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Upcoming Events:

2017

- January 11-12FFGC Board of Directors Meeting, Headquarters, Winter Park
- January 25 - 26Tropical Short Course
- February 5Wekiva Open House
- February 25Mardi Gras Dog Parade
- March 11Fairy Garden Party
- March 25Wildflower Festival
- April 9Pageant of Crosses
- April 26 - 28FFGC Convention.
- April 29FFGC Post-Convention
- May 6Downtown Planting
- May 16-21NGC Convention, Richmond, Virginia

Florida Federation of Garden Clubs

Tropical Short Course 2017

January 25 -26, 2017 Mounts Botanical Garden
559 North Military Trail West Palm Beach FL 33415
Highlights: "Reconciliation Ecology", "Landscaping Naturally, With Florida's Native Plants", Floral Design- "Natives, Big, and Bold or Little Bitty Beauties", "Living Shorelines", "Dragonflies", and Floral Design- "Quickn' Easy Fun To Do Floral Arrangements For Your Home".

For more information visit www.ffgc.com. Click on Events in January 2017, there is a brochure you can download or click on the link provided http://www.ffgc.org/resources/Pictures/TSC%202017%20brochure%20FINAL%209_1.pdf
All Garden Club Members are invited to attend.
Please register by January 20, 2017.

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Sensory Garden Maintenance Schedule

January: Sparkleberry
February: Marigold



*Celebrating our 90th Anniversary
Florida Federation of Garden Clubs, Inc.
Pink Diamond Status*



Garden Club of DeLand in the DeLand Christmas Parade on December 3, 2016. Great Job Judy Maurer & Lisa Schnetzer more pictures on page 2.

2015-2017 Officers of the Garden Club of DeLand

President: Susan Osterhout
1st Vice President: Betsy Dieguez
2nd Vice President: Othal DeShazo

Recording Secretary: Anita McFeeters
Corresponding Sec'y: Sharon Gullet
Treasurer: Karen Hall

Circle Presidents

Blue Sage: Ruth Moorman
Daisy: Peggy Ferrara
Valerie Seinfeld
Firecracker: Sara Zollinger
Magnolia: Elaine Waidelich
Marigold: Sharon Causey
Pauline Fenner

Pansy: Eleanor Griffin
Fran Strawn
Rose: Sue Altom
Sparkleberry: Jennifer Condo
Sunflower: Alex Andrews

“The Garden of Inspiration”

Ways and Means

Lisa Schnetzer, Chair

As we enter the New Year, Ways and Means would like to thank you for supporting our ongoing fundraiser for the Garden Club of DeLand. Please bring in your treasures and help us to continue providing upgrades for our Clubhouse.

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, Williamae Ungaro



Join us on the first Saturday of every month, unless there is an event and we reschedule. All are welcome!
Contact Diana Bitler. Rose & Firecracker Circle

FFGC Convention Information

April 26 -28

In the recent edition of the “Florida Gardener” there are several pages of information on the upcoming FFGC 91st State Convention being held close by in Orlando. Get a group together and plan to attend. Missed the article? Go to <https://ffgc.wildapricot.org/Convention-2017> and view all the information online.

Our Next General Meeting

February 2, 2017 9 AM

Program: Healthy Heart

Accessory: Something Pink

Design: Featuring a Heart

Host, Greeters & Door Prizes: Pansy Circle
In the Spirit of Love, INVITE A FRIEND

Sunflower Circle January's Hostesses

A word from the Sunflowers, the photo of us below is a gathering to paint the hypertufa we made in November. We are a super small circle of Sunflowers currently 5 members and 2 secondary members. We work together to find new and interesting gardening topics to enlighten& educate one another. The Sunflower Circle was established in 1995 and meets in the evening.



2016 DeLand Christmas Parade





FFGC Program Donation Time

The Garden Club of DeLand is very generous with supporting Florida Federation of Garden Clubs, Inc., Deep South Region and National Garden Club, Inc. programs.

