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From our President Carla Nelson:

First, thank you all for entrusting me with this honor to serve as your President of the Horticultural Society. I and my leadership team are grateful to immediate Past-President Dean Reeves and her Board for the legacy they leave and their hard work the past 4 years. We have big shoes to fill, and we have a lot of ideas moving forward that we believe you will like.

You've asked for something new and fun that doesn't cost a lot, and we've listened! Our first fundraising event, benefitting Cheekwood's Fall Harvest, will be our first annual Ladies Night Out, Sunday, October 6. Our dynamic chairs, Tracy Austin and Elene Cazana, are hard at work, and the finished product promises to Wow! With a Speakeasy Jazz Club theme, live music, wine bar, signature cocktail and delicious Hors D'oeuvres it's a fun evening to enjoy being with friends and welcoming Fall. I encourage you to attend and bring your garden club, neighbors, friends and relatives with you. It's open to everyone – the more the merrier! Tickets can be purchased online at <https://hsmtn.org/> or return the form on page 6 of this newsletter. It's also a great way to encourage your guests to become new members of your garden club. We're here to help you in any way possible. We love seeing clubs grow and evolve as you connect with the community.

On a sad note, for those of you who haven't heard, our office administrator Lisa Ward-Smith will be leaving us by the end of the year. She and her husband Scott have been transferred back to Texas. She has promised to help get us through all our fundraising events this fall and holiday season. We appreciate all Lisa has done for the Horticultural Society over the past two years and wish her all the best. She will be greatly missed. We're hoping to hire her replacement soon, so if you know of anyone who would like the best part-time job in Nashville, please have them contact me or call the HSMT office - 615-353-6978.

I look forward to seeing everyone on Sunday October 6th at Ladies Night Out and at the Thursday October 24th General Membership Meeting with our outstanding guest speaker Nathalie Dupree!

April Membership Meeting—Fashion Show & Tea



April 15 was not only tax day. It was the annual HSMT Fashion Show. The day was beautiful and sunny. The French Shoppe set up the HSMT Boutique as well as sponsored the Fashion Show. There were many long time models as well as new faces on the catwalk this year. Lynne Wallman was thanked for chairing the event for the past 4 years.



The 2019-2021 HSMT Board was installed and Carla Nelson assumed the President's gavel from Dean Reeves.



Crumb de la Crumb provided a beautiful High Tea with everyone's favorite delicacies.

Tyne Meade once again provided beautiful floral arrangements that attendees were able to purchase and take home. Auxiliary Member Debra Williams provided the music for the Fashion Show and intermission entertainment.



Dean Reeves presented Jane MacLeod, Cheekwood President and CEO with the annual donation. This year the donation was \$35,000 with an additional \$1000 donation to the Bracken Foundation Children's Garden from designated memorial and honorarium donations to HSMT.

GARDEN CLUB FIELD TRIPS

HSMT Member Clubs are taking to the road and visiting interesting Horticultural Venues in the Middle TN area.

If your club has taken a trip send in your pictures to be included in future newsletters. Others might like to go too!

TOWN AND COUNTRY GARDEN CLUB



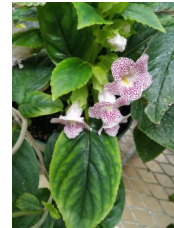
In March Town and County took a drive in the country to Springfield, TN for an up close look at TN Urban Farms. They attended the HSMT January Meeting and were introduced to Tower Gardens and wanted to learn more about Tower Farms. After a tour of the green house and more on how Tower Gardens are the new way to garden, they were treated to lunch by host Mona Hitch. On the menu was a custom made mason jar salad of greens right off the tower.



TYNE MEADE GARDEN CLUB

In May members of Tyne Meade visited the Greenhouses at Vanderbilt University.

The main theme of the specimens at Vandy are tropicals. Much research has gone into how to get these fragile unique plants to bloom. The group learned that half the greenhouses were considered cool houses as opposed to hot houses. This is due to much of the tropics being mountainous which has cooler temps in the elevations. In keeping with the Cheekwood pineapple symbol, host Jonathan Ertelt presented his annual pineapple plant. Many years ago Jonathan was the Garden Director at Cheekwood.



Then most recently Tyne Meade followed up their August meeting on the Land Trust for TN with a visit to Glen Leven Farm on Franklin RD in Nashville. Glen Leven Farm is an historic farm given to The Land Trust in 2006 by Susan M. West, a descendant of Nashville settler Thomas Thompson who came to Nashville with James Robertson in the late 1780s. Today, The Land Trust for TN conserves this hidden gem as a place that illuminates all aspects of its work—it is an historic, urban farm that serves as a recreational and educational resource and the office for The Land Trust's Middle Tennessee staff.

They concluded their visit with a tour of the Hermitage Hotel City Café Garden cared for by farmer Sarah Bush. She gave them an entertaining overview of how she cares for the 2 acre garden pretty much on her own. If your club is looking for a great change of pace, contact the Land Trust for TN for a speaker &/or a special tour of Glen Leven. Tours are only available by special arrangement.



SAVE THE DATE....

