

## Barbara Catlet Awarded Massie Medal

*By Nancy Bowles, Massie Medal Chairman,  
Boxwood Garden Club*

**“F**or her dedication, guidance and devoted service to the Kent-Valentine House,” Barbara

L’Orange Catlet was awarded the



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**Barbara Catlett** In 1990, Barbara began 13 years of service to the Kent-Valentine House. As Chairman of

prestigious Massie Medal for Distinguished Service at the 2003 GCV Annual Meeting in Fairfax.

In 1990, Barbara began

the Long Range Planning Committee, a master plan was developed to “save” the House from certain deterioration. While serving as Chairman of the Kent-Valentine House, a Capital Campaign raised \$1.5 million for its expansion and renovation, and the construction project began in May 1996-1998. She was involved in every detail of this project—from basement to attic, from roof to railing. It has been noted that Barbara could surely write a book on “Mansion Management and Maintenance” from her experience and dedication to the Kent-Valentine House.



## deLacy Gray Memorial Medal for Conservation

*By Mary Bruce Glaize, Conservation Committee Chairman,  
The Little Garden Club of Winchester*

**A**t the GCV Annual Meeting in Fairfax, Mary Glen Taylor of the Boxwood Garden Club, fondly known as the “Tree Lady,” was awarded the deLacy Gray Memorial Medal for Conservation.

Mary Glen’s passion and dedication to conservation and beautification have had far-reaching effects across the state from the capital city to her own local neighborhood. She is an educator, horticulturist, conservationist and activist and has a charismatic way of inspiring those around her to support her many

worthwhile causes preserving our environment.

Lucy Larcom said “He who plants a tree plants hope.”

Mary Glen has provided hope for present and future generations of Virginians. As reported by her club, she “is a most unique, energetic, and effective protector of our environment.”



**Mary Glen Taylor**