

June 2025 Carol Baxter's request for Leave of Absence was accepted by the committee and approved by the board.

June 19 2025 Christine Kinney returned to active membership . LOA ended

The committee met several times by Zoom during the winter.to discuss amending Article III "Classes of Membership" of the Constitution .

The purpose of this change was to allow adequate time between the July 15th application deadline and the date of presentation of membership candidates to the board.

As written, the article stated the candidates for membership must be presented to the board at the July board meeting. The July board deadline did not allow enough time for the Membership Committee to review applications and hold a social gathering to meet the applicants.

The committee drafted 2 changes to the article

The first change states that the applications would be presented to the board at the August board meeting.

The second change to the article states that candidates must attend three general meetings (previously 2) and that meetings attended the year immediately previous to application may count as part of the three required. A minimum of one meeting must be attended the year of the candidate's application.

The amended article was presented to the board 15 days before the July board meeting as required and accepted by the board . It was acknowledged that the change in required meetings will require a transition plan for the 2005-2006 year.

Other business and notes.

Several people emailed requesting information on becoming a member. I encouraged them to visit our website and volunteer for house tour, Daffodil etc. Also noted that NGC is a by invitation club. .

Dan Driscoll was elected by the board to Honorary Membership for his generous support of our club including cinematography for the club's Zone 1 ,2023 meeting and for his help with NGC's garden book . The award was presented at the Annual meeting. August 2025.

Eight applications for membership were submitted by July 15, 2025

The applications were photocopied and distributed to the committee by July 18.

A tea was held to meet the applicants on July 21. The committee met on July 28th . All applicants were approved the committee.

Applicants

Lisa van den Borg . Proposed by Suzanne Einstein
Laura Caro Reynolds. Proposed by Deedie Mc Carthy
Mary Reichard. Proposed by Lynn Boyajian
Elizabeth Draughon. Proposed by Caroline Tucker
Deborah Winsor . Proposed by Roxanne Casscells
Karen Peterson Mehra. Proposed by Nina King
Holly Bradford.. Proposed by Loryn Lashelle
Iris Mix . Proposed by Marcia Richards.

All applicants were elected to Provisional membership by the Membership committee at their meeting on July 28th and accepted to Provisional membership by the board at their August 11th meeting..

Proposers were notified on August 12 by email that her candidate was accepted and that she was invited to the annual meeting and luncheon. A Paperless Post invitation was sent to the new Provisionals with time and place . The new Provisionals will be guests of the club and not required to pay the luncheon fee.

2004 To 2005 was a busy and productive year for the committee. I thank our members for the time and thought put into our assignments .Thank you to
Kathleen Pool, Susan Rein, Robin Youngman,Merrielou Symes,Helen Dwyer, Bonnie Ford and Beth Davies

Respectfully Submitted
August 20, 2025
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