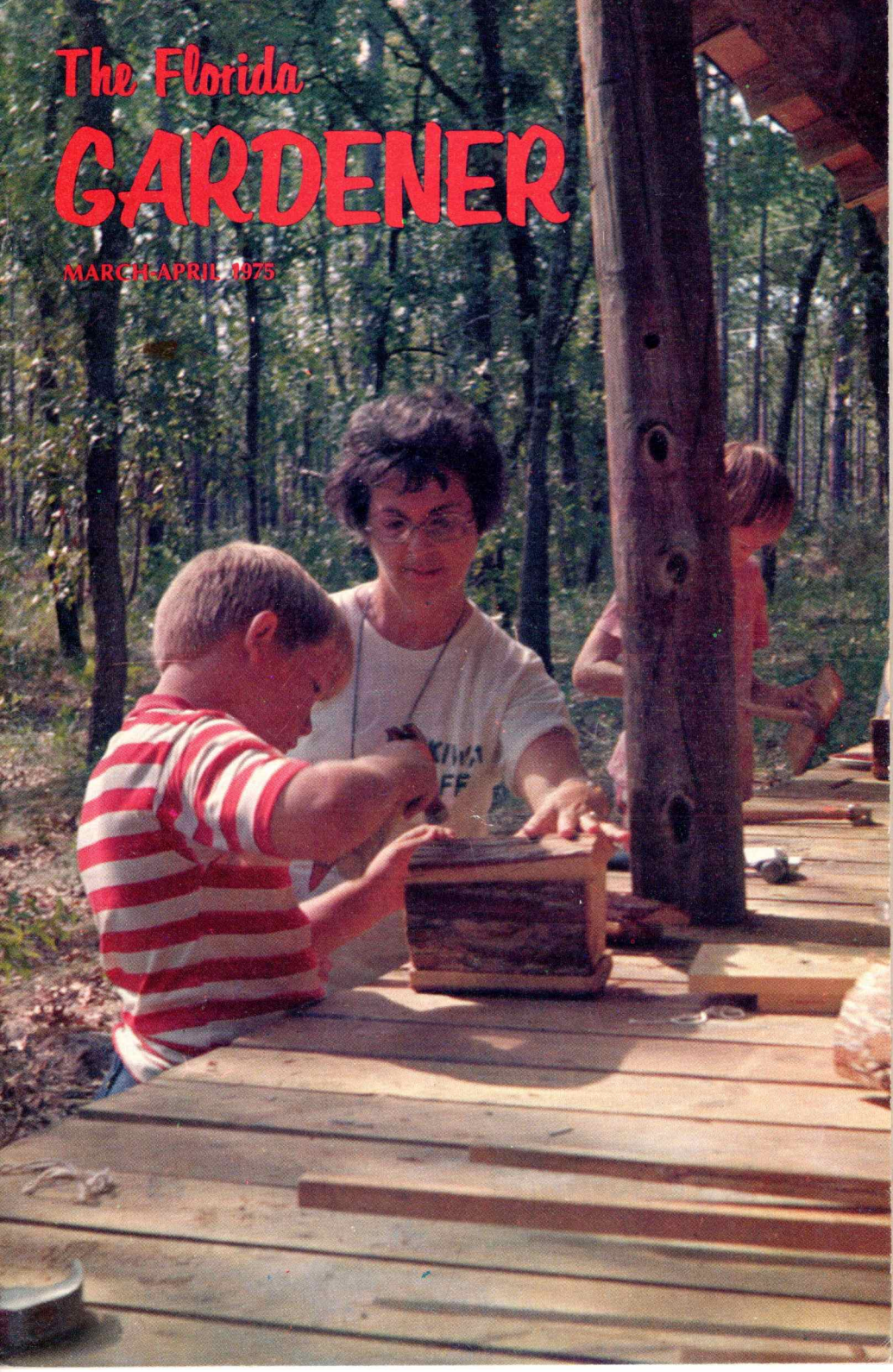


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MARCH-APRIL 1975



CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Board of Directors Meetings:

April 28, 1975—St. Petersburg
June 10-11, 1975—Headquarters, Winter Park

1975:

March 4-6, Landscape Design Study Course #4, Winter Haven
March 4-6, Flower Show School #4 **Bilingual**, Miami
March 5-7, Flower Show School #3, Daytona Beach
March 10-12, Deep South Regional Convention, Lake Charles, La.
March 11-13, Flower Show School #4, Gainesville
March 16-22, Blanche Covington Nature Study Course, O'Leno State Park
April 1-2, Short Course, University of Florida, Gainesville
April 12-13, State Flower Show, West Palm Beach
April 12, Flower Show Instructors' Meeting, West Palm Beach
April 13, Flower Show Judges' Annual Meeting, West Palm Beach
April 15-17, Flower Show School #1, Tampa
April 29-30, State Convention, Hilton Hotel, St. Petersburg
May 18-23, NCSGC Convention, Salt Lake City, Utah
June 22-July 26, Wekiva Youth Camp
August 10-13, S.E.E.K. '75, Orlando
August 17-20, Youth Conference, Washington, D.C.

1976:

May 3-4, State Convention, Carillon Hotel, Miami Beach
May 20-24, International Flower Show, Miami Beach

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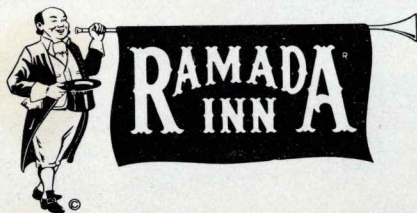
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About the Cover

Juanita Crews and one of her young charges at Wekiva Youth Camp '74, make good use of one of the cabin porches to build a hanging basket of cypress wood to take home.

Juanita lives in Eau Gallie and has been helping with the camp for several years, teaching all nature crafts and working mainly with the boys.

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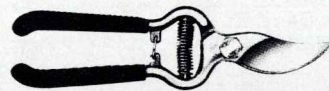
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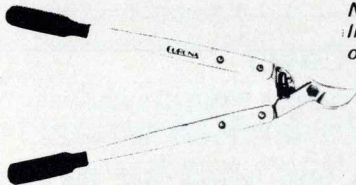
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President's Message

How many of you have attended a Deep South Convention? For those of you who have never been, this is the time to make that decision.



Mrs. N.P. Martone, Deep South Director, lives in Lake Charles, Louisiana, and she and the convention committee have made delightful plans for an outstanding convention March 10-12. Check the January-February issue of *The Gardener* for more details.

Florida was proud to host the PATE (People & Their Environment) Leadership Training Course at the University Inn, DeLand, in mid-February. This was a last minute surprise and another star for FFGC.

The course was attended by two delegates each from 17 southern states and the District of Columbia. This was an all-expense event with Shell Oil, Westvaco and International Paper Companies picking up the tab. We are indeed grateful to them.

Florida sent two well qualified delegates who will hold conferences in this field at a later time. Watch for further information.

April is full of garden club activities, with three important happenings scheduled.

First is University of Florida

Short Course, which begins on April Fool's Day and concludes on the second, so members may reach home that evening. This date is a first for this short course and your attendance will attest to its success.

Following is the State Flower Show — a one-time event for each administration. The show will be held in West Palm Beach. We hope many of you will plan to attend and exhibit in the show. Schedules for every section have appeared in the three previous issues of *The Florida Gardener*.

The Florida Council of Flower Show Judges will convene for their annual meeting in West Palm Beach during the show.

The very last three days of April will be given to the State Convention, where exciting plans have been made for you. Our National President, Mrs. Howard Kittel, will be there, also our own Jess Conner, President-elect of National Council, as well as a host of other important people. You will elect the state officers for 1975-77 and we know you will all want to be INVOLVED!

