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# CALENDAR OF EVENTS

## **Board of Directors Meetings:**

September 25-26, 1973—Headquarters, Winter Park

January 22-23, 1974—Headquarters, Winter Park

## **Annual District Meetings—1973:**

I—Pensacola, November 1

II—Marianna, October 31

III—Monticello, October 30

IV—Lake City, October 29

V—Ocala, October 26

VI—DeBary, October 25

VII—Windermere, October 24

VIII—Clearwater, October 23

IX—Arcadia, October 22

X—Boca Raton, October 19

XI—Fort Lauderdale, October 18

XII—Miami Beach, October 17

## **Coming Events:**

### **1973:**

September 25-27, Flower Show School #3, Tallahassee

October 3-5, Symposium, Tampa

October 8-11, National Council Board Meeting, St. Louis, Missouri

October 9-11, Flower Show School #1, Gainesville

October 10-12, Flower Show School #4, Winter Haven

November 7-9, Landscape Design Course #1, Series VII, Winter Haven

November 13-15, Flower Show School #1, *Bilingual*, Miami

November 28-30, Flower Show School #2, Orlando

### **1974:**

January 18, Florida Arbor Day

January 29-30, Tropical Short Course, Fort Lauderdale

March 10-13, Deep South Convention, Natchez, Mississippi

March 6-8, Flower Show School #1, Daytona Beach

March 31-April 6, Blanche Covington Course, St. Andrews State Park

May 1-2, State Convention, Tallahassee

May 8-10, Landscape Design Study Course #2, Series VII, Winter Haven

May 12-17, National Convention, Sheraton-Boston Hotel, Boston, Mass.

June 19-21, Short Course, U. of Florida, Gainesville

July, Junior Nature Camp

October 22-24, Symposium, Pensacola

October 1-3, National Council Board Meeting, Boise, Idaho

### **1975:**

Feb. 23-March 1, Blanche Covington Course, Ovissa Bower State Park

April 12-13, State Flower Show, West Palm Beach

April 29-30, State Convention, St. Petersburg

May 18-23, National Convention, Salt Lake City, Utah





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## About the Cover

We stand on the threshold of a bright new administration under President Berne Davis. May it be an exhilarating and productive two years!

Our cover "doorway to the future" is that of the William A. Finney Memorial Garden Center, Daytona Beach.

An account of the dedication of this new center is on page 13 of this issue of *The Gardener*.

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## President's Message

### "A Time to be Involved"

Thank you for the honor of serving as your president. It is a big responsibility but with your help and enthusiasm we cannot fail to further the aims and objectives of our organization.



Since the Convention at Disney World in May your President and three officers have had the privilege of visiting each of the 12 districts speaking on "Become Involved Now" in the main projects proposed for this administration. We were inspired by the interest shown in each district and pleased by the warm hospitality extended us.

During the two years ahead we have hopes of accomplishing many projects, but three will be stressed. They are not new, but the best of the old.

One, if we are to grow we must reach out more for the youth. Our program in this area is being strengthened by the addition of an Intermediate Chairman and a Youth Conference Chairman. We hope a workshop for young people will materialize, where they may go for a concentrated program on environmental subjects such as the one Shell Oil Company sponsored for National Council at Florida Tech in Orlando in August, 1972. This conference will be on a smaller scale financially but full of action. This addition will give us a solid youth program which begins with the Junior Nature Camp

through High School Gardening age.

In the interest of broadening our horizons we are discontinuing the Teacher Conservation Scholarship Program, which we feel has served its purpose. We hope to interest those individuals, clubs and circles in another field of conservation, that of the Youth Conference Scholarship. Those who have faithfully supported the Teacher Scholarship Fund can now become involved in a broader youth plan by giving financial aid to this new program.

You will be reading details about the Youth Conference Scholarship Fund in *The Florida Gardener* and the Book of Information available in the fall.

The second project is to plant more and more colorful and flowering trees throughout Florida. Select trees which flourish in each district, plant in masses with the blooming season in mind and with design, of course! Keep records and report to the State Tree Chairman for more information and action taken in this field.

Becoming involved in the above two projects will automatically bring about the third objective of a 20% increase in membership per district in both the youth and adult areas. Florida is growing in population daily and it is up to us as gardeners to invite these new residents to join clubs and help create a more beautiful environment for tomorrow.

*Bernese B. Davis*

# Federation Happenings

## new officers

The untimely death of Mrs. W. T. Chennell, coming just after Convention and election of officers, left the important office of First Vice President open. As is stated in the By Laws of the Florida Federation, Article II, Section 5: "... in the office of President, etc. etc. All vacancies among other officers shall be filled for the unexpired term by the President, subject to confirmation by the Board of Directors."

Thus, upon the recommendation of President, Mrs. Sidney Davis, the following change of officers was presented to the Board of Directors at a Board Meeting in Gainesville on June 26, 1973: -

*First Vice President:*

Mrs. Homer Gwinn, Boca Raton

*Second Vice President:*

Mrs. D. R. Villareal, Jr., Tampa

*Third Vice President:*

Mrs. John G. Wood, Winter Haven

*Corresponding Secretary:*

Mrs. W. Scott Peirsol, Jr., Daytona Beach

All other officers remain the same as voted upon at Convention.

## nature study course

Blanche Covington Nature Study Course, April 23-28, 1973, was most successful, with 34 full or part time students. 14 of these students were repeaters from other years.

This year's programs were based on a scientific study of plants,

animals and birds and their relationship to the environment, on how plants and animals adapt themselves to the physical conditions they encounter on the earth and how they get along with one another.

O'Leno State Park is the perfect place for nature study. With the aid of recordings we were able to communicate with the owls at night. They came out to welcome us on our first night there. The birds were our alarm clocks, the owls and bob-cats bid us good-night. The Santa Fe River captured the hearts of everyone with its quiet, peaceful flow. It is as though this serenity communicated itself to each individual through the entire group.

Our new Florida Federation President, Berne Davis, fascinated each camper with her charm and enthusiastic interest.

93 different Youth Activities groups were represented by our students.

Blanche Covington Nature Study Camp 1974 will be held at St. Andrews State Park March 31-April 6, with Mrs. C. L. McLeod as chairman.

The purpose of Blanche Covington Nature Course is to train leaders to work with youth. This week's program is free, except for transportation, to three active youth leaders from each district. If more than three applications from a district are received, names are placed on a stand-by list and notified in the order received when another district fails to fill its quota.

— Mrs. John J. Guice

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## convention 1973

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The biggest Convention of all! 1150 strong came to Disney World for all or part of the 47th Annual Convention, and garden clubbers swarmed all over — in and out of meetings, workshops, banquets and The Magic Kingdom, and occasionally their rooms in the Contemporary Hotel. It was all great fun.

Speakers, films, Fantastic Flower Arrangements, plus lots of business, presentations of awards, life memberships, honors and surprises prevailed.

Records of all that transpired at Disney World are to be found throughout this issue of the *Gardener*.

Many thanks to Convention Chairman Dorothy Grathwol and her committee for a job well done!

**Will the person who mistakenly picked up a box marked District VII at the awards room at State Convention please return this box to Headquarters!**  
*This is important!!!*

## short course

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What could be more fun than getting away for three days, eating out, being with the girls and hearing top-notch speakers dealing with varied subjects pertaining to our beloved gardens!

That's Short Course, and so it was in Gainesville June 26-29. No exams, no pressure. The information's there and you soak up as little or as much as you want.

The program ran the gamut from

beauty to bugs.

Mrs. Elizabeth C. Kent of Williamsburg, Virginia was very amusing — a gifted speaker and arranger in the Williamsburg manner, which is, as she expressed it, "inspired by" or "after the manner of" Colonial.

There was fun for all in a variety of workshops. Flower arranging for the beginner and the advanced student featured experts Mrs. Rodney Radford and Mrs. Frank L. Woodruff, III while Mrs. Chester Yates instructed in Crafts. Mr. Paul Burdick was exciting in his presentation of Bonsai — The Art of Dwarfing Trees, as was Dr. Sam McFadden on Growing Roses in Florida.

Bugs, grass and plant diseases got a good going-over during the question and answer session with four University of Florida Horticulturists "telling all." If you haven't heard Dr. Jasper Joiner hold forth you don't know what you're missing!

Interesting slide presentations told of Interior Decoration using Florida Foliage Plants, and Landscape Lighting.

An outstanding speaker was Dr. J. C. Raulston of Texas A&M, who explored Gardening in the Japanese Manner and European Horticulture.

This thumbnail sketch can't begin to tell all the good things to be enjoyed at Short Course.

And we can't leave out the beautiful tea held at President and Mrs. Stephen C. O'Connell's magnificent home.

This merely scratches the surface of what Short Course is all about. More than 200 gals found out this year.

Mrs. Wade Hampton, Jr., *Short Course Chairman*, and Dr. Shannon Smith of the U. of Florida did a great job.

