

## From the President's Pen:

Happy Spring to Everyone!!

It is hard to believe that the 2016-2017 Council of Garden Clubs year is drawing to a close. We just have two more opportunities to meet as a group. However there are more opportunities to make sure we end the year with a BLAST!

The upcoming April meeting, Wednesday April 26, at the Council House, will feature Pat Linton. Pat will be planting two beautiful pots. One arrangement will be for a shade area and the second pot will feature plants that prefer a sunny location. If you have not had the opportunity to purchase tickets for the drawing, please contact Jill Rogers at 704-256-9091. Additional tickets will also be available the day of the meeting.

Following, Pat's presentation, we will present and vote for the slate of officers for next year. So please plan to attend the meeting and remain until the end.

In addition to new officers, the board will present **proposed changes to the Bylaws**. After a brief summary of the proposed changes that are being made, and the reasons why the changes are being proposed, we will vote on them in May. Opportunity to vote on the changes will be via e-mail.

The final meeting for the year will be Wednesday May 24, 2017. It will be our Annual Awards and Installation. It will be a Tea held at the Betty Little Council House. We are excited to announce that La-Tea-Da's will provide our repass. Reservations and payment will need to be made with Barbara Miller no later than Tuesday May 16, 2017. Cost info will be available at the April meeting.

Our semi-annual Plant and Attic Sale will take place on Saturday April 22, 2017; 8 AM until 1 PM. Please support this fundraiser by:

- Bringing donations of plants, and clean household items to the house by Friday April 21; setup time begins at 10AM.
- Sign up to help with setup on Friday
- Work the sale on Saturday
- Tell friends, family and neighbors about the sale

Buy, Buy, and Buy some more!!

Additional Items:

Beth Davis of NCNPS Southern Piedmont Chapter has requested additional volunteers to help at the various community events they are sponsoring during the month of April. Contact Beth at ([beth3515@gmail.com](mailto:beth3515@gmail.com))

Joan Rasmussen of the Charlotte Garden Club sent in a reminder that the 2017 Art in the Garden Tour is Saturday April 22, 10AM-4PM; and Sunday April 23, 1-4PM. Tickets and additional information at ([www.charlottegardenclub.org](http://www.charlottegardenclub.org)).

The 2017 Annual Meeting of the Garden Club of North Carolina was held in .