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Upcoming Events:

“The Garden of Inspiration”

Florida Federation of Garden Clubs has a new website: www.ffgc.wildapricot.org

FFGC Floral Design Units 1-9 are being offered at Sweetwater Oaks Garden Club (Longwood, FL) see our website for the registration form. Classes begin **Oct. 1, 2015**. For more info contact: Valerie Seinfeld valseinfeld@aol.com

Fall District VI meeting will be held on Wednesday, October 21 at the Garden Club of Palm Coast. Presidents mark your Calendar. All members are welcome to attend. We are proud members of District VI.
Kathleen Terlizzo District VI Director

Heritage Gardening Group

Workshop: Saturday, Oct. 3, from 9:45 am to Noon, at the Volusia County Ag Extension auditorium from 9 am until 1 pm. The topic is planning and planting an edible heirloom garden in Central Florida.

Landscape Design School

Tuesday - Wednesday 8:30 am -4:30 pm
November 10 -11, 2015
New Smyrna Beach Garden Club
Registration Fee: \$65.00 Fee includes lunch and refreshments. Registration Deadline: November 1, 2015 to download form at our website.
Visit <http://www.gardenclubofdeland.org/>

Fall Symposium Nov 8 - 10

Palm Beach FI
Chairman: Helena Burgess Pearson
Registrar: Phyllis Gidley
1610 S W Waterfall Blvd.
Palm City, FL 34990

Allied Topics: “It’s Good to be Queen” – Darlene Newell

Chugging along inspiring our members and the public through education.



President’s Message

The Garden Club of DeLand Express is preparing to leave the station September 3rd! Hope everyone had a great summer. Time to start chanting for fall weather. Thanks to everyone for our fabulous and fun last two years! With everyone's help we were able to paint the building (thanks to Darcy and Don Jesmain) and have a new roof also thanks to Darcy for chairing, acquired new chairs thanks to Ruth Moorman and Karen Hall , new commodes, fan lights and painting of the restrooms thanks to Lisa for her ways and means table. Thanks to Nancy and Roger Stafford for their painting in the ladies room! The building looks fantastic! Norma Thomas and the Weedettes have outdone themselves this summer. Working in the miserable heat they never gave up! The grounds look magnificent!!! Kudos to Valerie Seinfeld for keeping everyone well informed over the summer! Now for the wish list: new refrigerator, painting of interior woodwork, ie. baseboards and doors, new microphone, and garbage disposal, and repairing the parking lot! If anyone has anything to add please let me know!

Keep those hands Dirty!
Fondly, Judy

Congratulations Judy Maurer!

FFGC Lifetime Membership awarded at the May 2015 Spring Luncheon hosted by the Magnolia Circle.



FFGC President Arlene Rand & GC President Judy Maurer.

2015-2017 Officers of the Garden Club of DeLand

President: Judy Maurer	Recording Secretary: Anita McFeeters
1st Vice President: Susan Osterhout	Corresponding Sec’y: Jennifer Condo
2nd Vice President: Othal Deshazo	Treasurer: Karen Hall

Next General Meeting: October 1, 2015 6 pm

Hostesses & Greeters: Blue Sage
Program: Drip Irrigation Felix & Felix Inc.
Accessory: Watering Can
Design: in a Household Container

"The Garden of Inspiration"



New Roof on the Garden Club of DeLand

Barnard Roofing completed the new roof at a cost of \$13,481. Henry Barnard and his crew did a great job. Circle treasurers are reminded of the \$25.00 assessment per member that is due by the end of September.



The **Morning Glory Circle** was created in 1967 their membership will be missed.



Congratulations Garden Club of DeLand!

At the FFGC Convention our garden club was awarded two awards. Award #46 Garden Tour - A \$25 award may be given to the garden club with the most outstanding garden tour project. Photographs of at least four residences on the tour and showing views of each garden, including one focal area and or entrance area are required. A brief description should be included indicating approximate size of the garden and listing of plant material. Include the publicity and evidence of club and community participation. We also won Award#79 Disabled Veteran Humanitarian Award -\$25.00 is offered annually to a club or circle implementing an activity that is consistent with the goals of FFGC and involving one or more disabled veterans. May include supplying landscape design plan, cleaning and organizing property for better use of residents, planting gardens for veteran's benefit. Project should be completed in the year for which the award is applied.