Penny Pines - Every \$68.00 given goes towards planting 10 acres of reforestation. We partner with the U.S. Forest Service.

S.E.E.K. Save Earth's Environment through Knowledge

Become One with the Environment at Silver Springs State Park S.E.E.K. is FFGC's annual environmental conference for students entering grades 10 - 12

Kayak Silver River - Interpretive Tour, Hiking & Tram Tours, Focus on Wildlife and Silver River Natural History Museum, Garden Tours, Brainstorming Ideas, Networking Night, and more.

Conference fee is \$225.00 Our donations have sent several students to experience this educational program.

Online Registration Begins January 1, 2017

www.ffgc.org/youth/seek

We sent Abigail Hagan and Zoey Zacharias to S.E.E.K. in 2016.

For Scholarship information, before you do online registration,

Contact: Barbara Fiano, Garden Club of DeLand S.E.E.K. chair

WEKIVA YOUTH CAMP is a residential nature camp for 3rd through 8th Grade youngsters sponsored by the [Florida Federation of Garden Clubs, Inc.](#) (FFGC) for the purpose of instilling a love and respect for the REAL Florida in our youth through nature study, conservation and protection of our environment for the future of our state and our planet. Wekiva Youth Camp is accredited by the [American Camp Association](#).

June 18 - July 29, 2017. Open Registration begins January 1, 2017. Ryder DeShazo councilor in training. Kira Jesmain and Corinne attended in 2016

For Scholarship Information

Contact: Elaine Waidelich, Garden Club of DeLand Wekiva chair

Critter Camp is a mini-camp experience open to children that are currently attending 1st or 2nd Grade. The three-day, two-night session is well-suited for younger campers. 2017 Critter Camp will be held Tuesday, July 4 – Thursday, July 6, 2017. Registration for Critter Camp will open on January 1st.

Habitat for Humanity

Nancy Salem, Garden Club of DeLand chair

Circle Treasurers please send your donations to our Treasurer, Karen Hall. Make check payable to: Garden Club of DeLand. You may write one check, but indicate each program and the amount you would like your donation to go to.

Wekiva Youth Camp

Open House Sunday, February 5, 2017

11:30am -1pm

Wekiva Springs State Park 1800 Wekiva Circle Apopka, FL
Guided Tours and refreshments

[Wekiva Leadership Training](#) is a spring weekend orientation for adults interested in Volunteering or learning more about Wekiva Youth Camp. The 2017 Wekiva Leadership Training will be held February 3 – 5, 2017. Space is limited for Wekiva Leadership Training. The Wekiva Leadership Training 2017 Registration Form has been posted. The [Wekiva Youth Camp Open House](#) is held on a Sunday, as [Wekiva Leadership Training](#) finishes up. Garden Club members, family, friends, current campers and future campers are invited to drop by to tour the facilities and learn more about Wekiva Youth Camp. No reservation is necessary. Just come in through the Wekiva Springs State Park Main Gate and let them know you are going to the Open House.

Scholarships available through our Organization

Parents and Grandparents...take a look.

FFGC College Scholarships (\$3,000)

Available to seniors entering college and for all levels of college coursework..Must attend a Florida college/university.

Course of study must meet garden club objectives. Several scholarships available; one per student. Completed [application](#) deadline is May 1. <http://www.ffgc.org/Youth-Programs>

Deep South Region Scholarship (\$3,000)

Available to a Florida student (graduating high school senior entering college), sophomore, junior, or senior attending a college in Alabama, Florida, Georgia, Louisiana, Mississippi or Tennessee. Two awarded yearly to a student residing in a Deep South state. Completed application form to be received before February 1

National Garden Clubs, Inc. Scholarships (up to \$4,000)

Available to junior, senior, or graduate students (not doctoral students)

Awarded to Florida students attending any accredited college or university within the U.S.

