ORDER A BUTTERFLY GARDEN or BUTTERFLY POT

If you have a place in your yard and would like to assist in the conservation efforts for the most beautiful creatures in the world, then you will certainly want to have a butterfly garden. Many species of butterflies (and bees) are disappearing due to their loss of natural habitat. Creating a natural habitat is one of the best ways to save these pollinators, as well as creating a beautiful and peaceful place for you to enjoy them as they come to visit you.

Butterfly Garden $150 minimum donation
Butterfly Pot $60 minimum donation

*Optional Maintenance Fee ($25 Annually)*
**See detail page for more information**

www.butterflygardenproject.com

Fill out application and send w/check (paid to the order of “Kiwanis Charities”) to FWB Kiwanis Club, PO Box 2198, Fort Walton Beach, FL 32549

BUTTERFLY GARDEN / POT APPLICATION

NAME __________________________ DATE __________________________
ADDRESS __________________________ PHONE __________________________
EMAIL __________________________
Location of Garden __________________________ PHONE __________________________ □ same as above
(Location must be in south Okaloosa County, FL)
DONATION TO:
□ FWB WOMAN’S CLUB
□ MARY ESTHER COMMUNITY GARDEN

*Note: A percentage of all butterfly garden/pot proceeds are awarded to the “Panhandle Butterfly House”
Tax deductible charitable donation (501C(3) Non Profit)

“BUTTERFLY GARDEN PROJECT” USE ONLY
Paid Amount __________ Survey Date __________ Delivery Date __________
DETAILS ABOUT BUTTERFLY GARDEN PROJECT

The Kiwanis Club of Fort Walton Beach, the Fort Walton Beach Woman’s Club, and the Mary Esther Community Garden members have built a “connected conservation constituency” to save pollinators. (Reference US Fish and Wildlife Service). Every place outside can become an oasis for monarch butterflies and other pollinators—rural and urban. We will plant milkweed and nectar plants native to our local area, garden organically to minimize the impact on native plants, protect monarch habitat along roadsides, rights of way, and other public and private lands, and educate the public about pollinators, conservation and how they can help.

DESCRIPTION:
The Butterfly Garden is 4 foot by 4 foot square wooden raised bed garden, lined with a weed curtain, filled with organic garden soil, compost, lantana plants (or similar nectar plants) for the butterflies, and milkweed plants (or similar host plants) for their young. The Garden may also contain a puddle of water and sunbathing spot.

**New** The Butterfly Pot is a large container filled with organic garden soil, lantana plants (or similar nectar plants) for the butterflies, and milkweed plants (or similar host plants). *(Ideal for condo owners or businesses.)*

PROCEDURES:
- Fill out the Butterfly Garden Application with the name of the donor and the address for the garden. The minimum donation of $150 for Butterfly Garden or $60 for Butterfly Pot covers the cost of the garden/pot and a monetary benefit to the chosen charity (Kiwanis Club, FWB Woman’s Club and/or Mary Esther Community Garden). Select/Check the box for the charity (or charities) that will receive the donation.
- A survey team will set a date with donor garden/pot recipient to determine the optimal location for Butterfly Garden/Pot. Note: the survey team has the option of refunding donation if an appropriate site is not available.
- The Butterfly Garden or Butterfly Garden Pot will be constructed on site.

Optional Maintenance Fee: For a minimum charge of $25 annually, the Butterfly Garden will be updated, soil amended, weeded, plants replaced (if needed) on its anniversary delivery date. This annual fee benefits the Mary Esther Community Garden.

CHARITIES:

The Kiwanis Club of Fort Walton Beach helps our community in countless ways. By working together, our members achieve what one person cannot accomplish alone to reach more people and have a greater service impact. Kids need Kiwanis. We focus on changing the world by serving children, one child and one community at a time. To do this, we sponsor Key Clubs for teens (Choctawhatchee and Fort Walton Beach) and Akion Clubs for adults living with disabilities (Silver Sands); K-Kids for primary school children (Mary Esther and Edwins); Builders Clubs for middle school children (Briner). These Kiwanis Family clubs help children to understand the importance of service to their community, their school, and to the environment. Each year, we award through a competitive process, six Kiwanis Scholarships totaling $10,000.00 to: graduating Seniors of Choctawhatchee and Fort Walton Beach High Schools for their college education; and graduating Seniors of Silver Sands School for their transition to being a more self-reliant citizen. Our annual Christmas Tree sales, Pancake Day and 5K Race fundraisers benefit many local charities such as Head Start, Children in Crisis and Boy Scouts Troops.

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Mary Esther Community Garden organization is committed to enriching their lives and the neighborhood by growing food for themselves and the community. Our goal: Gardening together for healthy food and community. Simply planting the community garden can shape the issues in the community; issues such as economies, health and even politics. In one of Mary Esther’s ball fields in Springdale Park, we offer 4X10 raised bed garden plots to the community at large. With plots set aside, we give back to the community by working together to grow vegetables, food for banks and charity organizations. To date, the Mary Esther Community Garden has donated over 2000 lbs of produce to the Waterfront Mission, Sharing and Caring, and local churches. Come grow with us. Help us “hit a home run” and become one of our sponsors. Learn about becoming a member of our community garden. Point of Contact Ruth Sykes (maryestergardens@aol.com)

The mission of the Panhandle Butterfly House is to increase the public’s awareness of butterflies and their important role in the environment. The Panhandle Butterfly House was founded by Jack and Fonda Wetherell in 1997. The exhibit was started as a cooperative program of the Santa Rosa Clean Community System, Inc., the UF/IFAS Cooperative Extension Service and the Navarre, Florida, Chamber of Commerce. The PBH was built entirely through volunteer labor. The PBH operates as a non-profit program of Santa Rosa Clean Community System, Inc., and the UF/IFAS Cooperative Extension Service with the support of the Florida Master Gardeners. In 2015, over 14,000 people visited the exhibit; guests were from 48 states, 2 territories, and 17 foreign countries. PBH programs have been recognized by several awards: the Curtis Kingsbery Award by the Francis M. Weston Audubon Society, the Award of Excellence in Service to 4-H and Other Youth by the Florida Master Gardeners, the Best Horticultural Program in the Nation by the National Association of County Agricultural Agents, and Member of the Month by the Navarre Beach Area Chamber of Commerce.

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