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## Looking Ahead at GGC

April 6th	Final Roadside Pick up 8:30AM
April 7-10	FFGC Convention St. Augustine
April 13	Junque in the Trunk and GGC MarketPlace 9:00AM-3:00PM
April 16	FWF at GGC Social 9:30AM Program 10 AM
April 18	BOD Meeting 9:30 AM
May 2	BOD Meeting 9:30 AM
May 3	Blueberry Picking
May 8	District V Meeting GGC
May 16	General Meeting and Installation of Officers
May 30	New BOT and BOD 9:30 & 10:00 AM

## 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.

## GGC Marketplace April 13, 2019 - 9:00 -3:00

The Marketplace is a fundraiser for GGC with artisans and makers and collectors selling treasures! Vendors with unique items, plants, food and garage sale items for "Junque in the Trunk". Proceeds will go to GGC Community Projects.

Barbara Cloud-Weisman offered to create a whole marketplace event around the garage sale items, inviting vendors to rent space at GGC to bring their wares for sale, too. Barbara and her committee have recruited 23 vendors for the Marketplace along with garage sale goodies in ten vehicles. The rental fees for the reserved spaces for Marketplace also go into the GGC Community Projects funds.

There will also be some lunch items for sale and home-baked cookies, along with our Circles selling some great items as well. Look for our Junque in the Trunk vehicles under our beautiful oaks.

Please volunteer for a two hour "shift" during the day. Come to shop and to help. Email Becky O'Brien with your offer to volunteer: [2beckyobrien@gmail.com](mailto:2beckyobrien@gmail.com). We need greeters, help with food sales at lunch, people at our GGC table to sign-up folks interested in GGC memberships.

Plus, you can help us get the word out. If you are a member of an HOA with an email listing, please contact Jo Lee Houlihan ([joleew@yahoo.com](mailto:joleew@yahoo.com)) or Becky O'Brien and they will email you a short announcement you can share with your neighbors via email.



## May 16, 2019 General Meeting

Guest speaker Bonnie Satterthwaite from Espoma Organics "Organic from the Beginning". Her topic will be:

### "There was no Miracle Gro in the Garden of Eden"

Bonnie is originally from Savannah, Georgia and currently resides in Virginia Beach, VA. She has over 18 years of experience in the lawn and garden industry both wholesale and retail with a strong emphasis on employee training and consumer seminars. Prior to joining Espoma, Bonnie was a very successful sales representative for Wyatt Quarles, a lawn and garden distributor. Our meeting will start with coffee at 9:15 am with Bonnie speaking at 10 am.



There will be a short memorial for our members who have passed this year followed by lunch and installation of officers for the coming year.

## President's Message

Wow! It is hard to believe that two years (almost!) have passed in taking the office as your President! I gave it everything I had as I promised you! We accomplished a lot but I am most proud of the fellowship and friendships that we developed! Of course our goal in leadership is to be a part of a bigger picture, carrying on the goals set forth by our founders, building on the work of those who came before us, adapting to cultural revolutions to stay current with shifting population trends and also with sensitivity to the generation of our members and to set solid precedent to move us successfully into the future impacting our community. In an advisory role, I look forward to working with our new team to continue the good work of GGC.



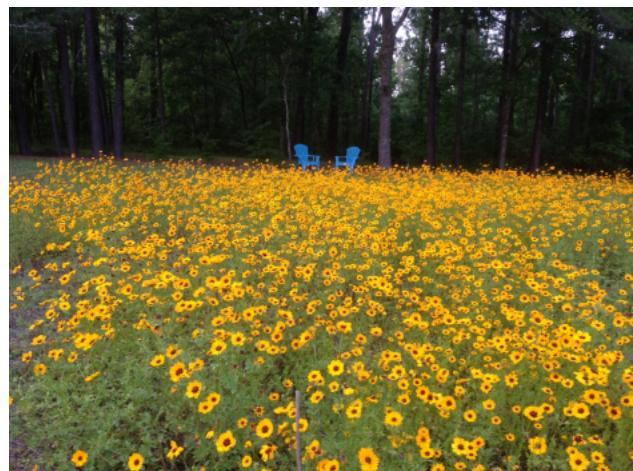
Please support our Junque the Trunk and GGC Marketplace on Saturday, April 13. It's going to be a wonderful day. We look forward to our District V Meeting at GGC on May 8 and our Installation of Officers, Great speaker from Espoma Organic Fertilizer and annual memorial service on May 16.

I thank you from the bottom of my heart for your love and support. This experience of service in this leadership role to GGC will most certainly be one of the highlights of my life! Love you all!!

Fran Maris

Florida Federation of Garden Clubs,  
The University of Florida Short Course  
and  
District V  
**BEES, BUTTERFLIES AND BLOOMS**

June 9-11, 2019  
Gainesville, Florida



Join us for the 2019 Short Course!