Two applications accepted from Florida. ~ 35 awarded yearly throughout the U.S. Applications deadline February 1

To qualify for the scholarships above, the applicant must be a Florida resident, a citizen of the United States, and have a grade point average of 3.0 or higher. The Applicant must study agriculture, biology, botany, city planning, conservation, ecology, forestry, horticulture, landscape/architecture design, or related fields.

Sales of the “Florida Flower Arrangement Calendar” benefit the general Scholarship Fund. Another good reason to buy this Calendar each year. A lovely Gift and supports FFGC Scholarships.

"The Garden of Inspiration"

Garden Club of DeLand "The Dirt"

Norma Thomas, Grounds Chair



"Weedettes"



*Sue Altom, Sharon Gullett, Evelyn Kelsea, Judy Maurer,
Nancy Stafford, Williamae Ungaro*



11.07.16 After a tough couple of months we took the morning off and toured Williamae's gardens. Her gardens are always spectacular.

11.14.16 Today we removed the Little Ruby by the sign to prepare for winter annuals and divided and moved them to the end of the sidewalk by the back porch. Boy Scout area cleaned up. Caladium leaves removed that are down. Cool temperature this morning. Super Moon is hidden from us due to cloud cover.

11.21.16 Brrrrrr 48 degrees this morning. We planted bromeliads around the oak tree closest to Alabama. Beds were prepped for mass planting of annuals next Monday. Figure we will need about 10 trays of flowers (150 four inch) and 20 one gallon crotons. The cool temperatures we have this year should make it easier to find our winter annuals.

11.28.16 We planted 146 annuals this morning. 4 more will be planted after the general meeting. 30 multi-colored pansies, 90 multi-colored violas, 15 tall dianthus (deep red, white and multi-color) and 15 red wave petunias. Bought at Select Growers and received landscaper discount. Unfortunately, I have been unable to purchase the one gallon crotons at a good price so I will keep looking. We planted 5 trays of violas around the sign. The red wave petunias are planted in some of the pots and here and there on the grounds. Dianthus planted in the day lily bed and around the birdbath in the herb bed along with pansies. The rest of the plants were planted around the foxtails on the arbor side and around the Simpson Stopper and Fringe Tree. We cut down the Florida Sweetheart and Fannie Munson caladiums. They worked hard for us these last couple of months and are beginning their natural decline to dormancy. We will add to the caladium beds next August. Temperatures are expected to reach the mid-80s' by Wednesday which these plantings don't particularly like but will drop back down with the next cold front moving in on Thursday. There may be a tiny touch of rain accompanying this front. We have had no significant rain fall since Hurricane Matthew.

12.05.16 A busy warm morning with a promise of rain to come later today or tomorrow. Finally, this has been the driest fall months we have had since forever. We worked in our assigned areas so a lot was accomplished today. The hawthorn bed was weeded and new growth removed from the bottom of each hawthorn. The azalea bed was hand weeded. Lorapetalum trimmed down below the front windows. Roses deadheaded. Rear gardens behind the building were given attention. Self-heading philodendron limbed up and the bulbines in pots were finally put in the ground. Weeds were sprayed in the front bed and in the daylily bed. Another stake was put in to pull the tabebuia up straight. And every single annual planted is up and happy. I have been unable to purchase the crotons for the front entry for a good price. So we will grow our own or when I go back to Sarasota, I will purchase the plants at \$1.50 each from a nursery in East Bradenton. (Breaking the 100 mile rule of gardening).

12.12.16 A warm foggy start to the day. High reached 81°. All annuals are growing beautifully. We worked in our areas and fertilized using the 10.10.10 on the annuals and the roses. This is the final feeding for the roses until we cut them back in February. Sharon Causey donated a bunch of amaryllis bulbs and we planted them in front of the holly hedge (I forgot to ask what color they are.). The sprinklers are set to run for one hour once a week. We manually watered the plants around the arbor and the foxtails in the pedestal containers. We actually had some rain back on Friday early morning. Some received a down pour while others received a light rain. At this point, we are grateful for any rain.



Welcome 2017 and may we continue to grow as gardeners and friends.
Happy gardening!!!!