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CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Board of Directors Meetings:

May 16, 1978 (Pre-Convention)—The Plaza, Daytona Beach
 May 18, 1978 (Post-Convention)—The Plaza, Daytona Beach
 June 14-15, 1978—Headquarters, Winter Park

ANNUAL PRESIDENTS' CONFERENCES:

March 6	District I	Eglin AFB, Ft. Walton
7	II	Cottdale
8	III	Live Oak
9	IV	Jacksonville
10	VI	Ormond Beach
28	XII	Key West
30	XI	Ft. Lauderdale
31	X	Boca Raton
April 3	IX	Bartow
4	VIII	New Port Richey
5	V	Inverness
6	VII	Sanford

Coming Events:

1978:

March 13-15, Deep South Regional Convention, Holiday Inn, Orlando
 March 20-22, UF Short Course, Gainesville
 April 2-8, Blanche Covington Nature Study Course, Camp Wekiva
 April 11-13, Landscape Design Course, Series 10, Course 2, Tampa
 April 18-20, Landscape Design Course, Series 9, Course 4, Miami
 April 25-26, Spring Symposium, Pensacola
 May 9-11, HANDS Workshop, Winston Salem, N.C.
 May 17-18, FFGC Convention, The Plaza, Daytona Beach
 June 4-8, NCSGC Convention, Michigan
 June 18-July 29, Camp Wekiva Summer Session
 August 6-9, "SEEK" Conference
 September 13-15 Gardening Study Course FIT, Melbourne
 October 12-27, '78 Fall Tour
 November 4-11, Cruise Symposium
 December 1-3, State Flower Show, Orlando

1979—

April 18-19, FFGC Convention, District XI, Diplomat Hotel, Hollywood
 May 6-13, NCSGC Convention, New Orleans, Louisiana

1980:

May 1-2, FFGC Convention—Dutch Inn, Lake Buena Vista

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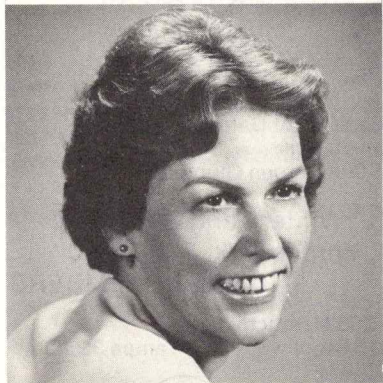
SENSITIVE-BRIER (*Schrankia Microphylla*)—The pink, spherical heads, 1/2-1" in diameter, arise from the leaf axils. The many tiny flower heads bloom close to the ground on prostrate stems that may have curved prickles. A Florida wildflower that blooms along dry pinelands and roadsides in Spring and Summer. Sometimes confused with *Mimosa Strigillosa*. Photo by: Dr. William J. Weber.

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JOIN THE CARAVAN



Is there gypsy in your soul? Isn't there a little in each of us? Then, come on, gypsy—it's time to move into SPRING—to move along in learning—and to follow your will to some new adventures in FFGC.

Florida's glorious March and April are full of growing and showing. If you have never entered a flower show—this is your time. If you have entered for years, why not introduce just one member or friend to the joy of learning through competition? Be a clerk be a sweeper ... mainly BE a part of "the" show—somewhere, somehow.

We are disappointed to announce that FFGC's Environmental Workshop at Camp Wekiva, scheduled to be held from February 28th to March 3rd, was cancelled due to cold weather. The cabins are unheated, which makes for difficult winter camping. Plans are being made to reschedule the workshop for sometime in the Fall. Watch **The Gardener** for further announcements.

Just around the corner, on March 14-15 we host the Deep South Regional Convention at the Holiday Inn International, Orlando. There's still time for you to come along—sharing fun and knowledge with garden club members from Georgia, Alabama, Mississippi, Louisiana and Tennessee.

January's Tropical Short Course in Miami received rave reviews. There

was a good mixture of horticulture and flower arranging. March gives central and north Floridians a call for Short Course at the University of Florida in Gainesville. The price is right—the program super—and we'll be there. What about you?

April will shower you with fun things to do: Landscape Design School, Course IV in Miami and Course II in Tampa. There are no prerequisites. You can begin at any course.

Pensacola's Symposium closes April with outstanding instructors. Judges know how much is to be learned at a Symposium. Do YOU know that anyone may attend?

