

The Quarterly Newsletter of the Virginia Society of Landscape Designers

## **Winter 2013**

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## President's Letter:

My last report as president of the VSLD. Quick year. I like that. It has seemed like the year has gone by quickly because your Board of Directors has been very busy on your behalf. Starting last year at the Winter Meeting, through all the winter trade shows/short

courses, the Summer Tour and, for the first time, at a Home and Garden Show, the VSLD has been more visible than ever before! Along the way, there were dozens of decisions made - some small, some not so small- about dozens of problems/issues that resulted in hundreds of e-mails sent, received and read by the members of the Board. I am proud of the efficient and professional way your Board handled the business of the VSLD this year. You should be, too.

However, don't think that just because the Board got a lot done that things are running smoothly. At the end of last year we had only one entrant to our annual design contest so the Board decided to cancel the contest and revisit the subject later. This year we did not even try

to have a contest. Based on the decline in interest over the past few years, we decided just to let the design contest sit on the shelf for a couple of years. Also, several long serving committee and board members decided they needed a well-deserved rest and stepped down. It was only at the very end of January that those vacancies were completely filled. So far, nobody has volunteered to organize this July's Summer Tour, so we must decide



February Snow on Crimson Candles Camellia

Photo: Helen Janele

between the options of piggybacking our Summer Tour with the VNLA's Summer Tour or hiring an event planner to organize one for us. And, even though we had a couple dozen volunteers to help build and man our display garden at the MAC Events show a couple of weeks ago, if we had not had substantial help from a willing bunch of high school students at the Chesterfield Technical Center (who were not even members), we would have been in a bad spot.



Winter Sunset

Photo: Katie Sokol

When I joined CVNLA several years ago, Mary Williams was the executive secretary of the organization. At the first meeting I attended, she took me aside and said, "Be active in the organization. You get out of it what you put into it." If any of you all know Ennion and Mary Williams, you know that they are pretty much the green industry in Central Virginia. Both served as president of the CVNLA and the VNLA plus a host of other committees and boards of directors for pretty much the last 30 years. So I took Mary's advice to heart. Since then I have served on the CVLA Board of Directors for seven years and am currently on the VNLA and VSLD Board of Directors. I serve as committee chairperson for the VNLA and, in that capacity, attend about a dozen meetings yearly with various other committees at a bunch of different levels. I point all of this out not to brag, but to establish my "bonafides", so to speak, so that when I say that the VSLD

is at a crossroads, you will know that I am not speaking (writing) just to hear myself talk.

I understand that pretty much everyone in the VSLD has served the organization in some capacity at one time or another, but it is a small group, folks. This means you cannot just volunteer once and say you are done. Some Board members are on their third time around as volunteers. The VSLD is only a strong as its membership makes it and our organization desperately needs your help! Time for all of us is tight- I get that, but you make time for the things you WANT to make time for. The VSLD is worth your time. So, volunteer to man the booth at a show. Join a committee. Become a Board member. Help with the Summer Tour (it does take a little time, but it isn't that hard). Help plan the Winter Meeting. If we build a garden again next year, come and get dirty with us. You will find that you really DO get out of it what you put into it!



Winter Tractor and Dawn Sky

Photo: Chris Coen

It has been my honor to serve as president of the VSLD for the past year. At times the past year was stressful but it was rewarding just the same. The VSLD is a fine organization with huge potential and I value the Certified Designer status that I get from it. Thanks to all who volunteered to serve on the Board this year and to those who helped with the Summer Tour and the many who helped with the Home and Garden show – I hope all the effort results in lots of appointments for all of us.

I just got home from the annual Winter Meeting where the members present voted in a new President and a new board and I have to say that I feel a little relieved that Eve will be taking over from me. I'm also extremely thankful for the gifts I received – I will proudly hang my plaque in my office and, hopefully, not lose too much blood to my shiny, new knife. Thank you.

