

Massie and deLacy Gray Medals Awarded by GCV

Two outstanding members of The Garden Club of Virginia were honored for their accomplishments and contributions to The Garden Club of Virginia and the Commonwealth of Virginia at the 1999 GCV Annual Meeting held in Richmond this past May.

Massie Medal

Nancy St. Clair Talley (Mrs. Lilburn T. Talley) was awarded the prestigious Massie Medal by Shirley Cooper (Mrs. Clarke T. Cooper, Jr.), GCV Massie Medal Chairman. Mrs. Talley has served the



Nancy
St. Clair Talley

Winchester-Clarke Garden Club and The Garden Club of Virginia in many leadership positions. She served as President of the Garden Club of Virginia from 1988-90; is the present, and a past, Chairman of the GCV Restoration Committee; former GCV Finance Chairman and Parliamentarian. Her editing and writing skills have played a key role in the production of many of our GCV publications including, most recently, *Gardens and Landscapes of Virginia*.

Mrs. Cooper presented Mrs. Talley with the Massie Medal upon which was inscribed:

"For her continuing involvement in The Garden Club of Virginia at every level, for her wise decisions made with wit, energy and dispatch..."

The deLacy Gray Memorial Medal for Conservation

The deLacy Gray Memorial Medal for Conservation was presented to Hylah Haile Boyd (Mrs. J.P. McGuire Boyd) by Sharon Scott (Mrs. J. Martin Scott), GCV Chairman of Conservation and Beautification. Mrs. Boyd has distinguished herself as a leading advocate for conservation issues in Virginia. She has been an active member and past president of the Tuckahoe Garden Club of Westhampton, served as GCV Conservation Chairman, and held numerous positions with the Virginia Conservation Network. She works closely with members of the Virginia General Assembly on billboard legislation. Her most recent accomplishment is as founder and president of Scenic Virginia which has received state-wide recognition.

Mrs. Scott said in her remarks honoring Mrs. Boyd, "Hylah truly deserves to be recognized for her dedication and commitment to fighting for more scenic byways, and for her struggle to prevent Virginia from becoming a string of billboards from the sea to the mountains."



Hylah Haile Boyd