Please encourage members to support FFGC in this great educational opportunity-\$75 members \$95 nonmembers. Registration for the Design Dinner on Monday, June 10 with Elaine Parisi is a separate registration - \$35. Go to the GGC website for the agenda and registration form.

Save the Date and Register NOW!

## FFGC District V Meeting

Wednesday, May 8, 2019.



This event is held and hosted by GGC.

Reasons to come:

1. Support GGC, this is a fundraiser for us!
2. Bruce Cavey is presenting on propagating and caring for Hydrangeas! He will focus on the variety "Endless Summer" and plants will be for sale! This part of the meeting in itself is all the reason to spend \$25 to attend.
3. Lunch will be catered and wonderful!
4. Learn what other clubs are doing in our district!
5. Support Jeanice Gage as our 2019-2021 District V Director.
6. And Priceless-Spend time with GGC friends before we recess for summer! Registration form is at the end of the newsletter. Print and send to Mary Harding, ASAP!!

2019 Convention Registration Form download pdf:

<https://ffgc.org/resources/Documents/Registration%20Form%20with%20Registrars%20Name%20Final.pdf>

Registration must be Postmarked March 31, 2019

No Walk Ins.

LATE REGISTRATION FEE Add \$40.00– if postmarked after Sunday, March 31, 2019

# Meet the 2019-20 GGC Slate of Officers

3/17/19 Nominations:

**President Elect, Linda Schoellhorn** was born in Yakima, Washington and as an Army brat, lived many places in the US and the world including Japan and Germany and continues to enjoy traveling, Australia and New Zealand most recently.



She joined GGC-Jasmine Circle in 2003 and served in Jasmine as Secretary, Treasurer and Chairman and for GGC as Treasurer and First VP. She especially enjoys working with other GGC members on their many community projects. She and her husband frequently share their 3 acre gardens with members and friends and are always happy to pass along plants from their yard. She spends a lot of time with her immediate family who live close by and especially enjoys time spent with her two granddaughters, ages 5 and 2.

## 1st VP – Vacant

Considering co-chairs to manage membership/yearbook duties

## Co-2nd VP Elect

### Becky O'Brien



Becky spent a long career in jobs focused on children as an elementary teacher, mental health counselor, child protective worker, legislative aide, author and administrator at Department of Children and Families. Now retired, she's learned a lot about gardening and enjoys messing about in her yard, GGC, volunteering and playing with her grandchildren.

### Susan Thrall



Susan has been a member of Gardenia Circle since 2013. She has a PhD in geographic information systems and she retired after 25 years of teaching computer science at Florida Gateway College in Lake City, FL. She and her husband Grant, who is a retired UF professor of land economics, have lived in Gainesville since 1983. She enjoys cooking, going places via bike, walking, motorcycling, driving her Mustang convertible and Segwaying, fashion, traveling, and making floral arrangements at Fun With Flowers.

**The following officers have agreed to continue for another term:**

Treasurer - Kathy Stephens  
Recording Secretary - Rose Kimlinger  
Corresponding Sec. - Lynette Worley

## Chairs for Standing Committees

1. Awards - Jeannie Bender
2. Birds /Butterflies - Florence Cline
3. Civic & Community Service - Diane Robar -
4. Grounds - Fran Maris
5. Clubhouse Facilities - Janet Felder
6. Inventory - Jean Fouraker and DeeDee Whitehead
7. Clubhouse Rentals – Mona Rippe
8. Roadside Beautification - Janet Greene
9. Floral Design/Flower Show - Claudia Bates and Lee Kline will help
10. Fun with Flowers - Susan Thrall and Shelley Warner
11. Garden Therapy - Diane McCall
12. Historian - Rose Kimlinger
13. Horticulture/ Wild Flowers – Kathy Fanning
14. Hospitality - OMIT
15. Membership - 1st VP
16. Memorials - Inez Brooker
17. Newsletter - Mo Dawson
18. Programs – 2nd VP – Becky O'Brien and Susan Thrall
19. Publicity – Jo Lee Houlahan
20. Social Media – Cat Parsons
21. Spring Garden Festival – Carol Binello
22. Ways and Means – Pauline Schochet
23. Yearbook – 1st VP
24. Youth Gardeners – Vera Rabino

We fully appreciate the difficult and time consuming work required of the Nominating Committee. We extend our gratitude to committee members Lee Kline, Betty Anderson, Pauline Schochet, Paula Waterman, Jeannie Bender, Becky O'Brien, Linda Schoellhorn, Janet Greene, Susan Thrall.

## In Our Thoughts

Georgette Peters from Mimosa Circle  
Steve Felder, honorary member of Mimosa Circle, recovering from shoulder surgery

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 the Treasurer!