Valerie Seinfeld - Awards Chair



Celebrating 43 Years

Daisy Circle

September's Hostesses & Greeters

The Daisy Garden Circle is a delightfully distinctive circle. We have almost as many members as years of existence. An offshoot of the Pansy Circle, we sprouted in 1973. At 9:30 am the second Thursday of the month we meet in various members' homes. We have a variety of programs which are chosen by the hostesses such as: Daisy Welcomes, Christmas and Spring luncheons, road trips, plant exchanges and a Spring dinner with husbands. We are as social as we are botanical, and we always enjoy the moment.

Marti Walker, President



The **Sensory Garden** was designed for our community to explore and enjoy with all their 5 senses. It is located in Bill Dreggors Park-230 North Stone Street, DeLand, FL, on the site of the historic Old DeLand Memorial Hospital, which is now a museum about the hospital. The Park also includes Freedom Playground, a hiking trail, as well as a lovely little butterfly garden that includes a self-guided tour. The sensory components of the garden were included for the visually and physically challenged. Upon the Sensory Garden's completion the Garden Club of DeLand dedicated the garden to DeLand on June 8, 1998. Members of the garden club regularly maintain the Sensory Garden, as an ongoing project.

Sensory Garden Maintenance Schedule

September: Magnolia

October: Daisy

November: Blue Sage

December: Magnolia



A Big Thank You to the Magnolia Circle for hosting our lovely Spring Luncheon in May!
Congratulations on winning 1st Place in Table Design!

Designing Divas

A new floral design group was formed and met over the summer. In June, Barbara Willey shared how to dry plants and flowers, for future floral designs. We also had a demonstration on how to wire palmetto palm fronds. In July, we traveled to *Select Growers* where we were shown the many types of foliage they carry and we had a visit to their retail Garden Shop and in August a field trip to *Pennock*, a wholesale Floral Supply, where we had the opportunity to buy items that are not readily available in local stores. Our objective for forming Designing Divas is to further the education and interest of our members in Floral Design. Those members that took the FFGC Floral Design Units in 2014 - 2015 or years ago are welcome to join. Those that want to

jump in and begin learning about Floral Design are welcome. We will delve further into the practice of the Principles, Elements and Attributes of Floral Design. Acquiring more advanced skills in the mechanics of Floral Design. We are meeting on September 29th and October 29th at 9am at the clubhouse.

For further information and to be added to the list contact:

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GARDEN CLUB OF DELAND'S *Treasure and Plant Sale*

Friday, October 9th
and
Saturday, October 10th
8am - 1pm

*Come see what treasures
are waiting for you!*



At the May Meeting, the Sunflower Circle agreed to head up this fundraiser. We need all of our members to donate lovely plants and treasures for this sale. Members may bring items to our General Garden Club of DeLand Meetings on September 3rd and October 1st. We are collecting anything **except** clothing & shoes. You may also contact Darcy to arrange drop off and pick up.

We will have the Plants inspected October 8th afternoon, all plants must be dropped off by the morning of the 8th. Please label them.

Contact: Darcy Jesmain 386-734-5217
1201 Cambridge St, DeLand-- dcjesmain@hotmail.com



Pillar of Pride Membership

At our May Spring Luncheon Valerie Seinfeld was awarded Pillar of Pride Membership. She now joins the list of other active members that hold this distinguished honor.

Congratulations!

PILLAR of PRIDE AWARD RECIPIENTS

Diana Bitler, Debra Gaffney, Margaret Gillen, Karen Hall, Anita McFeeters, Joan Richardson, Sue Thurmond
Susanna Trittschuh, Elaine Waidelich

The Pillar of Pride honor was established to provide special recognition for members of purpose, pride and productivity in garden club work. The Pillar of Pride is awarded by the Federation or a district, council, club or circle or by an individual (other than the recipient).



AUDUBON CENTER for BIRDS OF PREY BALD EAGLE STAMP PROGRAM

Did you know that the Audubon Society has been collecting commemorative stamps for the Bald Eagle Stamp Program since 1968? The sales of these collectable stamps are sold and all proceeds go to help sick and injured birds of prey. The program is called Audubon Center for Birds of Prey Bald Eagle Stamp program. The Florida Audubon Center for Birds of Prey was founded in 1979 in Maitland, Florida and has treated over 12,000 injured or orphaned birds of prey (raptors) releasing more than 40% of these former patients back into the wild. Volunteers sort donated collectable stamps which are then sold to collectors. 100% of the proceeds go to help the birds. The collection and sale of special stamps has generated thousands of dollars for the Florida Audubon Society Center for Birds of Prey.