Your Club President will receive convention delegate, alternate and member registration cards in early March. Circles get theirs from the Club President.

THAR SHE GROWS, CONVENTION '78 is the title. We've planned a really fun program. Our Daytona Beach Convention will be flower arranger Jean Taylor's first performance in the United States—and only program on this visit. She's a charming, witty, talented lady from Cheshire, England. Dr. Julia Morton, University of Miami faculty member has a national reputation in horticulture. We were fortunate to be able to fit into her schedule.

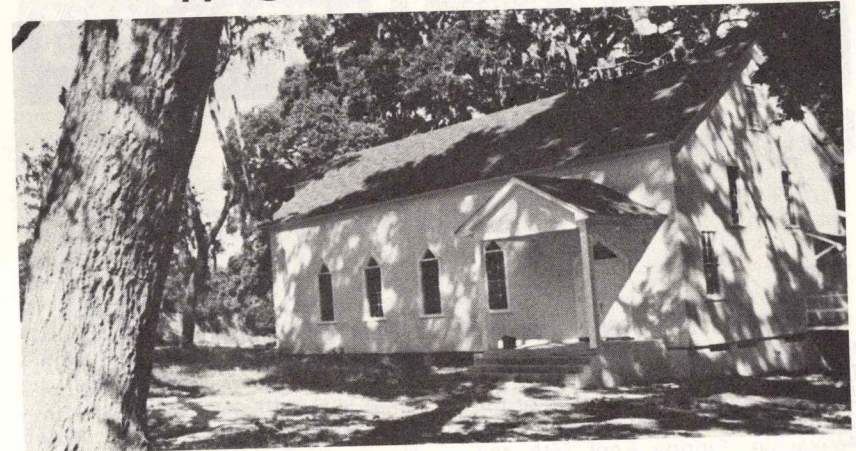
Jeff Carroll's whimsical challenge for environmental education; Hampton Dunn's presentation of Florida's history; Dori Karl's youthful charm and Bill Weber's expertise with photography of animals and wildflowers will make you glad that you came to Convention '78. It's a nautical theme ... it's fun ... it's for YOU.

We will be visiting with you in your Districts soon. We call them President's conferences, but they are for everyone. We will be the gypsies as we travel from Eglin Air Force Base in District I to Key West in District XII.

There's an exciting road to learning in FFGC—come on along!

Jean Villareal

IT CAN BE DONE!



A dream has come true for Dade City Garden Club! On a 2-1/2 acre tract, 1000 South 5th St., purchased by the club in 1957 now stands a beautifully restored St. Rita's Catholic Church completely equipped as a Garden Center.

The church was built in 1914. With its greater capacity replacement edifice completed, the old structure was given to the club in the middle of the Bicentennial Year, 1976.

Before being transported to the new location the top part of the church's steeple, surmounted by a hand forged iron cross which was given to Dade City civic leader and businessman George Nikolai whose late father made it, was removed.

The church was moved to the garden center grounds in February, 1977 and placed on a substantial cement base to comply with city ordinances. The actual restoration was started later that summer by Covington and Giella Construction Co. Very few changes were made inside. At the north entrance nothing was removed, but a ramp was installed opening onto a parking area for the handicapped. All original doors and windows were retained, a well-equipped kitchen, toilet facilities for women and men, a foyer and a second balcony were added.

An attractive interior decor,

chosen by the executive board and committee chairmen with club approval, is in good taste.

Inside walls are insulated and sealed with sheet rock to comply with city fire codes. The cathedral ceiling remains unchanged and a textured fire proof finish has been used throughout the structure. Outside walls had to meet code specifications also. They were insulated and finished in an off-white brick effect.

Restoration plans were sketched by a club committee and put into blue print by Architect John A. White, former contractor and member of the Historical Preservation Society of Brooksville. Landscape plans were developed with the assistance and approval of FFGC Landscape Critics Mrs. O. Fenton Wells of Lakeland and Mrs. Carl R. Cooney, Winter Haven. A memorial camellia garden is included.

FFGC President Mrs. Dewey R. Villareal headed a large delegation of area garden club members and interested citizens attending the club's gala open house early in December, when Christmas decorations enhanced the setting.

Mrs. J. F. Jeter is the hard working president of Dade City Garden Club.

