

The Garden Club of DeLand

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President's Message

February in the Garden Club !

Hello! It was great to see some of you at our Arbor day dedication. Our gardening school was very successful! Thank you for your support of our opportunity drawing fundraiser. I wish you luck at the drawing on Feb 19th.

What a cold winter we have been having! Hopefully you have left those dead and ugly black leaves on your plants until after our last frost date, usually after Feb 15th. It is recommended not to prune cold damaged stems or branches until the possibility of freezing temperatures has ended for the winter. Unsightly dead blooms or foliage can be removed. The reason to delay complete pruning is that in our inevitable days of warmth following a freeze, pruning can encourage new tender growth. If we experience subsequent freezes, this new growth can be damaged, resulting in more injury to an already stressed plant. While it is very frustrating to live with brown, damaged plants when the weather is balmy and sunny, it may help to remember that those unattractive brown and wilted stems help protect the plant parts below the damaged areas. Pruning can be resumed in the spring (around early March). To learn the extent of damage, scratch the surface of woody stems until you see green, which indicates healthy plant tissue. Prune just past this point.

Good luck! Jennifer Condo

Executive Board 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



March 4, 2021 Business Meeting 9:30am
"Spring Plant Fertilizing"
Speaker: Norma Thomas
Rose Circle Host

Upcoming Programs and Events

February

Opportunity Drawing Donation Due 02-4
Drawing and Garden Party 02/19 3pm
Location of Drawing Garden Club
Bylaws Special Meeting 2/23 10am Zoom
Edibles and Stuff Plant Sale 2/27

April

FFGC Annual Convention 11-13 Hilton Daytona
Beach Oceanfront Resort

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www.gardenclubofdeland.org

Visit us on Facebook

FFGC - www.ffgc.org

NGC - www.gardenclub.org

Edible and Stuff Plant Sale

The Volusia County Master Gardeners are having an Edibles and Stuff Plant Sale on Sat, Feb 27, 8am to 12pm, at the Extension Office, 3100 E New York Ave, DeLand. You have to call to set up an appointment beforehand at 386-822-5778. Tomatoes, Peppers, squash, herbs, fruit trees and also Azaleas, as they will be in bloom at this time. They are having the sale early, so customers can get their veggies in the ground at the proper time.

Fun Opportunities

We are looking for a Wild Flower Festival Chair, Membership Chair and Rental Chair
Contact Jennifer Condo

Wildflower Festival Chairman

The Wildflower Festival is held every spring. This chair displays membership brochures and educational boards about the Garden Club & FFGC, sells items, enlists members to man the booth area during all the hours the event is open. If Committee is selling items, receipts and money must be turned into Treasurer and report is given to the Governing Board.

Membership Chairman

Membership chair evaluates the strengths and interests of its members and makes suggestions to the board on building and retaining membership throughout the year. She may update our Club Brochure, have a Membership Increase Party, or have a new members orientation. Every program and event the Garden Club provides is a potential membership building activity and is essential to the life of a Garden Club.

Rentals Chairman

The *Calendar of Rentals* maintained by this chair. All Circle Presidents that would like to use the clubhouse for their meetings call the Rental chair to have her mark it on her calendar.

Also members get a 50% discount on renting the Clubhouse for personal use. Call the Rental Chair for more details. Rental Fees are available on the website. This Chair has a Committee set in place. Email for rentals: rentalsgardenclub@gmail.com or call 386-507-3473

Update your Policies & Bylaws: Policy: “In the event of a declared public health emergency or natural disaster or other circumstance that prevents an in-person meeting, the Garden Club of DeLand President or Governing Board may call an electronic/telephone meeting for the purpose of conducting business that requires attention. Notification will be made by phone, email, or mail and will include information for members to connect to the meeting platform. In the event that a vote is necessary, all provisions in the bylaws regarding voting procedure will be followed.”