Commemoratives may best be described as the special “pretty” stamps that are issued for limited periods of time – perhaps flowers or birds or special state stamps for example. U.S. Commemoratives usually larger in size; also usually come in sheets, rather than rolls.

What not to collect are regular issue stamps, also known as definitive’s. Regular issue stamps are small, often squared and printed in the billions which limit their value. These stamps usually come in rolls, or in the small pocket folders. Do not attempt to tear or peel off the stamp from the envelope it is stuck to; simply cut away leaving 1/4” all the way around the stamp to avoid damage. Only undamaged stamps can be used.

COLLECTABLE STAMPS INCLUDE:

- *Any stamp collections
- *Any foreign, commemorative (one time printing of a stamp commemorating a specific person, place or time), airmail or special handling stamps.
- *Any State or Federal hunting and fishing license stamps
- *Mint plate blocks (especially older ones)

Web-site of reference is: <http://fl.audubon.org/audubon-center-birds-prey>

Start cutting and saving your stamps, have someone assigned in your club to collect them at meetings and mail them or get them to your District Director and she or he can bring them to the State meeting twice a year.

Christy Linke, Chairperson
Bees, Birds, Butterfly

Garden of the Month Jennifer Stone, Chair

National Garden Club, Inc. Mission Statement

“National Garden Clubs, Inc. provides education, resources, and national networking opportunities for its members to promote the love of gardening, floral design, and civic and environmental responsibility.”

The Garden Club of DeLand supports the above mission by bringing to the forefront outstanding gardens in DeLand, FL. area and awarding the “Garden of the Month” to deserving homeowners. Educating our members on the month to month care of their own gardens.



Lewis and Sue Jarvis

September Garden of the Month

A plant lover’s paradise is an apt description of The Garden Club of DeLand’s September “Garden of the Month” Owners, Sue and Lewis Jarvis, began creating their beautiful and unique garden when they built their home in 2004. Ever evolving, the garden is filled with hundreds of extraordinary, exotic, colorful and fragrant plants woven into beds from the sidewalk to the back yard. Colorful Rangoon creepers, coral, butterfly and sky vines adorn the side of the distinctive potting shed and pergolas Lewis built along with flowering gingers, begonias and mandevilla. A silk floss, various varieties of crepe myrtle, olive, manihot and variegated tapioca trees provide both interest and shade. Statuary filled with succulents and cacti combine seamlessly with begonias, coleus and phlox and root beer plants. Most of us know Sue and Lewis and have experienced their garden first hand as well as have plants from them in our gardens. If you haven’t, you are missing out on a truly delightful garden. They are located at 229 N. Stone Street, across the road from the Old DeLand Memorial Hospital and the Garden Club of DeLand’s Sensory Garden.

If you know of a noteworthy garden, please contact Jennifer Stone at jenniferston@gmail.com.

To view more pictures and learn more about Sue and Lewis Jarvis’ garden visit our website [.www.gardenclubofdeland.org](http://www.gardenclubofdeland.org)

"The Garden of Inspiration"

Garden Club of DeLand "The Dirt"

Norma Thomas
Grounds Chair

"Weedettes"

Sue Altom, Judy Maurer, Anita McFeeters, Nancy Stafford,

The following is some of the summer monthly journal that *Norma Thomas has written*. Our goal is to leave a reference for present and future members of the grounds committee. Educating members on the maintenance of horticulture and landscaping.

- Welcome back gardeners! It has been a long hot summer hasn't it? Your Weedettes, Nancy Stafford, Susan Altom, Judy Maurer and I, Norma Thomas have been arriving each Monday to weed, fertilize, trim, spray and plant. Our fifth member, Anita McFeeters should be returning to DeLand next month to join her merry band of weeders.
- June was a very dry month and extremely hot. Our hours were cut back to just 2 ½ hours each Monday morning. We found ourselves mainly, hand watering and weeding. We tackled the hawthorn bed at the back of the property and thinned it out and limbed up the remaining bushes to small trees. The Garden Club was "gifted" with a Taiwan Cherry tree from Ronnie Kyle which we planted at the end of the hawthorn bed.
- July finally brought the rains. It was either a typhoon or a light shower but at least it was rain. The "feel-like" temperatures have been in the triple digits for the last six weeks or so and we moved a lot slower but still planted over 150 caladium bulbs at the front walkway one Monday morning. We have also been receiving and maintaining plants for the October rummage sale.
- August was spent getting the grounds ready for returning members. Fresh mulch was laid; we trimmed, weeded and fertilized plants with a water soluble bloom booster to encourage colorful blooms.
- The Weedettes would like to thank all the members for their contributions and hope everyone enjoys your ever changing Garden Club grounds.