Bonnie B. Davis

**DEADLINE FOR
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Federation Happenings

short course

Time grows short — so make your plans now to attend Short Course in Gainesville April 1 & 2.

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Ferns, Wildflowers, Hanging Baskets, Plants in the Environment, Flowering Trees in Florida, Prolonging Flower Life, Using Solar Energy and Ornamental Pruning — how's that for a start?

Well, that isn't all — Helen Dean will teach you Interpretive Design, Carolyn Smith is covering Floral Designs for the Home, and workshops on both days will give you a chance to practice what these two gals preach.

What more could you ask?

For further detail, see your *Florida Gardener*, Jan/Feb issue, or contact: Dr. Shannon Smith, 113 Rolfs Hall, IFAS, University of Florida, Gainesville 32611.

intermediate and high school gardeners

Shell Oil Company is again offering six awards, totaling \$450, to our High School and Intermediate units for the best conservation project, or conservation program.

This is to be written on 8½" x 11" paper, may include pictures and news articles, and is to be submitted in a theme binder exactly like state award booklets.

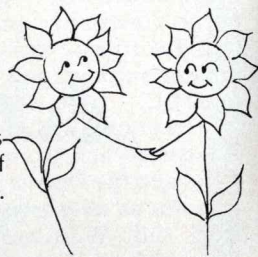
Brochures giving award rules and application form may be

secured from state High School Chairman, Mrs. Robert Stone, 624 Balmoral Road, Winter Park 32789.

These presentation booklets are due in by April 1st. The Shell Oil Company will also pay all expenses for the two top winners to attend the state convention at St. Petersburg to receive their award on Tuesday night, April 29.

membership workshop

SPECIAL ATTENTION is invited when you read the Convention Program elsewhere in this magazine, to the "MEMBERSHIP WORKSHOP" scheduled Tuesday, April 29th at 3:00 PM. All members are urged to attend — it is planned to be interesting as well as informative. This training session will consist of a panel of professionals in the field of membership. See YOU REMEMBER MEMBERSHIP.



scholarships

Now's the time to apply for the \$1,000 High School Gardeners' Scholarship. Unit counselors — recommend your most outstanding student for this grant honoring Elizabeth McCullagh.

The \$1,000 George Morrison Scholarship in Landscape Architecture may be applied for by junior or senior college or post-graduate

students.

Applications may be made for eight National Scholarships of \$1,500 by junior or senior college or post-graduate students. These awards are made to encourage the study of Horticulture, Floriculture, Landscape Design, Conservation,

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Applications, and information available from: Mrs. David C. Stouder, 5251 S.W. 64th Avenue, Miami 33155.

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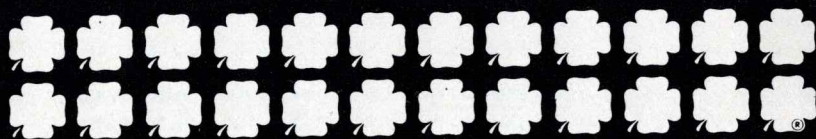


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Plans for the Convention celebration of FFGC's Golden Anniversary are officially launched at a cake cutting ceremony at The Garden Club of St. Petersburg by Co-Chairmen, Mrs. Hilton Hammond and Mrs. Stuart M. Smith.

CONVENTION FACTS:


- Registration Desk — Hilton Lobby — will be open prior to all activities.
- Reservations for Hilton Hotel are to be made direct, using form in *Florida Gardener*. Note that reservations are to be received no later than March 28th, and must be accompanied by one night's room revenue. Deposit will be refunded if cancellation seven (7) days prior to arrival date.
- Registration is to be paid by everyone attending all or part of Conven-

tion. ABSOLUTE DEADLINE FOR REGISTRATION IS APRIL 18, 1975.

- Prepay all desired events to: Mrs. Martin Zetterstrom, 4569 6th Avenue N., St. Petersburg, Florida 33713. (Itemize what you are paying for.)
- Make Checks Payable to: **F.F.G.C., Inc. — 1975 Convention.**
- POSITIVELY NO Cancellations after April 18, 1975!
- Delegates and Alternates will register on special forms sent directly to Club and Circle Presidents.
- For Visitors and Members:

Registration	\$ 5.00
Husband	1.00
Breakfast (both days the same)	4.00
Luncheon (both days the same)	5.25
Banquet (both days the same)	8.00
Early Arrival Tour , April 28 , 2:00-5:00 P.M.	7.00
(Boyd Hill Nature Trail, Sunken Gardens and Museum of Fine Arts)	
TOTAL (includes tax, tips, etc.)	\$46.50

- Plans for husbands have not been finalized. This information will be in your program when you register.
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TENTATIVE PROGRAM

Monday, April 28th:

- 12:30 P.M.— Coordinators Meeting — District Directors
- 2:00 P.M.— Tour (From Hilton) for early arrivals
- 2:00 P.M.— Pre-Convention Board of Directors Meeting
- 7:00 P.M.— Dinner honoring Board of Directors (private home)
- 8:30 P.M.— Film or Program
- 9:30 P.M.— Welcoming Reception given by Garden Club of St. Petersburg

Tuesday, April 29th:

- 7:30 A.M.— Breakfast "Golden Links with the Past"
"Our Golden History" — Mrs. Isabel King
Presentation of Awards
- 10:00 A.M.— Formal Opening of 49th Convention
- 12:30 P.M.— Luncheon "Our Golden Future — Our Youth"
Presentation of Awards — SEEK '74—Miss Frances Hickey
Address: "Our Golden Commodity — Our Youth"
Speaker: Dr. R.L. Deter
- 3:00-5:00 P.M.— Workshops (concurrent) Choose one:
Membership
Horticulture
- 7:00 P.M.— Banquet "The Golden Record"
Address: Mrs. Howard S. Kittel, President NCSGC
State and National Awards Presentation
E.I.P. Awards—Mr. John Harper

Frances Hickey [R] was born and reared in Spokane, Washington, and earned her BS in Chemistry from York College, Nebraska. The major portion of her career has been with Shell Oil Co. in California and Texas. Prior to her appointment as Women's Program Representative, she was Supervisor-Patent Searching.

Miss Hickey is an ardent environmentalist and wildlife enthusiast. She will present SEEK '74 awards, representing Shell Oil Co.



Wednesday, April 30:

- 7:30 A.M.— Breakfast "The Golden Harvest"
Landscape Critics Council of FFGC Program
- 9:30 A.M.— Business Session — continued

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Florida Landscape Critics Council's Spring Meeting: To be held immediately following the breakfast program on April 30th in St. Petersburg. Election and installation of new officers, with Mrs. Carroll O. Griffin installing.

- 12:30 P.M.— Luncheon "Leadership is Golden"
Presentation of State and National Life Memberships
- 3:00-4:00 P.M.— Workshops (concurrent) Choose one:
Landscape Design
Parliamentary Procedure
Garden Therapy
- 4:10-5:10 P.M.— Workshops (concurrent) Choose one:
Judges Council, Flower Show Schools & Flower Shows
Awards
Youth
- 7:00 P.M.— Banquet "Golden Galaxy"
Council of Nationally Accredited Flower Show Judges—
Fashion Show
Installation of Officers
Adjourn
- 10:30 P.M.— Reception for Mrs. Homer Gwinn

Thursday, May 1:

- 8:00 A.M.— Coordinators Meeting — District Directors
9:00 A.M.— Post Convention Board of Directors Meeting
Dutch Treat Breakfast

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FIFTEENTH STATE FLOWER SHOW — 1975

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RULES FOR DIVISION III — YOUTH GARDENERS

1. General Rules for the show, and Rules for Divisions I and II, shall apply to Junior, Intermediate and High School Gardener entries, in addition to the General Rules for Division III.

