

# NEWSCAPE



*This temporary autumn landscape is in scale with young visitors! Longwood Gardens, Kennett Square, PA. Photo by Victoria Bergesen*

**From the Editor:**

Welcome to our new readers! You are a busy group with many schools, refreshers, and events. *Please forward Newscape to your Consultants.*

Please send me information about your projects, meetings, and schools by January 10, 2016 for inclusion in our Spring 2016 issue. I look forward to including articles and photos about your events.

All submissions must be original material. Photos are welcome! Please send articles in Word format to [CSCarbaugh@verizon.net](mailto:CSCarbaugh@verizon.net).

***Caroline Carbaugh***

**OBJECTIVES OF THE LANDSCAPE DESIGN STUDY PROGRAM**

- ★ Develop a greater sense of appreciation, pride, and knowledge about our private and public gardens.
- ★ Become better educated to make changes in our surroundings so that they will be more beautiful, useful, convenient, ecologically sound, and easily maintained.
- ★ Stimulate interest in all phases of landscape design, including community planning that will affect all of our lives.
- ★ Develop a contingent of qualified Landscape Design Consultants to serve in such decision-

making areas of public life as providing leadership, educational programs, scholarships, awards, and promoting better landscape design.



*Photo by Larry Carbaugh*

**NEWS FROM YOUR NATIONAL BOARD MEMBERS**

**FROM OUR NATIONAL CHAIRMAN:**

Throughout our gardening world, Landscape Design Schools are being planned for our members as state Presidents and LDS Chairmen follow the theme of NGC President Sandra Nelson and “Leap into Action.” Over the summer, Ohio held Course 3 and in the fall, gardeners in Wisconsin, Argentina, Maryland, New York, California, Virginia, Massachusetts, Alabama, Louisiana and Maine will benefit from Courses offered in their states. Florida has scheduled two separate courses, one in New Smyrna Beach and another in Largo in November, with another in February 2016 in New Smyrna Beach. California has scheduled Course IV in April 2016. Tri-Refreshers are planned for this October in Encino, California, for November in Georgia, and for January in West Palm Beach, Florida. A refresher is in the planning stages in Tennessee. Michigan is considering holding two Courses back-to-back. Congratulations to these state Presidents and LDS Chairman for providing their members with the knowledge and awareness of the importance of sound ecological practices.

LDS Chairmen are urged to plan, as the Special Interest topics, lectures which discuss and promote landscapes which help bees,

butterflies and other pollinators. Landscapes which help our amphibians are also crucial.

I urge each of you to share with us your gardening projects and photographs. Please send photographs and articles to Caroline Carbaugh, [CSCarbaugh@verizon.net](mailto:CSCarbaugh@verizon.net), the *Newscape* Editor. I am sure there are lots of winning landscapes being created by our garden club members. Inspiration for others.

The LDS Committee is just an e-mail, or phone call, away should you have any concerns.

***Jane Bersch, Chairman***



***NGC LDS Chairman Jane Bersch at Maker's Mark Distillery, Loretto, KY. Photo by Victoria Bergesen***

**NGC SCHOOLS**

Greetings fellow Landscape Design Consultants and participants in NGC Landscape Design Schools,

Per *Stewards of the Land* (page 254), “Many communities have garden clubs and other organizations dedicated to

improving their area; these may work in conjunction with local beautification boards, appearance commissions, and other similar bodies. Dedicated, qualified individuals should be particularly interested in leading the way by initiating and participating in the preparation of a community appearance plan, as well as other projects to enhance the community’s visual qualities.” NGC’s Landscape Design School helps to create such dedicated, qualified individuals.

Congratulations and thank you for your decision to participate in this NGC educational program, the second of NGC’s four schools. I hope you will remain interested and involved so that you can help make this program available to new students and so you will continue to refresh and take advantage of opportunities to learn more about good landscape practices.

NGC’s schools are extensively inter-related as evidenced by the crossover of activities in our Tri-Councils and the crossover of material covered in our Multiple Refreshers. If you have not already taken other NGC schools, please consider doing so and look for ways to use the information from all three schools as a force for good in your clubs and communities.

