

The October 2017 Newsletter Gardens Gate



Port St. Lucie
Botanical Gardens

October 31st

BOOTANICAL HALLOWEEN



STORMSCAPING LANDSCAPING TO MINIMIZE WIND DAMAGE IN FLORIDA

Florida Gardening Series, Volume 3
STORMSCAPING
Landscaping to Minimize
Wind Damage in Florida
by Pamela Crawford



Featuring:
- Best plants for hurricanes
- Worst plants for hurricanes
- Trees that are dangerous
- "Survivor" gardens
- The strongest plants in Florida!



The Gardens receives many questions regarding landscaping and how to minimize wind damage to that landscaping when faced with a hurricane. In light of our recent visit by Hurricane Irma, we thought it prudent to introduce you to Stormscaping - Landscaping to Minimize Wind Damage in Florida (Florida Garden Series, Volume 3) by Pamela Crawford.

According to the author, a landscape architect with a nursery and garden design business, hurricanes are the most costly natural disaster in the United States. Stormscaping was written in response to the damage to and from trees during Florida's devastating 2004 hurricane season.

Chapters include Understand Hurricane Basics, Know Your Plant's Wind Tolerance, Other Reasons Why Trees Fall, Designing to Minimize Wind Damage, and Proper Storm

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Reminder

COMMUNITY TRUNK SALE

OCTOBER 14TH
8:00AM - 1:00PM





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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE...

While we are officially still in hurricane season and while we have no idea what the next two months might have in store for us, I'd like to express our thanks to the City of Port St. Lucie and Sampson Tree for their rapid response to the few issues that Hurricane Irma left the Botanical Gardens with. A couple of our slash pines were lost, many ornamental trees needed straightening and staking, but in retrospect, the Gardens stood up well and can be sited as an example of good "stormscaping" – landscaping in preparation for inevitable storms. On your next visit to the Gardens, consider how landscaping for weather events is part of the overall plan.



A special thank you to those volunteers who showed up early and often to assist with the cleanup. The Gardens do not exist without our volunteers. THANK YOU!

**Joleen King
President**



VIDEO OF THE MONTH



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Welcome to All Garden Goers...

This month our
Jazz Jams will be held on
October 11th
& October 25th
starting at 6:30 pm

JAZZ JAMS

At The Gardens

Donation \$6 per person.
Gardens & Jazz Society
Members \$5 per person.

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The 19th Hole at the Saints

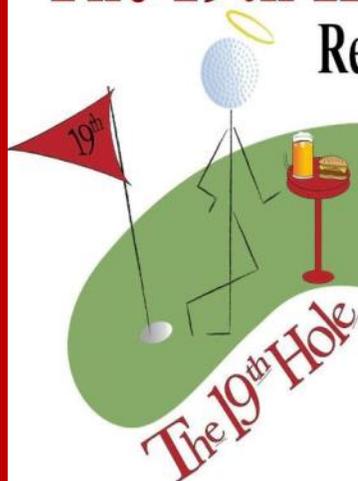
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Aftercare. The book is richly illustrated with large color photographs of twisted, cracked, broken, uprooted and fallen trees, as well as many other color photographs illustrating additional points made by the author. The book covers related topics such as wind-tolerant trees, shrubs and groundcovers, palms used as wind barriers, other reasons why trees fall, wind tolerance of Florida plants, care of damaged trees, and historical information on hurricanes from the last century throughout 2004.

The author offers a four-page spread on appropriate trees for high winds and thirty pages on the wind-tolerance of Florida Plants with information gathered from throughout the state. She also covers the three worst trees: Australian pine (*Casuarina equisetifolia*), *Ficus benjamina*, and laurel oak (*Quercus laurifolia*).

In the 2004 hurricane season, the ficus trees in south Florida caused more damage than any other species in the 2004 hurricane season. Why didn't we learn from Andrew in 1991, where Miami had the same problem? Tens of thousands of ficus were planted in Broward and Palm Beach County after hurricane Andrew because they are fast-growing and inexpensive.

The author states that in 2004, ficus trees in south Florida caused more damage than any other species. Ironically, Miami had the same problem in 1991 after Hurricane Andrew, but tens of

thousands of ficus trees were planted in Broward and Palm Beach Counties after Hurricane Andrew because they are fast growing and inexpensive. She further states that Queen palms (*Arecastrum romanzoffianum*), one of the most common palms used in south and central Florida, have very little tolerance for wind. "Some trees, like ironwoods, have very strong wood and a root system that goes deep into the ground to keep the trees stable. Their canopies are loose enough to let the wind blow through them rather than blowing them over. Other trees have shallow root systems, weak wood, and dense canopies. These three factors cause trees to fall easier."

