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CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Board of Directors Meeting:

September 26-27, 1978—Headquarters, Winter Park

ANNUAL DISTRICT MEETINGS

October 12	District I	Milton
13	II	Sunnyhills
16	III	Tallahassee
17	IV	Jacksonville
18	VI	Titusville
19	V	Ocala
20	VII	Winter Park
23	XII	Miami
24	XI	Seagrape/Lighthouse Point
25	X	Vero Beach
26	IX	Wauchula
27	VIII	Sarasota

Coming Events:

1978:

September 12-14, Gardening Study Course, Series I, Course 1, FIT, Melbourne
September 18-21, Deep South Environmental Education, Workshop, Mississippi

October 1-5, National Council Board Meeting, Montana
October 9-11, Landscape Design School, Series X, Course 3, Tampa

November 4-11, Cruise/Symposium

November 16-19, Environmental Education Workshop, Wekiva

December 1, Deadline for FFGC State Awards applications

December 1, Deadline for NCSGC National Books of Evidence

December 1-3, FFGC State Flower Show, Orlando

1979:

January 23-24, Tropical Short Course, FIU, Miami

March 7-8, Symposium, Jacksonville

March 19-24, Greening of the Government Week

March 20-22, Gardening Study Course, Series I, Course 2, FIT, Melbourne

March 25-27, Deep South Convention, Montgomery, Alabama

March 31-April 7, Blanche Covington Nature Study Course, Camp Wekiva

April 2-4, Short Course, Gainesville

April 10-12, Landscape Design, Series X, Course 4, Tampa

April 18-19, FFGC Convention, Diplomat, Hollywood

May 6-13, NCSGC Convention, New Orleans, La.

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Prickly Pear (*Opuntia Austrina*)—cactus family—(Cactaceae) Flowers 2-3 inches across. Stems green, fleshy, jointed, leafless, spiny. Fruits reddish to purple, edible, if tiny spines are removed. Spring and Summer is blooming period. Found widespread in sandy soil. Photo by: Dr. William J. Weber.

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Be A Vital Part of Your World



Did your garden club summer include touching the life of a youngster? If it did, then you are truly blessed. The combination of you, an FFGC member, and Florida young people will bring to all of us a richer life and a better place to live. Six wet, dry, fun, learning weeks at Wekiva for boys and girls who were at-home leaders in conservation activities AND four packed days of learning about water for our young adults at SEEK etched our hearts with dedication and satisfaction. These two long term, full strength activities make FFGC a leader among all the states. To be a volunteer garden clubber at Wekiva or at SEEK is to give the greatest gift you can give ... to share the things you know and the dreams you have with our youth. Besides hugging a kid today as the bumper stickers say, how about hugging your member who DID help!

If you will, the time has come to re-read my message to you in the May/June GARDENER. Your new officers need and deserve your support during this garden club year. By being a part of everything that is offered you will grow in enthusiasm and learning ... and perhaps forget some of the aches and pains. Say, if that works, let's market it as an exclusive FFGC product!

The Fall that is about to open its doors to us is full of so many great things to do. Gardening Study Course I starts Sept. 12. Join us as we get back to basics in gardening. All Florida Landscape Critics gather in Tampa on October 8 for their meeting and Landscape Design School Course III starts there on the ninth.

Have you thought about having your Christmas early? Come on CRUISE/SYMPOSIUM. Take it for credit or not. Mainly, don't be left dockside on Nov. 4 as we sail away from Ft. Lauderdale for a week of great fun in the Caribbean.

Along about now you should be sure that your Juniors have their copy of the junior schedule for the state flower show ... and say, have you entered?

Save Nov. 16-19 and come experience Environmental Education at our Wekiva workshop. It's fun! There are so many happenings inside this issue of THE FLORIDA GARDENER. Check especially on the due date for the all new Deep South publicity award. DO remember that all of us ... officers and state Board members will help you and your club. We WANT to hear from you. New ideas and evaluations of current activities are equally welcome. With the resources of YOUR state headquarters just a phone call away, you can help in programs, slides, books and the like. Headquarters is YOURS. Use it!

With the re-birth of each new day, our green world promises a beautiful tomorrow. Be a vital part of it through gardening. With special love for a great 78-79 garden club year.

Jean

THE FLORIDA GARDENER

YOU REALLY MISSED THE BOAT

... if you were unable to attend the 52nd Annual Convention of FFGC held at Daytona Beach, May 17-18, 1978.

All those piped on board by 6 bells (7:00 PM) May 16th, were treated to a Shipwreck Party which included a Barbecue Buffet, dining on the ocean front patio, fashion show, and "Kitchen Band" entertainment by the Southside Woman's Club of Jacksonville.

At the opening of the first business session the following day, we were pleased and surprised to learn that 772 members had climbed aboard for the journey of fun and knowledge. We knew we had not sailed too far from shore the first day as a Sparrow flew into the meeting room through an open porthole, and made a hasty retreat upon hearing the applause offered for the reports of Directors and Chairmen.

Our first guest speaker of the voyage was Miss Dorothy Karl of Key West, who is studying Forest Service on a NCSGC Scholarship at Yale University. It was inspiring to hear of Dori's enthusiasm for the work of Garden Clubs with the youth of today. We were fortunate enough to enjoy her company for the remainder of the convention.

Our next Speaker was Mr. Hampton Dunn, of St. Petersburg, who gave us a unique insight into the historical pollution of our Florida's heritage.

The afternoon forums of the first day included Flower Arranging and Horticulture. We were privileged to hear two experts in their fields: Mrs. Frances Bode of Sacramento, California, gave an excellent arranging demonstration on using space. She stated that design has a 4th dimension: the time it takes your eye to travel through a design. Mrs. Bode graciously accepted President Villareal's last minute

invitation to attend convention as a featured speaker. The originally scheduled arranger, Mrs. Jean Taylor, of Cheshire, England, was unable to attend, due to illness.



Frances Louise Bode of Sacramento, California, has a BA degree from Mills College in Art and Art History, and a MA from Sacramento State College in Art and Anthropology. In over 20 years of experience, she has taught more than 300 students the art of flower arranging. As an author, she has contributed to "Better Homes and Gardens", "Desert Magazine" and other publications. She is the author of *Creativity in Flower Arrangement*, *New Structures in Flower Arrangement* and is working on a new book. William T. Bode, her husband, does the photographic work for her books.

The second forum held on Wednesday was given by Dr. Julia Morton of Miami. Her treatise involved the dangers of drinking an excess amount of tea (without milk), which has been found to cause esophageal cancer. So, you "tea" totalers—better beware!

Wednesday night's Banquet closed with a vital presentation on our environment by Mr. Jeff Carroll, of the Forest Service, Washington, D.C.

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Our sleepy eyes were really opened wide at breakfast on Thursday morning, by the beautiful Florida Wildflower slides of Dr. William J. Weber, of Leesburg, (whose photograph graces this issue's cover).

The Garden Club of Jacksonville is to be thanked and commended for its gracious hospitality and concern for our welfare at all times. The table

arrangements were all beautifully designed in the nautical theme and were truly appreciated by the lucky winner at each table.

The Captain of our good ship FFGC, President Jean, has brought us through a truly interesting and educational voyage and we look forward to signing on as crew for another "ship shape" year.