2015-2017 NGC President Sandra H. Robinson has asked us to **Leap into Action** to do many things, including protecting pollinators and amphibians. Good landscape practices can help achieve those goals and Landscape Design Schools can help us to know good landscape practices. Sandy also asks us to help nurture our current leaders and develop tomorrow’s leaders. We can all find someone involved in the administration of our schools programs (or someone thinking of getting involved) to encourage and nurture. Best wishes to all for a successful and productive 2015-2017 term.

**Greg Pokorski, NGC ES, GS, LD Schools Coordinator (and Master Landscape Design Consultant)**

**APPROVING LDS SCHOOLS**

Receiving approval for your Landscape Design School is very simple once the State LDS Chairman submits the necessary paperwork via snail mail or as e-mail attachments. Pulling together all the information required may be more complicated!

Please be sure to download all forms from the NGC website ([www.gardenclub.org](http://www.gardenclub.org)). These forms change from time to time, and any paper copies in your LDS Operations Guide may be outdated. You *must* use the

actual LDS form, information listed in your own format is not acceptable. The State LDS Chairman *must* sign the forms, although a “typed” signature is acceptable. A local chairman may prepare the paperwork, but the State LDS Chairman must sign/approve it.

1. Submit LDS-1 Event Registration. The original must be snail-mailed to NGC Headquarters in St. Louis with a \$5 check. The list of NGC LDS Committee members who receive copies of this is on the form itself. Their names and addresses (including e-mails and phone numbers) are on the NGC website (School>LDS Schools >LDS Forms, scroll to the bottom of the page). I can’t approve a school until Headquarters has received LDS-1.

2. Submit LDS-2a/b Course Information Form. Be sure to include both pages! The Special Interest Topic needs my approval if it is not included among the dozens of suggestions listed in LDS-20.

3. Submit LDS-4a Instructor Resume & Record for every new Instructor. This may be *supplemented* with a printed resume. A resume or bio alone is *not* acceptable.

4. Submit course material as needed. Course material includes a student outline, exam and exam key. It is required for every lecture unless an

Approved Instructor has given that lecture in that LDS Course before. This is to be sure that all necessary information is included in the outline (see Course Curriculae LDS-21, 22, 23, or 24), that the exam reflects the material taught, that the questions are clear and intelligent, and that the answers are correct. Exams are multiple-choice and should offer 4 or 5 choices.

Especially if this is not old drill for you, please don’t hesitate to e-mail or call me for help or advice. As hard as we have tried to make the process straightforward, we are always working to refine it.

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**NGC CONVENTION,  
LOUISVILLE, KY**

**The Tri-Refresher  
at the NGC Convention**

Multiple refreshers are always rewarding learning experiences. They are also efficient, allowing you to refresh in more than one school at the same time if you have attained Master status. I attend because I thoroughly enjoy the trips, lectures and

company of NGC Members from all over the U.S. and Latin America.

At convention, any number of seminars and field trips provide hours towards the multiple refresher 7-hour requirement (8 hours if not at an NGC Convention). I chose those that could be worked in around our LDS Schools and Educational Schools Committee meetings: Maker's Mark Distillery Tour, Bernheim Forest and Arboretum, Yew Dell Gardens, and several lectures.

**Maker's Mark Distillery** might seem like an odd venue for a Tri-Refresher, but this is not a typical factory. This family-owned green facility has created a campus-type setting that is pleasant for workers and visitors alike. The thoughtful landscaping includes labeled trees.



**Tulip Tree in bloom**  
*(Liriodendron tulipifera)* at **Maker's Mark Distillery, Loretto, KY.**

**Bernheim Research Forest and Arboretum** is a 14,000-acre rehabilitated mining site beginning in 1929. Only 1500 acres have structural development, the rest returning

to the natural state for that area. In 1931 the Frederick Law Olmsted Firm of Brookline, Massachusetts, at that time run by Frederick Law Olmsted Jr., designed the 600-acre arboretum. The extensive plan included the creation of three lakes. The arboretum was opened to the public in 1950.



**Visitor's Center at Bernheim Research Forest and Arboretum, Clermont, KY.**

The Bernheim Edible Garden is a laboratory for regenerative design. This LEED Platinum building is a model in the region. They focus on energy production, not just energy reduction. They focus on being part of a healthy water cycle, not just water conservation. The facility creates wonderful learning experiences for adults and children.



