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## Looking Ahead at GGC

Oct. 1	Judges Council
Oct. 13	Garden Tour Host Jasmine Circle
Oct. 16	Fun with Flowers 10 AM (9:30 Social)
Oct 18	Board of Directors 9:30AM
Oct 19	Fall District V Meeting- Lake City
Oct. 20	Gold Star Dedication- 10AM VA Hospital
Oct. 20	Roadside Beautification 8AM
Oct. 25	Circle Meetings
Nov. 8	GGC BOD 9:30 AM
Nov. 13	FWF @ the Village 10 AM (9:30 Social)
Nov. 15	Circle Meetings
Nov. 29	Holiday Design Work shop

## GGC Mission Statement

Members of the Gainesville Garden Club are special people who appreciate the importance of friendships while they promote the beauty in nature, stimulate a knowledge and love of gardening and design, aid in the protection of birds, butterflies and native plant material, and participate in civic and environmental responsibilities.



The Gainesville Garden Club, Inc.  
Florida Federation of Garden Clubs, Inc.  
Gainesville Elks Lodge #990, BPOE  
And  
Gold Star Mothers-Gainesville  
Cordially Invite You to Attend  
The Dedication of the  
National Garden Clubs, Inc.  
Gold Star Families Memorial Marker  
A Tribute to Gold Star Families

Saturday, October 20, 2018 at 10 AM

Malcom Randall VA Medical Center  
1601 SW Archer Road  
Gainesville, FL 32608

Reception to Follow on Location  
Rain or Shine

RSVP appreciated but not required  
ggcfl.org@gmail.com



**Guest Speaker**  
Ann Marie Rainer, Vice  
President  
Amaryllis & Caladium  
BULB CO  
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**Fantasy Holiday**  
Amaryllis Designs with  
Bruce Cavey  
Gardener Extraordinaire

**Workshop Demonstration**  
Forcing Amaryllis in pots

**Breakfast Bar Buffet**

**Shop for exclusive**  
Amaryllis bulbs!

**HOLIDAY  
WORKSHOP  
NOVEMBER 29**

### Time

**9:15A Breakfast Bar**

**10:00A Workshop**

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## President's Message

Welcome Garden Club members and friends to the 2018-19 program year! We've got lots in store for you.



Although, as a club, we take the summer off, many members worked on projects and planning. The Aged to Perfection Committee had us ready to go on September 6, well in advance of when we gather in circle meetings. Our General Meeting, with the assistance in planning of the circle 2nd VP's was well received with 61 members and guests attending.

Members worked on school gardens, attended the FFGC short course, were fascinated with the Begonia Workshop and propagation, spruced up the Matheson Library landscape, and completed the landscape of Women Build House #11 as well as attended the dedication bearing gifts (a GGC membership!) and horticulture knowledge for the homeowner.

Our membership is on the rise starting the year at 205! Thank you all for inviting friends and exposing our mission to the community! We welcome all who have joined us to carry forth our message and our club into the future! Many thanks to Linda Schoellhorn as our 1st VP for her efforts. We are excited about the changes and additions to the yearbook she has made. You will receive them at your first meeting.

In the next two months, the dedication of the Gold Star Families Memorial Marker on October 20 and our Holiday Design Workshop & Amaryllis Sale, November 29 will be the clubs focus. We hope that you will support these worthy and wonderful events!

In gratitude and service,

Fran Maris



## Gold Star Event

In May 2015, with the approval of the Department of Veterans Affairs, the Gold Star Families

Memorial Marker was added as an adjunct program to the Blue Star Memorial Marker Program which began as a National Garden Clubs, Inc. initiative in 1947.

There are 39 NGC Gold Star Families Memorial Markers throughout the United States. The Gainesville Garden Club will have the 1st Marker of this type and size in the State. There is a smaller NGC Gold Star Families By Way Marker in the Palm Beaches Area.

THE TRIBUTE LINE ON THE GOLD STAR FAMILIES MEMORIAL MARKER IS: "A tribute to Gold Star Families whose loved one paid the ultimate price defending the United States of America."