# MADAM PRESIDENT

## Do You Know?

You *should* go to your district meeting next month.

You will receive your President's Kit at this meeting as well as your new Book of Information.

The President's Kit contains a number of information sheets for your various club chairmen.

*Distribute these sheets!* They don't do any good left lying around in your kit. These sheets give your chairmen helpful suggestions and information they will need to handle their jobs more effectively.

Annual *Dues* **delinquent** after November 1st!

Each club adding new members during the current year shall pay the Federation \$1.50 per capita immediately upon receipt of dues. Clubs adding new members after January 1 shall pay the Federation 75¢ (½ year's dues) per capita immediately upon receipt of dues.

List of members, with correct mailing address, for whom dues are being paid *must* accompany each check.

Please make check payable to Florida Federation of Garden Clubs, Inc., and mail with above information to Assistant State Treasurer, Mrs. James F. Hussey, 89 Interlaken Road, Orlando 32804

**You** can help keep the Florida Gardener membership data up to the minute. Send **all** changes of

address *immediately*, whether it be new members, change of address, deaths or drop-outs. Attending to this detail immediately saves your Federation \$\$\$\$.

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## State Life Pins

If you are a State Life Member of the Florida Federation of Garden Clubs you will be pleased to know that you may order an identification pin or charm that you will be proud to wear. The cost for either is \$1.50 plus 6¢ state sales tax. Send check in the amount of \$1.56 and please give your Life Membership number to:

Mrs. D. O. Foshee, Sr.  
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State Life Chairman



Mrs. Earl W. Lau [rt.] receives congratulations from Federation President, Mrs. Andrew A. Gurke, at Convention, when it was announced the Florida Flower Arrangement Calendar — 1973 — had won National Award #13-[4] for the best flower arrangement calendar in the United States. Amy has been editor of the calendar for eight years and this is the second time she has won this honor.



# State Life Members

Sixty-three hard working garden clubbers were honored at Convention with Life Memberships in the Florida Federation of Garden Clubs, Inc. Those whose many contributions to gardening were recognized and deeply appreciated were:

- Mrs. Dursie Ekman, Tampa, by District VIII.  
Mrs. E. Robert Hunter, by Croton Circle, West Palm Beach.  
Mrs. Ray G. Behm, by Dianthus Circle, West Palm Beach.  
Mrs. Milo Martin, by Orange Blossom Circle, West Palm Beach.  
Miss Julia Fulton, by Bayberry Garden Circle, Fort Lauderdale.  
Mrs. Helen Row, by Bayberry Garden Circle, Fort Lauderdale.  
Mrs. Donald Price, by Hibiscus Circle, Tallahassee.  
Mrs. Charles Crumpton, by Mimosa Circle, Tallahassee.  
Mrs. Joseph Koutnik, Miami, by her husband.  
Mrs. Carl R. Cooney, by Camellia Garden Club, Winter Haven.  
Mrs. G. Howard Greene, by Camellia Garden Club, Winter Haven.  
Mrs. Broward McClellan, Tallahassee, by Mrs. T. M. Kent & Mrs. E. Churchill.  
Mrs. Walter Keyes, by Camellia Circle, Tallahassee.  
Mrs. Harry C. Durand, by the officers, Garden Club of Deltona.  
Mrs. Harry Dover, by Allamanda Garden Club, North Port Charlotte.  
Mrs. Edward Boze, by Oakwood Garden Circle, Jacksonville.  
Mrs. Levy Edwards, by Oakwood Garden Circle, Jacksonville.  
Mrs. Ned A. Parks, by Oakwood Garden Circle, Jacksonville.  
Mrs. N. W. Blount, by Oakwood Garden Circle, Jacksonville.  
Mrs. John B. McClellan, Tallahassee, by her husband.  
Mrs. Homer W. Davis, by Brentwood Garden Club, Pensacola.  
Mrs. James Clawson, by Azalea Circle, West Palm Beach.  
Mrs. L. William Ferguson, Belleair, by Mrs. John L. Wiegrefe.  
Mrs. Fred O. Drake, by Iris Circle, Tallahassee.  
Mrs. Arthur J. Perks, by Lauderdale-by-the-Sea Garden Club.  
Mrs. Cecil Thomas, by Iris Circle, Garden Club of Deltona.  
Mrs. Albert Croninger, by 3 garden club friends, Deltona.  
Mrs. Daniel F. Connell, by Garden Club of Crystal River.  
Mrs. Arabel Hopkins, by Rose Circle, Tallahassee.  
Mrs. Hugh Dortch, Jr., by Amaryllis Circle, West Palm Beach.  
Mrs. James F. Hussey, Orlando, by District VII.  
Mrs. Henry Simpson, Sanford, by Mrs. Holzer and Mrs. Fahey.  
Mrs. O. O. Watford, by Azalea Circle, Panama City.  
Mrs. Rodney B. Radford, by Garden Study Club, Delray Beach.  
Mrs. James M. Collins, by Rock Lake Circle, Orlando.  
Mrs. J. R. Arnold, by Gulf Beach Garden Club, Panama City.  
Mrs. David N. Benson, by her husband.  
Mrs. Robert L. Jones, by Davis Islands Garden Club, Tampa.  
Mrs. D. M. McGlamery, by Palm Circle, Melbourne.  
Mrs. Steve Fritch, by Ivy Circle, Tampa Federation.  
Mrs. J. P. Stephenson, by daughter Mrs. Ben Graham, Panama City.  
Mrs. George W. Horne, Chipley, by District II.

Mrs. Alan K. Howell, by Magnolia Circle, Melbourne.  
 Mrs. J. A. Howard, by Woodland Garden Club, St. Augustine Beach.  
 Mrs. John G. Ritter, by Lancaster Park Circle, Orlando.  
 Mrs. J. J. Savage, by Orange Lake Garden Club, Largo  
 Mrs. M. J. Ricker, by Naples Garden Club  
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 Mrs. James W. Bates, Tampa, by daughter Jean Villareal  
 Mrs. Charles F. Vale, by Conway Garden Club, Orlando  
 Mrs. Earl Proctor, by Holly Circle, Tallahassee  
 Mrs. Benjamin Mondress, Miami, by Mrs. Benjamin Pascal  
 Mrs. Louis Skidmore, by The Garden Club of Winter Haven.

## Miami Club Wins New Award

The first of what will be an annual Edward C. Donnelly Memorial Award has been made to the Dig and Dream Garden Club of Miami, it was announced by the Donnelly Advertising Corporation of Florida.

Mr. R. F. Cochrane made the presentation of a \$100 cash prize and a perpetual trophy to Mrs. Clifford Lunson, outgoing president of the Dig and Dream Club.

The award was established by the Donnelly Corporation to encourage the work of local garden clubs and will be presented each year to a club designated by the Presidents' Council for a specific beautification project.

The Dig and Dream Club was selected for this year's prize for their continuing project of landscaping the campus of Miami Killian Senior High School.

## Blue Star Marker For District IV

The Ribault Garden Club of Jacksonville Beach dedicated a Blue Star Memorial Marker on May 8, 1973. This marker is located on Highway 90, Beach Boulevard and 5th Street, Jacksonville Beach.

The program was under the direction of Mrs. George F. Tharp, President of the Ribault Garden Club. Mrs. Andrew A. Gurke, then President of the Florida Federation of Garden Clubs unveiled the marker. A reception was held at the Garden Center following the dedication.

Among the distinguished guests for this occasion were Lt. Col. and Mrs. J. Howard Dunn of Neptune Beach. Col. Dunn had recently returned from Viet Nam after 6 years as a POW.

The chairman of this event was Mrs. H. C. DePryker, Civic Chairman of Ribault Garden Club.



# National Life Members

The Florida Federation of Garden Clubs has added 12 members to National Council of State Garden Clubs Life Membership program with the following members receiving recognition since the convention in Sarasota a year ago:

Mrs. John R. Phelps, Deerfield Beach  
Mrs. Lois Leggiero, Indian Harbor Beach  
Mrs. Hobart E. Brown, Ozona  
Mrs. Newman Ward, Miami  
Mrs. Tom Swann, Winter Haven  
Mrs. John G. Wood, Winter Haven  
Mrs. Homer W. Davis, Gonzalez  
Mrs. David E. Harris, Lakeland  
Mrs. Hugh C. Simmons, Gainesville  
Mrs. Conrad B. Van Allen, Marathon  
Mrs. R. C. Stephenson, Atlantic Beach  
Mrs. Charles Tompson, Tampa

With the addition of these members, Florida has contributed \$2300 toward National Headquarters & Endowment Fund and the Life Membership Fund, interest from which goes toward the awarding of scholarships by National Council. We are proud indeed of this accomplishment!