**Edible Garden at Bernheim Research Forest and Arboretum**



**The Castle, Yew Dell Gardens, Crestwood, KY**

**Yew Dell Gardens** was a private estate including a successful commercial nursery. From 1941 to 2001, Theodore and Martha Lee Klein developed their 33 acres of farmland. Now a non-profit Preservation Partner Project of the Garden Conservancy, visitors will see an arboretum, Serpentine Garden, Secret Garden, Walled Garden, Big Pine Garden (shade), Sunken Rock Garden and Kitchen Garden, among others. These gardens represent many landscape design styles.

**Victoria Bergesen**



**Little Honey Oakleaf Hydrangea (Hydrangea quercifolia 'Little Honey'), Yew Dell Gardens.**

**All Tri-Refresher photos by Victoria Bergesen**



A trip to London in July provided the opportunity for a visit to Hampton Court Palace. Set in a loop of the river Thames, this magnificent former royal residence and Henry VIII’s pleasure palace, contains over 600 acres of woodlands gardens, 60 acres of which are formal gardens. It includes a maze, begun in 1690 for King William III and Queen Mary II, with winding paths surrounded by seven foot high yew tree walls. The 18th century kitchen garden has been newly restored. It was originally built in 1689 for William and Mary. Fruits and vegetables from it supplied the palace kitchens. During the reign of Henry VIII, these kitchens provided two meals a day for at least 600 members of the court. The Great Fountain Garden, first laid out for William and Mary, was originally a parterre with thirteen fountains. Only one fountain remains. The large yew trees are clipped and were planted in the early 1700s during the reign of Queen Anne. In July, the walled Rose Garden was in bloom with old English roses.

*Photos by Jane Bersch*

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**STATE NEWS**

**Maryland**

The Federated Garden Clubs of MD, Landscape Design Council meets twice a year in the Fall and Spring.

In May 2015 we visited the William Pace House in Annapolis, MD. This Colonial Maryland National Historic Landmark features a red brick Georgian mansion built by a signer of the Declaration of Independence, William Paca.

The house and 2-acre walled garden have been carefully restored by Historic Annapolis. The Photography Committee of the FGCMMD joined us for this trip.

The Council makes annual cash awards to a FGCMMD garden club for outstanding landscape work at a public site or a Habitat for Humanity site. Another award is the Mae Scott Tapestry

Landscape Award given annually to a FGCMMD member or garden club’s planned and maintained project. The award for first place is \$250 and second place receives \$150.

Our LDC School Co-Chairmen have been working overtime to put together a wonderful Course II school this fall to be held September 29-30, with a test on October 1<sup>st</sup>. It will be held at the Sheraton Hotel in

Annapolis. We have some great lecturers for this course, and more information can be found on the FGCMMD website, [www.fgcofmd.org](http://www.fgcofmd.org).

**Jane Chambers, LDS Chairman**

**Tennessee**

**Landscape Design Refresher  
TFGC 2015 Convention in  
Jackson, TN**

After learning of the convention’s theme, Seeking New Landscapes, LDS Chairman 2013-2015 Jeri Melton asked to work in a few other lectures, tours, etc. to allow LD Consultants a time to refresh.

The entire list of speakers for this event was excellent:

- **Carol Reese**, UT Extension Ornamental horticulture Specialist
- **James Wick**, degreed in Ornamental Horticulture, nursery manager for Morris Nursery and Landscapes, Inc., and owner of Peach Grove Nursery in Martin, TN.
- **Jason Reeves**, Research Horticulturist at UT Gardens, Jackson
- **Rita Randolph**, horticulturist, photographer and published author
- **Barbara Tucker**, Master Gardener taught propagation of Landscape Plants.

Tours included the **UT Gardens** at the West Tennessee Research and Education Center in Jackson and a visit to a local

Greenhouse and **Morris Nursery** and Landscapes.

It is not every convention which has a real fire alarm during its

breakfast lecture. Everyone gathered outside was witness to the arrival of several fire trucks, which led to many firemen entering the building. After extinguishing a kitchen fire, business as usual was resumed.