Total Cash & Investments, as of March 30, 2019:

Checking:	\$ 7,917.12
Money Market:	38,204.71
CD 7801 (Maturity Date: 6/07/2019)	52,688.97
CD 2930 (Maturity Date: (1/31/2020)	50,746.14
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$149,556.94</b>

And the report to date for the very fashionable Fashion Show Luncheon ...

Ticket Sales: \$1,925.00  
Raffle: 466.45  
Expenses: 476.00  
**Net Proceeds: \$1,915.38 WOW!**

— Kathryn Stephens, Treasurer

## Rentals:

This is our April through summer number of reservations: April 3 , May 5, June 4, July 2, August none. This count can change because of the graduations and baby showers that seem to get booked later than the weddings. Our committee is looking for members who would like to work on this rental committee. It is fun meeting new people and also seeing how they appreciate what we have to offer. Many of the people never knew that the garden club was there. They appreciate the grounds and the privacy provided. Please call either myself, Mona or Fran if you are interested in joining our committee.

— Lee Kline, Chairman, Rental Committee

## Board of Trustees:

Building and Grounds

Solar shades in the Main Building have been installed. Ninety-two new chairs have been received and will spray with Scotch-guard to protect them. Yellow paint on edge of steps completed

by Florence Cline & her Uber driver. Storage Building – we're in process of trying to secure bids. So far, no bids have been received. If anyone knows of a contractor who might be willing to submit a bid, please contact me or Fran.

—Linda Schoellhorn,

## Membership:

Dues for 2019-20 must be received by your May 23, 2019 Circle meeting, so please make sure your Circle treasurer (or for General Members – the Club treasurer) has received your payment and has been updated as to any changes or additions to address, phone numbers, or email account. Our deadline for reporting members to FFGC is June 1, 2019, so it is imperative that your Circle Treasurer send me your member lists in a timely manner. Please do not make this job hard for your Treasurer! Let her know as soon as possible that you will be continuing (or joining) GGC. Don't make it hard for them to get an answer from you! Thank you for your prompt attention to paying up!!!

—Linda Schoellhorn, Membership Chairman

## Butterfly Garden

Thanks to Daisy and Gardenia Circles for maintaining the Butterfly Garden during the months of February and March. Mimosa Circle has this assignment in April and Wildflowers Circle in May.

Plans are moving forward to having plant sign holders and labels that identify the plants in the garden. A special thanks to Lois McNamara, Ellen Shapiro, and Jean Fouraker for assisting with this project. Watch for this garden addition during the month of April.

— Wilma Gordon  
Birds & Butterflies Chairman

**A New Protocol** has been established for sanitizing dishes, etc. by Mimosa Member Kathy Powell. It is posted above the sink. If you are going to have an event where you will be washing dishes please contact Kathy so she can help you with the procedure.

## A SUCCESSFUL GGC SPRING FASHION SHOW AND LUNCHEON

Thanks to everyone who attended, modeled and worked on the committee! With your time, talent and treasure, gross revenue was almost \$2400, net revenue was \$1,900 and we had a wonderful day enjoying the ambience created, fashions modeled, hats displayed, fabulous food creations, multitude of door prizes and baskets and friendship shared!

Specifically to Bruce Cavey, Michelle Gorday, and Kathy Concannon what a great trio in developing a plan to make the room a beautiful site! For 22 door prizes from local source and between the 12 centerpieces, 6 raffle baskets and thoughtful goody bags at each place setting, we are so grateful to Michelle! To our creative chefs, Kathy Concannon, Mona Rippe, Carol Binello and Carrie Krone the presentation was uniquely GGC. The time (shopping and preparing), energy and thoughtfulness that went into the menu and accoutrements made the day so special! To Kathy Concannon for the table toppers and vases, your donation of fabric and time sewing has been such a gift to our members! To Nicki Byers for creating Ms. Kalanchoe! To Kathy Powell for organizing our wash team to make sure all was clean and sanitary! Our kitchen team, plating up, organizing, serving and clean up, you were amazing! To Mary Harding for getting us started on the right foot, thanks for being our registrar! To Janet Greene for working with Dillards and our models exchanging information and writing the bios, it was a nice touch! To Linda, for the wonderful printed program. Jean Fouraker, you are always steadfast in so many things. To Kathy Stephens for the handmade candles our hat competition winners received. To Stacey Copenhaver for the last minute finishing touches with plants and for using her spring break to help us! To Cat Parsons for helping us get the word out and to Gerardo and Christina for your gift of photography! To the women build team who gave back to us, Pat Alba and Sarah Harrison. To Pauline, Lynnette, Becky, Ami, and Anne Clarke and others who helped us pull it off, again, it was one more wonderful day at Gainesville Garden Club.



## More Successful Fund Raising at Kanapaha Spring Festival



GGC Children's Corner



Flower Decorated Paper Bags



Tell me about Gainesville Garden Club



The Morning Team



Volunteers Antonio and Amarya Mitchell - our Wildflowers - sponsored campers!!!