One section of the book asks, "Do native trees hold up better than exotics?" Dr. Mary Duryea, with the University of Florida IFAS Agricultural Experiment Station, found that native trees fared better than exotics in south Florida after Hurricane Andrew: "...34% of the exotic trees were still standing after the hurricane (Andrew) while 66% of native trees were standing." However, in central and north Florida, "Water oaks and laurel oaks, both natives, were two of the worst trees in these areas during the four storms of 2004." Dr. Duryea has conducted post-hurricane surveys in Florida since the mid-1980s. "We had more reports of laurel oaks down than any other tree in central and north Florida...Laurel oaks are weaker and shorter lived than live oaks, and the four storms of 2004 proved that the older ones were particularly dangerous."

Stormscaping describes the six most expensive landscaping mistakes and underscores the point with the high expense connected to fallen trees: 2 million cubic yards of vegetative debris was collected in Santa Rosa County alone and \$19 million spent as of December 20, 2004. The total cost to the county is expected to reach \$30 million. "According to Dr. Robert Loflin, the Natural Resources Director of Sanibel, it cost \$6 million to haul and burn the trash from [Hurricane] Charley." He further stated that sixty percent of this cost (\$3.6 million) was for Australian pine alone. Dr. Mary Duryea reiterated this point by stating that 96% of Australian pines fell in Hurricane Andrew in 1991.

This book is absolutely stuffed with information and amazing photographs. Stormscaping - Landscaping to Minimize Wind Damage in Florida is Volume 3 in the Florida Gardening Series.

To find out more about the author, go to <http://pamela-crawford.com>. The book is available through the Port St. Lucie Botanical Gardens Gift Shoppe, most booksellers, Amazon and many garden centers in Florida. (ISBN 0-9712220-2-9)



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Attention: all Civic groups, garden societies, homeowners associations, local businesses, et al. Join the Friends of the Port St. Lucie Botanical Gardens this Halloween for a public "Trick or Treat" among the trees. We need your organization to join us in this fun 2.5 hours of welcoming the Ghouls and Goblins of Port St Lucie for trick or treating and a Haunted Hayride at the Gardens in a safe, controlled, no-cars atmosphere.

Who's invited? Children, ages 0-13, in costume and their parents. **No admission - this is a free event.**

What does your group have to do? Claim table space somewhere in the Gardens, set up a table, decorate as much as you'd like, staff your table with costumed volunteers who enjoy (and perhaps miss) the joy of Halloween and the costume parade we all remember from Halloweens past. And bring lots of candy! Your organization will be responsible for having sufficient candy, snacks or treats for up to an estimated 1500 little ghouls and goblins.

Your area in the Garden is **FREE**. Your group must supply their own table. We have a limited supply of 8 ft. and 6 ft. tables available at \$25 each, first reserved, first served.

Are you an HOA, 55 and older? Miss seeing the children? Are you a City Department that would like to adopt a site to be manned by co-workers? A garden society of retired grandparents whose grandchildren are miles away, and are missed? Are you a local business that recognizes an opportunity for team building and community outreach? A civic group or club, looking for a fun, simple new event on your Fall calendar? This is an event for you!



TUESDAY • OCTOBER 31, 2017

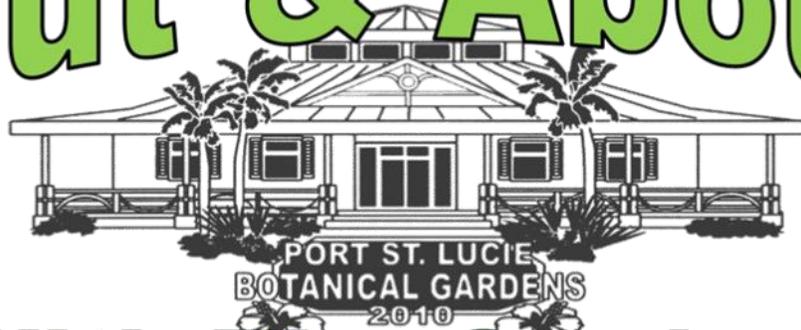


Trick or treating will begin at 5:00 and end at 7:30 pm. Parents, accompanying their children will be required. No children without parents will be allowed on Garden property. Sunset on October 31st is 6:38 pm in Port St Lucie FYI. This is designed to be an evening/twilight event.

Please give this opportunity your attention; talk with friends and neighbors, decide to commit to this new Community event, and send us your commitment via email. Event will be advertised through the Gardens website & newsletter, on-line calendars, community radio and more.

For more Information or to register, please call Claire Clark at 772.337.1959.