*Dedication of the Blue Star Marker at Jacksonville Beach. l. to r. Mrs. Milburn W. Paulk, Director of District IV, Mrs. Andrew A. Gurke, President of the Florida Federation of Garden Clubs, Mrs. George F. Tharp, President, Ribault Garden Club.*

# In Remembrance

Mrs. William T. Chennell  
*1st Vice President*  
Florida Federation  
of Garden Clubs

We light a candle as a symbol to one who has departed. Let us pause to pay tribute and respect to a beloved member whom we miss greatly.

She was a dedicated Garden Club member, serving both her own club in Orlando and the State Federation.

It is some comfort to us that she left knowing that she had been unanimously elected as First Vice President of the Federation she so dearly loved.

Even though she has departed, we remember so many of the little things — so much a part of her personality.

We remember her sincerity, her dedication, her quiet and efficient manner of accepting a responsibility and of seeing it to its completion.

We remember her kindness to her fellow members. Not once did we hear her utter an unkind word.

We remember her quick wit, her



spontaneous chuckle and hearty laugh.

We remember her as a lady, always gracious and worthy of our respect.

Fern Chennell has departed from us but we remember her in so many "special ways" — and these memories will be kept in our hearts forever.

This memorial was given by Mrs. Carroll O. Griffin, Past President FFGC at a Board of Directors Meeting, June 26, 1973.

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## Miami Group Holds PATE Workshop

by Mrs. Robert E. Mills

The Council of Garden Club Presidents of Dade County recently held an Environmental Education Workshop for approximately 50 elementary school principals in the South District of the Dade County School System.

Programs for Volume I and II

of the PATE books were demonstrated and each principal was given a complimentary copy of the two volumes.

Last year's prize money from the District EIP Contest, plus donations from clubs in the School district were used to finance this program.





*Mrs. Maxwell W. Steel, President of National Council of State Garden Clubs, congratulates Mrs. Roger J. Waybright on her club's winning second place in the National Council-Sears Environmental Improvement Program: l. to r.: Mrs. Waybright, Mrs. Andrew A. Gurke, Mrs. Steel, Mr. W. F. McCurdy, Vice President-Public Relations, Sears Roebuck and Company. May 14, 1973, Seattle, Washington.*

## National Honors for Jacksonville

The Garden Club of Jacksonville received second place among five national winners in the Environmental Improvement Program co-sponsored by National Council of State Garden Clubs and Sears, Roebuck, and Company.

The club entry was in environmental education. PEOPLE AND THEIR ENVIRONMENT books, conservation lesson plans for

teachers, were placed in the professional libraries of schools in Duval County. A boardwalk was placed in a cypress swamp for use by school classes in the environmental education program. The club assisted the Environmental Education Supervisor with teacher's workshops.

Club and Circle programs were presented to members on environ-

mental subjects during the two-year project. Club participation was good and many community groups were involved.

To reach national level in competition, the club won first on the district level then first at the state level. Altogether, the club received \$1,975.00 in cash awards, a plaque with the state award and a silver tray with the national award.

## Callahan Opens New Center

After years of hard work, paying for their building as they went, 47 hard-working members of the Callahan Garden Club had the happy privilege on Sunday, May 6th, of opening their lovely building to the public.

Mrs. Andrew A. Gurke, then president of the Florida Federation of Garden Clubs, dedicated the new Center. Appearing on the program with Mrs. Gurke were the Rev. David Lundar, the club's oldest member — Mrs. Eppie Blount, their oldest charter member Mrs. J. C. Boughner, Mayor Robert H. Smith, Dr. M. E. Sliger, Club President Mrs. Halstead H. Lucas and Mrs. Gladys Paulk, Director of District IV at that time.

The building of the Center was started in 1968. Constructed of concrete block, it is 30 x 50 feet and includes a kitchen and rest rooms as well as a library.

Members of the club, acknowledging their president's remarkable leadership in helping accomplish a life-long dream, named their library the "Ethel Lucas Library" and presented the first book in her honor.

The building is debt free and was built on a pay-as-you-go basis. Money was raised by donations,

also by the sale of floral pieces for the cemetery, corsages, sick-room arrangements and from catering a wedding and dinners.

The day ended on a joyous note with a "gift-giving" ceremony. Coming as a complete surprise to the club members, many friends, including former District Directors and State Chairmen of Garden Centers, presented gifts to the garden club. These gifts included a punch bowl set, four dozen cups, a 30-cup coffee maker, a silver tray, books and checks.

This building serves as a much needed meeting place and information center.



From left, Callahan President Mrs. Halstead Lucas greets Mrs. Andrew Gurke, Federation President, and Mrs. Milburn Paulk, District Director at Dedication of Center.



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## Perry Moves Center

By Mrs. Harry C. Durand, Chm.  
Garden Club Centers

The Perry Garden Club, organized in 1961, has moved its Garden Activities Center Building from the Buckeye Cellulose Corporation property to the Forest Capital Grounds, Perry.

The wooden building is 25' x 70' and seats 100 persons. It includes a kitchen and restroom.

Perry Garden Club has two circles with a total membership of 50. This building, which is owned and maintained by the membership serves as a vital central meeting place for club members.



*The relocated Perry Garden Activities Center, Perry, Florida.*

## Daytona Center Dedicated

By Mrs. W. Scott Peirsol

On April 15th the Council of Garden Clubs of the Halifax District dedicated their new Garden Center at 837 N. Oleander Avenue, Daytona Beach, with Council President Mrs. Charles Close presiding and Florida Federation of

Garden Clubs President, Mrs. Andrew Gurke, officiating at the dedication.

Formerly the home of Mrs. William A. Finney and bequeathed to the Council by her in memory of her late husband, the Center will be known as the "William A. Finney Memorial Garden Center." Of special interest is the fact that the building was originally designed by architect Harry M. Griffin, husband of the late Lona Griffin, President of the Florida Federation 1939-1941.

The Spanish architecture of the house has been augmented by interior decoration, furnishings and window treatment. A "Garden Room", featuring built-in, lighted niches for flower arrangements and a brick, tile-roofed patio were added, opening off the main room by the substitution of French Doors for windows, thus affording seating space for over 100 people. A large double garage has been converted into a workshop.

Other facilities include a fully equipped kitchen, dining room, a library housing over 300 volumes where small meetings can be held, an office also equipped for committee meetings, two rest rooms and a charming ladies' lounge.

For 3 years, under the leadership of Mrs. Archie Johnson, Jr., Building Chairman, and Mrs. W. Scott Peirsol, Building Fund Chairman, the members of the Council have been raising money to be used in expanding the Center facilities. Augmented by gifts from friends, this money has made possible a complete renovation of the house, installation of air-conditioning and the addition of the above-mentioned facilities.

The cover of this edition of *The Florida Gardener* features the doorway of this new Center.

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## Florida Goes to National Convention Seattle, Washington

Top row: l. to r.: Mrs. Riley Moffett, Pensacola, Mrs. Hobart E. Brown, Clearwater, Mrs. Charles Gibb, Miami, Mrs. Milburn Paulk, *Dir. Dist. IV*, Mrs. Sally Rahm, *Dir. Dist. XII*, Mrs. Carroll O. Griffin, *Past-Pres. FFGC*, Mrs. John G. Wood, *Dir. Dist. IX*.

Bottom row: l. to r.: Mrs. Homer Gwinn, *3rd V.P. FFGC*, Mrs. Sidney Davis, *1st V.P. FFGC*, Mrs. Andrew Gurke, *Pres. FFGC*, Mrs. Maxwell

Steel, *Pres. National Council*, Mrs. Maurice Dillingham, *Past-Pres. FFGC*, Mrs. W. T. Chennell, *2nd V.P. FFGC*. All offices identified with above persons were *pre-Florida Convention*.

Other Floridians attending: Mesdames Roger Waybright, Jacksonville, Vernon L. Conner, Mt. Dora, Ralph Parker, Port Charlotte.

## Presidential Citations

Each year it is the privilege of the President to select companies or individuals who have served the Federation in some meritorious manner. Past President Mrs. Andrew A. Gurke bestowed the following citations before her term of office came to a close:

**Shell Oil Co.**, for co-sponsoring the pilot Youth Conference, and **Miss Elizabeth Mason** for her service on behalf of the Youth Conference.

**Sun Oil Co., Standard Oil Co. and Union Camp Corp.** — **Mr. Robert Webb** and **Mr. Robert Colyer** — for co-sponsoring Landscape Design Courses, Series VI, in Jacksonville, and **Florida Publishing Co.**, for printing programs for these Landscape Design Schools.

**Mr. Ed McNeely**, Fla. Dept. of Transportation for promoting Litter Control Program.

**Mr. C. Richard Tillis**, for promoting PATE in the Schools and helping prepare litter control kits.

**Sears Roebuck and Co.** for Environmental and HANDS programs.

**Mr. Ronald J. Worswick** of Four Dee Inc. for co-hosting Directors dinner at Convention.

**Mrs. Jack Dunlap** and **Mrs. Gordon Sandridge** for conducting Landscape Design Schools in Jacksonville.

**Mrs. J. B. Threlkeld** for Youth Environmental Conference.

**Mrs. John McClelland** for outstanding litter control program.

**Mrs. J. D. Grathwol**, **Mrs. Raymond Todd** and **Mrs. Francis J. Mueller** for chairing and co-chairing 1973 Convention.

