"In Search of the Colonial Landscape"

Southern Garden History Society
Twelfth Annual Meeting

Williamsburg, Virginia
May 6-8, 1994
Program at a Glance

(Unless otherwise indicated, all events take place at the Cascades Meeting Center, Williamsburg Woodlands)

FRIDAY, MAY 6

9:00 A.M.-1:00 P.M. Registration--Williamsburg Woodlands
Free time to visit Colonial Williamsburg's gardens, exhibition buildings, historic trade sites, Carter's Grove, the DeWitt Wallace Decorative Arts Gallery, and the Abby Aldrich Rockefeller Folk Art Center. Your registration badge is your ticket.

1:00 P.M. Welcome--Lawrence Henry, meeting chairman and director of museums, Colonial Williamsburg Foundation


"The Garden at Bacon's Castle," Ann Crossman, curator of education, Association for the Preservation of Virginia Antiquities

2:30 P.M. Buses depart

3:30-4:30 P.M. Tours of the house and garden, Bacon's Castle, Surry, Virginia

5:30-8:30 P.M. Tours of Carter's Grove gardens, grounds, slave quarter, Wolstenholme Towne, Winthrop Rockefeller Archaeology Museum, and mansion.

Picnic supper

9:00 P.M. Buses return to the Williamsburg Woodlands

SATURDAY, MAY 7

8:00- Continental breakfast

9:00 A.M. (Book table open)

9:00 A.M. "Colonial Gardens: A Williamsburg Perspective," Gordon Chappell, director of landscape and facilities services, Colonial Williamsburg Foundation

10:00 A.M. Coffee

10:30 A.M. Buses depart for concurrent Historic Area garden tours:
- Gardens of Arthur Shurcliff
- Gardens of Alden Hopkins

12:00 NOON Buses return to the Cascades Meeting Center for lunch and SGHS annual meeting
1:15 P.M.  "Garden Research: Landscape Archaeology," **M. Kent Brinkley**, landscape architect, Colonial Williamsburg Foundation

"Garden Research: Early Virginia Plant Explorers"  
**Terry Yemm**, landscape foreman, Colonial Williamsburg Foundation


3:00 P.M.  Coffee

3:30 P.M.  Buses depart for concurrent Historic Area Garden tours  
- Gardens of Arthur Shurtleff  
- Gardens of Alden Hopkins

5:00 P.M.  Buses return to the Williamsburg Woodlands

6:00 P.M.  Buses depart

6:30 P.M.  Reception-- Abby Aldrich Rockefeller Folk Art Center garden

7:00 P.M.  Dinner-- North Ballroom, Williamsburg Lodge Conference Center


9:00 P.M.  Buses return to the Williamsburg Woodlands

**SUNDAY, MAY 8**

8:00- Continental breakfast

9:00 A.M.  (Book table open)

9:00 A.M.  Optional Tours

On-your-own tours of Colonial Williamsburg's gardens, exhibition buildings, historic trade sites, Carter's Grove, the DeWitt Wallace Decorative Arts Gallery, and the Abby Aldrich Rockefeller Folk Art Center. Your registration badge is your ticket.

Bus tour to James River plantations with **Mark R. Wenger**, architectural historian, Colonial Williamsburg Foundation. Includes lunch. Bus will return to the Williamsburg Woodlands at 3:00 P.M. Registration is limited and a separate fee is required.

Bus to Richmond to visit the gardens at Agecroft Hall, Virginia House, and the Lewis Ginter Botanical Garden. Includes lunch. Bus will return to the Williamsburg Woodlands at 3:00 P.M. Registration is limited and a separate fee is required.
Speakers... and Topics

Rollin Woolley, "The Gardens and Landscapes at Carter's Grove."
Mr. Woolley has been with the Colonial Williamsburg landscape department for fourteen years where he currently supervises the landscapes for the museum properties. Graduating as a horticulturist from North Carolina State, Rollin also earned an M.A. in Education from Virginia Tech. Before coming to Colonial Williamsburg, Rollin was an agricultural agent with the Virginia Extension Service.
Rollin will address the challenges of interpreting and maintaining the many and diverse landscapes at Carter's Grove Plantation which span three centuries and which include a house museum, a reconstructed settlement, a large vegetable garden, lawns, orchards, pastures and field crops.

Ann Crossman, "The Garden at Bacon's Castle."
Ms. Crossman's academic work was completed at The College of William and Mary where she obtained her B.A. in Colonial American Studies in 1979, and her M.A. in Museum Education in 1984. Ann has worked in museum education for more than ten years, and is currently Curator of Education for the Association for the Preservation of Virginia Antiquities where she is responsible for providing educational services to all branches of the organization. Since acquiring Bacon's Castle in 1973, The APVA has pursued a program of research and restoration relating to the house and grounds which has shed new light on old questions and illuminated many new questions as yet unanswered. Miss Crossman will explore these old and new questions in preparation for your visit to Bacon's Castle.

Gordon Chappell, "Colonial Gardens: A Williamsburg Perspective."
Mr. Chappell is Director of Landscape and Facilities for the Colonial Williamsburg Foundation. He is a registered landscape architect, a member of the American Society of Landscape Architects, and is a graduate of the University of Georgia School of Environmental Design.
In this presentation, Gordon will share with you some of the pleasures, insights, traditions and, of course, the history that he has encountered in Colonial Williamsburg's gardens, as well as discuss what he sees to be the priorities for the future of these historic landscapes.