Pinecone Bird Feeders



Setting up



Having a plant to take home



A happy paper hat fitting

# Color Our Canopy Updates!

## 16th Ave project .... restoring the Crepe Myrtle Avenue & the GGC sign

We have written our County Commissioners and will schedule to appear at a Alachua County Commission Meeting to enlist their



support of an ongoing restoration of the 16th Ave. Crepe Myrtle medians. For this year, Alachua County Horticulturist, Neil Greishaw, encouraged GGC to plant wildflower seeds on one median, between the cross streets of NW 27th Terrace & NW 26th Way on NW 16th



Ave. 2 lb of coreopsis basalis seeds were purchased & planted in November by Wilma Gordon & her husband John, and the County provided the "Wildflowers by Gainesville Garden Club" sign. We did plant the entire median – however, the wildflowers have bloomed first on the west end and seem to be progressing slowly eastward. **Cost: \$45**

## UF Bee Lab Project .... GGC provides and installs flowering trees week of March 18th.

The initial list of desirable (bee friendly !) pollinator trees specific to North Central Florida (as specified by Dr. Jamie Ellis and his staff) was encompassed in a landscape design drawn up by the students of the UF Landscape Design program and overseen by Dr. Gail Hansen.



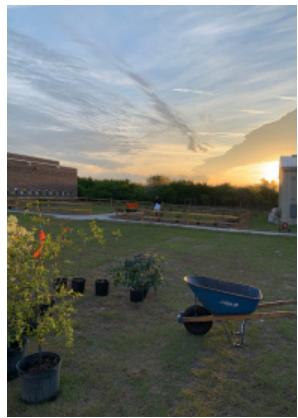
Dr. Ellis & Dr. Gail Hansen



Students presenting the design & Fran Maris



Alan & Linda tagging trees for the Bee Lab on a chilly February morning



Landscape installation began at the crack of dawn (literally!) March 18th.



Landscaper Michael Sciardi unloading "our" trees



Half Moon Growers, Bruce McElroy & Kathy Stephens on tree delivery day.



Don't you love the Fringe Trees ... all fringed out!

**Total Cost: \$600**

Locating the specified trees, especially the natives, became quite a hunt. We owe tons of thanks to Alan Shapiro for his search among local wholesale nurseries & and his ability to identify mere twigs in black pots without the aid of tags. Alan, Linda Schoellhorn, and Kathy Stephens selected, tagged, and organized the tree pick up by UF. We are still lacking 2 very desirable Florida Willoows – if our members have any resources for locating them.

## Matheson History Museum Project...

GGC has added flowering trees to their ongoing landscaping project. Greg Young (Jasmine) has worked with the landscape architect and they requested 4 – 10 gal vitex trees. Alan scouted these out at Tropical Traditions, and late February we selected 4 very nice trees for the Matheson. **Total Cost: \$192**



## Plant flowering trees on GGC grounds !!

A replacement St Luke's plum tree, donated by Begonia Circle, was planted by Bruce Cavey in the front beds at GGC in honor of Florence Cline. It is blooming now!



## *More Civic and Community Service*

### CHILD CENTER FOR EARLY LEARNING- PROJECT-28

On February 26, JASMINE CIRCLE created centerpieces for the luncheon recognizing all of the accomplishments made during the 5 months since they opened. Four Jasmine Circle members attended the luncheon to hear about the center and what we might be able to do in the future for gardening projects for the children .

We were thanked by the director and thanked in their program

The CHILD CENTER (an extension of the Southwest Advocacy

Group, or SWAG) is collaborative partnership that works to bring together the collective experience of several different organizations (SWAG, UF, O2B Kids, Head Start and ELC) to provide extremely low-cost, high-quality early learning programs to 57 low income children. As part of that mission, they also offer significant support and resources for the families of those children (including a number of parent engagement events), and serve as a model demonstration center where teachers, researchers, and policymakers will come to study and learn best practices in early childhood care and education, professional preparation, and innovative models for translating research findings to practice. The Child Center just opened in August and have made great strides toward achieving their goals in such a short time.



### COME CELEBRATE WITH US!

The Paynes Prairie Chapter of the Florida Native Plant Society Invites you to join us and celebrate our 30TH ANNUAL SPRING NATIVE PLANT SALE! (Co-hosted by City of Gainesville Parks, Recreation and Cultural Affairs and Friends of Nature Parks)

Saturday, April 20, 8:00 am - 1:30 pm  
Morningside Nature Center, 3540 E. University Ave.  
Gainesville FL 32641

Native trees, shrubs, grasses and wildflowers suited to north central Florida

Informational booths to help you choose the right plant for the right place' (Park-a-plant system making it easy to shop, pay and pick up plants)

- Nature walks on the hour
- Vendors selling books and other related items
- Educational booths
- Activities for kids

Enjoy refreshments at Mayflower Cellars food truck and musical entertainment by Boilin' Oil Bluegrass Band. (Sorry, no dogs please)

Questions?