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# Florida's Council of Judges

Florida judges held their Annual Meeting on May 24th following the Convention.

Incoming President, Hazel Simmons, a Master Judge, has just finished serving on the State Board of the Florida Federation as Director of District V. She has served as Chairman of the State Flower Show in Gainesville, Chairman of Short Course in Gainesville and for six years served as Chairman of High School Gardeners.

The theme for Mrs. Simmons' administration will be: *Awareness — Our Sphere of Influence*, and in developing this theme in her acceptance speech she used the following quote from *Moments of Meditation* by Paul McElroy:

"Within the span of our lifetime we and the millions of others of our generation hold in our hands all that is of value from the past and in those same hands we hold the hope of all that is to come. We are the living link through which will be transmitted to the timeless future all that will be preserved of value from the ageless past. We are the present. We are poised, if but for the brief span of a lifetime, amidst eternity. In our hands is the power to destroy or to preserve, to tear down or to build up. We are the trustees of the future and as such we must think beyond the present, beyond ourselves and consider what effect our acts and our decisions may have upon posterity."

How we handle this awareness of our sphere of influence will be the responsibility and challenge of all of us. Mrs. Simmons asks members to be aware of the opportunities for service as judges as well as garden club members.

September-October 1973



*Double honors for Mrs. Hugh C. Simmons. [above] Newly elected President of the Florida Council of Flower Show Judges, Mrs. Simmons also won Best Arrangement Silver Trophy in the 1974 Florida Flower Arrangement Calendar.*

The meeting ended on an exciting note with an outstanding program on Flower Design by Mrs. George Morrow.

A Master Judge from Alexandria, Virginia, Mrs. Morrow is currently serving as Vice-Director of the Judges Council of The National Capitol Area.

A hobby of ceramics allows Mrs. Morrow to design and make her own containers and these would have to be seen to be appreciated! "Pots to put flowers in" she calls them, rather than "containers", for they are created for this one purpose.

Humor mixed with good basic know-how made this an experience to remember.

# Eighth Annual Symposium

## "PACSETERS OF TOMORROW"

by Mrs. Dursie Ekman, *Chairman*

Symposium 1973, co-sponsored by the Florida Federation of Garden Clubs, Inc., Florida Council of Flower Show Judges and Tampa Federation of Garden Club Circles, Inc., will be presented October 3-5 at the International Inn, Tampa.

*For the Early Arrival:  
An exciting treat!*

Tuesday evening, 7:30 p.m. October 2, MR. BOB THOMAS will present a program of "Innovative Designs" which reflects his eclectic, fantastic talents.

### *Horticulture*

Wednesday, October 3: Horticulture will be leafing out with lush *Begonias*, sporting unbelievable textures and exciting colors. Also, regal and sometimes impish but always fascinating *Orchids* and the always dear *Native Plants* of Florida.

Instructors:

DR. JASPAR N. JOINER: Professor of Ornamental Horticulture, College of Agriculture and Horticulture, Agriculture Experiment Station, University of Florida. His vast interest and involvement covers many fields, including Fruit Crops, Soil Chemistry, Plant Physiology, Biochemistry and Ornamental Horticulture, from which he has chosen to discuss the *Begonia Family*.

DR. THOMAS J. SHEEHAN: Professor and Ornamental Horticulturist, Institute of Food and Agricultural Sciences, University of Florida, will create a realmless Orchidaceous world through

slides, and will characterize specifics of these global-infiltrated *Orchids*.

DR. DEREK BURCH: The endemic qualities and characteristics of Florida's *Native Plants* will be discussed by the current Assistant Professor of Biology and Director of University of South Florida Botanical Garden.

MRS. ROBERT N. GUTHRIE, Orlando, is a National Accredited Instructor of Horticulture and Flower Show Practice and National Accredited Horticulture Symposium Instructor. Mrs. Guthrie will conduct Oral Point Scoring of *Begonias* and *Orchids*.

### *Artistic Design*

Thursday, October 4: will be a star-studded day and will run the whole gamut of sparkling, dramatic neo-designs.

Instructors:

MRS. HARRY A. GWINNER: Master Judge from Atlanta; National Council Instructor of Flower Shows and Symposiums who has taught and lectured in many states, including Illinois (Chicago) and New York. She travels to Florida via car to transport materials for designing superlative exhibitions for her timely "Creative Space and Form".

MRS. CHARLES MATHENY: Artist, lecturer and teacher from the Art Department, University of Tampa, and Tampa Bay Art Center. "Art Impact in Floral Design" will be the topic covered by Mrs. Matheny, who recently received wide acclaim for her Batik banners.



Friday, October 5: Grand finale will feature MRS. JACK E. MILLER, Lecompte, Louisiana, National Council of State Garden Club Flower Show Schools Chairman. Mrs. Miller has served for the last eight years as a member of the Flower Show Schools Committee for National Council and is authoritatively equipped to speak on "Judge's Part in Awards".

## Registration Details

Students taking Symposium for credit must attend *all* sessions Oct. 3-5 and pay \$2.00 examination fee.

Write for brochure and registration form: Mrs. C. T. Dawkins, Jr., 4705 Clear Ave., Tampa, Florida.

Registration Fee:

Entire Course (prior to Sept. 26) \$16.00.

Entire Course (after Sept. 26) \$18.00.

One day \$9.00.

Luncheons have been arranged for on Wednesday and Thursday and are optional. Cost per day \$4.00. If luncheon is desired price must be added to original course price.

Make hotel reservations directly with: The International Inn, West-Shore and Kennedy Blvds., Tampa, Fla. 33609. Take WestShore exit from I-4 & 75, go south three blocks to the Inn.

## Bilingual School — A Florida 1st

On November 13-14-15, 1973 Flower Show School #1 will be held in the new educational building at Fairchild Tropical Garden, 10901 Old Cutler Road, Miami. By using adjoining class rooms, the school will be taught in Spanish in one room and in English in the other. This will be the first Flower Show School in Spanish in the U. S.

In 1972 Course I and II were given in Lima, Peru and in Bogota, Colombia but many of our International Affiliates were unable to attend last year and have expressed a great desire for a school in Miami given in Spanish.

This Flower Show School will be accredited by the National Council of State Garden Clubs and is sponsored jointly by the Florida Council of Flower Show Judges, District XII and the Council of Garden Club Presidents of Dade County.

For further information on this school, contact General Chairman: Mrs. Sally Rahm, 747 N. E. 61st Street, Miami 33137.

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# Flower Show Calendar

October 15-21, 1973, Pensacola; "A Tribute to Disney World"

March 16-17, 1974, Lakeland: "A Potpourri of our Past"

March 16-17, 1974, Palm Springs

March 16, 1974, Lighthouse Point: "St. Patrick's O'Cology"

March 29-31, 1974, Miami, Metropolitan Miami Flower Show

April 6-7, 1974, West Palm Beach

April 19, 1974, Boca Raton

Georgia

April 17-18, 1974, Atlanta, Ga.: First State Flower Show, Georgia Federation of Garden Clubs



## Flower Show Schools



Mrs. O. Fenton Wells, *Chairman*

### COURSE I—GAINESVILLE

OCTOBER 9, 10, 11, 1973

*Instructors:*

Mrs. Frank L. Woodruff III

Mrs. Robert Guthrie

*Chairman:*

Mrs. Ralph W. Cellon

Rt. 3, Box 83

Gainesville, 32601

### COURSE III—TALLAHASSEE

SEPTEMBER 25, 26, 27, 1973

*Instructors:*

Mrs. Robert Guthrie

Mrs. Catherine Walker

*Chairman:*

Mrs. R. E. McGowan

2015 Glennridge Drive

Tallahassee, 32303

### COURSE I—DAYTONA BEACH

MARCH 6, 7, 8, 1974

*Instructors:*

Mrs. Loren Dodson

Mrs. Robert Guthrie

*Chairman:*

Mrs. Archie C. Johnson Jr.

484 Druid Circle

Ormond Beach, 32074

### COURSE IV—WINTER HAVEN

OCTOBER 10, 11, 12, 1973

*Instructors:*

Mrs. Robert Guthrie

Mrs. Thomas Ward

*Chairman:*

Mrs. Carl Cooney

800 Lake Deer Drive

Winter Haven, 33880

### COURSE II—ORLANDO

NOVEMBER 28, 29, 30, 1973

*Instructors:*

Mrs. Robert Guthrie

Mrs. Horace Tompkins

*Chairman:*

Mrs. Robert Guthrie

6645 Lake Cane Drive

Orlando, 32805

### COURSE V—MIAMI NOVEMBER 13, 14, 15, 1973

#### **BILINGUAL**

*Instructors:*

Mrs. James A. McBain

Mrs. Rodney B. Radford

Dr. Robert J. Knight, Jr.

