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Upcoming Events:

“The Garden of Inspiration”

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

Heritage Gardening Group

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

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

Designing Divas October 29th Clubhouse at 9am. Contact Valerie Seinfeld for more information. valseinfeld@aol.com

Fall Symposium Nov 8 -10

Palm Beach Fl

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 www.ffgc.wildapricot.org

December 8, 2015--Welcome to Our House

“Holiday Floral Magic” 1 pm - 3 pm
Sponsored by District VI Judges Council
Cost \$10.00 at the New Smyrna Beach Garden Club Coffee, Desserts & Door Prizes!
The judges will demonstrate how to create holiday designs.

Chugging along inspiring our members and the public through education.



President’s Message

Looking forward to a busy October - Plant and Treasure Sale is next weekend. Please ask Darcy if you can help. Still time to donate items. Encourage your friends and neighbors to come SHOP! October 19th is “Clean-up The Clubhouse Day”! District VI Fall Meeting is in Palm Coast October 21st. Please try to attend! We will be hosting the Fall 2016 District VI and maybe we can borrow some ideas! A great attendance would be wonderful! Sad news this past month! Dorothy Howitt, member of the Magnolia Circle, husband passed away. Wanda Burnett also passed on and was a former member of the Magnolia and Rose Circles. The Garden Club of DeLand will be participating in The Freedom Playground rebuild project. We will be serving tea and cookies in the afternoon! Check with your President to see how you can help! Also at Freedom Playground you can buy a board, for the fence, with a name imprinted for \$100 and a bench is \$300. Monetary donations are also greatly appreciated! Please do your share and support our wonderful community!
Keep those hands Dirty!
Fondly, Judy



While we strive to build leaders in our Garden Club, many do not want to be in charge, but we love working in the background. Volunteers are the backbone of any organization. Look over the events and programs coming up this year and make some Chair very confident that they will be supported, volunteer today!

2015-2017 Officers of the Garden Club of DeLand

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

Next General Meeting: November 5th 9 am
Hostess and Greeters: Rose Circle
Program: Cooking with Herbs - Jenny Ridgeway
from Two Hearts Catering
Accessory: Fresh Herb
Design featuring Fruits &/or Vegetables

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!*



Garden Club of DeLand
865 S. Alabama Ave.

Members may bring items to our General Garden Club of DeLand 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 on October 8th in the afternoon, all plants must be dropped off by the morning of the 8th. Please label them.

Norma will be receiving plants Mon, Tues, Wed, Thurs mornings 8 to 10. So that is 10/5 thru 10/8

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*Blue Sage Circle
October's Hostesses*

The Blue Sage Garden Circle, formed in 1959, has 27 active members. Our meetings are held on the 2nd Monday of each month at 7 pm, which accommodates many of our members who work during the day. The meetings are usually held at one of the member's homes, although we have an annual dinner at a local restaurant and several field trips throughout the year. As a gardening group, we enjoy learning through guest speakers, sharing ideas with each other and sharing plants. As a social group we enjoy each others company over a glass of wine or a cup of coffee. Our membership includes those who have lived in DeLand or Central Florida for a number of years, but some of us have moved here from other areas of the state or country and have new things to learn about gardening in this area. We are active in the community, active in the Garden Club of DeLand, and strive to continue educating ourselves all of which aids in our work to keep DeLand beautiful.

Ruth Moorman - President



Sensory Garden Maintenance Schedule

November: Blue Sage
December: Magnolia
January: Marigold



Blue Sage's delightful Alligator design created out of pineapple, mango, kiwi, apple and olives was perfect for our Louisiana theme luncheon. Betsy Dieguez- photo

"The Garden of Inspiration"

Downtown DeLand Container Gardens



Diana Bitler, chair fiddlehead@wildblue.net
Sharon Fiore, Debra (Rusty) Gaffney, Joanne Milleson, Julia Neumann, Janet Stone, Jennifer Stone, Valerie Seinfeld, Williemae Ungaro

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.