AWARDS AND TROPHIES FOR DIVISION III

JUNIOR GARDENERS:

1. A Junior Achievement Award (red, white and blue ribbons) with a silver trophy, may be given to the entry scoring 95 or above, and judged the finest artistic design; selected from Sec. A., Classes 100, 102 and 103. Each class shall have 5 entries.

2. A Junior Sweepstakes Award (green, orange and white ribbons) with a silver trophy, may be given the Junior awarded the greatest number of blue ribbons in Section B — Horticulture: selected from classes 104 through 114.

3. A local award (purple and 2 white ribbons), may be given to the plaque judged the most outstanding; selected from Sec. A., Class 101. The class shall have unlimited entries.

INTERMEDIATE GARDENERS:

1. A Junior Achievement Award for Intermediates (red, white and blue ribbons) with a silver trophy, may be given to the entry scoring 95 or above, and judged the finest artistic design; selected from Sec. A. Classes 201, 202, 203. Each class shall have 4 entries.

2. An Intermediate Sweepstakes Award (green, orange and white ribbons) with a silver trophy may be given the Intermediate awarded the greatest number of blue ribbons in Sec. B — Horticulture; selected from classes 204 through 214.

3. A local award (2 purple, 1 white ribbon) with a silver trophy, may be given to the collage scoring 95 or above, and judged the finest; selected from Sec. A, Class 200. The class shall have unlimited entries.

HIGH SCHOOL GARDENERS:

1. A Creativity Award (purple) with a silver trophy, may be given to a blue ribbon winner; selected from Sec. A, Classes 300, 301, 302. The entries must score 95 or above. Personal expression and artistic distinction must be included in the qualities judged. Each class shall have 4 entries.

2. A HSG Sweepstakes Award (green, orange and white ribbons) with a silver trophy, may be given to the individual winning the most points in Div. III, Sections A and B. Scale: blue — 4 points; red — 3 points; yellow — 2 points; and white — 1 point.

3. A local award (gold and white ribbon) with a silver trophy may be given the blue ribbon winner, scoring 95 or above, and judged the finest corsage; selected from both Sec. A, Class 303-a, and Sec. A, Class 303-b. Each class shall have 4 entries.

Scales of Points for Division III — Youth Gardeners

JUNIOR GARDENERS, Sec. A:

Classes 100, 101, 102:

Design	35
Interpretation	25
Relationships, suitable combinations, color, texture	25
Originality	15
	<u>100</u>

Class 103:

Design	40
Movement	30
Creativity	15
Distinction	15
	<u>100</u>

INTERMEDIATE GARDENERS, Sec. A:

Class 200:	
Design	35
Creativity	30
Selection of Materials	20
Distinction	15
	<u>100</u>

HIGH SCHOOL GARDENERS: Sec. A:

Classes 300, 301, 302:	
Design	35
Interpretation	20
Personal Expression	15
Artistic Distinction	10
Condition	10
Color	10
	<u>100</u>

The Scales of Points used in Div. I and Div. IV — Sections B and C, shall apply to Junior, Intermediate and HSG, Div. III, Sec. B and C.

Classes 201, 202, 203:

Design	35
Creativity	25
Interpretation	20
Distinction	20
	<u>100</u>

Class 303:

Design	25
Distinction	20
Technique	15
Suitability of combination	15
Interpretation	10
Wearability	10
Condition	5
	<u>100</u>



BOOK REVIEW

*"Florida Vegetables—
How to Grow Them"*

Lewis S. Maxwell
Author and Publisher
(Cost: \$3.00)

Publication of this book is well timed, as interest in growing vegetables in the home garden is gaining.

This paperback includes lots of useful information. You will find it an excellent reference book, with paragraphs on each of the most popular table vegetables as well as notes on problems of each particular plant.

Mr. Maxwell has included extensive material and photographs on insects and diseases and their control. These unwanted guests are the ones that persistently attack our vegetable bounty.

Many valuable charts are contained in the book. In the chapter on Florida Soils and How To Use Them, you will find a soil map. Guard it carefully, as the map, formerly available from the University of Florida, is now out of

print.

We especially recommend the chapter and article on What Makes Plants Grow, and for those of us with limited space, the Mini and Frame Gardens is a delight.

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State Life Members

Mrs. D. O. Foshee, Sr., *Chairman*

Correction: It was reported in the September-October issue that Mrs. Eugene Rushing of Panama City Beach was given her life membership by her garden club. Actually it was her husband who so honored her. Others who have received this honor since the last reporting are:

- Mrs. Ben F. Wells, St. Augustine, by Gaillardia G.C. of St. Augustine Council
- Mrs. Margaret M. England, Groveland, by her husband
- Mrs. James Wilson, Arlington G.C. of Ormond and Daytona Beach, by her husband
- Mrs. Ingram Thomas, Panama City Beach, by Gulf Beach Garden Club
- Mrs. Charles L. Cray, Marathon, by Marathon Garden Club
- Mrs. Stanley Parker, Cypress Gardens, Camellia G.C., by her mother Mrs. Bassett and sister Thelma Sylvester
- Mrs. I. D. Kilpatrick, Panama City, by Parker Garden Club
- Mrs. P. A. Partrick, Panama City, by Parker Garden Club
- Mrs. J. J. Pinder, Key West, by Key West Garden Club
- Mrs. Dorothy C. Ayers, Miami, Suburban Garden Club, by sons Alix, Ed and Mike Ayers
- Mrs. Ben W. Jackson, West Palm Beach, by Ixora Circle, West Palm Beach Garden Club
- Mrs. Blanton Owen, Sanford, by Sanford Garden Club

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Blooms for the Bicentennial



Brokaw-McDougall House

"The Bicentennial is coming!" and unless we find another Paul Revere to spread the word, the Federation's Bicentennial Project will not bloom in time for America's 200th Birthday Party in 1976.

A giant step forward was made at the FFGC January Board Meeting, when the Directors voted to give \$2,000 to the project — the restoration of the Brokaw-McDougall House gardens. But the need still exists for more money and plants in order to match the \$14,000 committed to the Federation last July by the Bicentennial Commission of Florida.

Plans are underway to set up a booth at the State Convention in St. Petersburg in April, which will

stress the need for funds and display the plans for the project. The plans will show the number and types of plant material needed for the garden.

Even though fund raising has been slowed by a sagging economy, the project has progressed in other areas. Landscape plans were completed in June, 1974 by John Sanderson, Landscape Architect and University of Florida professor. The plans, costing \$2,000, were paid for by the Historic Tallahassee Preservation Board with the assistance of a \$1,000 grant from the Bicentennial Commission.

In early September, 1974, archaeological research was begun on the grounds in order to

determine the origin and development of the landscaping in the front and side yards and the features of the rear yard. Archaeological investigation provided essential information for the garden and house restoration program and was very capably done by James Miller, Senior Site Archaeologist with the Division of Archives, History and Records Management. The cost of the project was \$8,000, half of which is to be funded with Bicentennial money.

The Historic Tallahassee Preservation Board invested over \$9,000 in an irrigation system, which was completed in the fall of 1974. Consequently, the project now needs plants and money for the planting, fencing and brick paving of grounds.

The project stands to be one of the most significant in the State of Florida with its location on land granted to Lafayette by the U.S. Congress in 1824, out of gratitude for his service during the American Revolution.

In 1850 Peres Brokaw acquired the property and the house was built about 1856. Within a few years work was begun on the gardens.