June District VI **President's Summit** held at New Smyrna Garden Club. Pictured L to R Valerie Seinfeld (District Vi Awards Chair), Marti Walker, Jennifer Condo, Sharon Causey, Sue Altom



Brick Walkways

Order a brick to honor a loved one.

The bricks to honor those who served our country will be placed on the newly installed walkway leading to the Kitchen at the Garden Clubhouse.

4 x 8 brick engraved with 2 lines - \$50 -- Combine 2 bricks engraved with 4 lines for \$90 -- 14 characters max per line. Order forms available at General Meetings at the Welcome Table and on our Website www.gardenclubofdeland.org

Or contact: Dr. Debra (Rusty) Gaffney, Sparkleberry Circle.

386-736-6140(H), 386-734-4126(W)

email: debrapgaffney@cfl.rr.com

Thank you! "The Brick Lady"

Downtown DeLand Container Gardens



Diana Bitler, chair fiddlehead@wildblue.net

Sharon Fiore, Debra (Rusty) Gaffney, Joanne Milleison, Julia Neumann, Janet Stone, Jennifer Stone, Valerie Seinfeld, Williema Ungaro

Lots of sighs and groans have been emitted from downtown plants this summer as floods have been followed by heat waves, etc. Replacements of dead plants have occurred several times, and hopefully all is stable until the addition of some pink flowers in October. The main planting will take place **Saturday, November 7th**. Please mark your calendars, and let's hope for some cooler weather! If you would like to be a part of this special group, please join us the first Saturday of every month, with pruning shears and gloves. Even if you are a new to gardening, we will show how to take care of the plants. The Garden Club of DeLand is all about educating it's members in gardening and horticulture. After deadheading, pruning and weeding we meet at Boston Coffee for a little breakfast and social time. Hugs! Diana



**Penny Pines Project
Saving Forests \$68 At A Time**

NGC and the USDA Forest Service are proud to have formed a partnership sustaining our national and urban forests through this reforestation/forest education program.

The Garden Club of DeLand joins with NGC and FFGC by collecting donations at each General Meeting and each Circle Meeting. It takes \$68.00 to a Penny Plantation as part of the costs of replanting replacement trees indigenous to a particular damaged area. Whether by fire or by other natural catastrophe, pine trees and other trees are replaced. You may designate a specific State you wish to have benefit from this contribution. The Garden Club of DeLand donates multiples of the \$68.00 amount through the generosity of its members.

Under a Conservation agreement, the Forest Service will do the planting, using your donation together with Federal funds, and will provide to the plantation the same protection from fires, insects, and disease given other forested areas. The plantations are a part of the regular National Forest reforestation program planted on burned-over and brush-covered areas which are potentially productive timberlands. Planting sites are selected by the Supervisor of each National Forest. These plantations provide soil protection, watershed protection, soil stabilization, future harvestable timber, as well as beauty and shade for recreation.

For more information on the many projects of the National Garden Club visit: www.gardenclub.org



Next Month is:

Plant it Pink - Planet Pink

Look for the Pink Ribbons and plants that the Garden Club will plant in Downtown DeLand Area in October.

**Help Create Hope for a Breast Cancer-Free World!
Promote a Passion for Pink
Plant Pink Flowers Everywhere!**

Make a Statement with Pink Flowers for Breast Cancer Awareness

- Hospitals ~ Cancer Centers ~ Memorial Gardens
- Garden Therapy Projects~Private Gardens~Schools
- Community Gardens~Churches~Libraries
- Partner with community groups such as Girl Scouts, local school clubs, and tourism to do plantings; Encourage donations of pink plants for Habitat for Humanity gardens; Use classes of pink flowers on your flower show schedules
- Partner with tourism groups/city leaders to splash pink all over your community; Host a Plant It Pink...Planet Pink! Walk in the spring... Work together to place a pink bench in a focal spot.

Participate in National Breast Cancer Awareness Month Pink is everywhere in the month of October! This is a great time to plant pink flowers while wearing pink tee shirts with a Plant It Pink ... Planet Pink! logo. Partner with your local Relay For Life and/or local hospital oncology department to participate in a Relay, sell pink Plant It Pink ... Planet Pink! tee shirts, and pink ribbons to businesses and homeowners. Proceeds from sales of Plant It Pink ... Planet Pink! events and merchandise will be equally divided by your local garden club and the American Cancer Society. This is just another one of NGC's projects the Garden Club of DeLand supports.