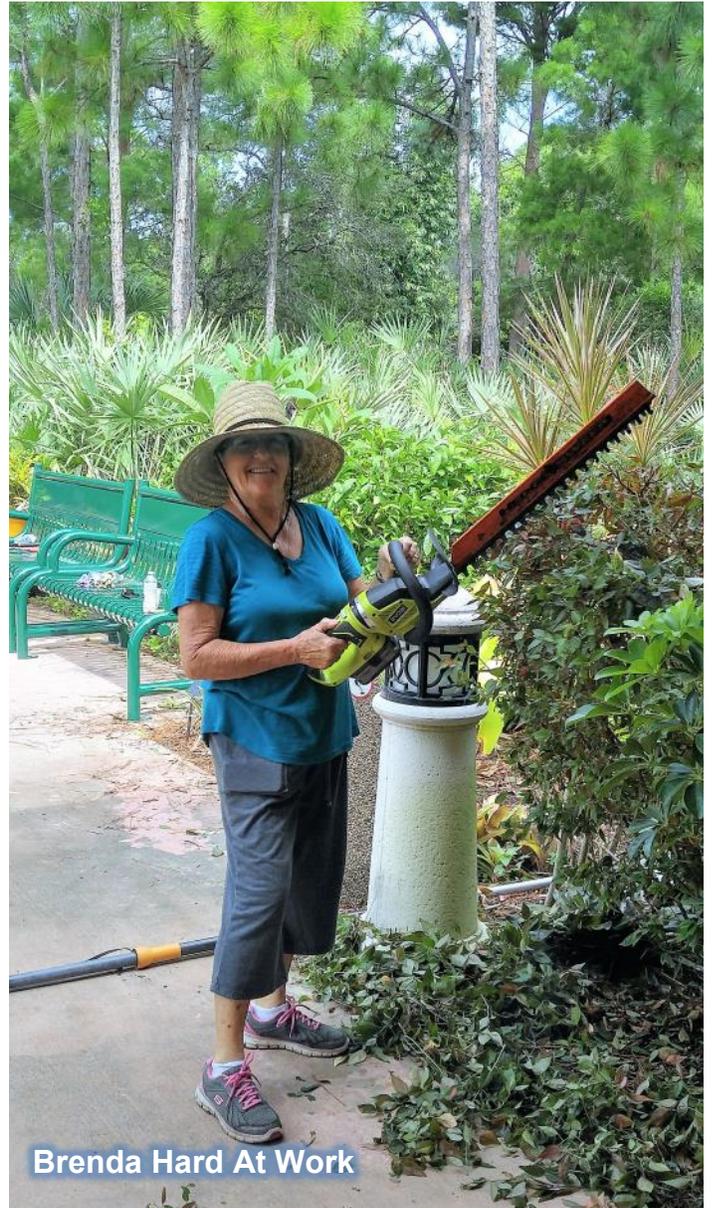
Out & About



With The Gardens

Sighted in The Gardens

Hurricane Irma brought out the Land Crabs. Pic by Jeff Policar



Brenda Hard At Work



Florida Wood Storks in pine tree. Pic by Glen Sparks



New Gift Shop Merchandise



Orchids, Orchids & More Plant Sale



Propagation Workshop



Treasure Coast Bonsai Society



Children's All About Orchids Class



More Seen Around The Garden



Little Volunteers and Future Bosses





BOOtanical Halloween Prep



Wonderful Volunteers



Plant ID's



A beautiful day at The Gardens



Tony Jonek, Chair of the Cactus Garden with his new feet

Jacob Wilkins Memorial





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October 11th & 25th
6:30 - 9:30 pm

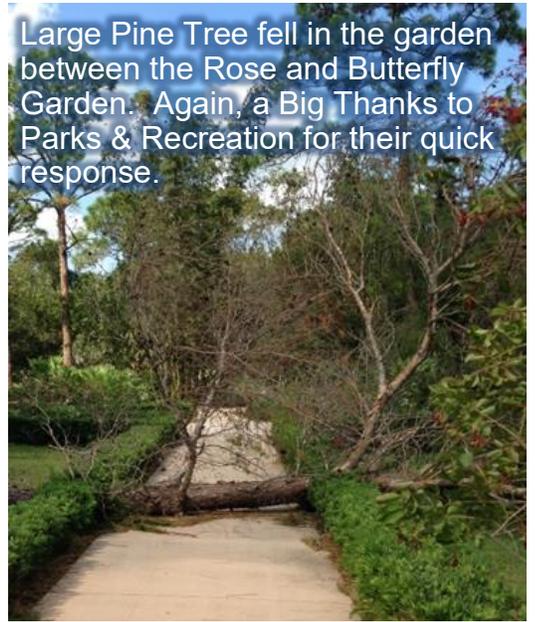
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PSLBG Survives Hurricane Irma With Minor Damage



Large Pine Tree Limb lands in the middle of the Propagation area. Thanks to Parks & Recreation who came to the rescue with a chain saw and hauled it away.