FLOWER SHOWS CALENDAR

Mrs. D. O. Foshee, Sr., *Flower Shows Chr.*
9744 Scott Mill Road
Jacksonville, Florida 32217

(Please register your shows with this chairman)

1978:

October 10-13, Chipley, GROWING and LEARNING, Washington-Holmes Ass'n for retired citizens at Occupational Activity Center, Chipley Garden Club, Mrs. Vernon Nelson, Chr.

November 1, 2, 3,—Chipley, FALL FESTIVAL, a youth show, Washington County Agricultural Center, Hwy. 90 W., Chipley Garden Club, Mrs. Geo. W. Horne, chr.

December, 1-2-3, FLORIDA STATE FLOWER SHOW, "Season's Greetings" Orlando, Mrs. A. L. Paulauskas, Chr.

1979:

March 9-11, Gainesville, HOME and GARDEN SHOW, Gainesville Garden Club, Mrs. S. L. Tucker, Chr.

March 17-18, Tequesta, FLOWER SHOW 1979, Travelers Palm G. Club at Lighthouse Gallery, Mrs. Gail Sorensen, Chr.

March 31-April 1, Bartow, SPRING SHOW, Bartow Garden Club at Civic Center April 7-8, Chipley, FLOWERS and FAIRY TALES, Gingerbread House at 5th and Church, Chipley Garden Club, Mrs. Dow Gilmore, Chr.

April 7-8, Sarasota, FLOWER SHOW, Sarasota Garden Club

April 27-28, St. Petersburg, FLOWER SHOW, Garden Club of St. Petersburg, Mrs. Harrison W. Fox, Chr.

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Federation Happenings

LANDSCAPE DESIGN SCHOOL SERIES X COURSE 3

Tampa Garden Center, 2629 Bayshore Blvd., Tampa 33609

For Complete details contact:

Chairman: Mrs. E. D. Caton, 1542 Park Lane, Tampa 33603

Landscape Design schools have the specific purpose of educating both garden club members and the general public in good landscape architectural practice and the importance of the improvement of community environment. Such informed citizens will be qualified to serve as members of committees involved with the planning of public outdoor areas.

MONDAY, OCTOBER 9: REGISTRATION: 8:00 A.M.

- 8:30 a.m. - Introductions and Welcome: Mrs. Deway R. Villareal
- 8:45 - Announcements: Mrs. Dursie Ekman
- 9:00 - Development of Landscape Architecture, 1930 to present: Mr. Herrick Smith
- 10:00 - Conservation of Natural Resources: Prof. John Sanderson
- 10:30 - Recess
- 10:45 - Conservation, cont'd.: Prof. Sanderson
- 11:45 - Public Works: Mr. Smith
- 12:45 p.m. - Luncheon
- 1:45 - Small Parks and Playgrounds: Mr. Jack Siebenthaler
- 3:45 - Questions and Answers

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 10: REGISTRATION: 8:00 A.M.

- 8:30 a.m. - Announcements: Mrs. E. D. Caton
- 8:45 - Plants and Design: Dr. Neil J. Odenwald
- 10:15 - Recess
- 10:30 - Color: Mr. Eugene C. Barnes
- 11:30 - Accessories: Dr. Odenwald
- 12:30 - Lunch
- 1:30 - Standards for Evaluating Landscape Design: Mr. Barnes
- 2:30 - Design for Easy Maintenance: Dr. Odenwald
- 3:30 - Questions and Answers

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 11: EXAMINATION

- 8:30 a.m. - Instruction for exam.
- 9 - 12 Noon - EXAMINATION for both garden club members and non-members who wish credit for the course.

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READING ASSIGNMENTS:

The National Gardener (Current label required for refreshers and to take examination)

An Introduction to Landscape Architecture: Laurie (Pages 45-84; 133-166)

Landscape Architecture: Simonds (Pages 1-41)

The Book of Landscape Design: Ortloff and Raymore (Pages 213-264; 278-290)

Redoing America: Faltermayer (Pages 1-118)

INSTRUCTORS:

Mr. Herrick H. Smith is currently Director of the Landscape Architecture Program at the University of Florida, Gainesville.

Prof. John A. Sanderson is a member of the faculty of the University of Florida, Gainesville, in the School of Landscape Architecture.

Mr. Jack Siebenthaler, registered landscape architect and horticultural consultant, is an instructor at Pinellas Vocational Technical Institute.

Dr. Neil J. Odenwald is Extension Landscape Architect with Louisiana State University, Baton Rouge, La.

Mr. Eugene C. Barnes, registered landscape architect in private practice in Tampa, is also experienced in teaching landscape design subjects.

NOTE: REGISTRATIONS WILL BE TAKEN AT THE SCHOOL, BUT EARLY REGISTRATIONS ARE URGED FOR THOSE TAKING THE COURSE FOR CREDIT. STUDY MANUALS WILL BE SENT TO EARLY REGISTRANTS UP TO ONE WEEK BEFORE THE SCHOOL; THOSE REGISTERING LATER WILL RECEIVE A STUDY MANUAL AT THE SCHOOL.

REGISTRATION FORM
LANDSCAPE DESIGN SCHOOL—COURSE 3, SERIES X

NAME _____ CLUB _____

REFRESHER NON-MEMBER _____

STREET ADDRESS _____ CITY _____

STATE _____ ZIP CODE _____

Tuition Fee for Two Days,
Study Manual Included _____ \$15.00 Examination Fee _____ \$2.00

Tuition Fee for One Day _____ 8.00
Study Manual Optional _____ 2.00

Refresher Total Fee _____ 15.00 Attach National Gardener
label here if refresher or
if taking examination

Make Checks payable to: F.F.G.C. Landscape Design School, Series X
Mail application and check to: Mrs. N. J. Gay, Jr., 4509 Vasconia, Tampa, Fl.
33609

Luncheon reservation: Please check: Monday, Oct. 9 _____ Tues., Oct. 10 _____
(Cost: \$2.00 each day; pay at the school)

LANDSCAPE DESIGN SCHOOL

SERIES XI

COURSE I

November 12-15, 1978

Washington-Holmes Area Vocational Technical School
209 Hoyt Street, Chipley, Fla.

For complete details contact:

Chairman: Mrs. Bert Roberts, Jr., "The Homestead", Rt. 4, Chipley, Fla. 32428.

This is a tentative schedule. Brochures will be forwarded to each district in Florida and neighboring States of the Deep South Region by 8-1-78.

Sunday—November 12

7:00-9:00 P.M. Registration. Hospitality for early arrivals, Chipley Motel
Lobby—gratis

Monday—November 13

7:00-8:00 Registrations continued

8:00-8:15 Welcome, introductions, etc.

8:15 to 12:30 Speakers

(Lunch will be served at the School)

1:30 - 4:30 Speakers

Tuesday—November 14

Same as above

Wednesday—November 15

9:00 Examination

12:00 Deadline for Examination Papers

Two alternating tours each evening after lectures, 1. School and Nursery 2.
Retarded Citizens Center and Park (mini buses will pick up) Another tour Pine
cone Workshop on Wednesday—all gratis. Note if interested.

Special Monday Night, November 13 - 7:00 P.M.