The name Gold Star came from the custom of families of servicemen hanging a banner called a service flag in the window of their homes. The service flag had a star for each family member in the United States Armed Forces. Living servicemen were represented by a Blue Star, and those who had lost their lives were represented by a Gold Star.

Gold Star Families is a 501(c) (3) not for profit organization created to provide support to those who have lost a loved one in service to our country through the United States Armed Forces. All family members representing all conflicts, all branches of service and all circumstances of death are supported.

## District V Fall Tour

The District V meeting will be held in Lake City on Friday, October 19. We hope you will attend. GGC will host the Spring 2019 Meeting. Let's show great support this fall and encourage attendance for our meeting in May. The net proceeds from hosting the Spring District meeting will go to Ways and Means of our club! New members, this is a good opportunity to see the workings of FFGC as the Fall meeting is the Tour of Officers who present reports from the State level. This will be Claudia's last tour as President! Carpooling from our club can be arranged. Email Fran at Blaiser96@aol.com. Registration forms at circle meetings.

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone#: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_ City: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Garden Club: \_\_\_\_\_ E-mail: \_\_\_\_\_

**Please check choice of meal.** Meal :  Vegetarian Option:  Payment enclosed \$25.00

**Please make check payable to: Lake City Garden Club and mail to: Sharon Blanton, Registrar, P.O. Box 1463, Lake City, FL 32056 (Sharon 386-496-0756 or JoAnn Torrans 386-365-8120)**

Please check all that applies to each registrant.

<input type="checkbox"/> FFGC Officer	<input type="checkbox"/> District V Officer	<input type="checkbox"/> Delegate
<input type="checkbox"/> FFGC Chairman	<input type="checkbox"/> District V Chairman	<input type="checkbox"/> Alternate
<input type="checkbox"/> Former FFGC President	<input type="checkbox"/> Club President	<input type="checkbox"/> Member
<input type="checkbox"/> Former District V Director	<input type="checkbox"/> Circle President	<input type="checkbox"/> Guest

Our beautiful garden center is a responsibility we all share. We are obliged to maintain and update as needed to provide comfortable surroundings for our members and to attract new members, public groups and individuals who are drawn to our lovely setting for their events.

In an effort to keep the membership informed of our progress in this endeavor we offer:



### Financial:

News from your Treasurer ..... at the start of a new Garden Club Year!

This summer has been spent learning the ropes of producing year end information for our CPA for our Federal Tax Report (ick!) .... but it has put the past year in perspective with thoughts for this year. So what are our strengths - from the treasurer's point of view??

Number 1 has to be the strength of the Circles! Of course, each Circle has their individual fund raisers and projects, but did you know that the Circle Contributions for the past year exceeded \$3,600? Those contributions underpin our Projects and Programs for each year.

We had a super successful financial year, and I have high hopes for a repeat year! Here is a snapshot of the accounts as of August 31, 2018:

Total Cash & Investments, as of August 31, 2018:	
Checking:	\$29,199.74
Money Market:	\$27,732.81
CD 7801	\$52,125.87
CD 2930	\$50,094.57
Total	\$159,152.99

— Kathryn Stephens, Treasurer

### Building and Grounds

The BOT met on May 29, 2018. The following was reported as completed or was approved to be done:

- Inside ladies restroom, replace AC unit and light. Kathy Stephens painted the vanity table, mirror and lights, and replaced the chair.
- Pressure washing all concrete: Chris Patrick completed August 26. \$400
- Roof and gutter cleaning completed-Handyman Extraordinaire-Rick-\$450
- Roof Repaired over storage room and stained glass stepping stones leveled to sidewalk height-Handyman Extraordinaire-\$120
- LCB Ceiling plaster scheduled for Monday, Sept. 24 and painting scheduled for Thurs. Sept 27-Southern Comfort Home, \$1,397.50. Southern Comfort Home met all needs of plaster, paint and cleaning. They are certified building contractor, licensed and insured.
- Approve building of a storage room addition for approximately \$30,000, with half to paid from GGC funds and half to be requested as donations from members. Permitting and design in process.