And my thanks go out to Eve for arranging a tasty, comfortable, informative Winter Meeting and for those who travelled so far to get there to spend time with us. Tom

#### **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

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David Adams Receives National Award:
Landscape Associates, Inc., and owner David
Adams is proud to announce that they have
been selected as a top 12 finalist in the 2013
National Landscape Contractor of the Year
Contest sponsored by the New Holland
Construction and the <u>Total Landscape Care</u>
magazine.

This Landscaper of the Year program honors landscapers who exemplify the very highest standards of their profession, including business acumen, overall quality and aesthetic excellence of their project work, marketing and equipment management expertise, safety awareness and community involvement.

This annual competitive program recognizes the best and the brightest from among many thousands of landscape industry professionals across the country. Landscape Associates was selected for their excellence in a wide variety of landscape projects ranging from small and large residential lots to an award-winning golf course project. The company excels in producing traditional, formal, and naturalistic gardens and designs.



Williamsburg Illumination

Photo: Peggy Krapf

<u>Total Landscape Care</u> magazine, a leading trade publication for industries involved with landscape management, presents the awards and spotlights each company with a feature article.

"The Landscaper of the Year program illustrates New Holland Construction's commitment to hard-working landscape contractors," said Curtis Goettel, the Brand Marketing Manager for New Holland Construction. "We congratulate Landscape Associates, Inc., and the other program finalists for their extremely unique projects."

The 12 finalists and their guests joined representatives from New Holland Construction and Total Landscape Care for an all-expenses-paid cruise to the Bahamas, Nov. 9-11. All 12 finalists will also receive a free, one-year lease on a New Holland 200 Series skid steer loader, along with a toolbox set valued at more than \$2,500. Congratulations to David Adams and his associates at Landscape Associates, Inc.!!

#### Norfolk Botanical Garden Plant Sale:

Mothers Day weekend, Friday through Sunday May 10-12, NBG will hold their annual plant sale! Brian O'Neil says this will be a bodacious plant event not to be missed! NBG Members get in at 9:00;thegeneral public is allowed entry at 10:00. A long listing of plant sale items is updated regularly on the NBG website. For information, see

http://norfolkbotanicalgarden.org/events/annual -plant-sale-2013-05-12/



Helleborus nigercors Photo: Helen Janele



## Let's Go to Tuscany Garden Tour:

Vicki O'Neal announces a rescheduled spring date for the previously announced Tour of Tuscany -now May 6-12, 2013. She also asks that those unable to make the triptoforwardthisinformation on to anyone they may know who might be interested in going along.

In order to share her love and knowledge of gardening and travel, Vicki of Form & Function is now collaborating with Claudia Harris of Adagio Travel to offer this enticing garden and cultural tour of Tuscany May 6-12, 2013. Claudia has been hosting small group trips to Italy and France for 12 years, speaks fluent Italian, and is hostess extraordinaire! The Adagio website and trip information is available

http://www.adagiotravel.com/tour.php?tour\_id= 74and, for a day by day itinerary, photos, etc. click on the right side link provided on the website. Vicki plans to arrive in Florence the weekend before this tour begins in order to adjust to local time, explore extra amazing sites and absorb the local culture. She suggests this option for others who may be interested.

## Sounds like fun!!

Vicki invites you to call her to discuss details, and volunteers to host an informational session in her home for those who may be interested in coming along on the adventure. Additionally, she suggests that a Skype session with Claudia could also be arranged to further inform those interested in exploring the Italian countryside this spring.





## Press Releases

by Kathy Duncan, VSLD

Submit press releases any time something positive happens to you or your company. They are free advertising. Plan for one per month or one per quarter. Call all local free and subscription newsletters, papers, etc. to find out what their requirements are and what format they prefer. The easier you make it for them, the more likely they will run your press release. Make the information short and to the point but the publication may still edit your submission. Repetition is what customers remember so get your name out there.

Plan a Press Releases for when:

- You hire a new employee feature them
- You or any employees attend any kind of training
- You go on a business trip
- You speak to a group or at an event
- You donate time, money or products to charitable causes

- Your business celebrates an anniversary
- You introduce a new product

## **Examples:**

Insert name here of insert name of business here attended insert event attended here with dates.

