



# The Gabby Gardener

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## I march to a different drummer now.



As I sit at my desk looking out the window, I am struck by the variety of plants that I never knew before retiring to Florida. I march to a different drummer now. It is the Garden Club that fleshes out the details. Our members represent such a wonderful diversity of abilities, knowledge, styles, interests and desire to learn that coalesce to make us who we are. Gardening connects us. We are friends and together we are strong.

see. Recommend a speaker. Ask friends to join the Garden Club or support us by renting the Clubhouse. Spend a morning at the Downtown Planters or the Sensory Garden. Volunteer to lead a gardening activity. Attend a garden visit. Share your knowledge. And the list goes on....

As we move cautiously out from under the pandemic cloud, there will be changes. Some things will return to pre-Covid status and others will not. Our goal is to restore camaraderie as safely as possible. Enjoy your summer and stay tuned as things evolve.

*What can you do to help?* Tell us which interest groups and programs you would like to

*Marshall Rawson,  
President of GCD*



A special thank you to GCD member **Henry Barnard** for repairing the Clubhouse sign. We are so fortunate to have members who help in many ways.

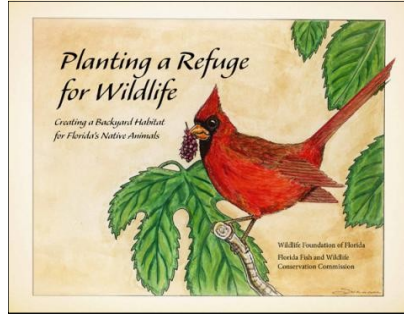
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## Book Review from the Marigold Circle:

### Planting a Refuge for Wildlife

During a recent zoom class, *Planting a Refuge for Wildlife* was a recommended resource. There is good helpful information in this 40-page booklet. It aims to provide the tools necessary to create pleasing landscapes where wildlife find the food, water and shelter they need to survive. As a starting point, there's information on evaluating your landscape, creating a plan, features for specific wildlife and table of native plants.



What I liked most was the manageable amount of information which was a good teaser for future research available in its "For more Information" section. You can purchase a copy from the Fish & Wildlife Foundation of Florida for \$5 plus \$2.50 postage.

### **New Garden Club Members**

Sept. 2020 - May 2021

Beverly Acosta, Milkweed

Kitty Allen, Milkweed

Sandra Aubrey, Firecracker

Diane Congdon, Member-at-Large

Lynn Gussman, Milkweed

Sandi, Holcombe, Milkweed

Rosie McKenna, Firecracker

Maureen Miller-Calamo, Milkweed & Daisy

Michelle Morgante, Firecracker

Lorna Owens, Milkweed

Angela Senft, Milkweed & Daisy

Lynda Stein, Milkweed

Charles Thrower, Milkweed & Rose

Vivian Waddle, Member-at-Large

Nora Waidelich, Magnolia

Mary Kay Wareing, Milkweed

Laura Wickett, Firecracker



### **National Garden Week**

**June 6-12, 2021**

This week is an opportunity to encourage pride in your community, interest new members, and work with other groups to be part of those efforts.

More information:

[www.gardenclub.org/national-garden-week](http://www.gardenclub.org/national-garden-week)



### **Painting With Friends**

**July 15, 2021**

Time: 10 to 1 at the Clubhouse

Cost: \$10

Class Size: 12 people

Bring: Two clean dry 6" or 8" terracotta pots with saucers and your beverage.

Paints, brushes and sealer will be supplied.

Join me to paint your terracotta pots using exterior acrylic paint. At the end of the class hopefully, you had fun and will go home with your own custom creation.

Call me or text me to reserve your spot for the July 15<sup>th</sup> class.

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# Gardening for the Future

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### GCD Officers 2021 - 2023

- President - Marshall Rawson**
- 1st Vice President - Lisa Schnetzer**
- 2nd Vice President - Tammy Rhode**
- Recording Secretary - Suellen Biferie**
- Corresponding Secretary - Sara Zollinger**
- Treasurer - Christina Dudley**



Bill Dreggors Park (corner of Stone St & Wisconsin Ave.) This garden was first planted by the GCD in 1998. In 2018 it was re-planted as a Butterfly Sanctuary Garden.

Members of the GCD are responsible for the upkeep of this garden.

Please bring your own tools for weeding and trimming and join us for these dates.

Workers will start at 7 AM and someone will be there to give you guidance.

You may work as long or as short a time as suits your schedule and stamina.



- May 25<sup>th</sup>
- June 1<sup>st</sup> & 15<sup>th</sup>
- July 6<sup>th</sup> & 20<sup>th</sup>
- August 3<sup>rd</sup> & 17<sup>th</sup>
- September 7<sup>th</sup>

## Garden Club of DeLand Sensory Garden Work Days

you're never too old to play in the dirt