Call Morningside Nature Center at 352-393-8240

### Roadside Beautification – Janet Greene.

Our next roadside cleanup will be on Sat. April 6th at 8:30. Meet at 405 NW 13th St. (Cricket Wireless parking lot.) Please sign up at your circle meeting or email Janet Greene if you are available. We will furnish the equipment and you furnish the energy to get it done! Thanks to all who have generously given of their time and energy to keep our designated two mile section of 13th Street looking good!

# Horticulture

— Lois McNamara, Chairman

## Hello, Goodbye

Say hello to Kathy Fanning, your incoming Horticulture Chair for the 2019-20 Garden Club year. Kathy, a member of Jasmine Circle, has real credentials for the position. She has degrees in botany and taxonomy. She has worked as a biologist and botanist. In other words, she has the scientific background for the job, as well as the practical experience that is gained by being a gardener. She is a master gardener - one of our most valuable MGs. I know because I've worked with her on various MG projects.

So this is my swan song – my last column to you as Horticulture Chair. I have very much enjoyed working with Mo in writing for the Seedling; we are so lucky to have Mo doing our newsletter. I've also been happy to have gotten our GGC Open Garden tradition started. I think it is important for Garden Club members to have an opportunity to share their gardens with others in the club. Visitors certainly take home ideas to implement in their own yards. Kathy has indicated that she would like to continue these tours, and I have agreed to assist her in the technology of photography for these tours or in other ways, as she chooses. But the expertise will be hers. Lucky for you! After all, I'm only trained as a master gardener and an avid gardener. With Kathy as Horticulture Chair you are getting someone who really knows botany!

## Open Garden Tours

We have two exciting Garden Tour Days to close out our present Garden Club year. On April 25th, we are invited to visit the gardens and spacious properties of Inez Brooker and Lynnette Worley who live next door to each other. These are yards on toxonomy that we haven't visited before. Inez and her late husband Martin nurtured and planted on their property for decades. With an eye

for interesting natural objects, Inez, being one of our distinguished floral designers, acquired a load of lovely driftwood some years ago. Much of it is displayed in her yard and on her spacious deck, which overlooks the woods and the terrain that slopes down to a creek.

Lynnette and her husband have made a special effort to cultivate a variety of citrus trees, the fruit of which she generously shares with Begonia Circle members.

After purchasing the property about ten years ago, she sought the design advice of Beau Nelson for her yard; he made a point of incorporating the exposed tree roots into the design plan, which results in some interesting and unusual features. Lynnette now maintains the yard herself.

Interesting Driftwood and Hard Scaping in Inez's Yard

In May, as we conclude our Garden Club year on May 23rd, we can journey to the High Springs area to see the lovely yards of Carol Wiltbank (Gardenia Circle) and

Janet Evans (Jasmine). Janet's house is a cottage; therefore she has a cottage garden adapted to North Florida with perennials and annuals.

Carol's garden uses a lot of perennials to attract butterflies and birds. She has arranged her yard so that it has several "garden rooms."



Carol's Butterfly Garden

*What interesting and beautiful yards await us! Make plans now to see these inspiring horticultural treats.*

## Spreading the Word...Fertilizer

While enjoying a delicious meatloaf and potato dinner, Jasmine Circle digested a meat and potatoes gardening lesson on Fertilizer Know How. Our teacher was Wendy Wilber, Florida Statewide Master Gardener Coordinator and UF IFAS Extension wilbewl@ufl.edu . The chemistry lesson became entertainment made even more engaging with Wendy's illustrated slide show crammed full of the nitty-gritty of all kinds of fertilizer information. Wendy says that Quick Release products like Miracle Gro are like a kid's Happy Meal for plants and causes salt build up, so be aware. The richness of her presentation surpassed "Happy Meal quality" but here's a "Quick Release" of a few highlights.

Among the 17 essential nutrients to prevent deficiencies in plants are Never Punch Kittens, the acronym for nitrogen, phosphorous, and potassium.

- Our sandy Florida soil presents a challenge and needs help and nourishment every year: mulch, soil amendments, fertilizers.
- We can fertilize every season, but not when heavy rain is predicted which will wash it away
- Do not use lawn fertilizer under palms as it impacts their uptake of needed nutrients. Use palm fertilizers instead.
- We fertilize to enhance growth (bugs love fresh growth so be prepared), produce more fruit and flowers, and prevent deficiencies.
- The color of leaves warns about deficiencies.
- Azaleas which prefer acid soil don't do well next to concrete slabs.
- Read the package directions on fertilizers. Call the 1-800 number on the bags for good help.
- Nature Safe at Helena Chemical (HW 441 before Alachua) is a good 10-2-8 fertilizer.
- Fertilizer terms to know are Blend, Grade, Ratio, Complete, Inorganic and Organic.
- Read plant tags
- Follow UF/IFAS recommendations
- Fertilize as needed
- Be mindful of pests, maintenance, and environmental issues
- Keep in mind that Job Sticks fertilize a tiny portion of the soil.
- Don't use weed and feed on lawns as it effects absorption of nutrients for nearby shrubs/trees.