*Chairman:*

Mrs. Sally Rahm

747 N.E. 61st Street

Miami 33137



# Landscape Design School Course I, Series VII

Winter Haven Garden Center  
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Winter Haven 33880  
Mrs. Carl R. Cooney, *Chairman*

## TENTATIVE PROGRAM

Wednesday, November 7, 1973

- 8:00 a.m.—Registration
- 8:45—Introduction & Welcome  
Mrs. Sidney R. Davis, President FFGC  
Announcements: Mrs. Carl R. Cooney
- 9:15—Development of Landscape Architecture  
to 1840: Mrs. Frank Schmoll
- 10:15—Recess
- 10:30—Ecology & Environment:  
Mr. Timothy Anderson
- 12:30—Luncheon
- 1:30—Development of Landscape  
Architecture (continued): Mrs. Schmoll
- 2:30—Plant Materials in the Landscape
- 3:30—The Professional Landscape Architect
- 4:00—Question Period

Thursday, November 8

- 8:45 a.m.—Introduction and welcome:  
Mrs. Davis
- 9:00—Theory and Basic Principles of  
Landscape Design:  
Dr. Neil G. Odenwald
- 10:00—Recess
- 10:15—Theory—continued
- 11:15—Civic Projects—Mr. Herrick H. Smith
- 12:15 p.m.—Luncheon
- 1:15—Roadside Development—Mr. Herrick H. Smith
- 2:15—Home Grounds—Dr. Neil G. Odenwald
- 4:15—Question Period

Friday, November 9

- 8:00 a.m.—Registration
- 9:00-Noon—Written Examination

## Advance Registration

Tuition Fee: \$12, Examination Fee: \$2. Make check payable to "Florida Federation of Garden Clubs, Inc." Mail to: Mrs. H. S. Mullinax, Registration Chairman, 315 Ave. B. NE, Winter Haven 33880.

## Instructors

Dr. Neil G. Odenwald, of Baton Rouge, Louisiana. Dr. Odenwald is Extension Landscape Architect with L.S.U. in Baton Rouge. He holds a B.S. from Mississippi State University in Ornamental Horticulture, M. S. from Louisiana State in Landscape Architecture, and Ph.D. from Mississippi State in Horticulture.



Mr. Herrick H. Smith, ASLA. A graduate of Cornell U. and the University of Georgia in Landscape Architecture, he previously taught at Kansas State University. He is presently Director of the Department of Architecture at U. of Florida.

Mr. Timothy E. Anderson, ASLA, is a native of Superior, Wisconsin. His degrees include AA from Palm Beach Junior College, BLA from the U. of Fla. and he was also the recipient of a Florida Federation Hume Fellowship at the U. of Florida. He is presently a Landscape Architect in Miami.



Mrs. Lee J. Schmoll is a graduate of Cornell University and the University of Durham, England. She was employed in Spain and with the Parks Department of New York City. At present she has a private Landscape Architect practice in Tampa.

## Reading Assignments for Landscape Design Course 1

Reading the Landscape: Watts

The Tastemakers: Lynes (pages 3-64)  
The Book of Landscape Design: Ortloff and Raymore (pages 1-287)

An Introduction to the Study of Landscape Design: Hubbard & Kimball (Pages 1-23, 32-61, 88-129, 295-337)

The Art of Home Landscaping: Eckbo (Pages 60-126)

America's Garden Book: Bush-Brown (Pages 1-30)

It's Your Community: Ortloff and Raymore (Pages 1-10, 127-224)

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# Trees for the Small Garden

by Mrs. John A. Keck  
Trees Chairman

In keeping with the emphasis of this administration on trees and arboriculture, we will consider suitable trees for the small garden in three Florida regions.

"Small garden" is a fairly nebulous term, but we refer to the average sized home lot with space for a tree with open top where roots can go deep without competition from small plants in the top soil layer.

It is interesting that while the never-ending construction boom has cut down on lot sizes and available open land, we can take advantage of the sheltered environment that walls provide. Here we can grow trees not fully hardy in the open.

In Clearwater two *tabebuia argenteas* can be seen surviving on the southern exposure of a public building and two *delonix regias* (Royal Poincianas) are blooming gloriously in protected areas although neither species is hardy in this area.

We will deal in some detail with a favorite tree for each of Florida's three temperature areas.

For northern Florida the flowering dogwood, *cernus florida*, *cernaceae*, is a prized ornamental for every season of the year. The dogwood has been greatly admired since colonial days when the early settlers used its wood for tool handles, mallet heads and shuttles for weaving. Even today its hard wood is sometimes used in making golf club heads.

This lovely bloom with four bracts, white, pink or red, surrounding the central yellow true

flowers, is a delight in the early spring. In the fall the glossy foliage turns a brilliant scarlet like the red fruits, making it an outstanding attraction on the lawn.

There are twenty cultivars, some with yellow fruits; one with variegated foliage and one called double, *pluribracteata*. Dogwoods are of easy cultivation in any good garden soil and prefer partial shade. Since they are flat topped they contrast naturally with upright trees on the home property. Dogwoods are propagated by cuttings of mature wood or layering.

*Jacaranda acutifolia*, *bignoniaceae*, a native of Brazil, is a happy choice for central Florida. This tree with its magnificent floral display thrives best where citrus trees grow. The azure blue panicles in spring are a delight to tourists and homeowners. Since it sheds its delicate, twice-pinnate leaves in the fall, it appears ungainly and irregularly branched for a few months, but it does not inhibit the growth of lawns beneath the tree.

The Jacaranda is a water-seeker and should be given adequate space in full sun for heaviest flowering and fastest growth. It is not recommended for beach areas or locations hit by strong winds.

Propagation is from the many seeds in the flat, oval, woody capsules. When seedlings are large enough for transplanting, compost and peat should be added to the soil. Avoid too-deep planting and allow a saucer around the plant to hold water.

The *delonix regia* (Royal Poinciana), *leguminosae*, is an accent tree with striking landscape effect in the tropical southern area of our state. Sometimes called the Peacock Flower Tree, this flamboyant *delonix* is one of the most gorgeous trees of the world. The racemes of orange-red blooms of

early summer and later the long, thick, black pods distinguish it from all other trees. This native of Madagascar grows to a height of 40 feet in almost any soil in frost-free areas. Maintenance is low.

For vigorous, healthy trees it is essential that proper preparation of the planting site be made. Soil reaction may be changed to suit the species by the use of lime or sulphur. Young transplanted trees should be correctly fertilized, pruned, guyed and frequently watered until they are well established.

Let us all plant more trees!

## Shell Oil Company Environmental Awards

Offered High School and Intermediate Gardeners at the Environmental Conference at Florida Technical University, August 1972:

### *High School Awards*

- 1—Edgewater High School Ecology Unit, Orlando (Dist. VII), Sponsor: Conway Garden Club
- 2—Cheerful Chestnuts High School Unit, Brooksville (Dist. VIII), Sponsor: Brooksville Garden Club
- 3—(tie)  
Junior Audubon High School Gardeners, Crystal River (Dist. V), Sponsor: Garden Club of Crystal River. Chipley High School Gardeners, Chipley (II), Sponsor: Chipley Garden Club

### *Intermediates*

- 1—Venice Jr. High Ecology Club, Venice (VIII), Sponsor: Venice Area Garden Club
- 2—Merry Makers 4-H Unit, Orlando (VII), Sponsor: Orlando Garden Club

Honorable Mention—HSG Booklets:

- A. Flower Power HSG, Okeechobee Garden Club (X)

- B. Hollywood Hills Ecology Unit, Hollywood; (XI) Hollywood Garden Club

## Resume Of Minutes

All resumes compiled by Mrs. Melville Hall, *Resume Chairman*

### Board Meeting, May 21

The Federation Board of Directors met on May 21, 1973, at the Contemporary Hotel, Disney World.

With FFGC President Mrs. Andrew A. Gurke presiding at the preconvention meeting, members of the Board of Directors:

- FEDERATED Winter Springs Pioneer Garden Club of Maitland, Spring Valley Garden Club of Altamonte Springs, Lake Conway Estates Garden Club of Orlando, all of District VII; Tam O'Shanter Garden Club of North Lauderdale, District XI, Country Club Grove Garden Club of Miami, District XII.
- PROBATIONARY status granted, Spring Oaks Garden Club of Altamonte Springs, District VII, and Waterway Estates Garden Club of North Fort Myers, District IX.
- Heard Azalea Garden Club of the Pensacola Federation, District I, and Dogwood Circle of the Tampa Federation, District VIII, will become INDEPENDENT clubs.
- Heard Fern Circle of Deltona Garden Club, District VI, and Harmony Circle, formerly Harmony Garden Club, of the Tampa Federation, District VIII, announced: and Glenwood Garden Club and Ridgewood Garden Club, both of Daytona Beach, District VI, Coral Reef and Sandy Sandals Garden Clubs, both of District XII, disbanded.
- Approved State LIFE MEMBERSHIP pins and charms, secured by Mrs. Leroy Crooks, for presentation at the convention.
- Accepted the editorial committee's recommendation extra copies of the newly-revised 100-page Florida Garden



Club MANUAL be sold for \$1.50 plus tax.