The following was approved via an e-poll of trustees:

- Removal and cleanup of fallen oak tree & damaged sweet gum tree – award-

ed low bid to Conrad Irving for \$3,900, work to be completed by Sept 20, 2018.

The following will be addressed at the Sept 18, 2018 meeting:

- Bid to Clean Windows: Southern Comfort Home-\$325 for all outdoor. Handyman Extraordinaire referral-\$550 for inside/out and \$275 just outside. Not insured.
- Discuss Gutter from courtyard left side to area behind LCB.
- Hose in front drive - need nozzle for hose to water planters at front walkway.
- Follow up on Florence's tree in front camellia bed which died. Bruce to remove in October. Lynnette to follow up on purchase of new tree and installation. Make decision on tree species.
- Kitchen - replace door in the left side of kitchen to match the right side (put in 3 years ago). We have hardware in hallway cabinet which was donated.
- Ladies Bathroom - New toilet seat in right side; new handle in stainless for inside pull type door. Stage door has the pull we need to match; kick plate and hand plate in stainless needed.
- Main building – Chandelier - look at options to remove as needed and wire so has a switch when hanging.
- Main building - new blinds
- Outdoors - Water buildup in circular driveway may need to pipe it into the center.
- Driveways need to be repaired where black top is erupting. Is this part of the street? Would County be responsible?

— Linda Schoellhorn, Chairman, Board of Trustees

### Rentals:

June rentals - 7 ; July rentals - 6 ; August rentals - 9 ; September rentals - 7

We are pleased with the number of rentals that we have had in the past four months ( including this month to date ). We are particularly pleased that U.F. rented our facility for two full days. We also had 2 wedding package rentals. These types of rentals add significantly to our income.

We constantly receive unsolicited compliments on our venue; the beautiful grounds, cleanliness of the facility, reasonable rates, etc.

Thank you Florence Cline and Maggie Viele for their volunteer time during the ' set up ' time for an event and a thank you Mona and Fran for their untiring efforts, skills, and expertise in soliciting renters. They are doing a great job!

— Lee Kline, Chairman, Rental Committee

## Membership

Yearbooks will be handed out at your first Circle meeting and include a couple of changes in format:

- The GGC Calendar has been moved closer to the front since that is frequently referenced.
- The calendar has also been expanded to one page per month and will have more information on activities than previously shown and will also list the birthdays in that month.
- For each month, a circle has been assigned to one of the following tasks:
  - 1) Maintain gardens at GGC (not just butterfly garden) and Ronald McDonald House entry garden;
  - 2) Refreshments for the GGC Board meeting, and
  - 3) Refreshments for Fun with Flowers.
- In the alphabetical member listing in the back, the year each member joined has been added. These years came from the database I am in the processing of building (which tracks the year joined by when a member first appears in the yearbook); if you know you joined earlier, please let me know and I will correct.
- In addition to the budget for the coming year, the budget and actual expenditures and revenues for the prior year are included.

Once you receive your yearbook, please let me know of any other corrections as soon as possible so I can let others know.

— Linda Schoellhorn, First Vice President

## Community Awareness

Recognition of National Garden Week was June 2-8. Gainesville Garden Club members: Ami Kanu, Jen Girth, Marni Most, Shelley Warner, Fran Maris, Kathy Stephens, Linda Schoellhorn, Janet Greene, Rose Kimlinger, Pauline Shochet and Lee Kline

recreated a Fun With Flowers Floral Birthday Cake to Celebrate our 94 years in the community. These beautiful arrangements were then delivered to BBVA Compass on Newberry and in Millhopper (club bank), Ellet Insurance (club insurer), Carr, Riggs, and Ingram (our accountants), Chicco's, Tower Road and Millhopper Libraries, State Farm Insurance-Tish Oleksy and UPS Store Tower Road (Club Patrons), Wild Birds Unlimited and the Gainesville Mayors Office.



Ami Kanu, Jen Girth, Marni Most, Shelley Warner, Fran Maris, Kathy Stephens

Many thanks to Kathy Stephens for the wonderful salad and plum tart-homemade with love and so delicious! What a treat and so much fun!