Dinner at the Gingerbread House, all invited \$4.00 plus tax

REQUIRED READING COURSE I

The National Gardener - 6 issues per year—One year \$2.50 plus tax (See BOI)

An Introduction to Landscape Architecture: (Laurie) (Pages 13-35; 167-190)
\$12.00

Landscape Architectures: Simonds (Pages 79-114; 145-167) \$21.45

The Book of Landscape Design: Ortloff and Raymore (Pages 62-192; 291-308)
\$3.25

Homescaping (Special Ordering—a brochure kit) \$1.00

* See below. If you wish any of these books please order through your local
club or check spaces and we will order for you, add to your check and specify.

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Faculty Includes:

Dr. Vincent J. Bellafiore, School of Environmental Design, University of Georgia, Athens, Georgia.

Mr. James E. Klement, Landscape Architect, Jacksonville, Florida.

Professor Robert H. Rucker, Chairman, Landscape Design, National Council of State Garden Clubs, Inc. College Station, Texas.

Dr. Neil G. Odenwald, Department of Landscape Architecture, Louisiana State University, Baton Rouge, Louisiana.

REGISTRATION FORM

Landscape Design School, Chipley, Fla.

Series XI, Course I
November 13, 14, 15, 1978

Name _____ (Garden Club) _____

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Student _____ Critic _____ Renewal _____ (Check which)

Course \$20.00 _____ One Day \$10.00 _____ Exam \$2.00 _____

LUNCH EACH DAY \$2.50 (no tax) _____ Dinner Monday Night \$4.16 _____

* BOOKS _____

Registration Deadline: Nov. 1, 1978.

Make checks payable to FFGC Landscape Design School, Course I, Series XI
MMail to: Washington-Holmes Area Vocational Technical School, 209 Hoyt St.,
Chipley, Fla. 32428, please mark "Landscape School."

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TIGER CREEK LEADS THE WAY

by Mrs. John G. Wood
State ALT Chairman

Due to continuing interest and enthusiasm in land preservation and particularly in Tiger Creek, our American Land Trust Project, Florida Federation's Board of Directors at its June meeting, voted to support and actively participate in fund-raising for the Tiger Creek Nature Preserve and any other existing or new land preservation projects submitted by clubs for consideration.

This action duplicated the action of the Board of Directors of National Council which "in response to mounting enthusiasm and many 'we are just getting started' pleas from all over the country" approved an open ended extension of Nation Council's Land Trust program. As Mrs. Howard S. Kittel and Mrs. E. Olsen Field, National Co-Chairmen noted in their letter to State American Land Trust chairman, "Our new program ties in beautifully with President Carter's recently announced establishment of a National Heritage program. We, too, are attempting to identify, select, and protect our Nation's significant natural and historical resources through broadened strategies."

National Awards in two categories are offered to clubs. Read details in the 1978-1979 Supplement to the **Book of Information**, which will be given to all clubs at the October district meetings and in the September/October issue of the **National Gardener**.

Tiger Creek, our bicentennial era, American Land Trust program still needs your support. Funds to repay the Nature Conservancy loan must still be raised and clubs and circles are requested to include this project in their budgets. The slides program on Tiger Creek and the film "Challenge to A Nation" are still

available for club use. These may be obtained or scheduled by writing to your State Chairman, Mrs. John G. Wood, Lake Otis, Winter Haven, Florida 33880.

Mrs. Kenneth Morrison has again volunteered to lead conducted tours of Tiger Creek. Of particular interest to those making a tour of Tiger Creek is the recently opened George R. Cooley Nature Trail. Write Mrs. Morrison at P. O. Box 268, Lake Wales, Florida 33853, to schedule your club's trip to Tiger Creek.

Clubs in Florida Federation of Garden Clubs have demonstrated their interest in land preservation by their fantastic support of Tiger Creek. To date, FFGC has raised over \$85,000.00, thereby becoming a vital force in leaving the primitive, ecologically significant area as "a gift for future generations." We urge you to make land preservation a continuing project in your club. Continue to support Tiger Creek! Submit other worthy projects in your districts for consideration. All approved projects will count in national and state award contests.

The big change in the 1978-1979 Land Trust program is that all funds MUST be cancelled through your state chairman for record keeping. This will be the ONLY record kept. Checks for Tiger Creek should be made payable to the Nature Conservancy.

Membership in the Acre Club will still be opened to all clubs contributing a minimum of \$260.00, the cost of purchasing one acre of Tiger Creek and Deeds of Gratitude to Acre Club members will be presented at district meetings.

We salute your efforts during 1976-1978! We anticipate your making land preservation your club's aim and objective during 1978-1979.

...and here, in the winner's circle!

by Mrs. Edward R. Jordan,
2nd V.P., FFGC
Chairman, State Awards

The coveted Garden Club of the Year Awards were taken by two very active clubs. Congratulations go to the Garden Club of Jacksonville, (Class A, fifty-one members or more) and to the Woodlands Garden Club of Longwood, (Class B—fifty members or less.) The latter club, of forty members, was federated in September, 1976. In addition to winning this award, the "Longwood Ladies" also won the School Grounds Beautification Award, the Roadside Improvement Award, The Flowering Tree Award and were a runner-up in the Yearbook Award. This hardworking club also won a National Award. The Garden Club of Jacksonville also won other awards—a Silver Rosette for a General Flower Show, a runner-up for the Flower Show Schedule Award and won the Garden Center Award.

The Blanche Capel Covington Award went to Helen Gere Cruickshank, photographer, ornithologist, naturalist, conservationist and author. She epitomizes the qualities of leadership. She is currently serving as ornithology chairman of The Bartram Trail Study, is author of "John and William Bartram's America," is environmental chairman of the Cocoa-Rockledge Garden Club and is District VI's Legislation Chairman. This award is given for outstanding personal contributions for advancement of distinctive ideals and/or objectives; and to give Federation-wide recognition for such leadership.

Dr. Fanny Fern Davis was the winner of the Medal for Individual Achievement in Horticulture. (This medal may be awarded in

recognition of a lifetime of dedicated service in the field of horticulture or for a unique contribution of permanent scientific or technical importance, such as hybridization, genetics and propagation.) She was instrumental in the development of 2 4D, (an herbicide, used in weed killers). She has shared her knowledge in teaching others to collect, identify and photograph Northwest Florida's native plants. She has developed terraria using native ferns and mosses.

The Outstanding Service Award went to Mrs. Carl Cooney. This Award is given to recognize an individual who has, over a period of not less than two years, continuously sustained and developed any one or more phases of garden club work, with particular emphasis being given to work undertaken and promoted at the club or federation level.

Another outstanding person honored was Mrs. James R. Gotcher, who won the Leadership Award. This award recognizes the potentialities of leadership displayed by younger (from point of affiliation) members of the FFGC, to encourage further development of such qualities and to give clubs the opportunity to report on outstanding personal "contributions", activities and progress of such members.

Special Achievement certificates went to the Pachira Circle of the Federated Garden Circles of Fort Lauderdale and to Lois Kitchings, Key West.