- Voted \$500 of funds collected at Tropical Short Course be sent to Broward Community College, with the remaining \$200 to be placed in the federation treasury.

- Ratified the president's action in executing RESOLUTIONS urging the Florida Legislature to appropriate research funds beamed at saving coconut and adonidia palms from "lethal yellowing" disease, and retaining the name Cape Florida State Park.

- Approved for presenting to convention delegates resolutions concerning the Bartram Trail, Suwannee River, the Big Bend and Ocala National Forest.

- Approved District I Symposium scheduled Oct. 22-24, 1974 with Mrs. Riley Moffett as Chairman.

- Approved amending the federation's budget to reimburse officers for travel from 7 to 10 cents a mile.

- Approved the Jack Winterburn, C.P.A., firm of Jacksonville to audit FFGC accounts for the fiscal year 1972-73.

- Accepted a \$10 check from Ridge Chapter of American Hibiscus Society as its dues as an AFFILIATE member of the federation.

- Approved Flower Show Schools: Course 1 — Gainesville, October 9-11, 1973, and Daytona Beach, March 6-8, 1974; Course 2 — Orlando, Nov. 28-30, 1973; and Course 4 — Winter Haven, Oct. 10-12, 1973.

## Convention May 22-24

Convention was held May 22-24, 1973 at the Contemporary Hotel, Disney World.

Florida garden club members attending the federations' 47th annual convention:

- \* Applauded State President Mrs. Andrew A. Gurke's report on activities during the past year which included touring the 12 districts, opening three Landscape Design Study Courses at Jacksonville, attending National Council board meetings and conventions, the Deep South Regional convention and Seminar, Zephyrhills

Garden Club's 25th anniversary luncheon, Tropical Short Course, a Holiday Homes tour in Winter Haven; visiting Junior Nature Camp, participating in ground-breaking ceremonies for the Nature Camp in Wekiwa Springs State Park, in the dedication of Blue Star Markers at Jacksonville Beach and Lake Park as well as the Garden Center in Daytona Beach; dedicating the Garden Center at Callahan, an addition to the West Palm Beach Garden Center, and the green house at Raiford State Prison; serving as hostess to delegates and visitors at the Pilot Youth Conservation Conference in Orlando, also to judges of the Youth Conference Contest and to those for the EIP Award; and working on revision of the Florida Garden Club Manual.

- Heard reports of other officers, district directors and designated chairmen gleaning additional insight into Garden Club and related activities throughout Florida which have given deeper meaning to the President's theme "Friendship and Unity in Gardening."

- Acclaimed Florida's own Mrs. Vernon L. Conner who was recently elected first vice president of the National Council.

- Attended workshops, forums and symposiums to gain additional information and know-how.

- Heard the \$75,000 goal established for the Junior Nature Camp BUILDING FUND in 1972 had been reached and the \$100,000 in matching funds from the Florida Legislature would be available for building the camp, which should be completed in time for camping in the summer of 1974.

- Witnessed presentation of the newly revised Florida Garden Club Manual by Mrs. Homer Gwinn, editor, and heard her voice thanks to the editorial committee including Mrs. Gurke, Mrs. Carroll O. Griffin, Mrs. Melville Hall, Mrs. Graham W. King, Mrs. Andrew J. Miller and Mrs. W. Scott Peirsol.

- Heard Mrs. R. Malcolm Fortson, Major R. G. Betts, Mrs. John G. Wood and Mrs. W. Scott Peirsol had become FFGC Headquarters PATRONS during the past year; the Florida Soft Drink Association had presented five 16 MM

sound films, Southern Forest Institute slides with commentary and a sound tape, and Mrs. Millard Davidson a book "Judging the Amateur Flower Show" for State Headquarters library; and Chase and Co., Sanford, 1000 pounds of Sun organic fertilizer for the grounds at headquarters.

- Adopted RESOLUTIONS urging the routes traveled by John and William Bartram be clearly defined and The Bartram Trail in its entirety be established as a National Scenic Trail; opposing exploitation of Ocala National Forest for gas and oil production and petitioning that the wilderness values of this and other Florida National Forests be protected from further intrusion; requesting that immediate action be taken to designate the Suwannee River as a National Wild and Scenic River; requesting secure protection of the 300-mile stretch of coastline north of Tarpon Springs and east of Port St. Joe called The Big Bend, and enjoining the Florida Legislature to enact laws of strong and adequate definition of the state's estuarine areas, tidally influenced waters and marshes.
- Adopted amendments to the federation's bylaws.
- Heard the total REGISTRATION at the convention was 1,150.
- Elected a new corps of OFFICERS including Mrs. Sidney Davis, president, Mrs. W. T. Chennell, Mrs. Homer Gwinn and Mrs. Dewey R. Villareal, vice presidents; Mrs. Edward R. Jordan, recording secretary; Mrs. John G. Wood, corresponding secretary; Mrs. Edward F. Smithers, treasurer; and Mrs. James F. Hussey, assistant treasurer.
- Applauded Mrs. Philip James becoming a Headquarters Patron in a surprise presentation and witnessed presentation of awards, State and National Life Memberships, and Presidential Citations.
- Witnessed impressive "Light of Leadership" ceremonies in which National Council's First Vice President Mrs. Conner installed the new officers.

## Board Meeting, May 25

The Board of Directors met on May 25, 1973, at the Contemporary Hotel,

Disney World.

With newly installed State President Mrs. Sidney Davis presiding at the post-convention meeting, the directors:

- Heard "A Time To Be Involved" announced as THEME of the 1973-1975 administration.
- Ratified the president's appointment of committee chairmen.
- Authorized payment of convention bills.
- Ratified payment for a Past President's pin presented Mrs. Andrew A. Gurke.
- Authorized the Junior Nature Camp Committee to complete papers for incorporation.
- Ratified continuing Pamela Marshall on the H. Harold Hume Fellowship until her graduation.
- Ratified awarding the Elizabeth McCullagh High School Gardener Scholarship to Dorothy A. Karl.
- Accepted the \$3,323.62 bid of Cody Publications, Kissimmee, to print the Florida Gardener.
- Ratified action of the president and Flower Arrangement Calendar editor requesting Robinson's to order paper for the calendar to avoid any increase in price.
- Approved \$250 as working capital for Landscape Design School, Course I, Series VII, scheduled Nov. 7-9, 1973 in Winter Haven.
- Approved having "The Life of Henry Nehrling" by Hedwig Michel dedicated to the Florida Federation.
- Endorsed a resolution requesting additional urban foresters.
- Heard Mrs. Melville Hall appointed chairman of the nominating committee on Headquarters and Endowment trustees; and elected Mrs. David Stouder and Mrs. Victor T. Nixon to serve on the committee.
- Heard directors of Districts I, IV, VI, VII, VIII and XII announced names of assistant directors.
- Heard new circles including Wildflower of Panama City Garden Club, District II, Honeysuckle and Jasmine, Tallahassee Garden Club, District III, and Jasmine, Garden Club of Indian River County at Vero Beach, District X, announced.



# AWARD WINNERS—1973

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- 1—BLANCHE CAPEL COVINGTON LEADERSHIP  
Winner: Mrs. Horace Thompkins, Dogwood Circle, Pensacola Federation R. U.; Mrs. L. E. Enders, North Palm Beach Garden Club
- 2—OUTSTANDING SERVICE  
Winner: Mrs. Homer Gwinn, Boca Raton Garden Club  
R. U.: Mrs. Garrett Swindal, Bartow Garden Club
- 3—HORTICULTURE  
Winner: Bimini Circle, North Tampa Garden Club, Inc.  
R. U.: Garden Club of Winter Haven
- 4—CONSERVATION OF NATURAL RESOURCES, 3 classes  
A. Winner: Dunedin Garden Club  
B. Winner: Dogwood Circle, Gainesville Garden Club  
C. Winner: Founders Circle, Cocoa-Rockledge Garden Club
- 5—MADIRA BICKEL CIVIC ACHIEVEMENT  
Winner: Daytona Beach Garden Club  
R. U.: Rose Circle, Tampa Federation of Garden Club Circles
- 6—CORSAGES  
Winner: Garden Club of Crystal River
- 7—DISH GARDEN — HARRIETTE KING AWARD  
Winner: Mrs. Alvin Meyer, Estero Island Garden Club, Ft. Myers Beach
- 8—YEARBOOK — 3 classes  
A. Winner: Garden Club of Orange Park  
R. U.: Gainesville Garden Club  
B. Winner: Key West Garden Club  
R. U.: Garden Club of Indian Lake Estates  
C. Winner: Robinswood Garden Club, Orlando  
R. U.: Bayberry Circle, Federation of Ft. Lauderdale
- 9—MARY S. COMPTON AWARDS FOR PUBLICITY, 2 classes  
A. Winner: Garden Club of Jacksonville  
R. U.: Panama City Garden Club, Inc.  
B. Winner: Gilchrist County Garden Club, Trenton  
R. U.: Bonifay Garden Club
- 10—GARDEN THERAPY, 2 classes  
A. Winner: Gainesville Garden Club  
R. U.: Cocoa-Rockledge Garden Club  
B. Winner: Clearwater Garden Club  
R. U.: Shell Point Circle, Tampa Federation
- 12—BRONZE MEDAL — OUTSTANDING ACHIEVEMENT IN ROADSIDE IMPROVEMENT  
Winner: Ivy Garden Club, Pensacola
- 14—LEADERSHIP  
Winner: Mrs. Augustus F. Williams, Jr., In-Har-Bee Garden Club, Indian Harbour Beach  
R. U.: Mrs. George E. Gilchrest, North Tampa Garden Club