Alexander McDougall, who married both of Brokaw's daughters, arrived in this country from Scotland on July 4, 1876 — America's Centennial Day. On the way to Tallahassee to claim a legacy, he possibly visited the 1876 International Exhibition in Philadelphia put on by the U.S. Centennial Commission, and possibly he acquired a souvenir button.

Little did he know that in 1974 the little Centennial button would be uncovered in a trash pit to the rear of the house, during the Bicentennial archaeological investigation.

Little did Peres Brokaw know that the gardens, so carefully designed in the mid 1800's, would be restored and brought to full bloom as a Bicentennial project. And little did Marquis de Lafayette know that a portion of the land given to him out of gratitude would be a beautiful part of a commemoration of the American Revolution of 1776.

The Florida Federation of Garden Clubs can make 1976 a banner year for Bicentennial blooms at the Brokaw-McDougall House in Tallahassee.

The Spirit of '76

You are going to be delighted with the NEW LOOK and features of the special 1976 Bicentennial Edition of the FLORIDA FLOWER ARRANGEMENT CALENDAR!

You will be charmed by the twelve district photos of outstanding historical sites and the excellent interpretive designs.

Letters and order forms have been mailed to each club and circle president. Orders received by April 15th will be available for distribution at State Convention. We suggest that you submit your club's order soon, as we anticipate an early sell-out. Don't run the risk of being disappointed!

Mrs. Augustus F. Williams, Jr.
1976-77 Calendar Editor

WEKIVA Summer of '74

by Mrs. Dewey R. Villareal

The summer of '74. *We made it!* Wekiva was a beautiful, exciting experience for all of us, and for you who helped to make it so. We had more weeks . . . four, and that was not enough. We had more adult volunteers than we had room to house. We had more fun, more joy and love than in any of the eight years that have gone before.

The Florida Federation of Garden Clubs, Inc. began its independent resident camp in 1966 in the Ocala National Forest with two weeks of camping.

Through the years the garden clubs of Florida have enthusiastically supported the camp by sending Florida young people to learn about conservation and nature, and to experience a week of outdoor education. Because of the generosity and belief of each



of you in our youth program, Wekiva was funded and built within Wekiwa Springs State Park near Apopka.

The week before camp opened two Garden Club volunteers moved into a beautiful unfinished staff house that had no lights, no water and miles to go before the opening ceremonies on July 21. Before the end of the week when you came to witness the ribbon cutting, we were ready.

Thirteen cabins had their beds assembled, the two big bathrooms were functioning, the office-infirmery furnished, and the dining room provisioned.

Perhaps you noticed the chickee, which was built with building fund money at the last minute to provide an outdoor teaching area. It was used constantly for crafts, conservation and small meetings. Thatched by the senior campers, it provided a perfect place for the many individual conversations that help to make camping a personal experience rather than a lost-in-the-group feeling.

We loved the informality of dedication. President Berne Davis hemmed the director's pants; Bill Gunter brought along his mother, wife and children; the ecology flag was left at the office, and then put on with paper clips because the regular clips didn't arrive in time. Did you wonder why the flag was raised so slowly? We knew it

should go up briskly, but it wasn't that secure!

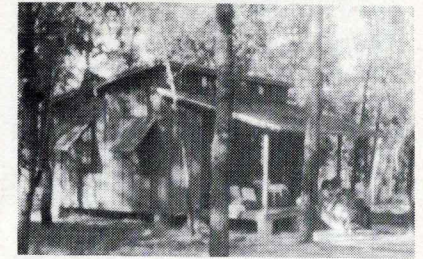
The rain held off until the ceremonies were over and most of the guests had returned to civilization down the sandy, narrow road. And Camp at Wekiva had begun. The first of four weeks, each enveloping 104 campers, 26 senior and junior counselors and many, many loving, giving Garden Club volunteers.

Although many things broke, leaked, or stuck, it was good to be there to see them put right. The attitude of the staff and counselors helped to salvage each new kink.

The sewage lift station alarm horn insisted on sounding at one AM and we all learned to operate the turn off switch. The system worked well, and one brushed the tank ever so slowly so as not to disturb the anerobes. Isn't it marvelous the things one learns in Garden Club?

Wekiva was everything we had hoped it would be. The kitchen worked well; the big walk-in refrigerator-freezer was large enough to accommodate the mountains of food delivered weekly and the appetites that arrived three times daily with unending regularity.

The dining room, in use almost around the clock, served as a place for meals, a place for crafts to dry, a movie theater, a place to listen to one president's resignation and another's swearing-in and a place



for rainy-day activities of any kind.

The cabins, with their Florida Indian names, were large and airy. We called them Apalachee, Calusa, Coacoochee, Embokpagee, Loxahatchee, Molococco, Myakka, Osceola, Oklawaha, Telecheekee, Timucua, Tocobega and Tomoka. Their porches were a place for muddy shoes, checker games and just for lying on to watch the sky.

Campfires glowed almost every night in each of the two cabin circles. The division of cabins into circles of six and seven gave a closeness among campers and counselors.

The added co-ed week worked beautifully, thanks to the physical layout of the camp. The two years we had spent in the planning were well worth the effort.

The lake was boggy and we swam in Wekiwa Springs. Our inventory now includes eight canoes to use on the lake for learning new strokes as the campers do, or escaping to the quiet, as do our adult volunteers from time to time.

Concurrent with the opening of Wekiva, our nine year old founding, heretofore called Junior Nature Camp, became official, by incorporation with the Secretary of State: F.F.G.C. Wekiva Youth Camp, Inc. We have applied for state tax exemption, Federal 501 (c) (3) status, and are registering under the Florida Charitable Funds Act.

Spelling of Name

Wekiwa is properly spelled with a W, but because of the difficulty in pronouncing it correctly, Wekiwa has been incorporated legally as **Wekiva** — spelled as it is pronounced. Hereafter, the camp will be spelled with a V and Wekiwa Springs, where the camp is located, with its proper W.

In the coming year we will build two adult-volunteer staff houses to replace the borrowed trailers our staffers lived in in '74. They will be placed close to each cabin circle and financed through your contributions, which are tax deductible, as usual.

It is hoped that this year will see the plans completed for a multi-purpose teaching-recreation building, which will, we understand, be financed through the Department of Natural Resources, Division of Recreation and Parks. They have contributed vastly more than their original agreed share, and added to that record, just three weeks before camp opened, an emergency appropriation of \$45,000, approved by the State Cabinet, to fund a connection to the Apopka water system across acres of woodlands, when the two wells drilled did not meet quality standards.

'74 ... a summer of cherished memories. Another great educational experience for 416 of our young people ... a summer when a 21 year old counselor sat in the lightning and rain, deep in the woods with 16 campers and sang ... and kept them safe ... and taught them a lesson that will serve them all their lives.

... A summer when a camper looking for "Mother Nature" asked where he could find the Godmother? ... A summer of the tooth fairy and birthdays and

learning about the Timucua Indians who had once lived right there.

... A summer of living in the beauty of Florida.

Aren't you glad you were a part of Wekiva '74? You CAN be a part of Wekiva '75.

Wekiva '75

FFGC's Wekiva Youth Camp will open for five joyful weeks on June 22, 1975. Choose your campers from boys and girls in grades three through eight in the current school year. We have always accepted campers of every race, creed and economic status. We believe that youngsters who are outstanding and interested in outdoor education will profit most from our resident camp experience. They must be within the normal range physically and mentally.

Clubs select campers in many ways ... from their junior and intermediate gardeners, their own children and grandchildren, from schools, church and other organizations.