Insert name of business here recently added insert name of new employee here to their staff of landscape designers. Name is especially interested in Japanese Garden Design, Multiseason Perennial beds, and Native Plants (for instance). Please contact insert name of business with phone number here for further information or to speak to Name.

Insert name of business here donated 200 Daffodil bulbs to a local elementary school and helped the children plant them to beautify their environment.

Publications also <u>love</u> pre-written articles. Expand upon your press release with a news story. They may run it any time they lack other stories so plan your wording appropriately. Ask how long an article they would prefer, what format to use, how to send it to them and expect it to be edited. Be sure to include company and personal names, phone numbers, web sites, your address and any special skills or products you wish to feature.

## You Can Help Improve Our VSLD Newsletters!

If you run across an interesting article or snap a great seasonal shot, send it to me for use in your newsletter. It doesn't matter that photos may not be appropriate for the next seasonal issue; I can save it for future issues in the year. I really can use the material. Thank you to all who have contributed and please continue!

Helen Janele

# VSLD Will Spotlight Your Business on Facebook and Market Your Designs -- For Free

by Michele Fletcher, VSLD Marketing Chair

VSLD Certified members,

**Do You have a few project photos? Are Youtaking some this spring?** Then this free marketing opportunity is for **YOU!** 

I've suggested this winter to several of prospective clients that they look at my Facebook page to see my work and they have all been very complimentary and decided to meet with me. When I created my business Facebook page, it didn't even occur to me that it might work out as a great portfolio tool, but it has... And by sharing your design work photos you're also educating the public as to what is **GOOD Design.** I hope this inspires you to take some photos or dig out the ones you have and make good use of them.

Here are a few samples of existing albums on the VSLD Facebook page, and you do not have to have a Facebook account to look at them... just click on the link or copy and paste the URL into your browser.

#### Pam McGroarty's:

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#### Kim League:

https://www.facebook.com/media/set/?set=a.396974563 700957.91043.251805784884503&type=1&l=8beddf2d5

#### Peggy Krapf:

https://www.facebook.com/media/set/?set=a.393886947 343052.90224.251805784884503&type=1&l=f7dd5d41f1

#### Tom Thompson:

https://www.facebook.com/media/set/?set=a.398206856 911061.91388.251805784884503&type=1&l=2567d25de 2

Or go to the VSLD Facebook page and check out ALL the photo albums.

(https://www.facebook.com/pages/Virginia-Society-of-Landscape-Designers/251805784884503?ref=hl and click on Photos.)

SO, please send me *at least* 3 and up to 8 photos of your finished project (and perhaps a before-shot). along with a description

If you have previously sent photos to me before, then you may send one or two to add to your existing album or 3 to eight photos that I'll add to your new project photo album.



"Before" and "after" photos are great for potential clients to see but "afters" work, too. Please include a sentence or two (or a paragraph of any length) about it, including your website address, and I will watermark them with your name and post it on the VSLD Facebook page for you. Tell me if you installed it, as well as designed it (I have a number of both homeowner-installed and contractor-installed designs under my supervision.) Also, provide me with your website address and/or FB page address and I'll post those in the description so they can find you.

I'll send you back a copy of the link (URL) so you may review your album, and you can also email the link or otherwise share it with your clients or potential clientele so they can see your work highlighted on the VSLD page. This is free marketing for YOU! And your target audience doesn't even have to be a member of Facebook to see it – our page is "Public" and viewable without a Facebook account. (If you send more than one photo of a project, it goes into a gallery and Facebook gives you a specific URL for just this gallery which you may share.)

If you didn't take the photo and you want them credited, tell me who took it and I'll make sure they get the photo credit.

