

HOLLYWOOD GARDEN CLUB

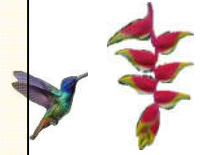
MAKING HOLLYWOOD MORE BEAUTIFUL ONE GARDEN AT A TIME!

JANUARY 2022

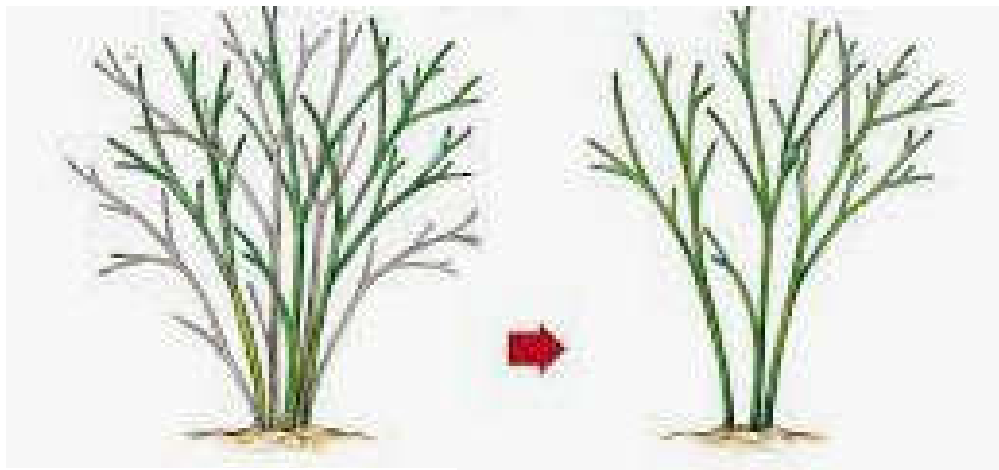
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HOLLYWOOD GARDEN CLUB MEETING
Fred Lippman Multi-Purpose Center
3rd Tuesday of the month
NO MEETINGS UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE



Pruning your shrubs and plants is inevitable, unless you want a wild jungle in your garden.



“Remove 1/3 of the plants stems, cutting from the base.”
“Diagrams from This Old House”

“This opens up the plant to air and sunlight and encourages new branch and leaf growth.”

Here in South Florida plants can increase in size during the growing season crowding out neighboring plants and giving an unruly appearance to your garden. Another good reason for pruning is to rejuvenate those long and leggy plants and shrubs. The best time to prune trees is after fruiting and shrubs after flowering; but here in South Florida we can prune almost year-round with some sacrifice to fruiting and blooming. *“There are four major reasons for pruning a plant: to affect flower or fruit production, to direct the growth and shape of the plant, to change the look of the plant, and to promote plant health.”* (from IFAS article on Pruning)

Renew Membership
in the Hollywood Garden Club
An application form is attached to this newsletter.



MEETINGS
We will be scheduling a ZOOM meeting and outdoor meetings.

It's true for a lot of things in life. What takes the most time and effort is, ultimately what gives you the most pleasure.

Happy Birthday
Nilda Calvet, Roni Lynn,
and Emma Simmons

VISIT OUR WEBSITE - **Hollywood Garden Club** <http://hollywoodgardenclub.com>

What would you like to see in our newsletter?? Email pictures from your garden or other suggestions to mtabela@comcast.net
Membership in Florida Federation of Garden Clubs is open to all regardless of gender, age, race, ethnicity or religious affiliation.

THESE PLANTS ARE FOR YOU IF YOU LOVE PRUNING OR WANT PRIVACY

The pruning of fast-growing shrubs and using them for chop and drop can hinder the growth of weeds. It provides nutrients to the plants and saves money and trips to the store for mulch.

COPPERLEAF

Acalypha Amentacea Subsp. Wilkesiana Copperleaf. Depending on the cultivar their colors come in varying mottled combinations of green, purple, yellow, orange pink or white. Needs shaping several times a year. Can grow to be 10-15 feet in height and 8 feet wide. Best used as hedge or screen plant. Grows in part shade and the sun. Propagated by air layering or cuttings.



JUSTICA - *Justica chrysostephana* – ‘Orange Flame’ is a summer bloomer that attracts hummingbirds. Used as a specimen plant or in mixed borders. Loves partial shade. Grows 6’high X 6’wide. Prune in late winter.

FIRESPIKE – *Odontonema cuspidatum* – A small shrub with clusters of flowers year-round that attract hummingbirds and butterflies. Many varieties in colors of lavender, magenta, purple, pink and red. Grows in sun or partial shade. Moderately drought tolerant. Propagated by cuttings.

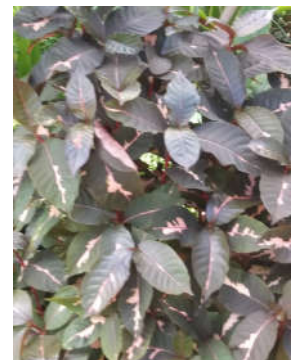


Sanchezia – *Nobilis*, plus many more species and hybrids that are cultivated for their exceptional markings. Has yellow flowers that emerge from orange bracts. Grows 8’ tall X 4’ wide. Used as mass plantings, in the back of a border or where it can stand out under a tree canopy in the shade. Attracts bees and butterflies. Prune anytime of the year.