Camperships (\$45) you provide include standard camp insurance and all expenses except canteen and transportation to and from Wekiva.

New camp chairman

Wekiva '75 welcomes its new camp chairman, eight-year FFGC camp veteran, Mrs. E.W. (Billie) Johnson, 2800 NE 14th Street, Apt. 135, Pompano Beach 33062. *You need not wait to be invited.* Write Mrs. Johnson. Volunteer to become an adult Garden Club teaching leader for one, two or more weeks in June and July at Wekiva.

Counselors

Recommend late - high-school and college counselors (male and female), who are to be salaried. Ninth and tenth grade boys and girls will be selected for the counselor-in-training and Junior counselor programs. Help find these young leaders and communicate with Mrs. Johnson. Deadline for receiving camp volunteer names is April 24.

Brochures

Brochures for camper registration are now available. Contact Mrs. C.T. Dawkins, 4705 Clear Avenue, Tampa 33609, Wekiva '75 Camp Registrar.

If selection of your campers will be delayed, space may be reserved *only* by a \$45 campership deposit with Mrs. Dawkins along with designation of the specific camp week desired.

Help the camp use its funds wisely by using each brochure secured. Extras in the desk drawer are wasted.

A five week camping session translates into seven weeks for the camp director. With this in mind, the camp committee is considering the employment of a professional camp director ... one with maturity, experience in working with young people, administrative leadership and an appreciation of the environmental education field. He or she should have had training in fields of camp administration, education, recreation, youth organizations, church activities or other related fields.

Garden Club volunteers will always be the teachers of our youth at camp. Those who care about boys and girls and their part in tomorrow's Florida by sending campers and by coming to camp to share their knowledge and love of



Miss Carol Beck [See Page 28]

the outdoors are the well-spring to FFGC's camping program.

You and your club may visit Wekiva during the year by writing the Park Captain, Wekiwa Springs State Park, 1800 Wekiwa Circle, Apopka, Florida 32703. See the physical facility that your caring built.

Come visit Wekiva '75 after June 22. Share and grow by choosing a camper and by being an adult teaching leader. Experience the sheer joy of seeing our world through the eyes of a child once more.



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Flower Show Calendar

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747 N.E. 61st Street, Apt. 111
Miami 33137

(Please register your shows with this chairman)

1975:

- March 1-2, Winter Haven, "Flower Circus" Garden Center
March 5, Miami, Miami Garden Club, First Federal Savings & Loan Co.,
8380 N.E. 2nd Avenue
March 8-9, Bartow, "Pick a Party" Civic Center
March 13, Cortez, Sunny Shores Garden Club, The Community Hall
March 15, North Palm Beach
March 15, Naples "Span of Time" Placement Show, 12-5 P.M.
4 houses
March 15, Boca Raton, "The World Around Us", Boca Raton Garden
Center
March 15, Vero Beach, "Gifts from the Sea", Garden Club of Indian
River County, House & Garden Tour, St. John's Island
March 17, Tampa, Clearfield Garden Club, "Signs, Symbols &
Meanings", Community Center, Clearfield & Indiana Avenue
March 18, Boynton Beach, "Our Town" Boynton Woman's Club Bldg.,
Federal Highway
March 19-20, Ft. Myers, "Remember When" Exhibition Hall
March 19-22, Sumter County, Azalea Garden Club, "Our Florida
Heritage" Fairgrounds, Beville's Corner
March 20, Chipley, "My Home Town" First United Methodist Church
March 21-23, Miami, Miami Beach G.C., Mt. Sinai G.C., Palm-Hibiscus-
Star Islands G.C., Tropical G.C., Miami Beach Garden Center and
Conservatory, 2000 Garden Center Drive
March 22, Richmond Heights (Miami), "Happiness Is . . ." Second
Baptist Church, 11111 Pinkston Drive
March 22-23, Sarasota, "Festival Frolic" Civic Center
March 22-23, Fort Lauderdale, "Make Mine Country Style"
Fort Lauderdale Garden Center, Birch State Park
March 24-29, Eustis, Lake County Council of Federated Garden Clubs,
"Superstars . . . Beauty is Our Business" Exposition Park
March 26, Tampa, Sunset Park Garden Club, "And The Beat Goes On"
Club House, 4624 Browning, Tampa
March 26-27, Panama City Beach "1775—A Better Tomorrow—1975" Gulf
Beach Garden Club
April 3-4, Lake Placid, "In Pursuit of Happiness"
April 4-5, Lakeland, "The Old Order Changeth" Garden Center
April 4-5, Bradenton, Horticulture Show and Plant Sale, Manatee River
Garden Club
April 4-6, Metropolitan Miami Flower Show "Gala Silver Anniversary
With Flowers" Youth Fair Bldg., Tamiami Park

- April 5, Pompano Beach, "Ship Ahoy"—(Ports of Call), Sea Grape G.C.
Hillsboro Landings Condominium Lounge, 1631 Riverview Rd.,
Deerfield Beach
April 5-6, Venice Area Garden Club, "Of Thee I Sing", Venice
Little Theatre
April 5-6, Milton, "The Four Seasons", Milton Garden Center
April 5-6, Maitland, "Our History in Flowers" Maitland Civic Center
April 7-8, Belleair, Clearwater, "Happiness is — Our 25th Birthday"
Bellevue Biltmore Hotel, Belleair
April 10-11, Tampa, "Tune Up Time — for 1976 Bicentennial", Tampa
Federation of Garden Club Circles, Inc., Garden Center
April 12-13, **STATE FLOWER SHOW** (FFGC) "Florida—A Beacon of
Involvement", Municipal Auditorium, West Palm Beach
April 18, Pompano Beach, "April Magic", Pompano Beach Garden Club
April 18, Dunedin, "Nature in All Its Glory", Good Shepherd Church
Recreation Hall, 639 Edgewater Drive, Dunedin
April 18-19, Jacksonville Beach, "Beauty—So Much, So Near", Ribault
Garden Club, The Garden Center, 705 Second Avenue, N.
April 18-19, Sanford, "Now & Then" Garden Club of Sanford
April 18-19, Palmetto, "Pathways", Palmetto Woman's Club
April 19, Deerfield Beach, Chamber of Commerce Bldg.
April 19, St. Augustine, "And God so Loved the World" Azalea G.C.
Garden Center
April 19-20, The Garden Club of Deltona Placement & Horticulture Show
April 19-20, Cocoa-Rockledge, "Country Gardens", Garden Center,
1493 South Fiske Blvd.
April 19-20, Palatka, "East Meets West" (The beauty of Ikebana),
The Garden Club of Palatka, at The Civic Center
April 25, Crystal River, "Whatsoever is Beautiful . . . like"
Garden Club of Crystal River, Seven Rivers ...Golf & Country Club, N.
Pinebrook Street
April 26-27, Indianalantic (Melbourne) "The Magic Kingdom of Flowers"
Garden Club by the Sea, at Hoover Jr. High School
May 3-4, Lehigh Acres, "Those Were the Days" Auditorium

1976:

- May 20-24, **INTERNATIONAL FLOWER SHOW** by National Council of
State Garden Clubs, Convention Center, Miami Beach
November 8-9, Indian Harbour Beach, "Inspiring Holiday Beauties"
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1975 ANNUAL JUDGES MEETING . . . April 13, W. Palm Beach

Designs from the districts will depict some of the hurdles cleared through the years on the ever-changing flower arrangement scene, "When is an accessory not an accessory?", and the parabolic curve, to mention a couple. Lou Woodruff (Mrs. Frank), Vice-President of Judges Council will narrate this review of 'plateaus of progress' in judging.