Photos can be as small as 200KB or up to 3MB in size; I'll adjust the image to Facebook requirements for you. The preferred size would be around 500-900KB (which renders very well on the computer screen without eating up my bandwidth and I won't have to reduce it to upload to Facebook). Michelle

# Treasurer's Report: --Susan Kappel—

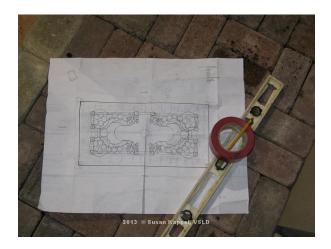
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Total Income			100.006	\$15,398.00
Application Fee			100.00\$	4= 00= 00
Dues-total				\$7,905.00
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Dues:Late fee			10.00\$	
Dues:Reinstatement fee			50.00\$	
Member Dues			7,560.00\$	
Other Other Income				\$385.00
4/13/2012	VNLA		Half of RRHA show Booth fee	\$ 385.00
Scholarship Fund				\$195.00
Total Expenses				\$(15,282.92)
Advertising (Business)				\$(5 <i>,</i> 757.32)
Advertising (Business):Booth Expenses		Mini-price storage		\$(816.00)
Advertising (Business):Facebook Page		set-up		\$(100.00)
Advertising (Business):Magazine ad			\$(2,055.00)	
1/15/2012		State by State Gardening		\$(525.00)
2/22/2012		State by State Gardening		\$(695.00)
9/19/2012	Garden Club	Of VA	Garden Week	\$(835.00)
Advertising (Business): Show Expenses-	rent space &	utilities		\$(1,132.83)
2/29/2012	RRHBA		Roanoke Home Show	\$(770.00)
3/9/2012		Maymont electricity		\$(80.00)
4/17/2012		RRHA booth decoration		\$(32.83)
9/30/2012	VGIC		State Fair Booth	\$(200.00)
9/30/2012	VA Master G	Gardeners	Man State Fair Booth	\$(50.00)
Advertising (Business):Web Page				\$(1,285.17)
Other Advertising (Business)				\$(368.32)
3/2/2012		MAHSC reception		\$(368.32)
Board Expenses		·		\$(541.70)
1/31/2012		Board Meeting Lunch		\$(96.51)
3/14/2012		President's Gift		\$(158.18)
3/20/2012		Spirit Award paperweight		\$(30.00)
4/17/2012		Board Meeting Lunch		\$(93.36)
7/17/2012		Board Meeting lunch		\$(78.68)
10/16/2012		Board Meeting Lunch		\$(84.97)
Dues and Subscriptions		· ·		\$(166.00)
3/2/2012		VGIC		\$(111.00)
3/9/2012		Costco		\$(55.00)
Embossers				\$(166.86)
Gifts & Donations				\$(550.00)
3/2/2012	LGBG		F. Robinson's father	\$(100.00)
5/7/2012	Maymont Fo	oundation	Internship sponsorship	\$(250.00)
7/26/2012	•	n Foundation	Bonnie Appleton	\$(200.00)
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12/12/2012	Erie Insuran		General Liability	\$(250.00)
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Misc. Expense (Business)				\$(19.95)
8/7/2012	Harlan Chec	k Printing	new checks	\$(19.95)
Office Expenses (Business)				\$(885.28)

Office Expenses (Business):Computer	\$(749.98)		
3/9/2012	Costco	Computer	\$(669.99)
3/14/2012	Quicken		\$(79.99)
Other Office Expenses (Business)			\$(135.30)
4/17/2012	Certificate Paper		\$(73.40)
4/29/2012	Certificate Envelopes		\$(33.06)
6/8/2012	envelopes, newsletter		\$(4.71)
7/17/2012	envelopes, newsletter		\$(10.49)
12/11/2012	envelopes, newsletter		\$(13.64)
Postage and Delivery (Business)	\$(237.94)		
Postage and Delivery (Business):New	rsletter		\$(63.64)
Other Postage and Delivery (Business	s) Certificates& stamps		\$(174.30)
Printing and Reproduction (Business)			\$(310.58)
Printing and Reproduction (Business)	\$(310.58)		
Scholarship Award			\$(500.00)
4/15/2012	Tidewater Comm. College	for Margaret Fox	\$(500.00)
Summer Tour Expense			\$(4,467.41)
Winter Meeting Expense			\$(1,354.88)
	OVERALL TOTAL		\$115.08

## 'Mardi Gras Un-Masked'

by Susan Kappel

VSLD's first foray into building a display garden was for the MAC Home and Garden Show (formerly known as THE Maymont Show) at the Richmond Convention Center in early February. If there had been a contest, we would have won every category hands down! Thanks to Yulita Ellis for the concept and to Tom Thompson for the design and for pulling it all together.