Wendy closed by saying that 30% absorption of her talk would be a good result. (Take another look at that power point) and in answer to a question about sod replied, "The best grass for heavy shade is mulch." This personable presenter would be a treat for any garden club or circle.



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### Fertilizer Know-how

Wendy Wilber  
State Master Gardener Coordinator  
UF/IFAS

## Fun With Flowers

Fun With Flowers has had a very successful 2019 first quarter. In January, there were 47 participants. Joan Prange of Prange's Florist gave a lively presentation with an arrangement of hydrangeas, sunflowers, and snapdragons. In March, there were 41 participants. The presenter was Christian Laramore of CC's Flower Villa in Lake City, FL. We created a very cute bunny in the grass basket arrangement with tulips and carnations. Participants were delighted with their results.

On March 18 a special Fun With Flowers was presented to residents at The Village. Susan Thrall of Gardenia Circle gave the demonstration of a topiary flower arrangement and 5 Garden Club helpers circulated among the participants to help them. The helpers were Fairlie Bagley, Janet Greene, Lee Kline, Fran Maris, and Shelley Warner. The residents had a great time and thanked the garden club members multiple times. We are hoping to continue this community service again in the future.

On April 16 we will have our last Fun With Flowers for the season. Betsy Gardner of The Plant Shoppe Florist will be giving the presentation. Betsy always gives a unique and interesting presentation. Hope to see you there.



Janet Greene, Lee Kline, Shelley Warner, Susan Thrall, Fran Maris and Fairlie Bagley



## Butterfly Garden & RMH entrance March - Gardenia April - Mimosa

### Begonia Circle - Inez Brooker

Begonia is sending Alex Richards to camp. He is Florence's grandson. We donated \$50 to Habitat for Humanity women build. Hatch Creek Nursery is donating the plants for Kanapaha. Florence is securing the plant. Members are donating pots and bags for the plants. We joined Mimosa circle for the March meeting to hear Tom Hector speak on Birds and how to attract them to your garden.

### Daisy Circle - Sandra Arnold

Members of Daisy Circle worked in the butterfly garden in February and met to begin planning our calendar for next year. Pat Sampson and Harriet Suggs volunteered for Roadside Beautification, and I modeled at the GGC Garden Party. On March 5th, we attended the Alachua County School Board Meeting. We were recognized and presented 46 NGC children's books (one of each), "The Saved Seed" and "The Frightened Frog", to the 23 elementary school libraries in Alachua County.



### Gardenia Circle - Fairlie Bagley

Gardenia - Fairlie Bagley. For our February meeting held at Oak Hammock three Gardenia Circle members presented travelogues of past year travels. We will be presenting travelogues at a combined meeting January 2020. One member worked on the Roadside Pick-up. The Circle provided lunch on March 2 for the Habitat Women Build home #12, which is in Jonesville. Seventeen members and guests attended the Fashion Show and Garden Party. On March 18 Susan Thrall will be presenting a Fun with Flowers type program for the residents of The Village.



### Jasmine Circle - Becky O'Brien

Many thanks goes to our team of volunteers to help at the Kanapaha Spring Festival.. Carol Binello rocked that Children's Corner once again along with lots of volunteers. It looked great and she kept the all well fed with her homemade treats.

Ellen Shapiro led our fund-raiser, an opportunity drawing for a garden wagon and a rain barrel. Ticket sales raised over \$2,200 that will support community projects. Thanks to everyone who contributed and bought tickets. Winners were Barbara Smith, Jasmine and Lynnette Worley, Begonia.

Members voted to donate \$750 for a welcoming landscape at

the entrance to the shelter at Peaceful Paths. Sandy Jones led our committee to research possible new community projects. With the successful fund-raiser we hope to be able to offer some support the other great project ideas presented.

Jasmine members provided leadership and volunteers recent GGC events: the big cooking team for the Spring Fashion Show and Luncheon , decorations and modeling. We helped at the Thomas Center Spring Promenade of homes and at the Stop, Paws and Learn event at SFC. Members continue to donate children's books to ACORN clinic,

In February we enjoyed a program by Wendy Wilber on fertilizers. (See accompanying article by Carolyn Harrell). In March, we heard about plants that thrive in our warm weather from Tom Wichman, former UF Assistant Director for Grounds and presently at IFAS. April's program will be presented by a brand new Jasmine member, Linda Crawford about beneficial insects in our gardens.