Awards were presented at the morning, noon and evening meals on Awards Day at the Convention in Daytona Beach. Six hundred eighty-

four entries were displayed in the awards room, where convention attendees could browse. Four hundred twenty-five of these were from adults, twenty from High School Gardeners, thirty from Intermediates and two hundred nine from Juniors. We had one hundred thirty-one winners and one hundred five runners-up.

There are still a few lists of award

winners available. If you did not pick up one at Convention for your club, contact your District Director. Have your Director get one for you in September, when the Fall Board Meeting is called. You can then pick it up at your Fall District Meeting.

Reread the Awards section of your BOI. Plan now to have **your** name in the 'winner's' circle at the next convention!!

FFGC Environmental Education Workshop

**Wekiva Youth Camp
Wekiwa Springs State Park
November 16-19, 1978**

This is your golden opportunity to attend the first Environmental Education Workshop given in Florida for two years! As you remember, it was cancelled last winter because of cold weather. Now it has been scheduled for November, which is a beautiful time of the year in Central Florida.

The Florida Federation of Garden Clubs and the U.S. Forest Service is presenting this unique workshop whereby you will be given the chance to learn the educational methods which help individuals develop the skills and motivation to interact with their environment at different levels. You also will have the chance to qualify to become an Environmental Facilitator for the FFGC.

This year the workshop is being opened further to a mixed group—members of garden clubs, teachers, students (11th and 12th, college), Audubon Society representatives of state and federal agencies ... men, women ... couples ... youth ... all are welcome. Just give us advance notice so that the facilities may be set up to accommodate you.

Get in touch with your County Environmental Education officer or department. This agency may be able to help defray the expenses of a representative to attend the workshop.

Come join us for this learning opportunity ... this "fun" experience! Opportunities are few and far between ... so don't miss this one!! Register now while you are thinking of it. Use registration form below.

REGISTRATION FORM

Deadline: November 1, 1978

Name: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Affiliated with: (Club or Organization) _____

Cost \$35.00 (this includes room, meals and all materials)

Make check payable to: FFGC—EE Workshop

Mail to: Mrs. C. W. Griggs, 941 N.E. 159 Street
North Miami Beach, FL 33162

Resume of Minutes

Mrs. Melville Hall,
Resume Chairman

Pre-Convention Meeting
May 16, 1978
The Plaza, Daytona Beach

Members of the Board of Directors:

Heard officers, district directors and past presidents ratify the appointment of Mrs. Chester Schomp as Bylaws and Policy chairman, succeeding Mrs. Daniel S. Newman whose resignation was accepted with regret.

Approved the request of Sandra Leigh Nicholson that the money left from her scholarship be used to help finance a summer study program in Spain.

Accepted the bid of Robinson's Inc. for the 1980 edition of the Florida Flower Arrangement Calendar in the amount of \$20,958 for 25,000, \$21,994 for 27,000 and \$23,469 for 30,000 copies.

Ratified payment of \$91.52 to Independent Printing Co., Daytona Beach, for 2,000 copies of the FFGC membership pamphlet "We're Somebody" and \$16.90 to Halifax Blue Print Co., Daytona Beach, for 1,000 copies of "How Garden Clubs are Organized" for use by membership chairman; and pertinent expenses toward maintenance of building and grounds at State Headquarters including \$175 to Biscardi & Sons for transplanting of palms and purchase of azaleas, \$227.97 to Pittsburgh Paint & Glass Co. for replacement of damaged glass, \$346.99 to Ward Air Conditioning Co. for replacement of pan, and \$187.22 to Farm and Home Irrigation Co. for repairs to sprinkler system.

Federated Iris Garden Club [Wildflower] of Panacea, III; Tillandsia Wildflower Club of Palatka and Colony Cove Garden Club, both of IV; and the Wildflower Club of District XI.

Accepted for probation the Men's Garden Club of St. Augustine, IV; Lake Conway Woods Garden Club, VII; and Garden Club of Englewood, IX.

Heard new circles announced including Sarracenia of Milton Garden Club, I; Montclair, Secret Cove and Cedar Shores, all of Garden Club of Jacksonville, IV; and Tecoma of the Federated Garden Circles of Ft. Lauderdale, Inc. XI. Also the first reading of the resignation of Harbour Heights Garden Club, IX.

Heard a 1979 Spring Symposium has been scheduled by the Garden Club of Jacksonville.

Convention May 17-18, 1978
The Plaza, Daytona Beach

A total of 760 delegates, alternates and visitors attending the FFGC's 52nd annual "thar she blows" convention participated in programs planned by President Mrs. Dewey R. Villareal, Convention Chairman Mrs. Ira J. Varnedoe and Vice Chairmen Mrs. Joseph W. Blake Jr. and Mrs. Richard L. Bean; many gleaned treasured gardening know-how from forums, workshops and exhibits. They:

Heard the president's assessment of the first year of her term which included an expression of pride in youth work being done, initial steps taken in geriatric therapy, support given in all undertakings and personal commitments to make more meaningful her chosen theme "Learning is a Growing Thing." Related she had just returned from Hawks Nest State Park in Anstead, W.Va., where 40 state presidents worked in the high country fields using the process approach of environmental education.

Heard statistical information including FFGC contributions to the American Land Trust Tiger Creek Nature Preserve totaled \$84,434.74.

the Federation has 10,000 junior gardeners, State Headquarters Endowment Fund has grown to \$118,244.82 and its Contingency Fund to \$17,746.06, ways and means sales at headquarters during the past year totaled \$5,309.05, registrations at Wekiwa Youth Camp for the six weeks of summer camping total 626, \$6,903 has been collected to date for SEEK '78 bringing the total on hand to \$11,765.96, sale of 24,236 copies of the 1978 Florida Flower Arrangement Calendar added a profit of \$8,626.82 to the Federation's treasury, and dues were paid to the Federation on 30,832 members.

Adopted a resolution endorsing all efforts to preserve native bromeliads and other native plants; and revisions of bylaws setting forth that the Federation's General Fund shall be derived from the payment of dues and sources authorized by the board of directors; and the chairman of each committee, with the exception of the Budget and Headquarters and Endowment Trustees, shall select members of the committee.

Also that Life Membership in the Federation shall be \$50, placed in the Mary S. Compton Life Membership Endowment Fund from which FFGC dues shall be paid; that a person, either member or non-member, interested in the Federation program may become a Life Member upon payment of \$50 and approval of the Life Membership Committee, with the Life Membership to pay all state dues in one club only—the club to be selected by the Life Member.

Witnessed presentation of Presidential Citations to the convention chairman and vice chairman, to Mrs. Robert H. Spiro as president of the Garden Club of Jacksonville, hostess group for the convention; and to the 1978-79 Florida Flower Arrangement Calendar team including Mrs. Joe C. Robinson, editor, Mrs. Horace S. Furman III, finance and distributions, and Mrs. John Chornyak, promotions.

Post-Convention Board Meeting
May 18, 1978

The Plaza, Daytona Beach

Members of the Board of Directors:
Approved payment of the 1978 Convention bills.

Heard President Mrs. D. R. Villareal request Mrs. John Kressman as chairman of National Legislation to look into the matter of the Apalachicola River and Bay System and to attend Corps of Engineers hearings; and appoint a committee composed of Mrs. E. R. Jordan, Mrs. Earl Caton and Mrs. Carl Cooney to study the matter of the federation awarding special certificates to those non-garden club members passing the courses of Landscape Design Study.