CHOCOLATE CARICATURE – *Graptophyllum pictum* – Can be called Jamaican Croton. It has green chocolate-colored leaves with subtle hints of bronze and pastel pink. Needs watering 1 to 2 inches a week. Grows 6’ high X 6’ wide. Zone 10-11. Sun or shade.



GREEN CARICATURE – *Graptophyllum pictum* tricolor – This variety has red tubular flowers and leaf markings resembling the profile of a human face or caricature. Plant behind a planting bed or as a specimen. Both species are a dramatic addition to the garden.



THINGS TO DO LIST FOR JANUARY 2022

PRUNING – After the cool weather has passed, shape up shrubs and trees. Leave the cuttings on the ground to help block out weeds. Using this method of chop & drop it returns the nutrients in the trimmed leaves back into the soil. Cut off palm seeds and dead fronds. Trim coleus back and root the tip cuttings.

PLANTING – Start cuttings in the ground outside under the AC drip. Take out dead plants that died from the cold weather. Woody shrubs, herbs, bulbs, annuals, perennials and vegetables can be planted this month. Purchase butterfly plants, begonias, coleus and caladiums and plant them in pots. They last a long time. Move them around in the garden to fill in the bare spots where color is needed. Keep potted plants off the ground, on steppingstones to keep the bugs out of the soil. Plants that are easy to grow are Everglades tomatoes, peppers and everbearing onions.

WATERING – Adjust irrigation based on rainfall and temperature. Check sprinkler pressure for leaks and heads for clogs. Lawns could have fungus from too much water. This is a good time to pressure clean.

BLOOMING – Bougainvillea, roses, cassia, clerodendrum, coral bean, ixora, locustberry, jasmines, Christmas cactus, kalanchoe, penta, periwinkle, primrose, geranium, pansy, Spanish bayonet, begonia, snapdragon, crown of thorns, ginger, desert rose, heliconia, hibiscus, firespike, salvia, scarlet red cloak, shrimp plant, orchids, crinum lily, chenille, plumbago, and yesterday, today, and tomorrow, are just a few.

PLANT ADVICE – When the temperature dips below 50 degrees, bring orchids and plants inside that are sensitive to the cold. Protect larger cold sensitive plants with blankets or sheets. Never use plastic. In high winds place potted plants on the ground that are on top of tables and hanging. If we are getting a cold spell, don't forget to water everything. This helps keep the cold air from the roots of plants. Potting succulents? Use ½ potting soil, ½ cactus soil with a little added perlite. Weed killer – gallon vinegar, 1 cup salt, 2 tablespoons of dish soap, Spray several times. Refresh mulch in plant beds. Create a garden for sharing.

INSECTS – Don't throw cuttings in the compost that have insects on them. Put them in the garbage. Pet-friendly snail bait can be sprinkled around plants that show signs of snail damage. Repeat in one week. Sprinkle ant bait close to mounds outside. Date and replace large roach bait trays every three months, inside the house. Spray around the perimeter of house several times a year to keep bugs out. Get rid of plants that need constant spraying with insecticides.

FERTILIZING – **Buy fertilizer now.** Palms should be fertilized with a slow-release palm fertilizer with minor nutrients. Identify palm problems online at IFAS palm deficiencies. Keep water soluble fertilizer mixed in gallon jugs by the door, ready when you are. Fertilize bananas several times a year. They like to be planted next to a drain spout or mulch pile.

FRUIT RIPENING – Banana, sapote, carambola, egg fruit, fig, grapefruit, jaboticaba, kumquat, macadamia nut, miracle fruit, natal plum, papaya, pineapple, roselle and avocado are just a few ripening now.

Susan Berry, President of Hollywood Garden Club, Florida Master Gardener, Advanced Florida Master Naturalist, Certified Gardening Consultant, Certified Landscape Consultant, FMNP Land Stewart and FFGC Earth Steward
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MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION
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PRINT PLEASE DATE: _____ BIRTHDAY- MONTH _____ DAY _____
NAME: _____
PHONE: _____ CELL _____
HOME ADDRESS: _____
CITY _____ ZIP CODE: _____
E-MAIL _____

**PLEASE FILL OUT THE APPLICATION IF YOU ARE INTERESTED IN
CONTINUING YOUR MEMBERSHIP**

MEMBERSHIP DUES - \$25.00 HUSBAND & WIFE - \$35.00

MAIL APPLICATION & DUES TO:

Nilda Calvet, 2718 Hayes Street, Hollywood, FL. 33020-3328
email nildacalvet@gmail.com

PLEASE CHECK YOUR GARDENING INTERESTS

African Violets _____ Begonias _____ Bonsai _____ Bromeliads _____ Flowering Plants _____
Fruit Trees _____ Floral Arranging _____ Landscaping _____ Native Plants _____
Orchid's _____ Palms _____ Potted Plants _____ Propagation _____ Xeriscape _____
Other: _____

Hobbies and Other Interests:

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