Next, along with the entire GGC club, we are gearing up for the first ever GGC Marketplace and Junque in the Trunk! See you there.

### Mimosa Circle - Janet Greene

We enjoyed a guided tour of the Cade Museum and lunch at Harry's for our Feb. meeting. In March, we hosted a combined meeting with Begonia Circle and learned how to attract birds to our backyard thanks to a very informative and entertaining program by Dr. Tom Hoctor from UF. Several members worked planning, setting up, serving and cleaning up at the fashion show. Dalia Hobbs was our model and did a great job showing off two spring outfits from Dillards. We prepared and delivered food to the Habitat Women Build workers and five members were hostesses at the Spring Pilgrimage. One member helped at the FWF at the Village. Twelve members worked in the children's area of the Kanapaha Spring Garden Festival. Our craft was making bird feeders with pine cones, peanut butter and bird seed. We are ordering circle name tags and holding monthly lunches to socialize and share ideas. Four members attended the Women of Distinction luncheon to hep celebrate Fran's very deserving award. We will be volunteering, baking cookies, donating items and selling our gardening gloves and sand bags at the April 13th Marketplace event.



### Wildflower Circle - Rose Kimlinger

"Going once! Going twice! Sold!" That was the voice of guest auctioneer, Fran Maris, at the Wildflowers' February Circle meeting and 2nd Annual White Elephant Auction. Members brought unwanted items from home which included electronics, vases, fashion accessories, kitchenware, and even a bottle of wine to be



Jeannie Bender and Mary Harding

auctioned off. A few unwanted items were donated to the upcoming "Marketplace". The awesome craziness resulted in over \$425 for our circle treasury. You certainly can buy fun! The auction followed our business meeting and a delicious "souper" lunch with soups cooked up by

Claudia and Rose and accompaniments of bread, a delicious lemony salad and scrumptious coconut cake being just a sample supplied by circle members.

## GGC History – Treasure in the Attic

Continuation of the Gainesville Garden Club History as reported in a 1954 article in the Gainesville Sun found in Inez Brooker's attic.

1937 – 1946

- Mrs. L. T. Neiland was president in 1937 when the club won honorable mention for their publicity scrapbook. A garden tour and a hobby show were held during 1937. In 1939 A lighted Christmas tree and doorway contest was conducted.
- Junior Garden Clubs were established in all the elementary schools during the 1940-41 year. Holiday wreaths were made for local civic buildings. Mrs. M. M. Parrish was made custodian of Records and Fellowship in the State Federation. In 1942 the garden club collected Chrysanthemum plants for Camp Blanding.
- While Mrs. E. W. Garris was president during 1942, the garden club furnished flowers for the "New Service Center" and held a Victory Harvest Show to raise money for an outdoor furnace for the Center. The city donated 10 acres for anyone desiring a Victory Garden. Eighteen trees were donated to the UF Pharmacy School's Medicinal Garden.
- The club donated the book "The World is My Garden" to the ship S. S. Gainesville Victory which was launched during the summer of 1944 in California. Mrs. M. M. Parish established a permanent award named the "Alma Parrish Award" to go to Junior Garden Clubs. In cooperation with the University of Florida, an Audubon Society was established in each elementary school.
- The State Federation of Garden Clubs sponsored a Forest Conservation Bill to the state legislature pertaining to fire prevention and reforestation (our current Penny Pines Project).

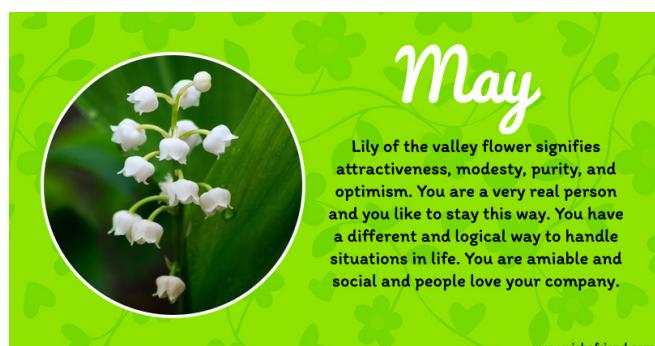
## Birthday Blessings~



Daisy flower signifies purity, happiness, and simplicity. You are an optimistic person you never succumb to stress so easily in life. You always like to lead the way and engage others. Your grit for excellence will help you to achieve great things.

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Andy Bryson	6	Ellen Shapiro	17
Ruby Parker	9	Steve Provost	18
Kathy Ulmer	12	Marilyn Slack	18
Patience Milam	14	Rosalie Stone	19
Kathy Powell	14	Carolyn Harrell	24
Greg Young	15	Nina McGhee	28
April Griffin	17		



Lily of the valley flower signifies attractiveness, modesty, purity, and optimism. You are a very real person and you like to stay this way. You have a different and logical way to handle situations in life. You are amiable and social and people love your company.