Make sure to put these fun upcoming events on your calendar & Invite your friends.

October 6—Ladies' Night OUT

October 24—Fall Membership Meeting

December 6—Martinis & Mistletoe

December 9— Sparkling Settings

October—December -Patron Donations Campaign



SAVE THESE DATES FOR 2020

January 23, 2020	General Member Meeting
April 13, 2020	General Member Meeting
April 16, 2020	Community Flower Show Set UP
April 17, 2020	Community Flower Show
October 19, 2020	General Member Meeting
December 4, 2020	Martinis and Mistletoe
December 7, 2020	Sparkling Settings

LADIES NIGHT OUT

JOIN YOUR GARDEN CLUB AND HSMT FRIENDS AT THE PREMIER NIGHT JUST FOR YOU! STEP INTO THE HSMT JAZZ CLUB, SWAY TO THE COOL NOTES OF HUNTER SMITH JAZZ PLUS...

LITE BITES, WINE BAR, & SPECIALTY DRINK

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 6

6:00pm—8:30pm (This Event Replaces Fall Harvest Dinner)

Tickets \$60 per person

Purchase on line at <https://hsmtn.org/meetings-events/>

Registration open until sold out or Friday, October 4

OR mail in the form below with your check to

HSMT, 1200 Forrest Park Dr, Nashville, TN 37205

Chairmen for this event are Tracy Austin and Elene Cazana

Ladies Night Out Registration: Please mail this by Sept 27 to arrive before event.

Name: _____

Number Tickets: _____ Check Amount: _____ Check # _____

Phone Number: _____ EMAIL _____

Guest Names: _____

Garden Club Affiliation: _____

MARTINIS AND MISTLETOE

This years Chairmen are Elizabeth Regan and Becca Fastor

Friday, December 6, 2019 8:00 PM—11:00 PM 24/7 BAND

Purchase Tickets at <https://hsmtn.org/meetings/martinis-mistletoe/>



Remember Garden Clubs donate cookies for M&M each year. If your club cannot provide cookies please consider a donation for their purchase.




Sparkling Settings

MONDAY, December 9, 2019

10:00 AM—12:30PM

CHANGES THIS YEAR

*Due to the limited resources provided by Cheekwood, If you require anything other than the round tables  or **green chairs**, you will need to request what you need on the registration form and pay for any rentals with your registration. HSMT will only provide Cheekwood's round tables and chairs at no extra charge*

These MUST ALSO BE RESERVED on your form.

Table and Chair Price List:

8' Rectangle Table—Seats 10—	\$7.00
King's Table—Wide Rectangle—Seats 12	\$14.50
White or Black Folding Chairs—	\$2.25
Specialty Chairs—	\$9.00—\$25.00
Linens per Table Shape	\$13.00—\$30.00

Exact pricing by style/shape will be on line and sent to club presidents by September 16

ALL Rentals for an event at Cheekwood must now use Please Be Seated. In order to facilitate the ordering and delivery, ALL requests MUST go through the HSMT office with your registration.

You may bring in your own tables and chairs from home. Please note on form.

The delivery fee of \$150 will be divided among the number of groups ordering and

Billed to the clubs to be paid by December 8 prior to set up.

OCTOBER MEMBERSHIP MEETING

Join us Thursday, October 24 for our Fall General Membership Meeting

Our special guest will be

Nathalie Dupree, Queen of Southern Cuisine



For the past five decades, Nathalie has been one of our region's biggest culinary stars, spreading the gospel of Southern food far and wide and inspiring generations of cooks. Hear about her newest recipes and try out her famous biscuits courtesy of Town & Country Garden Club.

Registration required for seating. \$15 per person includes Refreshments at the



HSMT Biscuit Bar

OCTOBER MEMBERSHIP MEETING

Register on line at HSMTN.org or

send in this form with your check to

HSMT 1200 Forrest Park Dr, Nashville, TN 37205

Name: _____

Number Tickets: _____ Check Amount: _____

Check # _____

Phone Nuber: _____ EMAIL _____

Guest

Names: _____

Garden Club Affiliation: _____

Please mail reservations by Wednesday, October 16 to allow for postal delivery.



Cheekwood Harvest

September 21–October 27

9:00 AM–5:00 PM

You'll find activities and experiences designed to appeal to kids, adults and families alike.

Cheekwood.org



COMMUNITY FLOWER SHOW 2020



We are excited to announce the details of the 2020 Community Flower Show sponsored by HSMT with TFGC and Cheekwood Estate and Gardens.

Due to the Chihuly Exhibition Opening April 25 it was necessary to move the show from its traditional date.

Setup and entries will be Thursday, April 16 at 8:00 a.m.. The show will be judged then open to the public for viewing on Friday April 17. The Show will conclude at 3:30 p.m..

"Touring Cheekwood's Gardens", is the theme. Your garden club & individuals have the opportunity to participate in this long standing tradition of beauty, fun and inspiration.



Tammy Algood winner of the Cheekwood Plant Award '18

Garden Lovers Garden Club

For more information:

Contact Denise Thorne, chairman 615-289-2138

denise2tec63.com or visit HSMTN.org