Large Pine Tree fell in the garden between the Rose and Butterfly Garden. Again, a Big Thanks to Parks & Recreation for their quick response.



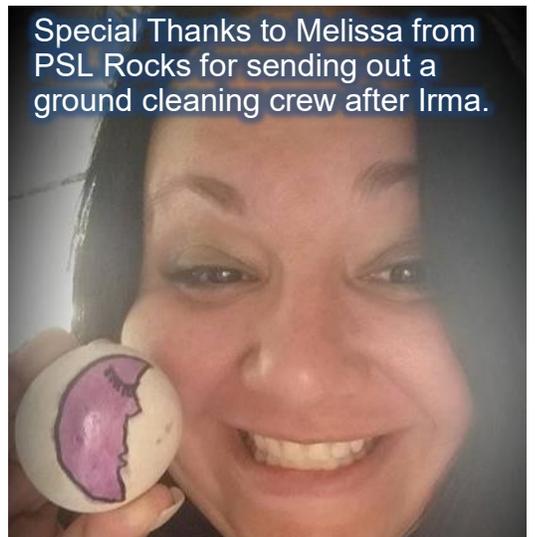
Amy, a Senior at Treasure Coast HS assisting with the cleanup in the Propagation area after IRMA, in 90+ heat and a little bug spray. Thanks, Amy for your Community Service.



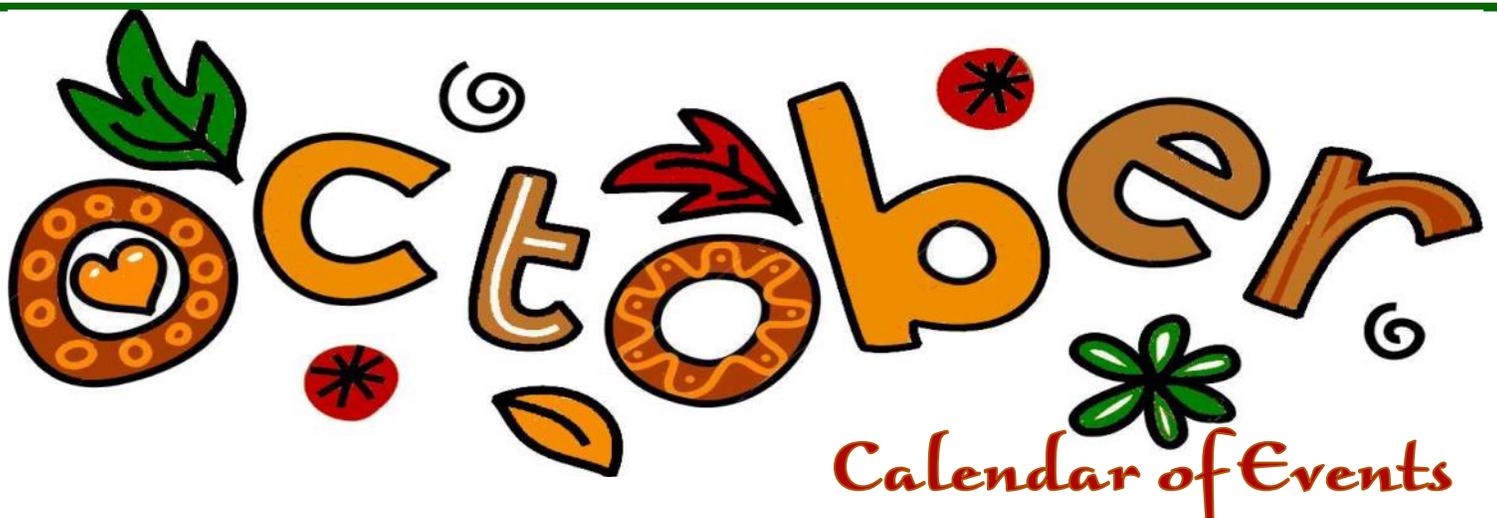
Propagation lost a trellis. Hoping to rebuild a small pergola in the future to hold the Blue-Sky plant that everyone so admires.



Lots of debris clean up in the Orchid & Butterfly Gardens. And, it was looking so good! Volunteers are our Hero's getting the area cleaned up so quickly. Thanks!



Special Thanks to Melissa from PSL Rocks for sending out a ground cleaning crew after Irma.



