## Garden History and Design Committee Annual Report to the GCW Members June 6, 2022

Have you seen the Garden Blog on our club website? If you've missed it you're in for a treat! Organized by The Garden History and Design Committee along with the Photography Committee, it's a peek into our members' gardens, and because it's found on the public page of our website it can be enjoyed by everyone. To date there are only a handful of gardens represented and we'd like to see more. Please consider sharing your garden on the blog. Our club is filled with talented, knowledgeable and enthusiastic gardeners and it's important that **your lovely gardens** are documented and shared. And it's easy to do – just send us an email and the "Photography Elves" will come visit your garden and do their magic!

In March our club held a joint meeting with the Garden Club of Philadelphia. The meeting was hosted by the Garden History and Design Committee and featured a wonderful talk and documentary by Karyl Evans entitled the "Life and Gardens of Beatrix Farrand and her Affiliation with GCA". It was a fascinating look into the life and career of the most successful female landscape architect in early 20<sup>th</sup> century America. Although this particular film is not yet in the public domain and available to screen online, you can easily find other films and books about Farrand and her work. During her life she was a force to be reckoned with in a maledominated field and she continues to inspire us today. And if Beatrix *were* here today she would DEFINITELY encourage you to share your garden on the Blog!

Respectfully Submitted,

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