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Carol Poucher	4	Gayle Phelan	20
Vera Rabino	6	Maria Buenaventura	21
Patti Hollien	11	Mona Rippe	24
Barbara Cloud-Weisman	12	Nicki Byers	25
Mary Nell Wolz	14	Paula Waterman	25
Barbara Wynne	17	Carrie Krone	28
Gerardo Medrano	19	Mary Ann Algeo	30
Carol Binello	20		

## Garden Show and Plant Sale:

9 a.m.-4 p.m. Saturday April 6th,  
Van Ness Park, 5835 Avenue G, McIntosh FL 32664.  
Admission and parking are free.

The Seedlings Garden Club of McIntosh, FL is hosting its 15th Annual Garden Show and Plant Sale. Vendors from Central Florida will be on hand selling a variety of items for your indoor and outdoor gardening needs including: plants, flowers, orchids, antique roses, pottery, furniture and garden art. There will be a food truck, live entertainment and a children's corner. Proceeds help send children to Camp Wekiva, a week-long residential camp, which promotes education about our natural environment. Come enjoy a beautiful, fun-filled day under the shade of live oaks in historic McIntosh. For more information contact 352-316-1613 or 352-361-3375.

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Call to Florida Federation of Garden Clubs, Inc.  
District V – Spring Meeting

Hosted by: The Gainesville Garden Club

Wednesday, May 8, 2019

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To: All District V Garden Club Members, Club & Circle Presidents, State & District Officers, State & District Chairmen and Former District V Directors

From: Jeanice Gage, District V Director – 352-332-1596, e-mail [jeanicegage@cox.net](mailto:jeanicegage@cox.net)

Place: The Gainesville Garden Club ([www.ggcfl.org](http://www.ggcfl.org))

Address: 1350 NW 75<sup>th</sup> Street, Gainesville, Florida (Street Address only – not mailing address)

Registration & Morning Hospitality: 9:00 – 10:00 AM, meeting will be called to order at 10:00 AM

Cost: \$25.00 includes registration, Morning Hospitality and Lunch – Medley of salads, rolls, dessert and beverages. Vegetarians please indicate on registration form.

Send checks payable to: Gainesville Garden Club

Mary Harding, Registrar  
2519 NW 69th Terrace, Gainesville, FL 32606  
Phone 321-693-3758

*Registration must be received by May 1, 2019. No refunds after May 1, 2019.*

Speaker – Bruce Cavey – “All about Hydrangeas”. Propagation and care of Hydrangeas, with focus on the new variety called “Endless Summer”.

Club Presidents: Please bring one copy of your Spring Report and be prepared to read a 3 minute report at the meeting.

Bring bags for our Camp Wekiva students.

Announcements: Those wishing to make announcements at the District Meeting are asked to send the information to the Director no later than May 1, 2019.

There will be *GGC Ways and Means* – various Circle fundraisers, gift baskets, and 50/50. Plants will be available for purchase. District V pins will also be available for purchase. We look forward to welcoming you to the Gainesville Garden Club!

If you have any questions please contact Fran Maris at [blaiser96@aol.com](mailto:blaiser96@aol.com) – phone 352-219-8822 or Lynnette Worley at [wworley@aol.com](mailto:wworley@aol.com) – phone 352-339-5468.

Directions to the Gainesville Garden Club from I-75:

- Take I-75 to Exit 387, Newberry Road, SR 26 and go east on Newberry Road.
- Turn left on NW 69<sup>th</sup> Terrace – turn at the Red Lobster restaurant.
- After about half a mile, turn left on NW 17<sup>th</sup> Avenue and drive to the end of the road.

For more information with a google map, go to the [ggc website](http://www.ggcfl.org). GPS will direct you correctly to our clubhouse at 1350 NW 75<sup>th</sup> Street, Gainesville.

**District V Spring Meeting – 5/8/19 Registration Form**

**Information on how to identify delegates on your Registration Form**

- Each Club **or** Circle within a Club shall be entitled to delegates or alternates as follows – please Coordinate with other members within your Club or Circle to indicate correct delegates.

- a) Membership of 10 to 25: President or alternate – total one
- b) Membership of 26 to 50: President plus one (1) – total two
- c) Membership of 52 to 75: President plus two (2) – total three
- d) Membership of 76 to 100: President plus three (3) – total four
- e) Membership of 101 to 125: President plus four (4) – total five
- f) Membership of over 125: President plus four (4) plus one for every additional 25 over 125
- g) Membership of less than 10 – forfeits representation

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

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

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

Payment enclosed \$25.00 Please check for vegetarian meal \_\_\_\_.

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Please check all that applies to each registrant.

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 Member  
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