

# SYMPOSIUM 2010

*Quality of Life. Past. Present. Future.*

GARDEN CLUB OF VIRGINIA

THE HOMESTEAD

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*Our mission is to learn about gifts from the past,  
to cultivate present gifts of nature and to endow future generations  
with a good and decent quality of life.*



THE GARDEN CLUB of VIRGINIA SYMPOSIUM

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## SYMPOSIUM 2010 SCHEDULE

### MONDAY — February 22

- 12:00–5:00 PM **Registration**  
12:00–5:00 PM **Boutique Open**  
1:00–4:00 PM **Other Offerings**  
*(running concurrently)*  
1:00–4:00 PM **Tours of Historic “Cottages” and Churches**  
2:00 PM **Cascades Gorge Hike**  
2:00 PM **Cooking Demonstration** *(pre-registration required)*  
2:00 PM **Homestead Gardens**  
2:30–4:30 PM **Tea at St. Luke’s Church**  
6:00 PM **Cocktail Reception** *(cash bar)*  
7:00 PM **Dinner** *(wine included)*  
**Welcome - Jeffrey B. Ford, Director of Sales, The Homestead**

### TUESDAY — February 23

- 8:30–9:30 AM **Registration**  
9:30–10:30 AM **“Northwest Nurseryman and Horticulturist Extraordinaire”**  
Dan Hinkley  
*coffee break*  
10:45–12:00 AM **“Flowers, Glorious Flowers”**  
Washington National Cathedral Flower Guild  
12:00–1:15 PM **Lunch**  
12:00–7:00 PM **Boutique Open**  
1:30–2:30 PM **“Georgia Bulldog in the Garden Trenches:  
Researching, Teaching, Growing”**  
Allan Armitage  
*coffee break*  
2:45–4:00 PM **Seminars** *(running concurrently)*  
**“Flower Arranging Workshop”** *(pre-registration required)*  
Washington National Cathedral Flower Guild  
**“Horticulture in Historic Sites”**  
Dean Norton and Peter Hatch  
6:00 PM **Cocktail Reception** *(cash bar)*  
7:00 PM **Buffet Dinner** *(wine included)*  
**“Preservation and Conservation: Finding Common Ground”**  
William Rieley

### WEDNESDAY — February 24

- 8:30–9:30 AM **Registration**  
9:30–11:00 AM **“Cowboys, Spacemen,  
Global Warming and a Theory  
of Almost Everything”**  
George Hawkins  
*coffee break*  
11:15–12:30 AM **“View from Down on the Farm”**  
Joel Salatin  
11:30 PM **Sandwich Bar**

*The Homestead will provide hospitality service of coffee, tea and cookies or muffins. Otherwise, breakfast is on your own.*

## SYMPOSIUM SPEAKERS

**Dr. Allan M. Armitage** is a professor of horticulture at the University of Georgia. In addition to teaching and research, Dr. Armitage’s responsibilities include the UGA Horticulture Gardens. These gardens are considered to be among the finest trial gardens in the nation. Dr. Armitage has lectured and traveled throughout the world.

**Peter J. Hatch** is a horticulturist, author and lecturer. As Director of Gardens and Grounds at Thomas Jefferson’s Monticello, he is responsible for efforts to restore and maintain landscaping, vegetable gardens, vineyards and orchards. Mr. Hatch has lectured nationally and has written books and articles on gardening.

**Daniel J. Hinkley** is a well known nurseryman and horticulturist in Washington State. His work with Heronswood Nursery was instrumental in the resulting international acclaim gained by its display garden tours, with 10,000 species. Mr. Hinkley collects, propagates and names varieties of plants new to the North American nursery trade.

**George S. Hawkins, Esq.** is an attorney and environmentalist. He serves as the Director of the District Department of Environment (DDOE). This agency is charged with facilitating clean air and water, greening neighborhoods and building spaces and assisting with management of toxic waste disposal for the nation’s Capital. Mr. Hawkins has taught Environmental Law and Policy for the Princeton Environment Institute at Princeton University.

**J. Dean Norton** is a horticulturist and lecturer. He serves as Director of Horticulture at George Washington’s Mount Vernon Estate and Gardens. He is responsible for applying the latest plant science management techniques to horticulture in this setting. Mr. Norton has lectured before many professional organizations throughout world.