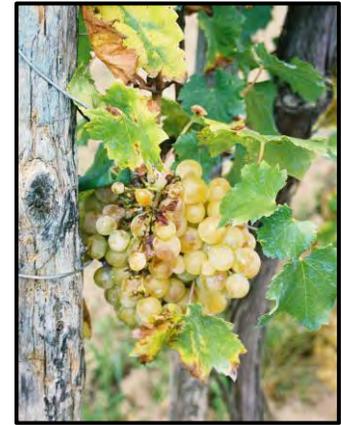
A tribute to the leadership gathered in Jackson, Ann McCormick TFGC President 2013-2015 and Jeri Melton picked up their meetings and the next event began right on time. Nancy Freeman and Barb Williams, the TFGC 2015 Convention Co-Chairmen, certainly saw to every detail for a successful annual meeting.

**Carole Whited, LDS Chairman**



**From left to right: Anonymous Jackson, TN firefighter, Linda Biggar (back to camera), Cindy Hintz and Jeri Melton. Photo: Carole Whited**

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**Near Greve in Chianti, Italy  
Photo by Caroline Carbaugh**

**LANDSCAPE DESIGN  
SCHOOLS/REFRESHERS**

**Alabama**

**October 5 - 6, 2015. Auburn.** Course II. Chairman: K.T. Owens (251) 743-3846

**California**

**October 22 - 23, 2015. Santa Rosa.** Course III. Chairman: Alexis Slafer (323) 292-6657 ASlafer@ca.rr.com

**October 29 - 30, 2015. Encino.** Course: Tri-Refresher. Event Chairman: Robin Pokorski (818) 361-7873; robinp@juno.com

**April 28 - 29, 2016. Santa Rosa.** Course IV. Chairman: Alexis Slafer (323) 292-6657 ASlafer@ca.rr.com

**Florida**

**November 10 - 11, 2015. New Smyrna Beach.** Course I. Chairman: Diana Burgess (386) 423-2757; smyrnadi@aol.com

**Florida continued**

**November 11 - 12, 2015. Largo.**  
 Course: II. Chairman: Karen Gott  
 (954) 532-5602  
 kgott1219@comcast.net

**January 27 - 28, 2016. West Palm Beach.** Course: Tri-Refresher. Event Chairman: Nancy Richards (561) 702-0550; nancyrrichards@gmail.com

**February 16 - 17, 2016. New Smyrna Beach.** Course II. Chairman: Karen Gott (954) 532-5602; kgott1219@comcast.net

**Georgia**

**November 12 - 13, 2015. Cordele.** Course: Tri-Refresher. Event Chairman: Marilyn McDonnell (706) 863-4992 mmcdonnell25@comcast.net

**Louisiana**

**October 26 - 27, 2015. Baton Rouge.** Course II. Chairman: Clara Earl (225)924-6429 Clarae2003@yahoo.com

**Maine**

**September 25 - 27, 2016. Portland & Bar Harbor.** Course: Tri-Refresher. Event Chairman: Mary Ericson (207) 457-2188 travilr@metrocast.net

**November 19 - 20, 2015. Falmouth.** Course I. Chairman: Harriet Robinson (207) 743-7236 harrietlewisrobinson@gmail.com

**Maryland**

**September 29 - October 1, 2015. Annapolis.** Course II. Co-Chairman: Diana Bonner (410) 643-6779 debonner@verizon.net Ann Christ seiki@comcast.net

***Autumn Color in Europe***



*Lourmarin, France*



*The Tuileries in Paris, France*



*Saignon, a hill top village in Provence, France  
 Photos by Caroline Carbaugh*

**Massachusetts**

**October 29 - 31, 2015.**

**Wellesley.**

Course II. Chairman:

Maureen O'Brien (781) 407-0065

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**New York**

**October 6 - 8, 2015.**

**Chappaqua.** Course III.

Chairman: Antoinette Babb

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**Virginia**

**October 28 - 29, 2015.**

**Richmond.** Course II. Chairman:

Glenda H. Knowles (757) 345-6618; ggknowles@cox.net

**Wisconsin**

**September 23 - 24, 2015.**

**Madison.** Course IV. Chairman:

Gretchen Vest (262) 338-6645  
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**Argentina**

**September 18 - 19, 2015. San**

**Carlos de Bariloche.** Course I.

Chairman: Sylvia Wray (314)

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*In the Loire Valley in France  
Chateau de Villandry*



*The Ornamental Garden*



*The Kitchen Garden*

**PLEASE consult our website for the latest information on schools and refreshers:**

**www.gardenclub.org**



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