9/2020

Bylaw: The annual dues of a couple shall be eighty-four (\$84) or forty-two (\$42) per person. 12/2020

Garden Club of DeLand Opportunity Drawing Prizes
Drawing on February 19, 2021 at 3pm
Garden Club of DeLand Gazebo
You Do Not need to be Present to Win

Opportunity Drawing Prizes

- 15-gallon in stock tree of choice from “A Place in the Sun” Nursery
- Sunday Brunch for four at “The Table” restaurant in Downtown DeLand
- Handmade Quilt by Jennifer Condo, Garden Club President
- Gift Basket, Firecracker Circle (\$25 Value)
- Gift Basket, Sparkleberry Circle (\$100 Value)
- Silver Jewelry set (Necklace, Bracelet, Earrings) (\$250 Value) Marigold Circle
- Gift Certificate to DeBary Nursery, Marigold Circle (\$50 Value)
- Gift Certificate to DeBary Nursery, Marigold Circle (\$50 Value)
- Gift Certificate to Select Growers, Rose Circle (\$100 Value)
- Gift Certificate to Select Growers, Milkweed Circle (\$100 Value)
- Gift Basket, Daisy Circle (\$100 Value)
- Gift Basket, Blue Sage (\$150 Value)

Drop off of Opportunity Drawing Items

Monday 2/1 9am to 10am Drop off at Garden Clubhouse.

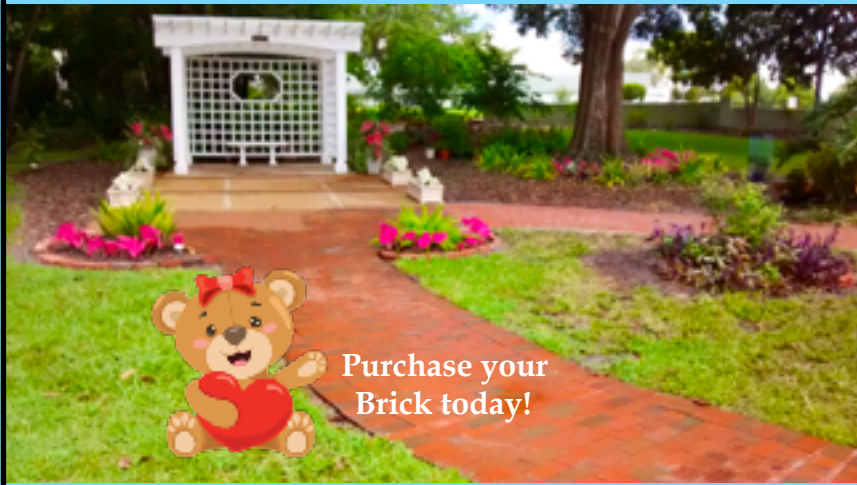
If these times do not work for you contact Suzanne Locke personally. Suzanne Locke 386-748-1209 (c)

Opportunity Tickets will be drawn on Friday, February 19th, 3 pm at the Garden Club of DeLand Gazebo. Punch and Cookies.

* We all asked for a “**No Work**” **Fundraising Project** this administration due to the extraordinary circumstances. So in leu of having a Garden Tour, we are having an Opportunity Drawing. Great Prizes!

You do not need to be present to win Opportunity Drawing!





Purchase your
Brick today!

Brick Pathway

Pat DeSalvo, Chair

Give the gift of love by planning to buy a brick to honor a loved one. We have planted over 170 bricks over the years. 1 brick for \$50, 2 bricks for \$90. We have the Memorial Walk (members that have traveled to the prettiest gardens). The Veterans Garden for all that have served in the Military. The Honorary Garden for anyone or anything. Our latest Walk - the Bridal Walk. This is for our members to remember their special day OR for any of our many brides. Please make check payable to Garden Club of DeLand and mail to the attention of Brick Chair, P.O. Box 1965, DeLand, FL 32724-6947

To download Brick Form or see the Map of each Brick Walkway area visit www.gardenclubofdeland.org

In Memorial: Alice Libby, Rose Circle



Pictured: Rachael Winter, Alice Libby, Anita McFeeters



FACEBOOK TEAM

I would like to welcome Tammy Rhode to our Facebook Team
Valerie Seinfeld, chair
Marshall Rawson, Butterfly Squad
Janet Stone, Downtown Planters
Tammy Rhode, Just about anything beautiful!

The Garden Club of DeLand is the most liked and followed Garden Club page in the state of Florida.

I started our page the night I joined the Garden Club of DeLand April 2011.
10 years of posting 365 days a year.