Affirmed that the sum of not less than \$10,000 be maintained in the MARY S. COMPTON LIFE MEMBERSHIP ENDOWMENT FUND at all times, and approved transfer of \$14,476.57 from the fund and Life Membership fees for the current fiscal year to the federation's General Fund.

Elected Mrs. David Stouder and Mrs. Clifton Schandelmayer to serve with Mrs. Sally Rahm, appointed by the president, as members of a committee to submit nominations for a member of the Headquarters and Endowment Trustees at the June meeting of the board.

Heard "Growing on Target" announced as theme of the 1978 Fall District Meetings.

Board Meeting
June 14-15, 1978

Headquarters—Winter Park

Members of the Board of Directors:

* Federated Citrus Garden Club of Citrus County V; Wekiwa Garden Club of Longwood, VII; Morning Glory Garden Club of Zephyrhills, VIII; Indiantown Garden Club and Glades County Garden Club, X. Accepted for probation Alturas Garden Club, IX; Plantation Garden Club of Plantation Acres, XI; and heard Apple Valley of Winter Park Garden Club, Inc. [VII] announced as a new circle.

* Accepted the resignation of Harbor Heights Garden Club, IX; and of disbandments including Pine Ridge Garden Club of Orlando, High Ridge Garden Club of Altamonte Springs, Garden Center and Ivanhoe Circles of Orlando Garden Club, Inc., Little Bit of Sunshine Circle of Sanford Garden Club, Inc., VII; and Riverside Garden Club, XII.

* Ratified appointments of Mrs. George Mitcham as Civic Concern and HANDS chairman and Mrs. Edward J. Storey as State Legislative Study and Liaison chairman, succeeding Mrs. George W. Holladay and Mrs. Leslie Scharf whose resignations were accepted with regret; Mrs. Melville Hall as National Gardener chairman to fill the vacancy created by the death of Mrs. Nancy Chillias; FFGC Wekiva Youth Camp officials for 1979-80 including Mrs. Gustave Harrer as chairman, Mrs. Robert S. Hanks as registration and Mrs. Broward McClellan as treasurer; Mrs. Charles Vale as finance chairman, 1978 State Flower Show; Mrs. James E. Shelley, Symposium, Jacksonville; Mrs. J. P. Clark, Florida Flower Arrangement Calendar finance and distribution; Mrs. Carl Cooney, chairman, and Mrs. Robert Allen, vice chairman, 1980 State Convention; SEEK 1979 officials including Mrs. Daniel F. Connell as chairman, Mrs. Lowell Lucas as vice chairman, and Mrs. Harry Durand, finance.

* Elected Mrs. O. Fenton Wells as Headquarters and Endowment Trustee.

* Heard that FFGC won a total of 19 awards at National Convention, that the Jessie M. Conner Award for Environmental Education, proposed and donated by FFGC, was approved by the National Council Board of Directors; a new 76-slide program, with commentary, from Apalachee Correctional Institution is available on loan from State Headquarters; and all checks to the American Land Trust must go to the state chairman for the Federation and clubs to get proper credit.

* Adopted a new policy spelling out that a College Garden Club, composed of at least 15 student, faculty or campus-related members shall be sponsored by a local Garden Club as non-voting members of the Federation at a \$10 annual fee. Each such club will receive two subscriptions of **The Florida Gardener**, two **Books of Information** and other materials made available to clubs.

* Ratified the \$600 FFGC Student Aid Award for 1977-78 to Donald Richardson, Oakland Park, and approved a like award to him for 1978-79 at University of South Florida; awarded the Federation's George Morrison Scholarship in Landscape Architecture for 1978-79 to Margaret Inez Whitmer, Pensacola, to attend Louisiana State University; the Federation's Elizabeth McCullagh Memorial Scholarship for High School Gardeners to Catherine Catalanotto, Lighthouse Point, to attend University of Florida 1978-79; and the Federation's H. Harold Hume Fellowship in Horticulture for 1978-79 at University of Florida to John E. Matthes, with Gary Hennen and Steven Day Larson named as next-in-order recipients in the event Matthes should withdraw.

* Approved advance of \$300 for Tropical Short Course, and \$500 to the 1980 Florida Flower Arrangement Calendar committee; printing of FFGC Certificate of Achievement forms to be used by the Landscape Design Courses, Flower Show Schools, Symposiums and other events sponsored by the Federation as desired; the Federation paying 10 annual dues in the Bartram Trail Conference, and becoming a member thereof; FFGC giving \$25 toward a memorial to be established for Mary Ann Speer, daughter of National Council President Mrs. William J. Hedley; extending an invitation to National Council to hold the 1987 Convention in Florida.

* Heard a moving memorial service for Mrs. Henry Chillias, conducted by Chaplain Mrs. Clifton Schandelmayer and individually contributed to a memorial fund honoring her—subject to the wishes of Mr. Chillias; and witnessed presentation by Mrs. Charles Vale, chairman, of a \$190 check, or 10% of the total profit on the Deep South Regional Convention, to President Mrs. Dewey R. Villareal for the Federation.



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Chm: Mmrs. John T. Venettozzi
4100 Bonway Dr., Pensacola 32504

Instructors:
Artistic & FSP: Mrs. Horace I. Tompkins
Hort.—Mrs. Jesse T. Barfield

Course I—Gainesville Garden Club
January 29, 30, 31, 1979
Chairman: Mrs. Marvin A. Brooker, Jr.

924 NW 18 Terrace
Gainesville, 32605

Instructors:
Design: Mr. Bob Thomas
Hort. & FSP: Ms. Kathy Sample

Course I—Nov. 13-15, 1978
Sarasota

Chm.—Mrs. Francis C. Millican
1733 S. Drive, Sarasota 33579

Instructors:
Artistic: Mr. Bob Thomas
Hort. & FSP: Mrs. Jerome Rosenberg

Course II—Nov. 8-10, 1978
West Palm Beach

Chm.: Mrs. James F. Kirwin
723-42nd St., West Palm Beach 33407

Instructors:
Artistic: Mrs. Frank Woodruff III
Hort. & FSP—Mrs. Jerome Rosenberg

Course III—Punta Gorda
Sept. 26, 27, 28, 1978

Chairman: Mrs. Norene J. Faber
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Mist with hot water. By the time a spray of hot water mist has reached your plant's leaves, it is tepid water, not hot water. Hot water moistens the air better than water. Misting discourages at least one common pest. Spider mites thrive in dry, warm places. A daily misting helps limit their development.
from "Nebraska Garden News"

FEDERATION HAPPENINGS

Just a reminder of two upcoming events that are "musts" to attend: Cruise/Symposium November 4-11, from Port Everglades. Tropical Short Course January 23-24, at FIU

ENERGY SAVING TIPS

If everyone raised air-conditioning temperatures 6 degrees, we'd save the equivalent of 36 billion kilowatt-hours of electricity used in the Nation in one year.

PLANT ETIQUETTE

Emily Post suggests that when you are the recipient of a gift plant a "Thank you" at the time is not enough. Let the donor know how the plant is doing when you next meet him or her. If possible, return the pot. Pots are a big item of expense to the grower and their return is appreciated.

from "The Bloomin' News",
Men's Circle,
Titusville G.C.