From now on, Tom's new name is 'Radar' for doing such an excellent job of scrounging and trading for materials!



Materials Staged Awaiting Set-up

Chesterfield Technical Center provided the beautiful containers and some strong backs for building the wall and laying pavers as well as for forcing some of the plants for us.



Chesterfield Technical Center Volunteers arranging Flowers



Student Smiles Proudly at their Stunning Floral Creations

Colesville Nursery provided 4 large magnolias and many other plants for the display garden as well as some valuable labor on Wednesday.



Tom Thompson with Colesville Labor Force Setting Paving Stones



Kay Moore and Susan Kappel arrange Sarcococca for the display



Matt Templeton (Landscape Lighting), with Yulita Ellis & Jane Abbott—

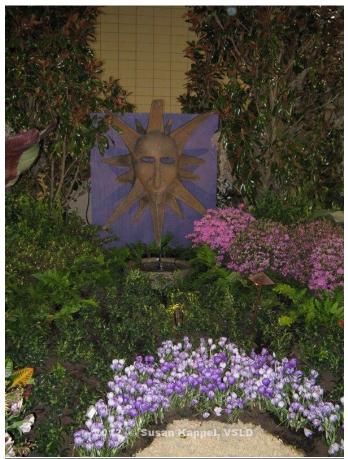


Almost Finished Side of Display

But the star of the show was Ben Shanks (Richmond Rockscapes) and his incredible mask fountains!



Glorious View of Finished Side One of Display!



Side 2 of the Wonderful Completed Display!

**Tom Thompson** did the plumbing for these impressive Mask Fountains!

Thanks, also, to **all** the members who showed up to help install the garden. We had fun.

Thanks, too, to all who took a shift or two during the show. Special thanks go to those who showed up to tear it down. I hope you had as much fun as we had putting it up. Sorry, but I messed up the photos from Thursday's building crew and wasn't there to document the tear out.

Unfortunately, there was no contest this year, so we won no prize . There were few gardens at the show, but none of the others was very true to the theme of "Mardi Gras around the World."



Susan Kappel and Tiffany McCord in Festive Mardi Gras Mode



You might like seeing the Facebook page (it's public, you don't have to be a Facebook member to see it.

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Designers/251805784884503?ref=hland at

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**Luray Bicentennial Planter Project** 

By Katie Sokol

The town of Luray, nestled in the Shenandoah Valley, was settled in 1812. Its 200<sup>th</sup> birthday celebration was marked by many special events including the development of a small pocket park in the downtown.

The concept plan for the project was designed by Virginia Tech's landscape architecture students through the Community Design Assistance Center (CDAC). The space for the planter was quite limited (22' by 16') and it soon became clear that it would have to be raised to provide seating as there would not be space for benches. Members of town council, Tree and Beautification committee, and Parks and Recreation gave the approval to move ahead.

The conceptual plan was turned into a construction plan by Katie Sokol of Down River Landscape Design, also the chairperson of the Tree and Beautification Committee. She recommended that, instead of using a stone or brick wall cap, Trex be utilized to provide more comfortable seating. Since the planter size was restricted (9'x9') and only 10 feet from the curb line, only small to medium-sized trees were specified. The final choice was a Flowering Dogwood which seemed to fit well with the historical significance of the project and would provide seasonal interest.

The project received final town approval in July of 2012, but it took several months to have an easement granted because the space was situated on private property. Early December in

Luray is busy with tourists and its annual Christmas parade, so construction was held off until January of 2013. The town now hopes to have a dedication ceremony by the end of February, but better late than never!



Conceptual Sketch by Down River Landscape Design



Construction Under Way.



Tree in place Feb. 4, 2013

## **VSLD Winter Meeting Report**

The annual VSLD Winter Meeting was held at the beautiful new Charles Luck showroom in Midlothian- an exquisite architectural feast for the eyes- both inside and outside.