**Joel Salatin** is a farmer, author and speaker. Mr. Salatin operates the family-owned, pasture-based Polyface Farm in Swoope, VA. The farm serves families, retail outlets and restaurants in Virginia and offers environmentally friendly farming practices with locally grown organic food.

**William D. Rieley** is a landscape architect, author, teacher and speaker. He has served as the landscape architect for the Garden Club of Virginia since 1998. Mr. Rieley’s Charlottesville firm specializes in research and site design for historic sites, park roads, and public parks. In Virginia the firm has consulted on projects for Monticello, Jamestown, Montpelier, Poplar Forest, the State Arboretum of Virginia, Upper Brandon Plantation and Hopkins Green in Lexington. Mr. Rieley taught in the graduate landscape architecture department at UVA from 1981–2002.

**Louise Rocker** and **Marion Zimmerman** are floral designers and instructors. These ladies are members of the Washington National Cathedral’s Altar/Flower Guild. Since 1900 the 100 members of the Guild have provided support for the preparation of 1500 regularly scheduled worship services held at the Cathedral each year. They are responsible for overseeing the altar, Cathedral flower arrangements and the upkeep of the vestments and the altar linens.

*Disclaimer: The views, practices, goods and services of the speakers and vendors appearing at Symposium 2010 at The Homestead are not endorsed, and are not to be construed as an endorsement, by the Garden Club of Virginia.*

### *Retail Therapy*

The Homestead is offering a 10% discount for retail and spa services for attendees. In addition, the Symposium has a variety of fabulous vendors for your shopping pleasure.

## OTHER OFFERINGS

### *The Homestead Gardens*

TWO HUNDRED AND FORTY YEARS OF TRADITION AND TRANSFORMATION

**Forrest Lee**, Grounds Superintendant at the Homestead, has held his current position for the last three years of his six years at the resort. He holds an Associate degree in Turfgrass Management, as well as a Bachelor's degree in Plant and Soil Sciences. He will focus on comparing the Homestead landscape from a century ago to the present, and how these landscapes shape the future.

### *Cascades Gorge Hike/Wilderness Wonders Presentation.*

**James DeBoe**, Outdoor Activities Supervisor with The Homestead, has arranged for a Naturalist to lead a hike through a series of beautiful waterfalls alongside a deep Alleghany Mountain trail, one of the most popular activities at The Homestead. Be entertained as our Naturalist highlights the many interesting plants and animals that inhabit the gorge.

Approximately two miles in length, moderate hiking ability and endurance are a must. Don't forget your camera! **Brian LaFountain** will be your guide. In the event of inclement weather, and indoor presentation will take place.

### *Cooking Demonstration by Homestead Banquet Chef*

**Todd Bemis** will feature procedures for storing and pickling summer produce. He will discuss the challenges of using local produce for the professional chef as he cooks. Growing information and recipes will be included. Space is limited to the first 40 registrants (*see registration form*).

### *Flower Arranging Workshop*

THE STEPS OF A RESTORATION PROJECT - BEHIND THE SCENES

The ladies of the Washington National Cathedral Altar Guild will lend their expertise in a hands-on workshop (which is in addition to the demonstration they are presenting to all attendees). This workshop includes all plant materials and container for each participant. Space is limited to the first 40 registrants, additional fee required (*see registration form*).

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The Lantern Cottage



St. Luke's Episcopal Church

### *Hot Springs House Tour*

WOODLAND COTTAGE is one of the most distinctive cottages of the area, furnished with an eclectic mix of art and collectibles. Built in 1914, the 6,500 square foot house provides a beautiful view of The Homestead and the nearby mountain ranges.

LANTERN COTTAGE was built as a summer cottage in 1898. The extensive restrictions placed in the deed of all of the early Homestead lot sales were adjusted allowing the owner to use part of the residence for a medical office. The home is surrounded by beautiful gardens.

THE YARD, built in 1925 by Fay Ingalls when the family assumed leadership of the resort, originally had a cobble stone courtyard for horses, kennel and stables. The first floor includes a living room, a spectacular library, dining room, study and an extensive kitchen.

