most proud of their involvement in their community and support of NGC goals and ideals.

**Montgomery Federation of Garden Clubs** maintains the Biblical Garden in Montgomery Botanical Gardens at Oak Park, participates in Remembrance Day for the British and French Graves ceremony at Oakwood Cemetery Annex, maintains the Blue Star Memorial they sponsored on Highway 231 and award 2 college scholarships for high school seniors.

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