Luck Stone Center Exterior



Luck Stone Center Walk

Although it was a dismal, rainy, winter day, the dreariness melted away once we entered the building and greeted our many fellow designers again!



Right to Left: Ruth Carver, Peggy Ford, Chuck Bateman, Denise Hargraves, Jane Abbott

Our incoming president, Eve Willis, presented our outgoing one, Tom Thompson, with a handsome knife and an engraved plaque, commemorating his year of diligent service to our organization.



Eve Willis recognizesTom's Service to VSLD

Master Mason Jonathan Burnett illustrated his stimulating talk to us on the timeless appeal and intrinsic value of stone using slides of beautiful stone walls, castles and gateways he had seen on his travels throughout the British Isles.

Jonathan invites you to e-mail him at <a href="mailto:jonathan@homeandgardenmasonry.com">jonathan@homeandgardenmasonry.com</a> or visit his website at <a href="mailto:http://www.homeandgardenmasonry.com">http://www.homeandgardenmasonry.com</a> with any questions you might have.



Jonathan Burnett entertains the group



Front Table Left to Right: Terry Tosh, Kay Moore, Lorrie Lincoln, Patty Adkins, Brian O'Neil

Following Jonathan's presentation, stone mason Brent Leftwich [804-869-2798] spoke on installation methods for dry-laid walks, patios and terraces which he prefers over the less-durable mortared equivalents for our constantly fluctuating winter Virginia temperatures.

Michele Fletcher brought her laptop with her Facebook work on it to demonstrate its ease of use and value to every VSLD designer and to help answer any questions you might have.



VSLD Facebook Page on view



Foreground Left to Right: Brian O'Neil, Yulita Ellis, Kay Moore, Lorrie Lincoln, Patty Adkins

For more photos from the annual Winter Meeting, follow the link to our Facebook page - <a href="https://www.facebook.com/media/set/?set=a.45638">https://www.facebook.com/media/set/?set=a.45638</a> 2001093546.102600.251805784884503&type=1&l=2b47013fb6</a>. If any of you who attended would like Michele to check her photos and send you those

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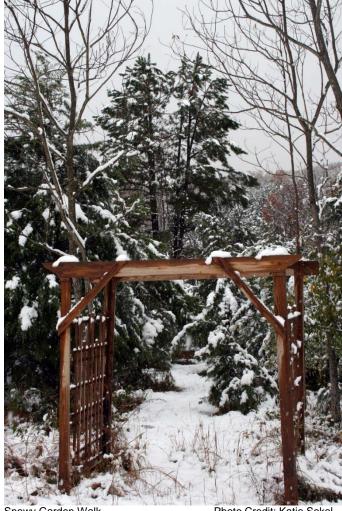
shots, just e-mail her at plantlover.mf@gmail.com

## **Winter Photos**



Galanthus nivalis in January

Photo Credit: Helen Janele



Snowy Garden Walk

Photo Credit: Katie Sokol



Helleborus orientalis Photo: Peggy Krapf



Up the Valley

Photo Credit: Chris Coen



Lichens in the Woodyard

Photo Credit: Chris Coen

## 2013

## Calendar of Events & Meetings

February 23, 2013, Saturday

VSLD Winter Meeting, Charles Luck Stone Center, Richmond, VA, 11AM-2PM

More information: http://vsld.org/Members/winterprog.php

March 06, 2013

Roanoke Tree Care Workshop: Trees, the Dirty Truth, Virginia Western Community College, Roanoke; http://www.treesvirginia.org

March 08, 2013

Gardens that "Do": a Historical and Contemporary Study of Community Gardens, U. S. Botanic Garden; Washington, DC, Registration at 202-225-8333 or visit http://www.usbg.gov

March 08, 2013-CANCELLED DUE TO UNDERENROLLMENT

Tree Care Symposium, Lewis Ginter Botanical Garden, March 08, 2013 http://www.lewisginter.org/adult-education/sponsored-symposiums.php

March 09, 2013

Spring Pruning for Shrubs, Lewis Ginter Botanical Garden, Richmond, Joel Koci- Instructor http://www.lewisginter.org/events/event\_detail.php?event\_id=1019