## Notes of Appreciation

Kudos to Kathy Stephens for her artistic creativity and endeavor in beautifying the ladies restroom in the main building. Kathy used a few paint brush strokes with several blending colors to create a new look for the mirror. She repainted the vanity in front of the mirror, painted and replaced the chair and painted the lights and added new shades. Thank you so much Kathy and her husband Ed as her assistant (replacing the mirror!)

Many thanks to Jean Fouraker and Deedee Whitehead for their work on Inventory of the clubhouse. These ladies cleaned and organized the storage closet in the main building and all rental tablecloths are in clear bins with labels. A binder was made showing pictures and cloth length for easy description. A sign out sheet is hanging from the shelving unit. A new shelving unit was added. Drawers were organized in the kitchen and all cabinets are labeled on the outside with contents! These ladies spent many hours and are super wonderful volunteers! Kudos for getting us organized!

Thanks to Kathy Concannon for donating new cutting boards and baking sheets! Great job ladies!

## Another Successful FFGC/UF Short Course

Jeanice Gage (Wildflower Circle) has completed her 5th and final year as short course chair. All the evaluation are in with enthusiastically favorable reviews. The programs featured strong informed speakers with a diverse range of topics including landscaping for birds, using begonias in shade gardens, use of native trees, recycling the garden and concerns for the threatened gofer tortoise and indigo snake. Margaret Chodosh presented an outstanding Design Program for the Tuesday evening program and Mimosa Circle prepared and served a much appreciated dinner.

To top it off, Jeanice presented a \$1,632.54 check to Florida federation of Garden Clubs.

A very successful tenure. Thank you Jeanice.



# Civic and Community Service

## Women Build

When Jasmine Webb and her family received the keys to their new home this summer. About 40 friends and supporters turned out for the joyous and inspirational dedication of WB House #11, the Toni Chiara Memorial House. Ellen Shapiro and Janet Greene, represented the Gainesville Garden Club and presented various yard-related gifts (they had porch furniture delivered the next day). Lunches were also provided through out the build by various members of GGC. The new homeowner offered heartfelt thanks to the many volunteers, donors, and organizations that helped her achieve her goal of home ownership. We wish Jasmine and her family a long and very happy life in their new home.



## Matheson Library and Archives Grounds Clean-up

We had a very motivated crew for June's grounds clean-up at the Matheson Library and Archives building. The clouds helped to keep the temperature tolerable and the volunteers made it fun. The weeds were abundant but we persevered. I'd like to thank Janet Greene, Pat Sampson and Linda Schoellhorn of the Gainesville Garden Club, and Charlie Cobb, Ashley Milam and Bob Mounts of the Matheson Museum Board of Directors for all their hard work. We all appreciated Bobby Parker, librarian of the Matheson Library and Archives, for hosting us and giving us an interesting tour of the beautifully restored building



Looking great after clean-up. The historic Gainesville Gospel Tabernacle building, which was built in 1933, was renovated and restored by the museum in 2016 to house the Matheson Library and Archives. Thanks to all who participated!

— Greg Young, VP Matheson Board

## Circle Community Projects

### Jasmine

Jasmine Circle has selected the Greater Duval Neighborhood Community Garden to receive their 2018 annual community grant. The \$1,000 grant will allow the Duval Neighborhood Association to move forward with the installation of a sustainable Community Garden in the 4th oldest neighborhood in Gainesville. The Garden will serve almost 200 residents, providing opportunities to develop gardening skills, supply fresh vegetables and fruits to residents, and create a place of natural beauty in the center of the residential neighborhood. The Jasmine Circle is thrilled to stand with other community partners in supporting this local effort that truly does "Color Our Canopy".

### Daisy

Daisy Circle has taken on "Cell Phones for Soldiers" as one of its projects in the coming year. The goal of the project is to provide troops and veterans with free communication services and emergency funding. Donations of new or gently-used cell phones and tablets from all wireless carriers and brands are accepted. Each donated device will provide troops with an estimated 2.5 hours of FREE talk time.

If you have a cell phone or tablet that you are no longer using, please bring it to a Fun with Flowers workshop. Daisy Circle will collect the donations.

