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Upcoming Programs and Events

2020

May	Sensory Garden Daisy
May 7	General Meeting Canceled
May 24	Yearbook Info Due (Circles)
June 1	Proposed Budgets Due (chairmen) To Club Treasurer
August 1	All dates for Programs, Events Due for Yearbook, must be approved by Club President before August 1st
August 27	Governing Board Meeting 9am To go over the Proposed Garden Club Budget
September 3	Garden Club Meetings resume

May 7, 2020 Meeting - Canceled



"Be like a pineapple, stand tall, wear a crown, and be sweet on the inside."

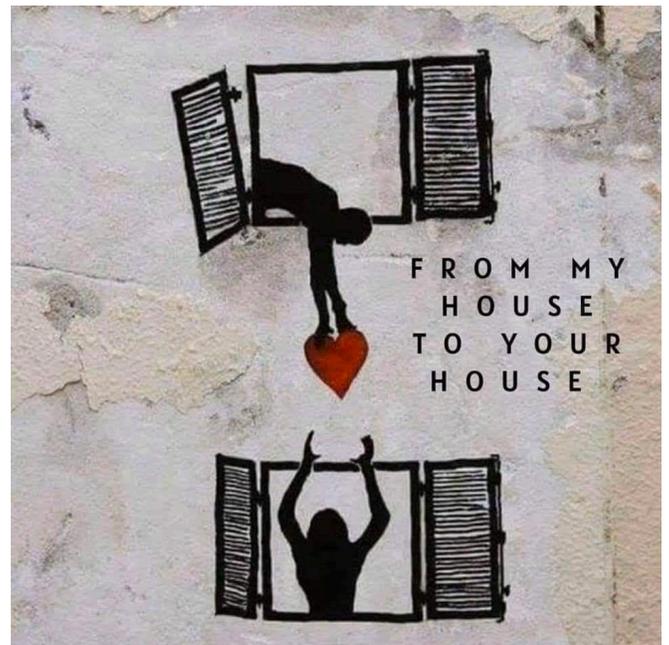
President's Message

Spring has sprung and with it time change, tree pollen (still), and warmer weather.

We have 19 new members to the GC since September! Please make them feel welcome and make a new friend. Help them Learn, Play and Grow!

You are all in my thoughts during this time of "Physical Distancing". Hoping you and yours are well. Until we meet again, stay well and keep busy in the garden.

Jennifer Condo



Executive Board of the Garden Club of DeLand 2019 - 2021

President - Jennifer Condo

1st Vice President - Joyce Fisher

2nd Vice President - Valerie Seinfeld

Recording Secretary - Sara Zollinger

Corresponding Secretary - Marshall Rawson

Treasurer - Richard (Rich) Fisher



Planting Your Spring Garden

For the Garden of Your Daily Living

Plant Three Rows of Peas

1. Peace of Mind
2. Peace of Heart
3. Peace of Soul

Plant Four Rows of Squash

1. Squash Gossip
2. Squash Indifference
3. Squash Grumbling
4. Squash Selfishness

Plant Four Rows of Lettuce

1. Lettuce Be Faithful
2. Lettuce Be Kind
3. Lettuce Be Patient
4. Lettuce Really Love One Another

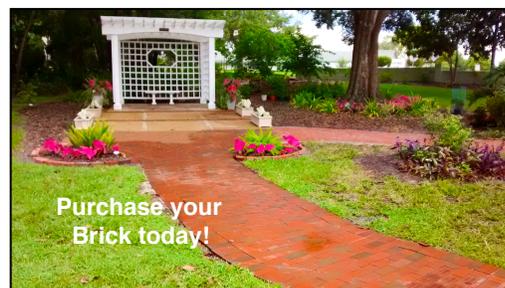
No Garden is Complete Without Turnips

1. Turnip For Meetings
2. Turnip For Service
3. Turnip To Help One Another

To Conclude Our Garden We Must Have Thyme

1. Thyme For Each Other
2. Thyme For Family
3. Thyme For Friends

Water Freely With Patience and Cultivate With Love.
There Is Much Fruit in Your Garden Because You Reap What You Sow.



Brick Pathway Pat DeSalvo, Chair

**Give the gift of love by planning to buy
a brick to honor a loved one.**

We have planted 170 bricks over the years. 1 brick for \$50 2 for \$90. We have the Memorial Walk (members that have travelled to the prettiest gardens). The Veterans Garden for all who have served in the Military. The Honorary Garden for anyone or anything. And our latest Walk – the Bridal Walk. This is for our members to remember their special day OR any of our many brides.