Why not attend the annual meeting and exhibit in the State Flower Show at the same time?

March-April 1975



Flower Show Schools



Mrs. O. Fenton Wells, *Chairman*

COURSE I — TAMPA

April 15, 16, 17, 1975

Instructors:

Mrs. Horace Tompkins
Mrs. Kenneth O. Peters
Mrs. O. Fenton Wells

Chairman:

Mrs. G.B. Long
4555 Plaza Way Street
St. Petersburg 33706

COURSE III — Daytona Beach

March 5, 6, 7, 1975

Instructors:

Mrs. Jerome Rosenberg
Mrs. Frank Woodruff III

Chairman:

Mrs. Archie C. Johnson, Jr.
484 Druid Circle
Ormond Beach 32704

COURSE IV — GAINESVILLE

March 11, 12, 13, 1975

Instructors:

Mrs. Horace Tompkins
Miss Kathy Sample

Chairman:

Mrs. Hugh Simmons
3195 S.E. 21st Ave.
Gainesville 32601

COURSE IV — MIAMI

BILINGUAL

March 4, 5, 6, 1975

Instructors:

Mrs. Vita Silva Santisteban
Mrs. Violeta Lopez Kruger

Chairman:

Mrs. Sally Rahm
747 N.E. 61st St. Apt. 111
Miami 33137

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Mrs. John R. Phelps, 1235 S.E. 12th Avenue, Deerfield Beach 33441 (XI)
Mrs. Theodore Toner, 110 Cummings Rd., Pensacola 32503 (I)
Mrs. R.M. Coker, 4210 Lynn Ora Drive, Pensacola 32504 (I)
Mrs. R.B. Kilgore, Jr., 4108 Carrollwood Village Drive, Tampa 33624 (VIII)
Mrs. E.L. Ebert, 2622 N. Dundee, Tampa 33679 (VIII)
Mrs. Del Willard, 3826 S.W. 18th St., Gainesville 32601 (V)
Mrs. Roger Murray, 2010 6th St., Palmetto 33561 (Reinstated) (VIII)

March-April — MAKE FLORIDA GLITTER CLEAN MONTHS

By proclamation of the Governor of Florida, the Hon. Rubin O'D. Askew, March and April, 1975, have been designated Make Florida Glitter Clean months, and the governor urges all citizens "to cooperate and labor vigorously toward the goal of a clean Florida during every day of the year."

The proclamation extols the beauty of Florida and deplores "the problem of litter and refuse carelessly dropped upon the State's public properties, highways and waterways, posing a great threat to human, animal and plant life."

Mention is then made of FFGC's sponsoring the Glen Glitter symbol and the slogan "I am Glen Glitter, please join me and help keep our state clean." Let's **all** do our part. Join with Glen Glitter **today**.

Organic Gardening

— News from your Deep South Organic Gardening Chairman

In answer to many inquiries and requests for program material on Organic Gardening, I have compiled a 3-part program:

Part One — "The Soil and Organic Fertilizers" (including composting)

Part Two — "Controlling Pests the Organic Way"

Part Three — "Organic Mulches"

These could be used to present a three-part comprehensive study on Organic Gardening. For a copy of this complete program please send your name and address, plus 75¢ to cover printing and postage, to: Mrs. Louis M. Pfister, 3712 West Metairie Avenue North, Metairie, Louisiana 70001.



SAINTPAULIA

African Violets

By Mrs. E. Robert Hunter
Horticulture Chairman

America's favorite house plant exploded into public view in Atlanta in 1946, when a small club called the Saintpaulia Club with the H.G. Hastings Company held the first public African Violet Show.

It was sensational and the Saintpaulia quickly claimed first place among America's house plants. Since that time the hybridizers have been so busy that the present day violet is a far cry from the ones shown way back in 1946 — only yesterday!!

The genus is named for Baron Walther von Saint-Paul who sent the first seeds from Africa to his father in Germany in 1890. These plants were flowering in 1893 and were exhibited at the International Horticultural Exhibit in Ghent, but it was not until 1926, when Arm-

acost and Royston introduced several named varieties (some of which we are still growing today) that the popularity of the violet really started.

Today it is almost impossible to keep up with the new varieties being placed on the market. Many new shades and color combinations have been developed and the forms as well as the size of both flowers and leaves have seen many changes. This fascinating variety probably accounts for much of their popularity.

Another point in their favor is that they are relatively easy to grow without a vast outlay of equipment. Many beautiful violets are being grown in apartment windows and over kitchen sinks.

Relatively easy to grow, however, doesn't mean trouble-free. One of the chief causes of trouble

with African Violets is over-watering. Plants which have been allowed to dry out too much and are then over-watered succumb readily to crown-rot. The chief symptom is a wilting and softness of the foliage even though the plant is not dry. Prevention is the best cure.

Another common complaint is "Why won't my violets bloom?" To find the answer to this one we must inquire into their growing conditions.

First, the soil must be loose, friable and most importantly, sterile. There are a number of good mixes on the market but some of the Northern mixes are too heavy for Florida conditions. They should be tested for drainage. If water does not run through easily, perlite can be added to obtain a lighter mixture.

Second, a regular fertilizing schedule should be set up and maintained. Saintpaulias like regularity of treatment but they do not respond well to being "fussed over" and moved about. Many African Violet growers use a weak fertilizer solution at each watering. This seems to work out well, as it keeps the plants growing at a constant pace instead of in spurts. Another good practice is to alternate fertilizers for a more balanced diet.

As to watering — again regularity is the answer, but keep in mind the fact that soil will not dry out as fast on a cold rainy day as on a hot, dry one, and water accordingly. Never, never water a wet plant! When in doubt, feel the soil with one of your green fingers!

If all of these growing conditions are satisfactory, the answer to lack of bloom lies almost invariably in insufficient light. Saintpaulias like a good amount of light but not strong direct sunlight. They will tolerate some sunshine, such as morning sunshine in the winter when the weather is not too hot, but they prefer a north or east exposure or artificial light.

They grow well under fluorescent tubes, since they require 13 to 14 hours of light a day. This means that plants growing in windows need to have their day prolonged by a nearby lamp in order to provide a long enough light span. Attention to this one factor, along with regular fertilizing, will usually solve the bloom problem.

Once this problem is solved, watch out! The charm of African violets is so constant, their variety so infinite and they root so easily from leaves, that a few plants will suddenly become hundreds once the grower is hooked on one of this country's most rewarding hobbies!

Plant Distribution

By Rosemond Meriwether
Plant Distribution *Chairman*

There is currently a renaissance of interest in plants. More and more of us are realizing that cultivating new plants is stimulating, and finding new decorative ways to use them is rewarding.

Plant Distribution is one of the projects of the Florida Federation of Garden Clubs to encourage research into which plants will do well in the various parts of the state.

Membership consists of Garden Club members who have assumed the responsibility of cultivating plants, keeping records and reporting successes and failures. It is hoped that this knowledge will help others to grow a wider variety

of plants in their yards.

If you are interested in becoming a member, write a report on how you are growing one of the plants now in your garden. Send it to: Miss R. Meriwether, 1552 Plasentia, Coral Gables 33934.

This spring you will receive a list from which you may select small plants you would like to grow. You will then be expected to make periodic reports on these plants . . . Do they like your conditions, your climate? Did you do anything unusual? Did you try a new fertilizer? Do you have any suggestions to help others grow this plant?

Obviously this is not technical, complicated research; this is basic, simple research with the ultimate aim of a wider variety of plants cultivated in our gardens for a more beautiful Florida.