October

Calendar of Events

2 nd	Horticulture Committee Meeting	10:00 - 11:30 am	All Welcome
4 th	Intermediate Spanish Classes	10:00 - 11:30 am	All welcome
4 th	German American Club Board Mtg.	2:00 pm - 4:00 pm	Members Welcome
5 th	German American Chorus Rehearsal	2:00 - 4:00 pm	Members only
6 th	District X Garden Club Meeting	8:00 am - 4:00 pm	Members Only
7 th	How-To Seminar: Unique & Fun Halloween Decorating with Plants	10:00 – 11:00 am	Members \$10.00 Non-Members \$35
9 th	Rio Lindo Board Meeting	10:00 am – 12:00 pm	Members Only
9 th	FPSLBG Board of Directors Meeting	4:30 pm – 6:30 pm	Members Welcome
10 th	PSL Orchid Society Meeting	12:00 - 3:00 pm	All Welcome
11 th	Intermediate Spanish Classes	10:00 – 11:30 am	All Welcome
11 th	Ft. Pierce Jazz & Blues Jazz Jams	6:30 – 9:30 pm	\$6 Donation, \$5 Members
12 th	PSL Angler's Meeting	5:30 – 9:30 pm	All invited
14 th	Gardens Community Trunk Sale	8:00 am – 1:00 pm	All welcome
15 th	South Fla Daylily Society Meeting	2:00 pm – 4:00 pm	All welcome
18 th	Intermediate Spanish Classes	10:00 - 11:30 am	All welcome
19 th	Hibiscus Society Meeting	10:30 am – 12:00 pm	All Welcome
19 th	German American Chorus Rehearsal	2:00 pm – 4:00 pm	Members Only
19 th	TC Rare Fruit Club Meeting.	6:00 – 9:30 pm	All welcome
21 st	Wacky Weeders	8:00 am – 12:00 pm	All welcome
21 st	Keep Port St. Lucie Beautiful Give-A Tree Spread-The Shade Tree Giveaway	8:00 – 11:00 am	PSL Residents Welcome
22 nd	'Reel Anglers Wear Pink' Fishing Tournament to benefit Friends In Pink	9:00 am – 12:00 pm	\$25 Entry Fee Per Angler Registration Required
23 rd	Rio Lindo Garden Club Meeting	12:45 pm – 3:30 pm	All Welcome
24 th	UF/ISAF Landscaping Series	12:00 – 1:30 pm	Registration Required
25 th	Intermediate Spanish Classes	10:00 - 11:30 am	All welcome
25 th	Ft. Pierce Jazz & Blues Jazz Jams	6:30 – 9:30 pm	\$6.00 Donation, Members \$5
26 th	BOOtanical Halloween Decorating	9:00 am – 4:00 pm	Volunteers Welcome
28 th	Partners in Horticulture Education: Raised Bed Vegetable Gardening Workshop	9:30 - 11:00 am	Students & Veterans Only
28 th	BOOtanical Halloween Decorating	9:00 am – 4:00 pm	Volunteers Welcome
28 th	TC Bonsai Society Meeting	10:00 am – 12:00 pm	All Welcome
29 th	BOOtanical Halloween Decorating	12:00 – 4:00 pm	Volunteers Welcome
31 st	BOOtanical Halloween Trick Or Treat Ramble in The Gardens w/Hayrides	5:00 – 7:30 pm	Children 0-13 in Costume. Must be accompanied by an adult.



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Garden Center
at the Port St. Lucie Botanical Gardens

Horticulture How-To Series:

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PROGRAMS**

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Bring on the Holiday Season with Paul Renwick's Fantastic Workshops



Unique & Fun Halloween Decorating With Plants

Saturday, October 7th, 10:00am – 11:30am

This workshop will teach you how to decorate with plants and flowers for a real Halloween Treat!

Cost: \$10.00 Members, Non-Members: \$35.00

Become a member and attend Free.

You will have a chance to Win an arrangement

**Cornucopia Centerpiece
for your Thanksgiving Table**

Saturday, November 11th, 10:00am – 11:30am

This Workshop will teach you how to create a fabulous centerpiece for your Thanksgiving table.

Cost: \$10.00 Members; Non-Members: \$35.00

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**Delights Of December – Wreath Making
Back by Popular Demand**

Saturday, December 9th, 10:00am – 11:30am

This Workshop will teach you how to create unique and unusual wreaths for the Holiday's.