- Feel that little something in the air? Fall is just around the corner bringing cooler temperatures and shorter days which will begin to affect plants in many ways. Caladiums, some ginger and achimenes have started to decline and some shrubs and trees are showing a little autumn color. Here are some tips for this month.
- Annuals: Time to plant ageratum, calendula, dianthus, dusty miller, geraniums, petunias and snapdragons. Wait until November to plant violas and pansies.
- Herbs: If you have plants that survived the summer, groom and feed them. Start adding anise, basil, borage, chives, coriander, dill, fennel, nasturtiums, oregano, sage and thyme. Begin your monthly feeding.
- Fertilizing: Shrubs and palms are ready for their final feeding of the year. Use a general landscape fertilizer for shrubs and palm fertilizer for palms.
- At our club, the Weedettes will be laying 120 lbs of 10.10.10 on our shrubs and newly planted trees and the palms will be fertilized with 40 lbs of 6.1.8. Our roses, which are on a 6 week fertilization schedule, were fed on 9/7/15 with Bayers 2 n1 fertilizer.
- October is key for lawn care. Select a turf fertilizer that slowly feeds your lawn during fall and early winter. Zoysia lawns it is important to complete the feeding this month to reduce late fall disease activity. Lawn caterpillars can continue to feed in all turf types and chinch bugs may still affect St Augustine lawns.
- Pruning is over for most fruit trees. Citrus can get their last feeding of the year early this month.
- Finish pruning and grooming trees and shrubs. Do not prune your azaleas, gardenias, camellias, bougainvillea & poinsettias, that time has passed.
- Happy gardening my friends, see you at the Club!



Look for the Downtown "Street Walkers" planting it "Pink" on Saturday, October 3rd at 8am, they will be sporting their new T-shirts, promoting awareness of the Garden Club of DeLand working in our community.

Our main planting will take place **Saturday, November 7th**. Please mark your calendars.

All Circles participate pick up at 7:30 am. Please contact Diana if you have questions.

If you would like to be a part of the "Streetwalkers", 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



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.

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Thank you! "The Brick Lady"



Daisy Circle for hosting September's General Meeting. Floral Designers Susan Bauerle, Karen Hall, Judy Maurer and Valerie Seinfeld for your "Welcome" Designs.

Protect Pollinators and Their Habitat



As part of President Sandra Robinson’s focus on Preserving Our Pollinators, the NGC partnership with Crown Bees and their BeeGap program will continue to be an important focus for her 2015 - 2017 term.

Native honey bees are in peril, their populations experiencing significant declines in the last few decades. In turn, their decline threatens our food supply. The NGC program, BeeGAP (Gardeners Adding Pollinators) is a partnership with Crown Bees, a gentle bee provider of mason bees. Mason bees are native to North America and are an excellent supplement to the troubled honey bee. When teamed with mason bees, honey bees are more efficient pollinators.

The BeeGAP program therefore plays a critical role in the NGC’s efforts to protect pollinators and their habitat, help to increase the populations of mason bees and healthy native bees, bring more colonies into communities to contribute their gifts to agriculture, and create healthy, thriving ecosystems where we live. For those that haven’t given BeeGAP a try, NGC suggests for us to give it a try! How to videos and instructions can be found at www.crownbees.com. For more information visit: <http://www.gardenclub.org/projects/presidents-projects/crown-bees-beegap.aspx>



Supporting Monarch Butterflies as Pollinators

The Monarch butterfly population is declining worldwide due to loss of habitat. One of President Sandy Robinson's focus areas for her President's Special Project is the plight of the Monarch, and a commitment to creating gardens and habitat that will help to restore their population to health. To do this, she has created four programs under the Monarch Watch banner to foster NGC support:

- Bee a Wildlife Action Hero
- Container Gardening for Bees and Butterflies
- Monarch Waystations
- Seed Savers



For more information visit: <http://www.gardenclub.org/projects/presidents-projects/monarch-watch.aspx>

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.



Photo by: Betsy Deiguez

The coastal style garden of Reinhard Unger and Richard Gibson, at 503 N. Clara Avenue, is both attractive and remains true to their historic home’s 1878 builder, a planter from Jamaica. When Reinhard and Richard bought the house in 2010, the home was “sweetly forlorn” according to Richard, having sat empty since 2008. Richard went to work on the interior of the Caribbean style house while Reinhard tackled the landscaping. Today, all elements of the yard and house complement each other and combine to create a beautiful island/coastal style image. Exposed aggregate leads visitors into the yard, while palms, bananas and cannas provide movement. Colors are added with crepe myrtle, old fashioned tea and china roses and zinnias. Multiple sitting areas and patios around the yard are serenaded by gurgling waterfalls and water features filled with large exotic tropical blue water lilies. A white picket fence both contains and accentuates the garden area.

Thanks to Reinhard and Richard, a native DeLandite, one of DeLand’s oldest standing homes has been restored and adorned beautifully. To view more pictures of their garden visit our website. www.gardenclubofdeland.org

Congratulations goes out to Marti Walker, President of the Daisy Circle! Marti’s design, from the FFGC’s Floral Design Unit 9, is under consideration for the 2017 FFGC Florida Flower Arrangement Calendar. Also she has become a first time Grandmother. The proud parents, Becky and Dave, welcomed Nolan Christopher Greenlee on 9/22/15 in Denver, Colorado. He was 21 inches and 7 lb. 11 oz.