

FEDERATED FACTS

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"All of the Flowers of tomorrow are in the Seeds of today." Proverb

Hello to all gardeners in these beautiful fall days. Thank you to all who participated in the Fair Horticulture Show. You made \$650 for your clubs enriching your coffers but also education and encouraging possible future gardeners.

Speaking of fall – when we sow seeds we will see in the spring, consider the Proverb above in terms of reaching out to potential members for your clubs. Contacts can be made at your church, your social club, the YMCA, and even your hairdresser!

A wonderful introduction to Garden Club for a potential members could be our next Federation meeting on Tuesday, November 1st at 9:30 when our **Dr. Gil will be presenting "Decorating for Thanksgiving." As most of you know, this will be another special** treat from one of our favorite presenters. Please make a special effort to attend. We so enjoy being together at our Garden Center.

Anita Bridges, Federation President



Update on the Federation Two Year Project

Pam Roberts from Townview, our lead club for this project, reports the clean-up of the yards of Harbor House has been for the most part completed. The next step is the implementation of the Landscape Plan which member Stephanie Shorey is developing. Thanks to all Federated members who have participated in our project. Watch for details of the next Work Day.

Request for Tools for Habitat House Project

Marilyn Hendrickson is asking help gathering gardening tools for the next Habitat House. She needs a rake, nozzle for hose, watering can and knee pad. This is a very important project and anyone who could donate some of these items will be greatly appreciated. Contact Marilyn at limonplace@att.net if you can help out with this worthy request.

The Fair was an exciting time for all who either participated or attended.

Fair Earnings for our Garden Clubs are shown below.

Rome Federated-Marilyn Hendrickson \$23.00

Seven Hills \$362.

Spade and Trowel \$89.50

Lavender View \$7.00

Three Rivers \$73.50

Townview \$95.00

Best Fern – Judy Howerton – Townview; Best Begonia- Virginia Hunter-Seven Hills Best Cut Specimen- Anita Bridges- Three Rivers



Fair Award Table Display

Cyber Gardening at its best!!

Who among us does not need help with more resources for gardening ideas? The following sites from You Tube are recommended for a wealth of information and helpful videos for exact instructions on how to utilize the ideas the presenter finds helpful. Take some time on a cool fall afternoon to peruse not only You Tube but other sites you Google to begin to plan your winter and next spring gardens. Settle down with a cup of tea, a sunny window and dream away! These are great You Tube resources.



Garden Answer – Great videos

Gardening with Creekside – Videos

S & K Greenhouse – New plants

Linda Vater – Topiaries and container plantings.

Memories of dear members who are no longer with us

At the recent Laurel District meeting this lovely display represented the loss the Laurel District had in recent months of members we all cherished knowing for many decades. Memories of our loved ones are often best expressed through our lovely flowers. It was meaningful to know our deceased members helped to instill in each of us a love of nature.



Deep are the memories, Precious they stay. No passing of time can take them away.

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Rome Federation Display at Rome Social Club Meeting



Kathy Donahue represented the Rome Federated Garden Clubs at the Rome **Social Club's meeting on Septe**mber 7 at the Coosa Country Club. She represented us as one of many organizations that day to advertise their activities. She planned and implemented a lot of this herself. Thank you Kathy for all your work!

Who has planted all of her bulbs bought from our recent bulb sale???

Spring will be here before we know it and now is the time to insure beautiful blooms from our bulbs. A handful of bulb fertilizer tossed in the hole before the bulb and a full covering of soil should insure a lovely sight starting in late January and going through April. Don't let the time slip up on you and think they will be all right stored in the refrigerator for the coming year and planted next fall. Not a good plan! (Your editor speaks from experience.)

Fall Club Activities are in Full Force



Spade and Trowel members enjoying a Marshall Forest Walk with the guidance of Caroline Alford



Hugging a short-leaf pine always makes one feel better!

For those who missed the Laurel District meeting these pictures show some of what we missed.