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University of Florida IFAS Extension Central Florida Gardening Calendar — October

What to Plant

Annuals/Bedding plants: Even though temperatures are still warm, begin planting for the cooler months ahead. Impatiens, alyssum, and dianthus are good plants for the fall/winter garden. **See Annuals:** http://edis.ifas.ufl.edu/topic_annual_landscape_plants

Bulbs: Plant agapanthus, rain lily, and Clivia lily now for blooms next spring or summer. Add organic matter to the planting bed for best results. **See Bulbs for Florida:** http://edis.ifas.ufl.edu/topic_bulbous_flowers

Herbs: A wide range of herbs can be planted from seed or transplants this month. Some to try include dill, fennel, parsley, and cilantro. **See Herbs:** http://edis.ifas.ufl.edu/topic_herbs

Vegetables: Easy crops that can be grown now include beans, broccoli, carrots, collards, lettuce, green onions, peppers, radishes, spinach, and tomatoes. **See Vegetable Gardening in Florida:** http://edis.ifas.ufl.edu/topic_vegetable_gardening

What to Do

Lawns: Control winter weeds in lawns before they appear. Preemergence herbicides must be applied at the right time to be effective. Apply when nighttime temperatures are 55°F–60°F for 4–5 days. **See Lawn Weeds:** http://edis.ifas.ufl.edu/topic_lawn_weeds

Ornamental trees and shrubs: Fertilize plants that are not performing as desired. This is the last month of the year to fertilize shrubs and trees. Controlled-release fertilizer provides nutrients over a longer period of time. **See Palm Nutrition and Fertilization:** http://edis.ifas.ufl.edu/topic_palm_nutrition and *Landscape Fertilization:* http://edis.ifas.ufl.edu/topic_landscape_fertilization

Lawn fertilization: Fertilize lawns if needed. **See Lawn Fertilizer:** http://edis.ifas.ufl.edu/topic_lawn_fertilization

Strawberries: Prepare beds and set strawberry plants this month. Strawberries also make a colorful and tasty container planting. Either way, water daily until plants are established. **See Strawberries:** http://edis.ifas.ufl.edu/topic_strawberries

Palms: Palms have unique nutritional needs. Select a fertilizer that contains controlled release nitrogen, potassium and magnesium. **See Palm Nutrition and Fertilization:** http://edis.ifas.ufl.edu/topic_palm_nutrition

Oleanders: Control the oleander caterpillar, which is a year-round resident in South Florida, without harming beneficial insects by pruning off infested leaves or spraying with BT (*Bacillus thuringiensis*). **See Oleander Pest Management:** http://edis.ifas.ufl.edu/topic_oleander_ipm

Twig girdlers: Control twig girdlers by cleaning up and destroying fallen branches that young twig girdlers can use for harborage. **See Twig Girdlers:** http://edis.ifas.ufl.edu/topic_twig_girdlers

WHAT'S FLOWERING

in Florida?

OCTOBER

NORTH/
CENTRAL

- Sasanqua Camellia 
Non-native, evergreen (*Camellia sasanqua*)
- **Muhly Grass** 
Native, semi-evergreen (*Muhlenbergia capillaris*)
- Beautyberry* 
Native, deciduous (*Callicarpa americana*)
- Butterfly Bush* 
Non-native, semi-deciduous (*Senna bicapsularis*)

* In both North and South.



Bush Allamanda

Non-native, evergreen (*Allamanda nerifolia*)



Silk Floss Tree

Non-native, deciduous (*Ceiba speciosa*)



Beautyberry*



Butterfly Bush*

SOUTH

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EDIBLES TO PLANT IN OCTOBER

	North	Central	South
 Survives Transplanting	Beets, Broccoli, Cabbage, Cauliflower, Chinese Cabbage, Collards, Kale, Kohlrabi, Lettuce, Strawberry	Beets, Broccoli, Cabbage, Cauliflower, Chinese Cabbage, Collards, Kale, Kohlrabi, Lettuce, Strawberry	Beets, Broccoli, Cabbage, Cauliflower, Chinese Cabbage, Collards, Eggplant, Endive/Escarole, Kale, Kohlrabi, Lettuce, Peppers, Strawberry, Tomatoes
 Transplant With Care	Carrots, Mustard, Spinach	Carrots, Mustard, Spinach	Carrots, Celery, Mustard, Potatoes, Spinach
 Use Seeds	Onions, Radish, Turnips	Onions, Radish, Turnips	Beans (bush, pole, lima), Corn (sweet), Cucumbers, Onions Peas (english, southern), Radish, Squash (summer), Turnips

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Tuesday November 28th *Let's Talk Water*



Right Plant Right Place



Attract Wildlife



Reduce Stormwater Runoff

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Propagation Garden Center

at the Port St. Lucie Botanical Gardens

Join our team of Garden Center Volunteers. We're expanding! Our Shade House will be ready just in time for the cooler weather and the snowbirds returning. We need assistance with planting seeds, pulling weeds, propagating from cuttings, up-potting, dividing and replanting, and all over garden clean up, workshops, building benches. Much to do and too little hands. The following are dates that we will be there to work with you on all the projects we have in works.