- 16—FLOWER SHOW SCHEDULES, 6 classes  
 A-1 Winner: Coconut Grove Garden Club  
 B-1 Winner: Coral Gables Garden Club  
 R. U.: Azalea Park Garden Club, Inc., Orlando  
 B-2 Winner: Garden Club of Orange Park  
 R. U.: Leesburg Garden Club  
 C-1 Winner: Garden Club of Sebring  
 R.U.: Garden Center Circle, Garden Club of Jacksonville
- 18—SILVER ROSETTE FOR GENERAL FLOWER SHOW, 2 classes  
 A-1 Winner: West Palm Beach Garden Club  
 R. U.: Lake County Council of Federated Garden Clubs  
 B-2 Winner: In-Har-Bee Garden Club, Indian Harbour Beach  
 R. U.: Bay Bouquet Garden Club, Dunedin
- 19—SPECIAL HOLIDAY THEME FLOWER SHOW  
 Winner: Garden Center Circle, Garden Club of Jacksonville  
 R. U.: Garden Club of Jacksonville
- 20A—PATRIOTIC FLOWER SHOW  
 Winner: Ribault Garden Club, Jacksonville Beach
- 21—GARDEN CENTER, 2 classes  
 Winner: Garden Club of Jacksonville
- 23—CONVENTION DELEGATE  
 Winner: Mrs. Charles R. Pollard, Arlington Garden Club, Ormond-  
 Daytona Beach  
 R. U.: Mrs. John Tobin, Gilchrist County Garden Club, Trenton
- 24—LIBRARY, 2 classes  
 A. Winner: Garden Club of Jacksonville  
 B. Winner: Lauderdale-by-the-Sea Garden Club  
 R. U.: Azalea Park Garden Club, Orlando
- 25—GARDEN CLUB OF THE YEAR, 2 classes  
 A. Winner: Arlington Garden Club, Ormond-Daytona Beach  
 R. U.: Garden Club of Jacksonville  
 B. Winner: North Palm Beach Garden Club
- 26—HORTICULTURAL ACHIEVEMENT TROPHY  
 Winner: Dianthus Circle, West Palm Beach Garden Club
- 27—THE ALEX McINTOSH CONSERVATION TROPHY  
 Winner: North Tampa Garden Club, Inc.
- 28—WORLD GARDENING, 3 classes  
 A. Winner: Sarasota Garden Club  
 R. U.: Orlando Garden Club  
 B. Winner: Garden Club of Lake Wales  
 R. U.: Conway Garden Club, Orlando  
 C. Winner: Arlington Garden Club, Ormond-Daytona Beach  
 R. U.: Founders Circle, Cocoa-Rockledge Garden Club
- 29—FLORIDA GARDENER AWARD OF MERIT  
 Winner: Mrs. Edward F. Smithers, Ponte Vedra Beach
- 30—PUBLICATION, 2 classes  
 A. Winner: Pensacola Federation of Garden Clubs, Inc.  
 R.U.: Council Garden Club Pres. of Dade County, Miami  
 B. Winner: Coral Gables Garden Club  
 R. U.: Lauderdale-by-the-Sea Garden Club
- 32—ELLA JOYCE BOALS PROGRAM, 2 classes  
 A. Winner: Winter Park Garden Club  
 R. U.: Meadow Lark Circle, Garden Club of Orange Park  
 B. Winner: Founders Circle, Cocoa-Rockledge Garden Club  
 R. U.: Lady Lake Garden Club



- 33—HORTICULTURAL PROGRAM, 2 classes  
 A. Winner: Boca Raton Garden Club, Inc.  
 R. U.: The Garden Club of Lake Wales  
 B. Winner: Garden Gate Circle, Bartow Garden Club  
 R. U.: Founders Circle, Cocoa-Rockledge Garden Club
- 34—PUBLIC PROGRAM  
 Winner: Garden Club of Jacksonville  
 R.U.: Bigonia Circle, Sarasota Garden Club
- 36—LITTER CONTROL PROGRAM  
 Winner: Arlington Garden Club, Ormond-Daytona Beach  
 R. U.: Coral Gables Garden Club
- 37—"FUN WITH BIRDS" PROGRAM  
 Winner: Hibiscus Circle, Dade City Garden Club
- 37A—GROW AND SHARE PROGRAM  
 Winner: Clearwater Garden Club
- 38—CITY PUBLIC PLANTING  
 Winner: Gardenia Garden Club, Winter Haven  
 R.U.: Garden Club of Indian River County, Vero Beach
- 40—SUBURBIA PUBLIC PLANTING  
 Winner: Founders Circle, Cocoa-Rockledge Garden Club
- 41—PARK PLANTING  
 Winner: Jacaranda Circle, Fed. Garden Club of Ft. Lauderdale
- 43—THE DOLLY MORRIS GARDEN AREA LANDSCAPE DESIGN  
 Winner: Lake Placid Garden Club, Lighthouse Point  
 R. U.: Garden Club of Lake Wales
- 44—LANDSCAPE DESIGN STUDY COURSES, 3 classes  
 A. Winner: Gainesville Garden Club
- 45—SCHOOL GROUND BEAUTIFICATION  
 Winner: Garden Club of Jacksonville  
 R. U.: Hollywood Garden Club
- 46—TREE PLANTING ACHIEVEMENT TROPHY  
 Winner: Garden Club of Jacksonville
- 48—THE NELL COE AWARD  
 Winner: Ivy Garden Club, Pensacola  
 R. U.: Tampa Federation of Garden Club Circles, Inc.
- 51—FLORIDA FLOWER ARRANGEMENT CALENDAR  
 Winner: Mrs. Hugh C. Simmons, Gainesville
- 56—CIVIC CONSERVATION ACTIVITY AWARD  
 A. Winner: Valparaiso Garden Club
- 57—CONSERVATION STRESSING COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT  
 Winner: Rose Circle, Tampa Federation of Garden Club Circles

#### HIGH SCHOOL GARDENER AWARDS

- HS-1—OUTSTANDING UNIT  
 Winner: Go-G.R.E.E.N. Ecology Club, Key West Garden Club  
 R. U.: Fairview Pines H. S. Gardeners. Soulangeana Circle, Garden Club of Jacksonville
- HS-3—CONSERVATION  
 Winner: Winter Park H. S. Gardeners. Winter Park Garden Club
- HS-12—CARTOON  
 Winner: Edward White, Community H. S. Garden Club, Garden Club of Jacksonville  
 Runner-up: Fairview Pines H. S. Gardeners, Soulangeana Circle, Garden Club of Jacksonville

