



MRGC BULLETIN BOARD October 2025



Dear friends,
This week, as I write this, we observed the shift from summer to autumn on the calendar. In response, our beauty berries are plump and ripe, just begging for our feathered friends to feast on them. These graceful natives are easy to sow in your yard and are a lovely gift for the future. See you in a few weeks for our October meeting and an exciting last-minute addition to our program!
Melanie

October 15th Luncheon: "Bewitching"

This month's chair, Betsy Lieberman and her committee, Olivia Cox, Barbara Murray, Holly Switow, Dee Ferriera and Cass Robertson are planning a box lunch. **IMPORTANT: Choose an option from the menu on page two and make your reservation.**

Please RSVP by **October 10th** to mrgchospitality@gmail.com to let us know whether or not you can attend. The meeting **begins at 10:30AM** with the luncheon to follow. We look forward to seeing you there!

Rita & Jay Obeid, Hospitality Chairpersons

Poling Gardens in Bloom

We are celebrating the conclusion of our planting project with Habitat for Humanity's Poling Gardens community. Come and join the program and dinner on **October 7 at 6 pm.** RSVP to MRGChospitality@gmail.com

OCTOBER 2025

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
			1	2	3	4
5	6 Design series #1 Sarasota GC	7 Poling Gardens in Bloom 6pm 	8	9 Board of Directors 10 am 	10	11 Private event
12	13 Design series #2 Sarasota GC Columbus Day	14  Garden Angels ?-noon Come when you can.	15 MRGC MEETING 10:30 	16	17 Private event	18
19	20 Judges' Council/Floralia VI	21	22 MRGC MEMBERSHIP COMMITTEE MEETING 10:30	23 Fall District Meeting Temple Terrace	24	25
26	27 Design series #3 Sarasota GC	28	29 FLOWER SHOW MEETING 10:30	30	31  Happy Halloween	Welcome to our newest member: Jean Smith

“BEWITCHING” Luncheon Oct. 15, 2025

* ALL RSVP'S BY FRIDAY, OCT 10th * mrgchospitality@gmail.com

The following are the Boxed luncheon choices for a “Bewitching Luncheon”. Select the **Number** of your choice **and your Beverage choice** from the following: (Don't worry, we will tell you at check in what you ordered).

Desserts provided by Committee.

1. **1/2 (half) of a Ham & Provolone cheese Sub** on whole wheat, with lettuce & tomato & condiments, with bag of chips and a fruit cup
2. **1/2 (half) of Ultimate Sub (ham, turkey & roast beef)** on white , with Muenster cheese, lettuce & tomato & condiments with bag of chips and fruit cup
3. **1/2 (half) of a Turkey & Cheddar cheese Sub** on whole wheat with lettuce & tomato & condiments with a bag of chips & fruit cup
4. **Ultimate WRAP** (ham, turkey & roast beef) with Muenster cheese on white wrap, with lettuce & tomato & condiments with bag of chips & fruit cup
5. **Turkey Cobb Salad** (turkey, lettuce, bacon bits, hard boiled egg, grape tomatoes, green onions, crumbled blue cheese, avocado & avocado-ranch dressing

Beverages – PICK ONE: Unsweet Tea, Sweet Tea, Lemonade, Bottled Water

If no beverage selected, you will receive water with your lunch.

QUESTIONS ? Call Betsy 941-713-4367

Cost \$12

**Wear your
best
‘BEWITCHING’
attire!**



The **October 22 Program** has been changed: **Journalist Isaac Eger will speak** to us on Cowboys, Conservation and the Great Florida Cattle Drive.

He will have his book for sale about his cowboy-in-training experience of an 80-mile cattle drive across Florida's interior and the overlooked ranching heritage and what it means for the future.

We had our preliminary meeting for the **Flower Show** “Luck of the Irish” and are excited about the show! There is much that still needs to be done as we are still in the planning stage. We have positions to be filled! Our **next meeting is October 29th at 10:30**. Please join us.

We need your help!