NIFTY NITROGEN

Try using crumbled leaves from your raking when making up soil mix for your container plants. Ground-up leaves have been found to hold nitrogen from fertilizer applications longer than the more commonly used peat moss.

YOUTH DIRECTORS

For Youth to enter the State Flower Show, December 1st, they have to be registered as a unit with a sponsoring adult club. All horticulture specimens have to be in their possession for ninety days to be eligible to enter. Plants given to the children should be done so on or before September 1, 1978.

DINING ON DOGWOOD

The common dogwood serves as a cafeteria to wildlife. The bright red seeds are preferred food for wild turkeys, deer and quail and are eaten by many other birds including wood ducks, cardinals, robins, thrashers and cedar waxwings, and by such animals as squirrels, rabbits, bears and foxes.

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SPECIAL SAWDUST

Sawdust under potted plants (a 4 inch layer) helped one northern greenhouse gardener save a noticeable amount of fuel this year. He says that the sawdust absorbed heat during the day and released it at night.

LIGHT LIMITATIONS

If you own a variegated and an all-green form of a plant, give the variegated one more light. It has less chlorophyll and so needs more sun.

FFGC Wins Top American Land Trust Awards

Florida Federation won the coveted Damroth Foundation Award consisting of a cash award of \$125.00, in the 15,000 or more members category. This made Florida Federation of Garden Clubs the only state federation to win this award two years in a row. The award presentation noted that, "The actions of this outstanding federation show that the ethic which holds lands dear and irreplaceable has been truly realized across the state."

The Jane Hurt Yarn cash award of \$100.00 in the 26-27 members category, was won by the Hibiscus Garden Club, Avon Park, Florida. The judges noted "that this club's enthusiasm for the project has brought the community a conservation awareness and the belief that preservation of an area is easier, less expensive, and more rewarding than reclaiming land once it is lost."

A surprise award donated by American Motors Corporation, the use of a 1978 Concord for one year, was one of the highlights of the convention. This award was given to Florida Federation of Garden Club's State American Land Trust Chairman, Mrs. John G. Wood. The award stated that "the award was to be given to a garden club member who, for the period of 1976-1978, demonstrated unusual skill and ability and whose assistance to the American Land Trust Program proved singularly outstanding."



Roy D. Chapin, Jr., Chairman, American Motors Corp.; Mrs. John G. Wood, FFGC State ALT Chairman; Mrs. Wm. J. Hedley, National Council President; Mrs. Howard S. Kittell and Mrs. E. Olsen Field, National ALT Co-Chairman; and Nathaniel P. Reed, Honorary Chairman, ALT admire AMC Concord presented to Mrs. Wood from American Motors Corp. as a surprise ALT Award.

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Silver Seal and Civic Concern Award Winners

by Mrs. John G. Wood
Deep South and
National Awards Chairman

The prestigious Silver Seal, given to outstanding people whose work is of nationwide significance, was given to William Frank Hammond of Fort Myers. Mr. Hammond's nomination for this award was made by F.F.G.C.

The Silver Seal was awarded in recognition of his work in conservation and with youth groups. Mr. Hammond helped Periwinkle Garden Club organize "Students for Environmental Action." Subsequently, these students were influential in getting the county commissioners to hold a referendum on levying tax to acquire environmentally significant land. As a result, precedent-setting action was taken by the public who voted additional assessment on their property to provide funds for purchasing endangered land.

The coveted Civic Concern Cash Award of \$1,000.00, First Place winner in the Youth Education category was the Magnolia Circle of Ribault Garden Club, Jacksonville, Florida, which with cooperation of school officials and others, initiated projects to help young people appreciate their environment.

F.F.G.C.'s president, Mrs. Deway R. Villareal, Jr. was kept busy on Awards night receiving the many awards won by F.F.G.C. and member clubs. The first Award called, Award #1, the Kellogg Medal for Civic Achievement went to Florida for the efforts of the "SEA" High School Gardeners, sponsored by the Periwinkle Garden Club, Fort Myers. This club is recognized for involving an entire county in an educational and action campaign for the preservation of a most important mainland parcel of natural value in southwest Florida. Monumental effort involved preparation of

comprehensive booklets on the property, determining the approximate amount of money needed for the purchase, writing and distributing leaflets, organizing speakers bureaus, appearing before all organizations in the county, preparing newspaper articles, as well as radio and TV programs. Slide programs were given to more than 12,000 community members. This group won by referendum vote a .05 mill tax levy in property in Lee County for two years to purchase Six Mile Cypress Swamp.

The list of honors continued with the following Awards:

Award Number 7—Category B. White Ribbon Achievement Certificates for Especially Outstanding Garden Club Work. Woodlands Garden Club, Longwood, promoted civic concern by beautifying and maintaining the Woodlands Subdivision entrance and landscaping the barren groups of the Woodlands Elementary School.

Award Number 7—Category C. Mrs. Robert S. Stone, Winer Park Garden Club, Winter Park. Mrs. Stone has devoted twelve years to all phases of youth garden club work. Under her direction a 55 acre school campus was landscaped, litter control projects launched and Youth Environment Conferences initiated. She will co-chair the National Youth Environmental Conference at Texas A & M this year.

Award Number 13—State Publication Awards. Florida Federation of Garden Clubs. "How to Do" Mini Booklets for Officers and Chairmen.

Award Number 33—The Carrie B. Nettleton High School Gardeners' Accomplishment Award [\$25.00]. St. Ann's High School Gardeners,

Crystal River. Sponsored by the Garden Club of Crystal River. With the theme "Growing in Knowledge" and the aim "To Use the Earth's Resources Wisely," this high school group has involved themselves in a well rounded gardening program. They were invited to landscape an open-roof, glass enclosed patio at the Crystal River Geriatrics Center. They drew plans for low maintenance plantings in the patio which is used mostly by wheel chair residents. The Health Care Center at Bishop Gray Inn is another recipient of their handiwork. A "Strawberry Christmas Tree" and strawberry ornaments for everyone in the center provided a special holiday for the residents.

Award Number 49—The Elsie M. Cook Award for Landscape Design. Founders Garden Club, Mount Dora. The 28 members approved the landscaping of the new library as a club project and engaged a landscape architect to design the area. Ivy was rooted by members for ground cover and members donated plants from their gardens to be combined with nursery plants. Funds were also raised by members for the project. The project was dedicated to the 1975-77 President of National Council, Mrs. Vernon L. Conner, a resident of Mt. Dora.

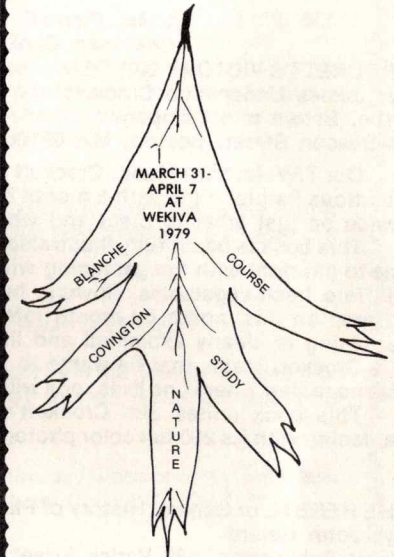
In addition, F.F.G.C. was the winner of eight National Council Flower Show Awards.