## Camp Wekiva



Addy and Adley



Antonio (red shirt)

Gainesville Garden Club's Jasmine and Wildflowers Circles sponsored Wekiva campers this summer. According to all responses and appearances this was wonderful opportunity and a much appreciated experience.

# Horticulture

— Lois L. McNamara

## Opportunities abound for Garden Club members and their guests!

*On September 27th*, Dalia Hobbs will host GGC members, giving us the chance to see her signature plants: many varieties of dahlias. If you've lived in more northern parts of the U.S., you know that dahlias are the stars of late summer gardens. However, they are somewhat tricky here in north central Florida. But Dalia has mastered this species! Visit her garden, be amazed and learn what it takes to grow these beauties.



*On October 25th*, we will have the chance to visit two gardens: those of neighbors Mary Schindler and Becky O'Brien. About three years ago Mary started buying plants for the shady edge of the woods in her backyard. Then she had a stone staircase built to access the garden.

About a year ago, she started to clear the woods to make room for more shade plants. Now she has a collection of over a dozen varieties of ferns, ground covers, and shade plants spilling over the hillside and into the woods behind her house.

Mary's front yard features a succulent garden near the front entrance. The beautiful expanse of lawn in no way hints at the picturesque space behind the house, where Mary has turned a nondescript wooded area into a stunning shade garden.

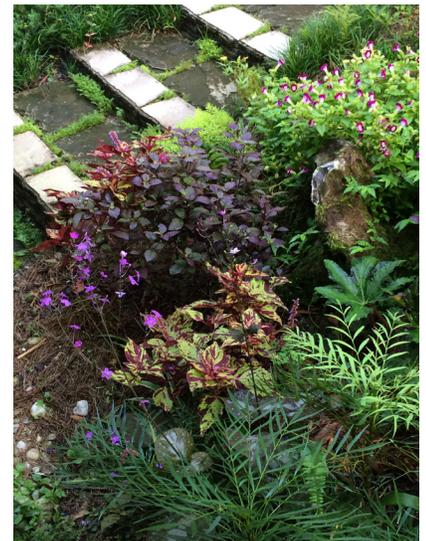
Becky O'Brien lives next door to Mary. Becky describes her yard as "A pine shaded acre featuring a large sculpture in the back yard, where she and her husband Dave have worked to create a garden along a slope to solve a mowing issue." By late October, the pyracantha and tangerines should be adding orange to the scene. Becky has a flair for color combinations. Her front yard combines unusual shrubs, camellias and her prized tabebuia tree. Maybe she'll invite us back when in the spring it's in bloom?



Note: Both of these yards contain some uneven sloping terrain.



Put these gardens on your afternoon schedule for the days that you have circled meetings. You will not be disappointed!





## Peggy Martin and the Story of Her Rose

By Lois L. McNamara

Peggy Martin, of Plaquemines Parish, LA, was an accomplished gardener and a rose lover; this rosarian had a collection of over 450 roses that she grew with organic methods in her rich alluvial soil. One of her favorites was an unnamed pink rose that she had received in 1989 from a friend in New Orleans who had gotten it from a relative. This pass-a-long plant was a thornless Old Garden rose that had prompted Peggy's interest in these old roses.

Peggy and her businessman husband lived near her parents close to the Gulf of Mexico on a strip of land between two levees that kept the Mississippi River at bay. When Katrina was approaching in 2005, her parents could not be persuaded to leave. The levees held, but the 30 foot storm surge from the hurricane filled up the space between the two levees like a bathtub. Tragically, her parents' bodies were found floating in the muddy water two days after Katrina passed through. Bulldozers broke through to release the brackish waters two weeks afterwards. When Peggy and her husband returned to their home site in the third week, they found that a huge oak had fallen on their house; a few pieces of china were all they could salvage; her husband's shrimp boat was demolished and the vehicles in his shed were inoperable. But then she saw a bit of green coming through the sludge beside the shed: it was the nameless pink rose. Subsequently, Peggy and her husband sold that property and moved to the Baton Rouge area; you can be sure she took cuttings of the rose and started new ones.