You'll have fun and meet new people who share your love of plants and working in the dirt.

Fall Propagation Schedule • Friday & Saturday • 9:30 – 11:00 A.M.

October 7 & 8	November 4 & 5
	November 18 & 19



Bring garden gloves and hand clippers. Covered shoes are required. Hats and sun screen recommended. We have water available and lots of advice.

STUDENTS: EARN YOUR COMMUNITY SERVICE HOURS!

Call the Gardens at 772-337-1959 to sign-up.



WE NEED MORE PROPAGATION TABLES!

DONATE \$50.00 for materials to complete one table. We will provide the volunteer labor from **Mr. Merv** and his helpers. Mr. Merv is a Master Gardener, Vietnam Vet and a FPSLBG volunteer. Merv Yearwood has been instrumental in completing eight tables for the Shade House and five for propagation.

You will receive:

**A Big Thank You and your photo
in the newsletter with Mr. Merv.**

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We **Wish** you would Volunteer at the Friends of the Port St. Lucie Botanical Gardens Propagation



For One Gallon Pots,
for all the weeds to go away
and for Fall to hurry up!

THANK YOU!!



Thank you, Diana Rew, for the many Crinum Lily bulbs. We've potted over 50+ bulbs and they're starting to bloom. **You won't find PINK Crinum Lily's! just anywhere!**



Thank You Torrey Dalglish for your very generous donation of a tiller. It is a great addition to assist in our gardening needs.

Thank You, Thank You! You're all helping to make our propagation area grow so fast. We've doubled our plants and sales thanks to the support of our members, volunteers and generous donations. Keep them coming!

Thanks, For the donation of so many pots for propagation. **We still need 1-gallon pots.**

We would be **Very Thankful** if you would join our Horticulture Team. We're looking for the following:

Plant ID: We are in the process of identifying all the plants in the Garden. These volunteers will work with a team, should be detailed oriented, enjoy plant identification, creating descriptions of plants for the website and creating labels.

VETS Program & High School Horticulture Club: Assist the horticulture team with educational gardening workshops and supervising garden tasks. A very rewarding and fun opportunity.

Garden Maintenance: Assist with all aspects of gardening, trimming, pruning, weeding, planting. If you like working outside, don't mind getting a little dirty, we could use your help. Make your own time - Pick an area in our Garden you'd like to take care of or we'll assign an area if you prefer.



'Wonder Woman' Pam Perkerson

Our favorite **Arabian Lilac Tree** in the Butterfly Garden went down, but 'Wonder Woman' Pam Perkerson and her crew were able to right and stake it. With a lot of pruning and some TLC, we're sure it will be back to spectacular soon.

This tree is our mother tree to lots of propagated new Lilac trees. Stop by the Propagation Garden Center and purchase one for your garden.

Brenda Gustafson, Horticulture Chair





Partners in Horticulture Education



Port St Lucie Botanical Gardens High School Horticulture Club is back in session starting Saturday, September 23, 2017 with over 20 Somerset College Preparatory students signed up after our first-year pilot. With the assistance of Master Gardeners and PSLBG volunteers, students will learn basic Horticulture practices while providing community service hours at the garden. This program is open to all High School Students. Add your school logo to our growing Horticulture experience. Contact Jeffrey Policar or Heather Furnari 772-337-1959 for more information.

HORTICULTURE CLUB WORKSHOP SCHEDULE

Workshop: 9:30am – 11:00am

Garden Work Time: 11:00am – 12:30pm

Saturday, October 28th – Tips for Raised Bed Vegetable Gardening by Jim McGill, Master Gardener of the Year, 2015. Vegetable Gardening and Hydroponics Expert.

Saturday, November 25th – Hands on propagation – Propagation Techniques for Maximum Efficiency and Production of plants.

Saturday, December 30th – Hands on Vegetable gardening – Preparing Garden Beds for Vegetables.

Saturday, January 27th – Bring in the New Year in with Fun with Fertilizer! Presented by Kate Rotindo, Urban Horticulture Extension Agent, UF/IFAS St. Lucie County Extension

Saturday, March 24th - Pruning Techniques – The Why, When and How to Prune your trees by Lynda Salsbury, Master Gardener and recipient of the Florida Friendly Landscaping award for an outstanding yard.

Saturday, April 28th and **Saturday, May 26th** Workshops -TBD

NOTE

Please bring garden hand clippers and gloves. No open toe shoes. We recommend sturdy shoes/sneakers, hats, suntan lotion and comfortable clothes for working outside. Please be on time and no phones while at the Garden. Water will be provided.