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The Tallahassee Garden Club, Inc. (District III) submitted a copy of the club *Birds and Conservation and Environmental Quality Control* chairman's report. They felt, and we agree, that others might be inspired by this report. (Report by Mrs. T. N. Anderson, Morning Glory Circle)

I have personally learned a great deal this year through attending about twenty meetings of several different groups interested in the subject of conservation.

From Panama City to Jacksonville to Orlando, I have joined workshops and discussions with The Nature Conservancy, Audubon Society, Florida Conservation Council, Florida Wildlife Federation, Florida Outdoor Writers and the Leon County Environmental Education Advisory Council. I've also attended our own Tallahassee Garden Club Board meetings when possible, and have tried to help several Circles who requested information regarding speakers for their meetings.

The most constant theme running through each different conservation-oriented society's work seems to be this:

"Tackle the big jobs together . . . but don't ever forget that you, as an individual, are responsible for a lot."

Together we can:

1. Inform others about good conservation practices. Make *them* care, too.
2. Keep our Legislators — from city to Federal — advised of our concern for the passage of good conservation measures. Incidentally, don't just demand that they preserve trees. Do research to show them how very vitally necessary trees are to our environment . . . and theirs!
3. Clean up roadsides, parks, etc., in "community action" style. However, each of us can do these same things on a smaller scale as individuals. If we each plant one berried bush known to be attractive to feeding birds; if we each pick up our own litter and a bit of someone else's; if we each write even one letter to a legislator; if we each do our bit to conserve energy and use pesticides with discrimination, we'll have made a glorious start toward a more glorious land. We can survive our own mistakes with our environment . . . and we will.

NOTE: My favorite definition of "conservation" is one gleaned from the Florida Wildlife Federation. It is: *'Conservation — the wisest use, for the best good of the most people, of our natural resources.'*

Tallahassee president Mrs. Broward McClellan, who forwarded this report to the *Gardener* made this comment: "We were so pleased to have received this report from our appointed BC and EQ Control Chairman and know that her life has been so "involved" and now she has the knowledge to involve others. Chairmen such as this truly make garden clubbing a joy.



Mrs. Roger J. Waybright

DISTRICT IV

Mrs. Roger J. Waybright, Jacksonville, has received the 1974 Greenbelt Conservation Award in the General Civic category during a recent Florida Forest Festival in Perry.

Mrs. Waybright was chosen for the award because of her longtime support for and work in environmental education in many Duval County and statewide organizations.

Florida Forestry Association Executive Vice President William Carroll Lamb presented the award, calling Mrs. Waybright "truly an outstanding lady who has done a lot to promote and preserve our 'greenbelt of life.'"

Mrs. Waybright serves on the FFGC Board as Chairman of PATE.

In previous years she has received the Outstanding Conservationist Award from the Florida Wildlife Federation and the

Governor's Conservation Award for her dedication to the cause of Environmental Education.

DISTRICT IV

For the first time in the history of the Garden Club of Jacksonville, Florida's largest garden club with over 2800 members, both a mother and daughter have served as President.

The mother, Mrs. D.O. Foshee, Sr., and her daughter, Mrs. Hugh J. Grainger, Jr., are both dedicated garden club members and each had much success during their terms of office. Both are accredited Flower Show Judges and both belong to Pinocchio Rose Circle, where each has served as Circle President.

Mrs. Foshee has served her District IV as Director and has served on FFGC State Board in several capacities. She is presently

serving as State Life Membership Chairman.

Mrs. Grainger has served in all elective offices of The Garden Club of Jacksonville, and in District chairmanships. She was staging coordinator of the 1972 State Flower Show, when her mother served as Chairman of the show.

Both are Life Members of The Garden Club of Jacksonville, State Life Members and National Life Members.



Mrs. Hugh J. Grainger, Jr.

DISTRICT IX

*Wildflower Project for
The Garden Club of Sebring*

This project really started in the spring of 1974 with a workshop on terrariums. For the most part the plants used in this workshop were small wild plants, such as violets, true moss and diamond-wreath.

The workshop was followed by a field trip to collect more wild plants for growing purposes.

The intrinsic beauty of the wildflowers in the field was noted, as well as their growing needs, and



Mrs. D. O. Foshee

many small plants were collected.

In October a workshop on plant propagation, under the instruction of Mrs. Philip (Dorothy) James, past state horticulture chairman, was held. We learned something of transplanting, air-layering, budding and other processes that help us take the beautiful plants from the wild and keep them growing.

We hope our 1976 flower show can have a section of cut wild flowers grown in our gardens, wildflowers in pots and wild vines in hanging baskets.

Remember! Every plant was wild once!

Carol H. Beck

In November the Naples Garden Club and the local Palmer Broadcasting office of Cablevision sponsored a sale of tree seedlings to encourage residents to add to



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their landscaping. This was a non-profit venture, and the trees were obtained from the State Forestry Department.

The trees were delivered on the day preceding the sale and members of the club, assisted by the Collier County Forester, packaged them in plastic bags, 5 varieties to each bag.

The trees had been ordered several months previously, and consisted of live oak, bald cypress, red maple, eucalyptus and Chinese tallow. The bags sold for \$2.00 each, and the purchaser also had the opportunity of purchasing one royal poinciana or one Jerusalem thorn tree for \$1.00.

Three thousand trees were sold in Naples and on Marco Island. This was the first time such an event had been held, and it was a great success. Hopefully this tree sale will become an annual event.

Mrs. Fred F. Lawson

DISTRICT VII

Lancaster Park Circle of Orlando Garden Club celebrated a first

March-April 1975

at their meeting recently at the home of Mrs. Arthur Pforr.

Welcomed into the Circle as a new member was Mrs. Richard (Judy) Hill. She joins her mother, Mrs. Helen R. Bleakney and her grandmother, Mrs. John G. Ritter in completing three generations of garden clubbers in one circle at the same time!

Mrs. Raymond J. Meyers highlighted the occasion by initiating Judy into the joys of gardening by demonstrating the art of making hanging baskets.

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DISTRICT X

During the General Meeting of the West Palm Beach Garden Club (DISTRICT X) on May 13, 1974, 16 members were presented with State Life Memberships! One member — Mrs. Oliver E. Young, Sr., was given a National Life Membership. What a way to say "Thanks" for devoted service to their club!



Front row, 1. to r.: Mesdames Pat L. Woodall, T.C. Beaty, Oliver E. Young, Sr., Clifford B. Savage, Vincent W. Matteson. Second row, 1. to r.: Mesdames Ray R. Gauch, Ferna Robinson, Rudolph Tomasello, H.A. Patterson, Thomas A. Hagood, John Bush, John D. McCarraher, George McCampbell, Max Mosler. Not in picture: Mesdames James D. Tilford, Jr., Frank D. Biddle, Marion S. Horner.

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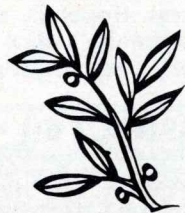
Members of the Evening Garden Club, Delray Beach, held Open House at the home of charter member and past club president Addie Sundy. The event was held to raise funds for the club's beautification project.

The Sundy home, oldest in Delray Beach, was built in 1902 by the late Judge John S. and Elizabeth (Shaw) Sundy. The home and beautiful garden with its many large trees, plants, hanging baskets and hundreds of orchids, were open to the public.

Club members, wearing old fashioned pinafores, acted as

hostesses. Home made jellies, jams, baked goods, plants and hanging baskets were sold and refreshments were served in the garden.

\$1050 was raised from ticket sales and the patio sale, and will be added to \$2500 already set aside by the club to landscape a large island in the median strip of one of the main entrances to the city.



The FLORIDA GARDENER

FLORIDA FEDERATION OF GARDEN CLUBS, INC.

CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEET — ALL FUNDS
AT MAY 31, 1974

ASSETS:

CASH ON HAND & ON DEPOSIT:

Petty Cash	\$ 150.00	
General Fund	56,115.14	
Restricted funds	<u>92,150.88</u>	\$148,416.02

ACCOUNTS RECEIVABLE:

Flower Arrangement Calendar Fund	500.00	
Florida Gardener Fund	275.00	
1974 Flower Show Symposium	500.00	
1975 Tropical Short Course	200.00	
World Gardening advance	<u>100.00</u>	1,575.00

INVENTORIES AT COST:

Cook Books on hand	2,420.91	
Charms and pins on hand	121.40	
Headquarters benefit items	<u>252.25</u>	2,794.56

INVESTMENTS:

Bonds		56,067.00
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HEADQUARTERS PROPERTY:

(Land owned by City of Winter Park, 99 yr. lease) Land improvements, building and equipment	137,321.55	
Less: Accumulated depreciation	<u>57,661.29</u>	79,660.26

TOTAL ASSETS

\$288,512.84

LIABILITIES:

Garden Therapy accounts payable	\$ 10.00	
National Council E I P advances	189.98	
Youth Conference scholarship donations	<u>8,443.43</u>	

TOTAL LIABILITIES

\$ 8,643.41

DEFERRED INCOME

Council dues and awards	15.00	
Florida Gardener advertising	108.00	
Flower Arrangement Calendar 1975:		
Revenue	24,873.05	
Less expenditures	<u>17,554.86</u>	
	<u>7,318.19</u>	7,441.19

FUND PRINCIPAL

General fund	33,129.53	
Junior Nature Camp	6,129.14	
Conservation Camp Building Fund	15,659.08	
Blanche Covington Leadership Fund	3,392.88	
Mary S. Compton Life Membership Fund	19,134.38	
Headquarters Endowment Fund	114,256.29	
Gateway Project Fund	<u>1,066.68</u>	

TOTAL FUND PRINCIPALS

192,767.98

HEADQUARTERS PROPERTY INVESTMENT

79,660.26

TOTAL LIABILITIES AND FUND PRINCIPALS

\$288,512.84

This summary is prepared from records of Florida Federation of Garden Clubs, Inc. and from the audit of Jack R. Winterburn, Certified Public Accountant, Jacksonville, Florida and dated May 31, 1974.

**GENERAL FUND
REVENUES AND EXPENDITURES
FISCAL YEAR ENDED MAY 31, 1974**

REVENUES:

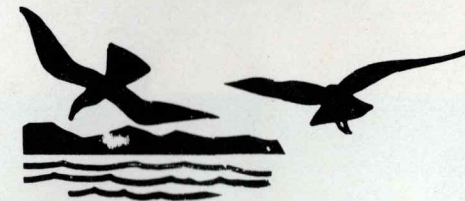
Membership dues:			
Regular Membership	\$44,573.25		
Less allocation to:			
Florida Gardener	<u>16,321.25</u>	\$28,252.00	
High School Gardeners		<u>47.70</u>	\$28,299.70
Projects and Activities:			
Revenue		17,678.58	
Less Expenditures		<u>9,689.39</u>	7,989.19
Other Revenues:			
Council of Garden Clubs		50.00	
Fellowship and Scholarship Fund		100.00	
Interest of Savings and CD's		857.49	
Interest: Headquarters Endowment Fund		3,259.81	
Sales Tax collected		<u>1,289.68</u>	<u>5,556.98</u>
TOTAL REVENUES			\$41,845.87

EXPENDITURES:

Membership dues:			
National Council		7,495.25	
Affiliated Organizations		<u>155.70</u>	7,650.95
Administrative expenses:			
Book of Information — printing		5,308.03	
District Chairmen allotment		1,392.00	
Donations		3,000.00	
Gifts and courtesies		35.00	
Mimeograph supplies		581.69	
Miscellaneous expense		180.12	
Payroll tax expense		427.02	
Postage — club service		339.62	
Postage and supplies — Federation		427.26	
P.O. box rent and bulk mail permit		40.80	
Printing and stationery		1,164.22	
Privilege Tax		2.00	
Professional fees — audit		1,250.00	
Salaries		7,140.00	
Sales tax paid		1,281.12	
Telephone and telegraph		110.43	
Scholarships		4,700.00	
Travel expenses:			
President		2,202.85	
Other officers		<u>1,525.88</u>	
			31,108.04
Headquarters:			
Building and equipment maintenance		1,155.79	
Grounds maintenance		4,531.19	
Insurance		503.00	
Janitorial service		690.00	
Lease rental		10.00	
Power and lights		929.67	
Sanitation service		37.50	
Telephone & Telegraph		393.43	
Water		<u>28.74</u>	<u>8,279.32</u>
TOTAL EXPENDITURES			\$47,038.31
EXCESS EXPENDITURES OVER REVENUES			5,192.44

WHAT TO DO? SUMMER • FALL

1975



FLORIDA FEDERATION OF GARDEN CLUBS GARDEN TOURS 1975

SWISS-BAVARIAN DEPARTING JACKSONVILLE . . . JUNE 19, 1975 . . .
4 nites in Geneva and 3 nites in Munich, Germany . . . Airfare, luxurious hotels, breakfast and dinner daily and much more . . . \$604 plus 15% tax and services per person double occupancy.

ITALIA MAGNifico DEPARTING TAMPA . . . JUNE 27, 1975 . . . 7 nites in Rome, 2 nites in Venice, 2 nites Stresa, Lake Maggiore, 3 nites Florence . . . Airfare, exclusive hotels, breakfast and dinner daily, etc. . . . \$894 per person double occupancy.

MOTORCOACH TOUR SMOKY MOUNTAINS AND COLONIAL WILLIAMS-BURG . . . Departing St. Petersburg, . . . September 20, 1975 . . . 11 days . . . includes transportation, hotels and sightseeing . . . \$459 twin.

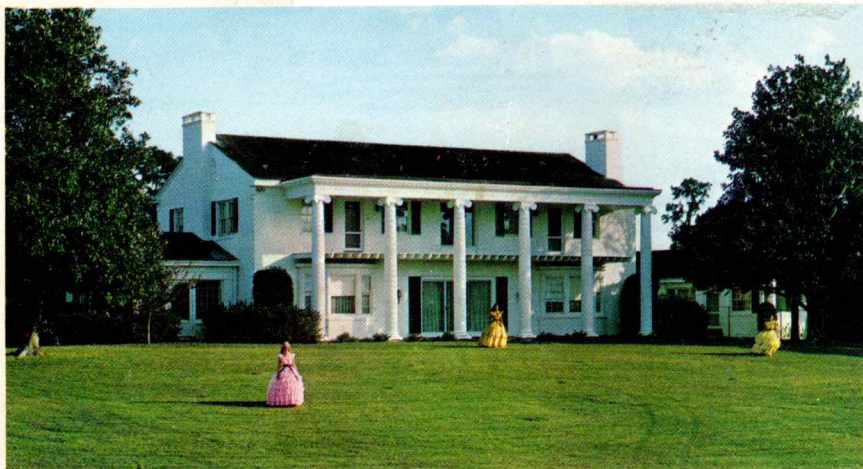
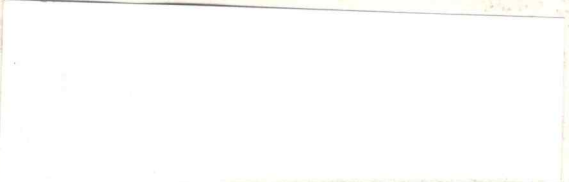
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