When her friend, Dr. Bill Welch, a professor at Texas A and M University, read about the rose, he came up with the idea of getting different rose growers to propagate the rose and name it the 'Peggy Martin' rose. The growers agreed to give \$1 of the price for each rose sold to a fund to restore gardens in the area affected by Hurricane Katrina. Peggy Martin herself continues to serve on the Board of the Heritage Rose Foundation. The rose named for her has been cloned over and over; thus, this rambler continues to spread its beauty. May you be so lucky as to have one growing in your garden.

## An Outstanding Sister Team Presented Horticulture and Design

Our first general meeting of the year (held on September 14th) was a huge success with an overflow crowd of members and community guests. We were well entertained and informed by FFGC officers Gina Jogan and Tina Tuttle presenting on a horticulture and design theme. They have an impressive résumé including presentations, awards, accreditations, publications and recognitions. If you missed it you may be lucky enough to catch their sister act in March when they will be presenting at Judges Council at GGC.



### In Our Thoughts

Claudia Lambert suffered a TIA and was hospitalized . She is now home

Rose Kimlinger is valiantly trying to manage trigeminal nerve pain.

### FFGC

GGC members Claudia Bates, Lorene Junkin, Jeanice Gage, Inez Brooker, Margaret Chodosh, Linda Schoellhorn and Fran Maris attended the Florida Federation of Garden Clubs, Fall Board of Directors September 12-13 at headquarters in Winter Park.

## Begonia Propagation Workshop Brings Fun and Plants Together!

The Begonia Propagation Workshop was held on August 11, 2018 at the Gainesville Garden Club. The workshop had 48 attendees and instructors Doug Pridgen, Marc Frank, Mike McCaffrey and Rick Schoellhorn were kept busy for a solid two hours, presenting information on this fascinating group of plants, and instructions on how to take stem, rhizome, and leaf cuttings. Attendees went home with many different plants and cuttings to try in their home landscapes and containers.



Marc Frank, Rick Schoellhorn, Doug Pridgen, and Mike McCaffrey.

The program included a brief presentation on the types of Begonias, and the different methods of propagation as well as answering questions then moved into a hands-on workshop where attendees propagated their own plants of the over 40 different kinds of Begonias that were propagated; both the well-known varieties and a lot of rarities were distributed for the attendees to take home. The workshop ran from 1:00-3:00 pm and allowed the attendees to move about and meet each of the instructors and see the different techniques they used to grow Begonias at their own homes.

Everyone had a great time and there was lots of discussion about how to do this kind of workshop with other plants for the home landscape in the future.



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## Fun with Flowers

**October 16th** - FWF is with Barbara Crevasse from Crevasse's Florist November 13th - FWF will be at the Village, held at Lake House Commons. Scott from Floral Expressions will be the presenter.



### On Tuesday, November 13

- Fun with Flowers will be held at Lake House Common in The Villiage, 8000 NW 27TH BLVD. GGC will pay for the first 10 village residents who sign up. Floral Expressions will be the designer and will demonstrate how to create a winning floral arrangement for fall or Thanksgiving. The normal fee of \$17.00 applies to all GGC participants.

Hopefully we will have a large number of our members attending this friendly outreach. We get a lot of new members through our Fun with Flowers program

## GGC + UF Homecoming = Fun

At the Board meeting in September, it was voted to participate in the UF Homecoming Parade with the generous donation of the use of an antique car from David Willkomm, Begonia Circle. David has agreed to drive. The club will pay the entry fee. We need a committee to make a sign and decorate the car so it wonderfully represents GGC. Please contact Lynnette Worley at [wworley@aol.com](mailto:wworley@aol.com) if you are interested. Please help and meeting will be scheduled in the next few weeks



The University of Florida Homecoming Parade is the country's largest student run parade! With over 120 participants ranging from local charities, businesses, and student organizations, the homecoming parade is truly a Gainesville tradition. Local schools are closed for the day and the University Ave sidewalks are lined with alumni, students, and the local community. As for details, this year's event is Friday November 2nd from 12 PM to 2 PM on University Ave from Gale Lemerand to Main Street. Can't wait to see you there!