Please make the check to Garden Club of DeLand and mail to: Attention: Brick Chair, P.O. Box 1965, DeLand, FL 32724-6947

To download Brick Form visit www.gardenclubofdeland.org

There is a New Map of Brick Pathways on our webpage.

Weedettes Garden Journal

of our Garden Club Grounds
By Norma Thomas, Chair

Educating Members on Good Gardening Habits and Landscape Design, Growing techniques incorporates everything Norma Thomas brings to her group of loyal Gardeners.

They Meet Every Monday Morning and our Gardens Show it! Consistent loving care from the Weedettes.

02.06.20 A large front blew in overnight bringing high winds and about an inch of rain. Temperatures to drop to upper 30s low 40s in the morning. Lots of debris and weeds.

02.10.20 Susan went in today and picked up palm debris. There is another event at the Club so the Weedettes will be back next Monday.

02.17.20 Roses cut back today. Yellow elder, sweet potato, Little Ruby, purple knight and one firecracker trimmed (3 more to go). Vinca removed, milkweed in pots moved to boy scout bed. Self-heading philodendron trimmed up. Planted 3 perennial pink salvia in pollinator bed, stromanthe in cutting bed and one amaryllis in the amaryllis bed. Will fertilize next week and plant 3 African iris to replace dying ones.

Today, Adrianna Marquez joined the Weedettes. She will be in the Milkweed Circle and Rose Circle. She wants to learn how to be a successful gardener and did an excellent job trimming back the rose bushes today. She brings an excellent sense of humor to our group and doesn't mind getting dirty with the rest of us.

02.24.20 Roses fertilized today but we are holding off on fertilizing the rest of our shrubs till mid-March. The weather yesterday and today is nice but here comes another front tomorrow. Temperatures are to return to cold nights and chilly days. We did plant a new Ti plant in the "getting ready to bloom" amaryllis bed. It is a shady location and once it grows tall will be stunning up against the green creeping fig wall. We removed old African irises and install 3 new ones in the bed along the wide walkway. Also planted 6 African daisies in the pollinator bed.

We do have a flock of Muscovy ducks that are waddling around and laying in and under plants. That explains the smashed day lilies and amaryllis. They are kind of a bad-tempered duck, so we just get out of their way. (and they are ugly, maybe that is why they are bad-tempered. LOL)

03.02.20 Today the Weedettes went in and took the gardens by storm. I was home. They trimmed the lemon grass and policed the grounds for debris and weeds. We had 3 mornings of 38 degrees and the weather is heading into the 90s by mid-week, then back to normal, whatever that is, by the end of the week. The debris pile has been removed. The pink trumpet has finished blooming. Azaleas, hawthorn, African irises are in bloom;

Tree Planting 2019-2020

Congratulations Garden Club of DeLand we planted a total of 415 trees over the past year. This total includes 3 Lagerstroemia Natchez – Natchez Crape Myrtle for Arbor Day and 12 trees at 2 Habitat for Humanity Homes. I look forward to another fruitful year of tree planting with you, don't forget to keep track of your planting over the summer which you can report at your first circle meeting. I look forward to documenting your end of year activities in our scrapbook, you can help me by sending pictures and information to GCDHistorian@gmail.com.

Debbie Jones



Lubbers are here!

Weedettes Cont.

the walking iris are in bud and the amaryllis are getting taller and preparing to bloom. The plantings in the pollinator bed, African daisy, coreopsis, simpson stopper, pink salvia, crocosmia are thriving.

03.04.20 Record high heat 90 degrees. Rain due in late Thursday bringing cooler temperatures. Note: No rain came but it did drop to the 40's at night. Poor plants. Hot, cold, hot, cold.

03.09.20 Pollen count is still high. Our merry band of Weedettes planted Thumbelina zinnia seeds in the pollinator bed. Cut down one almond tree to allow more light to the live oak planted last year. Planted syngonium in the rectangular pots that have the cast iron plants in them for contrast. Moved a huge pile of mowed oak leaves and top dressed 3 areas. And THEN.....we noticed that the tops of the simpson stopper, coreopsis and crinums were black with baby lubbers. We first used 2 bricks and began smashing them, crushing the tips of the plants and the lubbers. Then we sprayed with Sevin, they took a bath in it. Then we tried a pyrethrin and they scattered. Then when we had exhausted everything we had in our arsenal, guess who came in to save the day? Those dang ugly Muscovy ducks! They were having a field day in the pollinator bed. Just tearing it up going after the lubbers. Sharyn, our resident comedian says about the ducks, "you can find them on aisle two at Lowes". She cracks us up.

Happy Gardening my Friends
Norma