March 20-23. 2013

AHLP Annual Conference—Resilience, Renewal, and Renaissance: Keeping Cultural Landscapes Relevant; Lynchburg, VA; http://www.ahlp.org/index.php/annual-meetings/annual-meeting-2013/

March 22-23, 2013

J.C. Raulston Arboretum, Raleigh, NC;

http://www.ncsu.edu/jcraulstonarboretum/calendar/event\_details.php?ID=722

## Calendar of Events & Meetings (cont.)

March 23, 2013

Lahr Native Plant Symposium & Plant Sale, U. S. National Arboretum; Washington, DC 9:30-3:30; Phone- 202-245-4521; http://www.usna.usda.gov/Education/lahr2013.pdf

March 27, 2013

Shenandoah Valley Plant Symposium, Best Western Inn & Conference Center, Waynesboro, VA; Sponsored by the Waynesboro Parks & Recreation Dept. & Virginia Nursery & Landscape Association; Phone: 540-942-6735; E-Mail: <a href="mailto:parksandrec@ci.waynesboro.va.us">parksandrec@ci.waynesboro.va.us</a>

CNU 16<sup>th</sup> Annual Gardening Symposium, Christopher Newport University,
Ferguson Center for the Arts, Newport News, VA; Keynote Speakers: Ken Druse- Natural Garden
Companions, Jim Orband- Landscape Ferns, Bob Goodhart-Plant Propagation; Plant Sales All Day,
\$20, http://gardening.cnu.edu/registration.htm

April 20-21 & 27-28, 2013

VLM Spring Native Plant Sale, Virginia Living Museum, Newport News, VA; http://www.thevlm.org/calendar.aspx?eventid=999

April 26, 2013

Arbor Day- For more information, visit <a href="http://www.arborday.org/takeaction/index.cfm">http://www.arborday.org/takeaction/index.cfm</a>

May 2-4, 2013

Lewis Ginter Botanical Garden Spring Plant Sale, LGBG, Richmond, VA, Sale hours specific to each day. Visit LGBG website: http://www.lewisginter.org/events/event\_detail.php?event\_id=762

Tuscany Garden Tour, voneal@FandFdesign.comor: http://www.adagiotravel.com/tour.php?tour\_id=74
Contact Vicki or Adagio Travel to reserve your spot today!

## <u>Calendar of Events & Meetings (cont.)</u>

May 10-12, 2013

Norfolk Botanical Garden Annual Plant Sale, NBG, Norfolk, VA <a href="http://norfolkbotanicalgarden.org/events/annual-plant-sale-2013-05-12/">http://norfolkbotanicalgarden.org/events/annual-plant-sale-2013-05-12/</a>

May 23, 2013

Potomac Bonsai Festival, U. S. National Arboretum; Washington, DC Registration by Phone- 202-245-4521 or on-line - http://www.usna.usda.gov/Education/lahr2013.pdf

June 8, 2013

Virginia Tech Hahn Horticulture Garden Gala, Virginia Tech Hahn Center; Blacksburg, VA Registration (540) 231-5970, e-mail - vtgarden@vt.edu On-line at http://www.hort.vt.edu

June 08, 2013

VNLA Summer Board Meeting, Blacksburg, VA E-mail: info@vnla.org 800-476-0055

July, 2013

VSLD Summer Tour, TBA

August 8-9, 2013

VNLA Annual Field Day & Summer Tour, Hosted by Brent and Becky's Bulbs, Gloucester, VA On-line: <a href="http://www.vnla.org">http://www.vnla.org</a> E-mail: <a href="fieldDay@vnla.org">FieldDay@vnla.org</a> Phone: 800-476-0055

## August 28, 2013

Stormwater Wetland Design Workshop, New Bern, NC; Registration by Phone- 919-515-6780 or 919-513-2192 (Cathy Smith or Christina Shepard) or on-line - <a href="http://www.ncseagrant.org/home/about-ncsg/news-events?task=showArticle&id=1402&category=events&limitstart=0">http://www.ncseagrant.org/home/about-ncsg/news-events?task=showArticle&id=1402&category=events&limitstart=0</a>

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