Butterfly Garden and RMH entrance:  
October -  
November -

**Daisy Circle - Sandra Arnold**

Peggy Billings and Linda Sparks passed away this year and members attended Peggy's memorial and scattered Linda's ashes in the Butterfly Garden.

We held a garage sale in June and will host a Card & Game Day Luncheon fundraiser on January 9, 2019. Proceeds will be used to purchase NGC children's books: "The Saved Seed" and "The Frightened Frog" for all elementary school libraries in Gainesville. Future projects will include flower arrangements for Ronald McDonald House and Winn Dixie Hope Lodge; Cell Phones & Tablets for Soldiers; Penny Pines, Coral Reef Restoration; Brave Harvest for Children; and circle workshops. Our focus will be on networking, education and fun, in a positive, supportive environment.



**Begonia Circle - Inez Brooker**

Begonia supported Aged to Perfection by donations and attendance. Kathy Heimer baked beautifully decorated cookies. They were pretty awesome! Another new member, Jo Lee Houlihan wrote an article and it was published in the Gainesville Sun. Lynette Worley helped with set-up and cooked tenderloins for canapés. Many members donated items for the silent auction and David Willkomon organized the band and played percussion.

David is also providing plants for planting at hospice.

Lorene Junkin and Inez Brooker are members of the State Board of Directors and attended the meeting in Orlando where they also were present at the Flower Show Judges meeting.

Lynette contributed much time and effort in arranging and setting up the September General Meetin.

Begonia will be working in the Butterfly Garden and McDonald House this month.

**Gardenia Circle - Fairlie Bagley**

Prior to and over the summer members of Gardenia Circle have been busy. In the spring Susan Thrall did a demonstration of floral design at Chico's in Plaza Royale. This was an effort to encourage folks to join Gainesville Garden Club. Information about Garden Club was distributed.

Fairlie Bagley, Alicia Nelson, Susan Thrall, and Paula Waterman from Gardenia attended the Short



Susan Thrall at Chico's

Course in June. It was well organized and provided a lot of valuable information.

Over the summer Juanita Miller provided sweets to the folks at Hope Lodge.

We actively participated in the latest Habitat for Humanity Women Build home. Lunch was provided on one of the workdays. A contribution along with Mimosa Circle was made for a gift card to enable the homeowner to obtain gardening tools. Shelley Warner presented a gardenia bush to the homeowner, Jasmine, and attended the August 5 ceremony where the keys were turned over to Jasmine.

Kathy Murphey prepared food for Aged to Perfection event; quite a few members and guests of Gardenia Circle attended.

In the fall Shelley Warner and Susan Thrall will be chairing Fun with Flowers.

Gardenia Circle will host the pecan sales again this year. Information will be delivered to Circle Chairman as soon as we get it. We usually learn prices, etc. around October 1.

We are looking forward to an exciting season of Garden Club in 2018-2019.

**Jasmine Circle - Becky O'Brien**

Many of our Jasmine members have stayed busy all summer helping out in the community and at GGC. In June, a big team

did the landscaping at our 10th Women Build Home for Habitat for Humanity. We were invited back for the formal dedication of the home in August and presented the proud new owner, Jasmine Webb, with a Jasmine membership and joined with the entire club in



presenting her with a patio set to enjoy in her new yard.

Twelve Members, working in teams helped maintain the Butterfly Garden over the summer - a challenge in our summer, steam heat. Also, in June, Greg Young organized a GGC work team to maintain the plantings at the Matheson Museum.

Jasmine members also provided enthusiastic support for the second annual Aged to Perfection, taking on the task of organizing and decorating for the silent auction. Thanks to DeeDee Whitehead, Jean Fouraker, Barbara Cloud-Weisman, and Ellen Shapiro for leading a large, hard-working team of us in collecting wonderful items, display, and helping host.

Now we can set our sites on what's ahead for Jasmine. We start our meetings with a program about plant identification. Mark your calendar for Saturday, October 13 for a three yard garden tour. Your Circles will have details. In late October for the first time, our evening meeting will have a Fun With Flowers program. We are ready-set-go for Jasmine.