You Made it Happen Garden Club of DeLand!
Valerie

CONSERVATION PLEDGE

I give my pledge as an American to save and faithfully defend from waste the natural resources of my country - its air, soil, and minerals; its forests, water, and wildlife.





**Mark Your Calendars now!
94th Annual Convention April 11-13, 2021
Our District VI is Hosting this Convention**

Members from our Club are serving in specific areas of the Convention:
Jennifer Condo, Registrar, Karen Hall, Hostesses and
Valerie Seinfeld, Awards Chair
Get involved

Remember to send in Opportunity Drawing tickets checks
Raffle Baskets
Register to Attend- so close to attend this Convention, gather a group to go
over for the day or share a room.
Read you Winter edition of the *Florida Gardener*

**-ALL YOU NEED TO KNOW –
Convention & Covid-19 Response
Hotel Update with LOWER RATE
Convention Registration**

Programs, Workshops & General Information

The 94th Annual FFGC Convention is scheduled April 11 – 13, 2021, Hilton Oceanfront Resort, Daytona Beach.

Plans are well underway for a safe, interesting and educational convention.
Please read the following information so you will be up to date on all happenings

HOTEL: Rate has been lowered to \$105 inclusive for double/single

Oceanfront or Ocean View for all room assignments within inventory
24 HOUR CANCELLATION POLICY (cancels other cancellation policies stated)
ONE NIGHT charge to credit card on all reservations at time of reservation.
Balance paid at checkout.

All reservations made through FFGC Group Code will receive revised confirmation form

Hotel Covid-19 Precautions including Guest Rooms, Public areas, Food and Beverage
Housekeeping for room only by request
Social Distancing in common areas including elevators, escalator etc.
Face coverings required at all times for Guests and Staff
Restrooms and other areas frequently cleaned and sanitized
Sanitizers available within hotel

CONVENTION ACTIVITIES:

Social distancing in ALL areas including but not limited to meals, meetings, breakouts
(Meetings & meals etc. focus on social distancing and safe practices)
Masks required by attendees and staff
Masks & Antibacterial Sanitizers available on site.
Frequent cleaning and sanitizing of all public areas including restrooms

Every effort is being made by the hotel staff and Convention Committee to have a “safe” environment for Convention.

REMEMBER: Hotel Reservations are made directly with hotel by calling 386/254-8200 or
hotel website listed on the Convention Registration Form in the FL Gardener or posted on ffgc.org. Group Code: FFGC21.
Convention Registration is printed in FL Gardener or on the website ffgc.org. You may send in paper Registration Form OR
**use the new Easy Reg computer generated Registration which is easy & efficient. Credit Card may be
used with Easy Reg. [https://www.easyreg.org/cgi-bin/acct/XMY8FK3KSY/displayForm.pl?
dir=LUXEZJN2_2020](https://www.easyreg.org/cgi-bin/acct/XMY8FK3KSY/displayForm.pl?dir=LUXEZJN2_2020)**

**DEADLINE FOR HOTEL RESERVATIONS & CONVENTION REGISTRATION
MARCH 17, 2021**



Saturday, March 27, 2021 | 10AM - 4PM
E. Indiana Ave. & N. Alabama Ave., Downtown DeLand,
FL
Free Parking and Admission
Masks Required



We are Looking for a Chair or Co-Chairs for the Wildflower Festival!
We have the tent, Garden Club Aprons, past chairs will help you with
information on how to do it. Contact Jennifer today!
Members we need teams of volunteers to man our booth.



Bylaws Special Meeting February 23, 2021 10am

For everyone's safety this will be held on Zoom.

All members have been sent a copy of the Bylaws Revisions. On
February 23rd, the bylaw revisions will be voted on. Every Member of the
Garden Club of DeLand is invited to attend.

