

Twin City Garden Club



2015-2016 MEMBERSHIP INFORMATION AND PROPOSER GUIDELINES

I. Proposal Overview

A candidate presented for membership must be endorsed by two Active or Affiliate members. Proposal letters for prospective members shall be submitted to the Membership Committee no later than **midnight on Sunday, February 15, 2016**. The Membership Committee then will meet to review the proposal and after due consideration, the Committee will present a slate of candidates. Those candidates names will be read to the membership at large at the February meeting. Those candidates will then be voted on at the March meeting. New members are elected by a majority vote of active members present at the March meeting.

II. Membership Committee

The Membership Committee is comprised of a Chairman appointed by the president and four members from the membership. It shall be comprised of one (1) Affiliate, two (2) Actives and one (1) Provisional member.

2015-2016 Membership Committee

We thank Mrs. James T. Hopkins (Ashby) for serving as our Membership Chair this year. Ashby will be announcing the membership committee in January.

III. Additional Information

- a. It is very helpful for candidates to be introduced to the membership committee – does not have to be a club function.
- b. Proposer and Second coming from different age groups provides a more complete picture of the candidate
- c. A one year residency of candidate is preferred but not mandatory.
- d. A candidate may be a member of more than one club.

- e. By maintaining our membership at its present manageable size, it is possible to continue to meet in private homes of our current members, which ultimately keeps our budget low.

IV. Forms

Proposers should see the following forms:

- a. Standards of Membership Form
- b. Membership Proposal Form

V. Mailing Proposal Letters

Letters of Proposal should be mailed to the Chairman of the Membership Committee at the following address:

Mrs. James T. Hopkins III
1030 Englewood Drive
Winston-Salem, NC 27106

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact Ashby at (336) 830-5819 or jthiii@triad.rr.com.

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2015-2016 MEMBERSHIP PROPOSAL FORM

Name of Candidate

_____ (First) _____ (Middle/Maiden Name) _____ (Last)

Occupation _____

Full Name of Candidate's Husband _____

Occupation _____

Address _____

Telephone _____ **E-mail** _____

Age (as of January 2015) _____ **Length of Residence in Winston-Salem** _____

Memberships, Affiliations, Etc. _____

Offices Held _____

Special Interests _____

A candidate must be endorsed by two Active or Affiliate members and a membership proposal must be submitted to the Membership Committee by Sunday, February 15, 2016.

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PROPOSER INFORMATION

Proposer's Name _____ Telephone _____

Email _____

Do you know the candidate personally? (Circle) Yes No For how long? _____

Have you worked with the candidate in a relevant capacity? (Circle) Yes No

Explain _____

SECONDER INFORMATION

Secunder's Name _____ Telephone _____

Email _____

Do you know the candidate personally? (Circle) Yes No For how long? _____

Have you worked with the candidate in a relevant capacity? (Circle) Yes No

Explain _____

List three other interested parties who know the candidate personally and provide their phone numbers:

#1 _____ Telephone _____

#2 _____ Telephone _____

#3 _____ Telephone _____

By proposing a member, you agree to take an active role in accompanying the new provisional to meetings and other Twin City Garden Club activities.

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STANDARDS FOR MEMBERSHIP

Name of Candidate

(First)

(Middle/Maiden Name)

(Last)

Membership in the Twin City Garden Club is a privilege, an honor and a commitment. Those proposed for membership should be able to make a full two-year commitment to our club as a provisional member. Our active membership is limited to a comparatively small number in order to insure a competent and hardworking group of members, and it is the responsibility of the present members to continue as such.

A perspective member's proposal will be kept on file and voted on when there are available memberships. A majority vote of Active members present is required.

Check the following qualifications which describe this candidate:

_____ Is your candidate in concurrence with the purpose of The Garden Club of America, namely to stimulate, foster and promote knowledge and love of gardening among amateurs and to aid in the protection of native plants and birds and to encourage civic planting?

_____ Is the candidate able to fulfill meeting attendance and money raising activity requirements?

_____ Does she have a garden?

_____ Does she direct work in her garden?

_____ Is she interested in garden design?

_____ Is she interested in garden club work, i.e. horticulture?

_____ Is she interested in civic planting?

_____ Is she interested in educational activities?

_____ Is she active in conservation issues?

_____ Is she a flower arranger?

_____ Would she assist in flower shows?

_____ Would she be qualified to be an officer of the club?

_____ Has she held leadership positions in the community and could she represent our Club credibly at GCA meetings?

_____ Would she be willing to travel to Zone and Annual meetings largely at her own expense?

_____ Would she take responsibility as a hostess and entertain in her house?

_____ Does she have any GCA relatives? If so, please list their names and Garden Club _____