## Mimosa Circle - Janet Greene

Mimosa is excited to start the garden club year with seven new wonderful members. Several of these ladies have already stepped up to take an active part in preparing, serving and cleaning up at the short course dinner in June and working to prepare food for the Aged to Perfection event this month.

Two members attended the Begonia Propagation Workshop and are watching the cuttings closely in hopes of new plants. We thank Rick Schoellhorn and friends for a very interesting and fun hands on session.

Our Sept. meeting will be held at the home of Dalia Hobbs. We will learn about dahlias and tour her dahlia garden. She certainly has a green thumb when it comes to producing these hard to grow flowers!

We have some great programs and field trips lined up and welcome anyone to join us.



## Wildflower Circle-Claudia Lambert

The Wildflower Circle had twelve members and two guests attend our end of year meeting in May. Dr. Maranda Elswick presented the program on "Toxic Plants to Animals." Arlene Davis showcased her pictures of tulips from her recent trip to Holland.

The Circle donated \$50 to Women's Habitat to help provide landscaping plants for the home. We also provided lunch June 23rd for the ladies working at the Women's Habitat home build. Money has been sent from our Circle to purchase one acre of pine trees at Penny Pines.

Money was donated to the Gold Star Mothers marker at the VA Hospital by several Circle members.

A donation was made by our Circle to Celebration United Methodist Church in memory of Judy Mace.

Mary Harding worked on the Audit Committee for Aged to Perfection. Thanks, Mary!

Our September meeting will be held at Northwest Grille as a Fall kick-off luncheon.



Maranda Elswick, Claudia Lambert, Rose Kimlinger, Jean Bender, Peggy Caswell, Martha Allen and Mary Harding.

## Birthday Blessings~



Aster flower signifies happiness, loyalty, and elegance. You want to lead a life that would make you content and happy. You try your best and always succeed in whatever you do. You are good at emoting but you like to have a patient ear as well.

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Gail Birket 1  
Barbara Smith 6  
Audrie Hoehn 10  
Jerry Cellon 12  
Margaret Chodosh 15  
Gail Cook 15

Becky O'Brien 19  
Kathi Bowker 20  
David Willkomm 20  
Joyce Ashley 23  
Nicole Levy 23  
Susan Nugent 30



Calendula flower signifies calmness, elegance, good luck and appreciation. You are peace-loving by nature and a deep thinker. You are good at communicating and that makes you expressive in life. You have a clear heart.

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Jeanice Gage 4  
Sandy Jones 4  
Lucille Little 5  
Ernestine Ellington 10

Lois McNamara 13  
Mary Schindler 21  
Mary Ann Crawford 21  
Betty Parkell 31



Chrysanthemum flower signifies happiness, companionship, affection and wealth. You are noble in your thoughts and like to help others. You have good judgment skills that help you in your career. You are a real charmer and you make many new friends.

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Claudia Lambert 4  
Stacey Copenhaver 5  
Michelle Jensen 6  
Alee Karpf 9  
Cile Pfahler 13

Jill Carter 14  
Carol Knowles 15  
Donna Heider 22  
Lynne Randazzo 30

# *Aged to Perfection Revisited*

The September 6th, AGED TO PERFECTION event to Benefit Gold Star Families Memorial Marker was a great success. The Auction Committee lead by Jean Fouraker and Deedee Whitehead and food committee lead by Mo Dawson and their committee members presented a wonderful open house, social and unique auction. There were 96 RSVP's but many more attended estimated at about 150 people. The band consisting of member David Willkomm from Begonia Circle was a new addition and well received. The Gross Revenue was \$3200 with a net of \$2900. The proceeds will be used for Catering for the Gold Star Dedication and other expenses. Thanks to all who worked, attended and supported this memorable occasion!



## Plan to Attend These Community Events

Native Plant Sale Friday, September 28 from  
4:30-6:30PM (members)  
Sat. 9.29- 8:30 Non members

Kanapaha Orchid Show and Fall Plant Sale  
Saturday & Sunday  
October 13 & 14

Butterfly Fest at the Natural History Museum  
Oct 13 & 14-

## Are you a Super Sleuth

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