At the Life Members Banquet Mrs. Villareal was honored to receive the award for the **most Life Members enrolled in one year.**

These awards, along with the ALT Awards (See article F.F.G.C. Wins Top ALT Awards) made F.F.G.C. a top winner of National Council Awards.

We congratulate all winners and all of those that were entered for National competition. We are proud of your efforts and urge participation in this year's competition. See the 1977-1979 Book of Information and the September/October issue of the National Gardener for details.

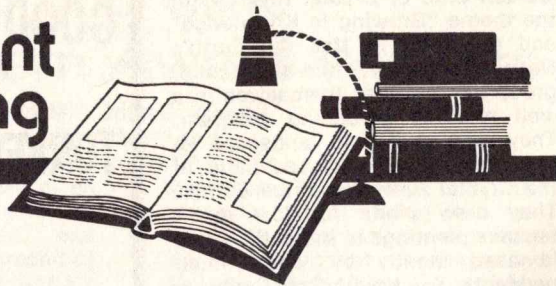
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Mrs. Pierre D. Thompson

THE HERBAL or General History of Plants
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This exquisite book originally written in the Elizabethan prose describes more than 2,850 plants and has about 2,700 illustrations. It is a lasting monument of Renaissance botany, and at the same time remains what Gerard had made, perhaps unintentionally, of his 1597 work; a remarkable combination of Elizabethan folklore and naturalistic description. What an innovative program for your club—try some of the folklore—the history is just fascinating.

The first part of this exceptional history book covers the grasses, rushes, reeds, grains, irises and bulbs; the second illustrates food plants, medicinal plants and sweet-smelling plants; and the third section reflects roses, trees, shrubs, bushes, fruit-bearing plants, rosin and gum-producing plants, heaths, mosses and fungi, as well as corals and sponges—then thought to be plants—. For each plant, the authors give its Latin and English name; the kinds, physical description, the habitat, the time of growth and all of their characteristics.

This is one beautiful book housed in our Headquarters Library and would be a tremendous addition to any library, or a truly unique gift for that special someone who really loves to get involved with plants. I do! It is simply a delight to study and enjoy.

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DISTRICT'S DOIN'S

A recent Arbor Day Program sponsored by the Ormond Beach Garden Club, included a tree planting by a local Girl Scout Troop. The Garden Club and it's Junior Garden Club provided the tree, which was planted in the park across from the City Hall. An honored guest at the program was Mayor Charles Bailey.



In support of the FFGC and President Villareal's program for emphasizing Garden Therapy-Geriatrics, Helen Cruikshank of Cocoa-Rockledge Garden Club presented a program of slides of birds and plants to the patients at the Adair Medical Center in Rockledge. Mrs. Cruikshank, a world renowned author, photographer, ornithologist shared her pictures with the patients on March 8th. Cocoa-Rockledge Garden Club has helped form a Garden Club among the patients at Adair, who are growing sweet potato vines.

DISTRICT X—

At the third meeting of the International Council on Lethal Yellowing, attended by scientists from around the world, an artistic design section was included in the program of lectures and slide presentations. It was all brought about by Mrs. E. M. Rey, a life member of FFGC. With the help of Mrs. Thomas A. Hagood, and other members of District X Garden Clubs, the show was brought to the fruition after only two meetings. The show was unusual in the fact that it depicted the now-unhappy history of the Coconut Palm, from its birth in Palm Beach County, the lethal yellowing disaster and the hope for the future through the research scientists. It is hoped that through



these efforts of such an unusual occurrence that other Garden Club members will seek out opportunities beyond the usual or the ordinary. Congratulations to Mrs. Rey for a job well done!

DISTRICT XII—

Mrs. Sally Rahm, Asst. Treas. of FFGC was recently the guest speaker at the Key West Garden Club meeting at the West Martello garden center. Sally relates an amusing story of the program, "Grooming for Flower Shows": This is one program they will always remember as Sally told them that one sure way to turn the Flower Show Judges OFF was to have a frog jump out of the plant just as the judge was closely observing it. The very next plant she picked up—what jumped out?—a frog, of course. To express her appreciation for this unexpected drama, Sally presented Lois Kitching a Frog soap dish and awarded her the "Royal Order of the Leaping Frog" at the District Meeting, recently held in Key West.



In order to celebrate the beginning of their third decade in Garden Clubbing, the Norwood Garden Club decided to procure some new stationery. As a result of all getting their thoughts together, the club came up with a new Logo, designed by John Held of Coral Gables. Since the club flower is the Hibiscus and the color yellow, here is the result of their combined efforts. Best wishes for many more happy years of Garden Clubbing!



Starting the month of June off with a bang was the intention of the Dr. Perrine Garden Club, Miami. They honored one of their members by presenting her with a Life Membership in FFGC. Mrs. Lon Sniffen (Eloise) a member of the club for 21 years, was totally surprised to realize the "President's Tea" was really a presentation meeting completely given in her honor. Pictured with Eloise were some of the local dignitaries, who are all State Board Members of FFGC: L. to r. Miss Rosemond Meriweather, Mrs. R. E. Mills, Mrs. Wilbur Stone, and Mrs. E. R. Jordan.



The S&H Green Stamps

Deep South Regional

Publicity Awards

S&H Green Stamps has long been aware of the importance of the work understanding of the aims and objectives, projects and programs of garden clubs throughout the country, we have joined together to create the new Publicity Awards. We are confident that these awards will provide increased recognition for the achievements of the National Council of State Garden Clubs.

Eligibility

All garden clubs belonging to the National Council of State Garden Clubs, Inc. may submit Press Books. The entries will be divided into three categories, based upon membership as follows:

- Small — up to 25 members
- Medium — 26 to 50 members
- Large — over 50 members

Format

1. Entries must be submitted in a theme-style binder, (Oxford brief folder) 8-1/2" x 11" or 9" x 12". All pages must be thoroughly fastened to the binder. **NO HEAVY SCRAPBOOKS, OVERSIZED PORTFOLIOS or LOOSE CLIPPINGS** will be accepted.

2. Each cover must have a label attached stating: category of club (small, medium, large), name of club, city, state, region, and the name and address of the person submitting the notebook.

3. Content must be arranged in chronological order starting with January 1, 1978 and ending with December 31, 1978.

4. The first mention of the club's name in each article should be underlined.

Content

1. Material must be submitted in Press Book form and must consist **only** of the actual newspaper and magazine clippings and be accompanied by the name and date of publication. No loose photographs will be accepted and decorative embellishments will not affect the judging.

2. Press Books will be judged on quality, quantity, and diversity of coverage.

3. Each published item must contain the name of the club or an individual identified as a club member.

Judging

1. All published material for calendar year 1978 should be compiled into the Press Book. The deadline for submitting the completed book is February 1, 1979. All entries must be received by your state Publicity Chairman by that date.

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TO: COLLEGE STUDENTS FROM: SOMEBODY

WHO IS SOMEBODY? We have already established that we are SOMEBODY—but who are we?