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Presented In the Propagation Garden Center

**UNIQUE & FUN HALLOWEEN
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Saturday, October 7th, 10:00am – 11:30am

This workshop will teach you how to
decorate with plants and flowers
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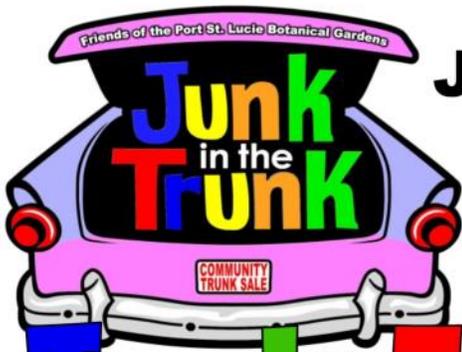
Cost: \$10.00 Members, Non-Members: \$35.00
Become a member and attend Free.

You will have a chance to Win an arrangement

[CLICK HERE TO REGISTER](#)

If you have enjoyed the stunning flower arrangements displayed in our pavilion, then you will not want to miss the three educational workshops planned for this upcoming Holiday Season presented by Paul Renwick. Paul, a long time floral designer, event planner, and owner of a Floral Design Shop in Alameda, California, worked with many of the Hollywood stars planning and designing their weddings and special events. He was chosen to create the Presentation Bouquets, flower arrangements and decorations for the 1992 World Skating Championships, held in Oakland, California. His special gardening talents have added to the ambience of the Friends of the Port St Lucie Botanical Gardens. As a member and volunteer, he is responsible for the Seasonal Walkway and Co-Chairs the Propagation/Garden Center as well as Chair of our Landscaping Committee. **Be sure to sign up early!**





**JOIN US THIS WEEKEND AT THE
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GARDENS COMMUNITY TRUNK SALE

Saturday • October 14, 2017 • 8am - 1pm

Come out and join the Friends of the Port St. Lucie Botanical Gardens and our numerous vendors as we present our inaugural Junk In Your Trunk Community Trunk Sale at the Port St. Lucie Botanical Gardens.

Vendors will have a host of items for sale as well as those one of a kind deals that you can only find at a community sale. This is sure to be a fun morning full of deals for the whole family.

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When: October 21, 2017

Where: PSL Botanical Gardens

Time: 8:00AM - 12:00PM

LUNCH SERVED



Earn Double volunteer hours (Core & School Students)

We need your help to get your beautiful Botanical Gardens in perfect shape for the upcoming Holiday Season and all the events we have planned for our wonderful members and guests!!

JOIN US FOR A FUN MORNING – ALL VOLUNTEERS INVITED

Consider yourself less than able-bodied? There are jobs for everyone, no matter age or ability. Bring gloves, clippers and any personal tools you prefer.



Join us for Reel Anglers Wear Pink, a morning of fishing fun and prizes at the Port St. Lucie Botanical Gardens October 22, 2017 from 9am - 12 Noon.

Come dressed in your favorite fishing attire and join other anglers as we fish the nicely stocked lake at the Botanical Gardens with Pink Barbie Fishing poles.

It's all in good fun to raise funds for local charity Friends in Pink and help their continued mission to financially assist uninsured and under-insured breast cancer patients on the Treasure Coast.

A donation of \$25 per person will get you a pink pole and T-Shirt or if you don't want to fish but want to donate, a T-Shirt. Everyone who donates will get a raffle ticket for a number of available prizes. Sponsored by the Stuart Rod & Reel Club & Port St. Lucie Anglers Club, a charter fishing trip and trophy will be awarded for biggest fish caught per club.

For more information or to Inquire about full sponsorship opportunities, please contact Curtis Clark @ 732-322-4177. The Port St. Lucie Botanical Gardens is located at 2410 SE Westmoreland Blvd., Port St. Lucie, FL 34952.

You can register by mail by completing the form or online at www.friendsin.pink/reelangers.

**REEL ANGLERS WEAR PINK
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Mail Form & Check to: Curtis Clark c/o Friends In Pink
1024 NE Jensen Beach Blvd., Jensen Beach, FL 34957

Bring the family for an evening of Halloween fun at the Port St. Lucie Botanical Gardens for our children's event

BOOTANICAL HALLOWEEN



Trick or Treat Ramble in The Gardens

**Tuesday • October 31st, 2017
5:00 – 7:30 p.m.**

It's that time again kids...put on your costume, come to The Gardens, and join in the Halloween fun. Trick or Treat in the secure and serene Port St. Lucie Botanical Gardens. Join our ghosts, ghouls & goblins in their search for goodies, candies and more! The is a free event and open to Children 0-13 years old and their families. Children **MUST** be accompanied by an adult. No Drop-offs.



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