MALVERN HALL, originally known as Barton Lodge, was constructed in 1899. It is the largest of the summer cottages built around The Homestead during the renaissance of the resort. The Georgian Revival house, with columns and large interior rooms, sits on the side of a steep hill.

SHRINE OF THE SACRED HEART was built in 1894 on .48 acre of land. It provided an opportunity for visitors to The Homestead and residents of Bath County to attend mass nearby. The church was donated to the Diocese of Richmond in 1922. Over 3,000 people visit each year.

ST. LUKE'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH was officially organized in 1899 on land donated by the Hot Springs Company. The rectory was built in 1914 and enlarged in 1931. The tube chimes are heard throughout Hot Springs on Sunday mornings. Tea will be served at the church.

Those not participating in the historic house tour may attend one of the **OTHER OFFERINGS** (*see panel at left for more information*):

- Cooking Demonstration by Homestead Banquet Chef
- Presentation by The Homestead Grounds Superintendent
- Cascades Gorge Hike and interactive presentation of the natural world

## HOTEL INFORMATION

*The Homestead*  
7696 Sam Snead Highway  
Hot Springs, Virginia 24445

### RESERVATIONS:

Telephone: 866.354.4653

ON-LINE: [www.thehomestead.com](http://www.thehomestead.com)

Special rate for GCV Symposium: \$165/night (*by February 2*)  
(Specify "GCV" when making reservations.)



## DIRECTIONS TO THE HOMESTEAD

### From Washington, D.C. (210 miles)

I – 66 West to I – 81 South  
I – 81 South to exit #220  
Exit #220 will put you on Route 262  
Follow Route 262 to Route 254 West (*Parkersburg Pike*) exit  
Route 254 becomes Route 42 South  
Route 42 becomes Route 39 West  
Continue on Route 39 to U.S. 220 South  
U.S. 220 South to the Homestead  
*4 hours driving time*

### From Richmond (180 miles)

I –64 West to I –81 South  
I –81 South to exit #220  
Exit #220 will put you on Route 262  
Follow Route 262 to Route 254 West (*Parkersburg Pike*) exit  
Route 254 becomes Route 42 South  
Route 42 becomes Route 39 West  
Continue on Route 39 to U.S. 220 South  
U.S. 220 South to the Homestead  
*3 hours driving time*

### From Roanoke (75 miles)

U.S. Route 220 North to I-581 North (220 becomes I-581)  
Continue on I-581 North to I-81 North  
Take Exit #150B (Troutville/U.S. 220 North exit)  
U.S. 220 North to Clifton Forge.  
(follow signs to I-64 West to Covington)  
I-64 West to exit # 16A  
From exit, pick up U.S. 220 North  
Follow 220 to the Homestead  
*1.5 hours driving time*

## REGISTRATION

### PAYMENT AMOUNT

**All Events:** Monday – Wednesday **\$ 225** \_\_\_\_\_

— OR —

**One Day Registration** **\$ 125** \_\_\_\_\_

Tuesday and Wednesday events include lunch.

Day attending (*circle one*) MONDAY TUESDAY WEDNESDAY

The following options are limited to the first 40 registrants:

- Cooking demonstration with Homestead banquet chef
- Flower arranging workshop with the Washington National Cathedral Flower Guild  
(*\$100 additional fee, payable at check-in, includes container and all plant material*)

Your Name \_\_\_\_\_  
FIRST MIDDLE LAST

Name as you would like it to appear on nametag \_\_\_\_\_

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Have you been president of GCV? (yes/no) \_\_\_\_\_

Have you been president of a GCV member club? (yes/no) \_\_\_\_\_

Make check payable to GCV – Symposium and mail with this form to:

**Rose Marie Tronge**  
**The Garden Club of Virginia Symposium**  
**% Kent Valentine House**  
**12 East Franklin Street**  
**Richmond, Virginia 23219-2106**

*Please enclose a self-addressed stamped envelope if you wish to receive confirmation by mail.*

REGISTER ON-LINE: [www.gcvirginia.org](http://www.gcvirginia.org)

*Registration deadline is: **JANUARY 10, 2010**. Refunds prior to the deadline are subject to a 5% handling fee. No REFUNDS after January 10.*

For additional information please contact:

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