**Wekiwa Youth Camp
Information**

**YOU'RE INVITED TO FFGC WEKIVA
YOUTH CAMP OPEN HOUSE
SPONSORED BY THE FLORIDA
FEDERATION OF GARDEN CLUBS**
Sunday, February 7, 2021 11:00 AM –
1:00 PM ACA Accredited Residential
Camp for Children in Grades 1 – 8
Sunday – Saturday Sessions from June
20 – July 31, 2021 Wekiwa Springs
State Park, 1800 Wekiwa Circle, Apopka
Guided Tours Light Refreshment

2021 Wekiwa Leadership Training

is a weekend orientation for adults
interested in Volunteering at
Wekiwa Youth Camp. The 2021
Wekiwa Volunteer Training includes
Junior Gardener Leadership
Training and will be held February
5 – 7, 2021. Registration for this
event will be open in the Fall of
2020. The 2021 Open House will
be held on the Sunday following
the Volunteer Training, February 7,
2021. Garden Club members,
family, friends, current campers
and future campers were invited to
drop by to tour the facilities and
learn more about Wekiwa Youth
Camp during the Open House. No
reservation is necessary. Register
for Wekiwa Volunteer Training or
stop by for Open House by just
coming in through the Wekiwa
Springs State Park Main Gate and
let them know you are going to the
Open House. Please visit
www.ffgc.org for more information.

Florida Arbor Day * January 15, 2021 * Garden Club of DeLand

The January 15th was our Florida Arbor Day. We hope to see you at 10:00 am on the Garden Club grounds. We planted a 3-trunk Natchez. Thank you to those that attended Arbor Day Celebration.

Norma Thomas



For Caring about our Earth we salute you
Weedettes!
Cindy Davenport, Martha Cates, Sharyn
Marzullo and Tammy Rhode.
Tammy Rhode provided pictures of this event.

"Florida Federation of Garden Clubs, Inc. promotes the love of gardening, floral and landscape design, and civic and environmental responsibility by providing education, resources and networking opportunities for our members, youth and the community."

Norma Thomas, a Pillar of Pride recipient, was awarded District VI Gardener of the Year in 2017. Norma promotes and educates her Circle and our Club in the areas of Horticulture and Landscape Design.

Typically, I send in my journal entries of our Monday mornings on the Garden Club's grounds. But this month, I wanted to say a little bit about the Weedettes.



We weed, we trim, we dig, we propagate, we re-imagine, we fertilize, we plant. Since 2014 I have had the great pleasure of working side by side with some fantastic gardeners. Learning gardening tips that you just do not get by reading a book. A wonderful experience.

Last year, the ladies I spent my Monday mornings with are Cindy Davenport, Martha Cates, Sharyn Marzullo and Tammy Rhode. Each woman brings a unique view

of how we need to approach a problem and how to solve it as well as her own ideas of introducing plants into the gardens. These women are funny and kind, so kind. We try to meet at other times. Last month we went to Leu Gardens. We have met for lunch or a happy hour. But meeting each Monday has made 2020 bearable for us.

The Weedettes invite you to join us in 2021 on a chilly or sweltering hot Monday morning at 8:30 and enjoy the camaraderie. You will get dirty and use muscles you probably have not used in while, but you will feel good at the end of the morning.

In February we will trim back our roses and begin propagating seeds we harvested in the late summer, early fall. Towards the end of the month, we will cut back our cold damaged plants.

Come and join in on the learning and friendship.

Happy Gardening my Friends, Norma

Fundraiser - Make it! Rake It! Bake It!



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Former Pansy Circle president, Sally Bohon created a handwritten and illustrated activity booklet filled with gardening and kitchen projects for the young gardener. Sally wanted to teach the next generation about growing things. This booklet has ample opportunities for you and the young gardener to perform many hands-on activities to create and to cook foods with your harvests. You have an excellent opportunity to share in the wonder of this booklet with your children or grandchildren. Please support the Garden Club of DeLand in this fundraiser with your purchase of the *Make It, Rake It, Bake It* activity booklet with a suggested donation of \$10. We can mail it to you for an additional \$5 shipping and handling fee. Contact your Circle President for ordering details. We have sold 50 so far so support your Garden Club.

Donating to Worthy Projects in February

Penny Pines

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FFGC Scholarship

Habitat for Humanity

Circles have been supporting these projects for years.

Circle Treasurer's mail 1 check to Garden Club Treasure Rich Fisher and list how much money goes to each Project. Checks payable to the Garden Club of DeLand and mailed to P.O. Box 1965, DeLand, FL 32721-1965