We are Florida Federation of Garden Clubs, Inc.—a non-profit organization of over 30,000 men and women who are interested in people, young and old and handicapped. We are concerned with all aspects of gardening and landscaping, not just in our own home area but in our communities also. We work for civic improvement and civic beauty, plus the protection and restoration of our beautiful state's natural resources. We believe college students have the same interests and concerns so why not form a college garden club?

TO: ALL GARDEN CLUBS

If there is a college in your community or nearby, do make a date to discuss formation of a college garden club with the horticulture professor or the president. Most have indicated considerable interest on their part as well as the students. Usually the president is eager to set up a meeting with faculty and key students.

So take courage in hand and explain the many advantages of belonging to a Federated Garden Club. Explain the many opportunities to increase horticulture and environmental knowledge by attending Flower Show Schools, Landscape Design Study Courses, the new Gardening Study Course, Nature Study Courses, University of Florida co-sponsored Short Courses, Tropical Short Course and Environmental Education Workshops. As a federated garden club, a college club would receive the Book of Information which lists all clubs, flower show judges, landscape design critics, all awards, officers and state chairmen along

A big FIRST for Florida—The Federated Garden Circles of Ft. Lauderdale organized a college garden club on November 11, 1977 at Broward Community College, Davie, with 21 members called B.U.S.H. which stands for Better Understanding and Study of Horticulture. The year long programs were exciting with member participation, knowledgeable speakers, workshops and field trips. With so much to offer, the membership in the club increased to 42 before FFGC convention in May. A faculty member, the horticulture instructor, is director of the club.

with the goals they have set for their program. Federated clubs receive **The Florida Gardener**, the official magazine of F.F.G.C. published five times each year containing information on District meetings, workshops, schools, courses, convention PLUS fabulous articles on horticulture, flower shows, schools and federation projects. A great way to find out what other clubs are doing. Seven Mini-Guides are prepared by state officers and chairmen to assist club officers and to acquaint everyone with the opportunities available to them.

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Awards Can Be Fun

by Nate Klein
Horticulture Education Chairman

Those FFGC committee chairmen whose activities include state awards are responsible for selecting an unbiased qualified award evaluating and judging committee.

Even though I had no participation in the evaluation or selection of winners, I am basically a sufficiently nose individual to peak at each presentation. One of the presentations for "Horticulture Achievement Trophy"—Award #22 was so original and unusual that I want to tell you about it.

What intrigued me when glancing through the "Book of Evidence" were several photos in color of empty flower pots without any plants in them. Because I'm nose, I read the entire presentation. This club effort was titled "The Right Touch—Exchange of Sick Plants." The members exchanged sick plants among themselves in the hope that someone else could revive their ailing plant or plants.

The presentation comprised the members activities and efforts in their attempts to rejuvenate and cure the sick plant they had received from another member. Each participant gave a report with photographs of their efforts and the results. Also covered were the original owners diagnosis of the plant's problem and the past therapy. Photos were taken at the time of the exchange for use as "before" testimony.

Although many individual reports were truly pixieish in reporting their efforts, and were fun to read (and to write, as well, I am sure), a learning process was discussed at several meetings, and the County Extension Agent gave a talk at one meeting on "House Plants—Their Care And Propagation." The participants also went out of their way to read and to learn as much as they could about the particular patient they were nursing.

One member, in submitting her health care convalescent report embellished it with the following

free verse, (quoted by permission of the Sea Gulls Circle of the Garden Club of Orange Park):

POOR FLUFFY DUFFY

I once received a Fluffy Duffy
it didn't look sickly to me.
Nursed it and loved it like all my
others
but somehow it wasn't the same.
My own plants are all so healthy
how come this one didn't progress.
Guess it missed the original owner
for
continued health or success.
This plant no longer is with us
No thanks to me.
I need more research
This is plain to see.

By: Bev Daub

And the "after" photo accompanying the above just showed an empty clay pot.

One of the individual reports was rendered like a medical history including Patient History, Diagnosis, Prescription, with weekly reports signed by the attending physician. Another report indicated survival but no improvement; and one was handled as though it was an Obituary notice in the local paper outlining cause of death and mentioning healthy survivors. Many others reported great success with their therapy—sometimes due to the knowledge and care of the attending gardener, and sometimes, I'm sure, because of the inherent characteristics of the plants.

All in all—it would seem that this trading of ailing plants is an excellent program for any club or circle, especially if the participants will try to learn how to treat the particular plant they are trying to rejuvenate. Some gardeners, like me, are born optimists, who hope that all injured or sick plants will eventually recuperate. My wife, Anita, was so adamant about the demise of several Bonsai that I once took them, at her insistence, to the

Bonsai class we were then attending for autopsies. She was right that time! But my own patience has been rewarded this year. Several plants and shrubs planted outside, that appeared to have been killed by the

freeze of 1976-77, have again shown new growth for the first time this year after leaving them alone all last year, except for pruning the dead branches. One more time—patience is a great asset for a gardener.

Plant Society Activities

by Mrs. Robert E. Hunter
Improved Cultivars Chairman

In the last ten or fifteen years there has been an explosion of interest in plants. This has had a catalytic effect upon plant societies, revitalizing interest in them and vastly increasing the numbers of their members, especially among young people. One of the main reasons for this is that plant societies are our principal sources of information on improved cultivars, hybridizing activities, experimentations and importations. Most of their magazines publish either monthly or yearly a list of recently registered cultivars with a description, which helps to keep us up-to-date.

In the world of horticulture in Florida we have had a particularly active year. The American Begonia Society held its Eastern Seaboard Convention in Miami this year for the first time. This was not only attended by members of the Society from New England south but a large delegation came from California also. In West Palm Beach on October 16th, a new branch society will be founded, which also is expected to be well-attended.

Many plant societies held large shows this year. Camellia shows start early in the year mostly in North Florida. Orchid and Rose shows were held from Miami north. Miami and West Palm Beach had large Fern shows and also Hibiscus shows. Orlando, Jacksonville and Gainesville had Daylily shows but at the head of the list for innovative action were the Bromeliad societies. This was really a landmark year for them as the eight Florida societies banded together to form the Florida Council of Bromeliad Societies and

to present the first competitive Bromeliad show to be held in Florida. This was held at the Fairchild Tropical Garden in Miami in May and is to be an annual event to be held in different cities. In 1980, the International Bromeliad show will be held in Orlando. All of these plant society shows are showplaces for the latest and the best in plant hybridizing and are, of course, eagerly awaited by all plant devotees.

Added to this resurgence of activity and to whet our interests still further, we have the appearance of not one but two new plant magazines published in this state.

There are many excellent journals published by plant societies and most of these are published elsewhere, usually California, so the information contained may not always be specific for our climate and our plants. Therefore, it is an occasion for real rejoicing to have two new magazines written here for us and our growing conditions.

"Grande," published by the new Florida Council of Bromeliad Societies has many color-plates which should be helpful in identifying various cultivars, as well as articles on local people and plants.

The other magazine to be added to the Florida scene is "Aroideana." It is published by the International Aroid Society, based in Miami. The magazine however, is published in Sarasota under the direction of Dr. Michael Madison of the Marie Selby Botanical Garden and is a very scholarly journal. It is doubly welcome as there has been so very little written in English about the Araceae family.

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