## JUNIOR GARDENER AWARDS

- J-1—MARGARET Y. PAGE (Birds Seen in Florida)  
Winner: Ribault Junior G. C., Ribault Garden Club, Jacksonville Beach  
R. U.: Sharon Rugg, Merrymakers 4-H, Orlando Garden Club
- J-2—GRACE O. EDWARDS (Florida Wild Flowers)  
Winner: Dover Shores Junior Garden Club, Dover Shores Elem. School, Orlando Garden Club  
R.U.: Junior Garden Club, Bimini Circle, N. Tampa Garden Club
- J-4—MABEL BOONE (Flower Shows for Juniors), 2 classes  
A. Winner: Ribault Jr. G. C., Ribault G. C., Jacksonville Beach  
R. U.: Jr. Garden Club, Pensacola Federation of Garden Clubs
- J-5—AN ESSAY "WHY I SHOULD PLANT A TREE"  
Winner: Henry F. Kite Juniors, Souleangeana Circle, Garden Club of Jacksonville  
R. U.: Junior Gardeners, Garden Club of Crystal River
- J-6—JUNIOR HORTICULTURE  
Winner: Junior Garden Club, Coronado Elem. School, Coronado Garden Club, New Smyrna Beach
- J-7—JUNIOR GARDEN THERAPY  
Winner: Hoe & Hum Jr. Gardeners, Stonewall Jackson Elem. School, Green Thumb Cir., Garden Club of Jacksonville
- J-8—NATIVE TREES OF FLORIDA  
Winner: Junior Gardeners, Garden Club of Crystal River
- J-10—BIRDS SEEN IN FLORIDA  
Winner: Dandylions Jr. Club, Girl Scout Troop #106, Orlando G.C.
- J-11—JUNIOR ACHIEVEMENT, 2 classes  
A. Winner: Henry F. Kite Juniors, Souleangeana Circle, Garden Club of Jacksonville  
B. Winner: Sunshine Jr. Garden Club, Garden Club of Deltona  
R. U.: Hoe & Hum Jr. Gardeners, Green Thumb Cir., Garden Club of Jacksonville
- J-12—LITTER CONTROL POSTER, 2 classes  
A. Winner: George Evans Light, Holly Cir., Tallahassee Garden Club  
1st R. U.: Brenda Standaert, Merry Makers 4-H, Orlando G. C.  
2nd R. U.: Sara Elizabeth Dyal, Ribault G. C., Jacksonville Beach  
B. Winner: John Wood, Junior G. C., Garden Club of Crystal River  
R. U.: Spathodea Circle, Fed. Garden Club of Ft. Lauderdale
- J-14—POISONOUS PLANTS  
Winner: Dover Shores Jr. Garden Club, Dover Shores Elem. School, Orlando Garden Club
- J-15—JUNIOR NATURE CAMP  
Winner: Earle Hayes, Junior G. C., Wellswood Cir. N. Tampa G. C.  
1st R. U.: Beverly Menendez, Jr. G. C., Home Circle, N. Tampa G. C.  
2nd R. U.: Beth Wheeler, Buds 'n Belles Jr. Garden Club, Sandspur Garden Club, Haines City  
3rd R. U.: Cynthia Baxley, Junior Garden Club, N. Tampa Garden Club
- J-17—"WHAT IT MEANS TO ME TO BE A JUNIOR GARDENER"  
Winner: Maureen F. Dusch, Meadowbrook Juniors, Federated Garden Club of Ft. Lauderdale  
1st R. U.: Eebie Hampton, The Nature Club, Boca Raton Garden Club  
2nd R. U.: Mark Adwell, Junior Garden Club, Bay Crest Circle, Tampa Federation of Garden Club Circles, Inc.  
3rd R. U.: Judy Meeks, Jr. G. C., Bay Crest Cir., Tampa Fed. of G.C. Circles



#### J-19—LITTER CONTROL PROJECT

Winner: Buds 'n Belles Jr. G. C., Sandspur Garden Club, Haines City  
R. U.: Henry F. Kite Juniors, Soulangeana Cir. G. C. of Jacksonville

#### DISTRICT AWARDS

#### D-1—NATIONAL GARDENER SUBSCRIPTIONS

Winner: Dist. V, 8.5%, 1229 members, 105 subscriptions  
R. U. : Dist. I, 6.6%, 1244 members, 83 subscriptions

#### D-3—MEMBERSHIP CITATION

Director whose district showed the greatest increase in membership during 1971-73 administration on percentage basis.  
Winner: Mrs. Hugh C. Simmons, District V Director

#### D-4—DISTRICT VII LITTER CONTROL TROPHY

Winner: District III, Mrs. E. H. Ellison, Director

## NATIONAL WINNERS—1973

NATIONAL COUNCIL OF STATE GARDEN CLUBS  
Presented at Annual Convention, Seattle, Washington  
Mrs. Frank L. Woodruff, III, *Chairman*

*For non-competitive Flower Shows  
(Non-competitive with other states)*

- 5A—St. Lucie County Fed. of Garden Club, Fort Pierce: "Flower Performance Under The Big Top" (without commercial aid)
- 5A—Key West Garden Club, "Arts and Flowers" (without commercial aid)
- 5B—Azalea Park Garden Club, Orlando: "Orlando, The City Beautiful" (with commercial aid)
- 18—Lake County Council "The Good Earth" (sponsored by a council of member garden clubs)
- 22—Garden Club of Jacksonville: "Glamour on Parade" (for best standard Christmas Flower Show)

*For competitive awards  
(with other states)*

- 6—The Lucile Droege Mauntel Conservation Certificate  
1B Winner: DISTRICT VII, Florida
- 7—White Ribbon Special Achievement Certificates, for especially outstanding garden club work.  
A—Winner: FLORIDA (a member state federation)  
For a Youth Environmental Conference
- 11—State Flower Show Gold Rosette  
B—For a standard show with commercial aid. "BOLDLY WE SEARCH", Jacksonville
- 13—State Publications Award  
(4) Other publications — not periodicals  
FLORIDA FLOWER ARRANGEMENT CALENDAR—1973
- 24—The Silver Seal

Awarded an individual, organization or institution other than garden club for some special contribution toward the advancement of the work of garden clubs.

Awarded MR. MARK B. JORDAN, RAIFORD PRISON

- 33—The Carrie B. Nettleton High School Gardener's Accomplishment Award:  
Winner: GO-GREEN HIGH SCHOOL GARDENER UNIT,  
sponsored by the Key West Garden Club.
- 39—The Harriet Thomas Anti-Litter Silver Trophy  
Winner: FLORIDA  
Adopting a positive approach to litter control (Glen Glitter.)
- 46—The Dean World Gardening Trophy  
Winner: ARLINGTON GARDEN CLUB OF ORMOND-DAYTONA BEACH

## New Awards and Award Changes

Several changes have been made in state awards. If you are interested in applying for these particular awards be very sure to check with the new Book of Information that will be given to your president at the Annual District Meeting.

Changes occur in the following awards (effective Jan. 1, 1974):

#6 Corsage. Change in wording of point 4 and addition of scale of points.

#10 Garden Therapy: Removal of the word "federation" from class A.

#12 Bronze Medal. "Bronze medal" changed to read "Plaque".

#25 Garden Club of the Year. Entire award reedited.

#31 Audubon Camps. Phased out.

#38 City Public Planting: Entire award rewritten.

#48 Nell Coe Award. "Most outstanding planting of flowering and/or showy trees."

J-5 "Why I Should Plant a Tree" Change in wording and scale of points.

J-9 School Ground Beautification. Change in wording of last paragraph to include "Intermediate gardeners."

J-13 Wild Flower Folder. Addition of words "Junior" and "Intermediates" to classes A & B.

D-3 Membership Citation:

Change in wording of last paragraph.

D-5 Membership. Change in wording.

## New Awards Effective Immediately

D-7 Blue Star Memorial Highway Marker: Most markers per district through 1974.

#61 Special Achievement Certificate. For especially outstanding garden club work.

#62 Photographic Slide Award: Four awards in four classes —

A. 35MM slide of individual blossom spike or spray (other than flowering tree or wildflower).

B. 35MM slide of Florida landscaped garden.

C. 35 MM slide of Florida wildflower or wildflowers.

D. 35MM slide of bloom of flowering tree plus slide of the tree.

*Intermediate Gardeners' Awards:*  
[7, 8, 9th grades]

I-1 Achievement Award

I-2 Litter Control

I-3 Horticulture

I-4 Field Trip

I-5 Birds


I-6 Conservation

I-7 Conservationist

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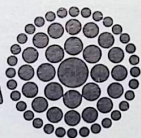
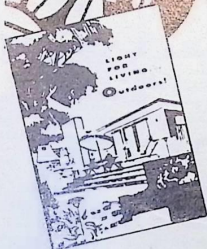
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November 13, 14, 15  
Instructors: Rosenberg and Ward





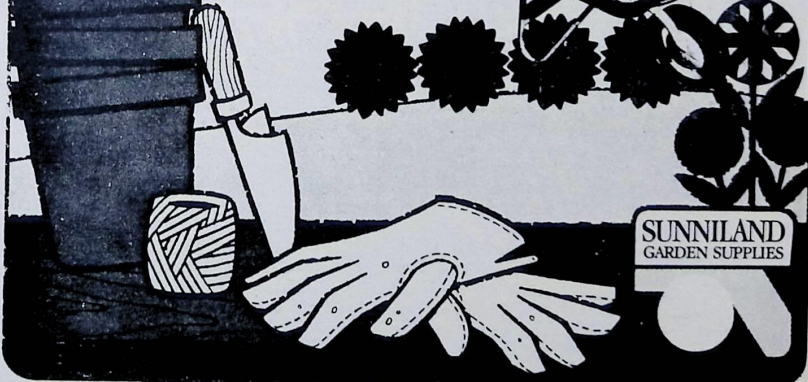
## In the dark about outdoor lighting?

Our free information booklet, *Light for Living... Outdoors*, is yours for the asking. Pick up a copy at our local office. If you have any questions or need assistance concerning lighting applications for your home or garden, please ask us, we'll be glad to help.



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