

# ***GPPA NEWSLETTER***

July 2006

## **Lyndy Broder Growing Clematis in a Southern Garden July Meeting - 7:30PM, Thursday, July 18**

Our Past-President Lyndy Broder will present the July program on clematis. She is both an expert on Clematis, writing for the International Clematis Society's web site, and also an accomplished local gardener as many of us saw when she opened her garden to us last month. Her presentation a few years ago was outstanding, with many of us wishing for more, and this one promises to be even better. Her records are outstanding and they allow her to know which plants cope best with our heat, when and for how long they bloom, and much more. This type of information, coupled with her knowledge of gardening in the South, should combine to make a presentation that you won't want to miss.

Lyndy is also bringing a number of *Clematis crispa* plants for the raffle. This native clematis is extremely hard to find but easy to grow. You will want to be sure to try your luck at acquiring one of these.



*Clematis crispa* is a SE native clematis found in marshland, wooded areas and along streams. Its fragrant flowers appear in spring and fall, followed by interesting, star-shaped fruit. Lyndy will certainly give us more information about this little-known native.



### **MARK YOUR CALENDAR!**

**July 18**—GPPA meeting “Growing Clematis in a Southern Garden” with Lyndy Broder 7:30

**August 15**—GPPA meeting “The Garden as a Place of Sanctuary” with David Berle 7:30

**September 12**—GPPA meeting “Mt. Cuba Center: Inspiring Gardeners to Broaden the Plant Palette” with Rick Lewandowski 7:30

**October 12**—Perennial Planting at Historic Oakland Cemetery

October 17—GPPA meeting “winter Interest in the Landscape” with Pam Beck 7:30

November 21—GPPA meeting “Perennials at Yew Dell Garden” with Paul Cappiello 7:30

### ***2006 Members' Password....***

Be sure to visit the “Members Only” area of the web site. You never know what you may find. The 2006 password is *'phlox'*.

## Plants Needed for Oakland Work Day on Dividing Perennials October 14

Please keep this project in mind as you study your garden this summer. Those plants that are in need of dividing would be wonderful contributions to this project. Please save any extras of plants, like iris, that need division before fall and plan on bringing clumps of those we can divided that day. This will assure that we have of clumps to demonstrate with and plants to share. Heirloom, native and passalong plants are especially appreciated as they work best within the historic framework of Oakland but everything is welcome and will find homes at Oakland or with our volunteers and/or the public.

Our work will be part of Oakland's 2nd Saturday workday program where community volunteers work under the guidance of GPPA member Kevin Kuharic, Oakland's Restoration and Landscape Manager. Kevin will identify groups of perennials that are in need of division and our members will divide and replant them into additional areas. We will demonstrate these skills as we go along. This event is open to the public and we hope to teach these skills to newer gardeners from both GPPA and the public. Additional details will follow later but please put this on your calendar and plan to participate.

More information on Oakland and the 2nd Saturday program is at [www.oaklandcemetery.com](http://www.oaklandcemetery.com) This is a monthly activity and Kevin would always appreciate additional volunteers. You can reach him at [kevin@oaklandcemetery.com](mailto:kevin@oaklandcemetery.com) or 404-688-2107.



**Thank You!** to the donors for our June plant drawings.....

**Fern Ridge Farms  
Intown Hardware  
Ladyslipper  
Urban Gardener  
Wilkerson Mill Gardens**

Please be sure to take a moment and thank these merchants for their support whenever you visit their nursery. We want them to know how much we appreciate them and need your help telling them. We also want to thank **Martha Bobo** for donating the *Salvia gauranitica* 'Argentina Skies' for our door prizes.

### Tailgate Market Each Month at 6:30

Please plan to come around 6:30 and share whatever you have. In the past we have had hand made birdhouses, custom stepping stones and outgrown gardening books so non-plant items are included, but please restrict these to hand-made or personally owned, garden related items.

### Help Needed with Plant Giveaways

Help is still needed collecting items for the drawings at each meeting. Contact Sara Henderson at [gardenmakers@att.net](mailto:gardenmakers@att.net) if you want to help.

### Nominating Committee at Work

Is there someone who you feel is a great asset to GPPA but who has not served on the Board? Would you be interested in serving yourself? If so, please contact Linda Copeland 404-351-3344 or Paula Refi 404-377-4592 and share your suggestions.