FFGC Floral Design Series - Basic 6 Classes are underway at Sarasota Garden Club. Congratulations to MRGC members taking the classes. The three Advanced Classes will be hosted by MRGC in January. The emphasis in the Advanced Classes is on Creative Design. We have great teachers coming. Class size is limited for those taking the full course. We welcome those who just wish to come and observe the morning lecture and demonstration. The application form is included here on the next page.

Members attending classes at Sarasota, please carpool as parking is very limited!

ADVANCED FLORAL DESIGN STUDY SERIES

REGISTRATION FORM

Manatee River Garden Club, Inc.
3120 First Avenue West, Bradenton FL 34205
9:00 – 9:30 Registration
10:00 – Class begins

Registration is \$ 60.00 for Full Course
Registration for morning lecture/demonstration only 20.00 per class

NAME: _____

ADDRESS: _____

PHONE NUMBER: _____

E-MAIL ADDRESS: _____

Class 7 – Creative Designs, Decorative Wood, Dried Plant Materials

Instructor: Janice Hamlin, NGC Flower Show School Instructor, Emeritus

Class 8 – Creative Designs, Expression and Interpretation

Instructor: Parke Finold, NGC Flower Show School Instructor, Emeritus

Class 9 – Creative Designs and Introduction to Abstract Design

Instructor: Claudia Bates, NGC Flower Show School Instructor

_____ Advance registration for Full Course \$ 60.00
January 8, 15, 22, 2025

Weekly registration for lecture/demonstration only

_____ January 8, 2026 \$ 20.00

_____ January 15, 2026 \$ 20.00

_____ January 22, 2026 \$ 20.00

_____ TOTAL ENCLOSED

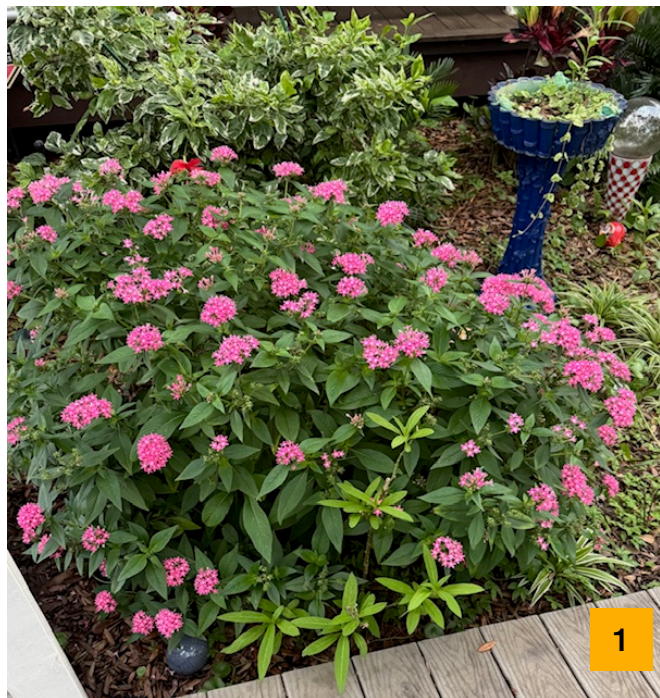
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Please make your check payable to MRGC and send with this Registration Form to:
Rita Mixer, 9527 Antiqua Cove, Bradenton FL 34210

- Study materials and Supply list will be provided to you prior to the first class.
- Bring a bagged lunch. Drinks will be provided.

How Does Your Garden Grow?

These are from Betsy Lieberman's beautiful garden; 1. Pink Pentas. 2. Caladiums. 3. Butterfly Bush. 4. Giant Milkweed. Betsy said it's quite prolific if you want some. She has plenty to share. These are growing out of an old Water oak, where she stuffed them before the hurricane!



Send me pictures of your garden to share with the club. I would like to have a page in the bulletin featuring pictures of member's yards, gardens and plants. Email to Carol Friedman; friedymom@aol.com or text to 941-238-8561. **Thank you Betsy for sharing your pictures!**