Federation Happenings

Highlights of the 1978 Spring Symposium

Mrs. P. R. Jones
Symposium Chr.

A new and timely topic "Tissue Propagation" will be presented by Dr. William Bennett at the 1978 Spring Symposium to be held at the Garden Center, 1900 N. 9th Ave., Pensacola, Florida April 25th and 26th. Dr. Bennett, Biology Department Head of the Pensacola Junior College has recently completed extensive study in "Plant Cell and Tissue Culture" and is currently conducting courses at PJC on these topics. Included with the symposium at no charge are two optional trips to the Tissue Culture Lab at PJC

Dr. James A. Foret, Dean of the College of Agriculture at the University of South West Louisiana and Research director of the Louisiana Society for Horticultural Research will direct studies and point scoring of Hemerocallis and Begonias. Dr. Foret had a Ph.D. in Horticultural and Plant Physiology and is a National Council Flower Show Schools Instructor accredited to teach symposiums. He has described and introduced to cultivation Ilex Vomitoria F. Pendula, Ilex Cornuta Cultivars from Avery Island Anicet Delcambre and Swamp Maple to nursery trade.

Dr. Bennett and Dr. Foret are scheduled for the Tuesday April 25th agenda with the exam to follow at 3:00 p.m. Also included on the April 25th agenda are the two optional trips to the Tissue Culture Lab; the first at 3:30 p.m. for non-credit students and the second at 8:00 p.m. for all students. Students must register for the trips.

Mrs. Jack Miller, National Flower Show Schools Chairman from Lecompte, Louisiana will be the first speaker on Wednesday April 26th. Mrs. Miller will speak on the "New Handbook Revision." This session is a must for Judges who wish to stay current with the National Flower Show Judging policies.

At 10:00 a.m., Mrs. Benigno Miyares of Falls Church, Virginia will present a new approach to contemporary floral art, "Creative Designs: Bold, Daring and Expressive." Mrs. Miyares is a native Floridian, a graduate Cum Laude with a Bachelor's degree in Education from the University of Tampa, Florida, a linguist, and a National Council Flower Show Judge Instructor. She is in great demand both nationally and internationally to give lecture demonstrations in flower arranging. This will be an excellent opportunity to hear the newest concepts in creative designing. Welcome back to your home state Mrs. Miyares. The design examination will follow at 3:00 p.m.

Registration will be open April 24th 4-7 p.m. at the Sheraton Inn, 224 E. Garden St. Following registration hours there will be an evening of relaxation and entertainment at a presymposium dinner at the Sheraton Inn, with Van Blanchard, past President of FFGC and Nationally accredited Master Flower Show Judge; Mary Anna Barfield, National Council Flower Show Instructor and Master Judge; and Georgia Sandifer, President of

the Pensacola Council of Flower Show Judges, giving lectures and demonstrations. Reservations for dinner must be made. Cost \$6.50.

Room accommodations will be available at the Sheraton Inn with a reserve supply at the Ramada Inn, which is located across the street from the Sheraton. Make all room reservations directly with the Sheraton Inn, 224 E. Garden St., Pensacola, Florida 32501 Tele 904-434-3210. Cost for rooms will be

Single \$20.00, Double \$24.00 with extra person \$3.00.

The salad luncheon on Tuesday and Wednesday will be available at the Garden Center during the 45 minute lunch break at a cost of \$2.50 per lunch. Reservations must be made for the lunches.

For additional information, please contact Mrs. Ray Jones, 1859 Summit Blvd., Pensacola, Florida 32503 Ph. 904-432-4403 Symposium Chr.

For registration please send form and check to: Mrs. Eugene Northrup, 1871 Peyton Dr., Pensacola, Florida 32503. Make check payable to: FFGC—'78 Spring Symposium.

___ Registration Fee entire course	\$20.00
___ Examination Fee	2.00
___ One day attendance	10.00
___ Salad Luncheon—April 25	2.50
___ Salad Luncheon Salad—April 26	2.50
___ Pre-symposium dinner, April 24	6.50
___ 3:30 p.m. Tissue Culture Lab. April 25	N/C
___ 8:00 p.m. Tissue Culture Lab. April 26	N/C

Mark your calendar and register early for the 1978 Spring Symposium, April 25 and 26 at the Garden Center, 1900 N. 9th Ave., Pensacola, Florida. These should be action packed days featuring the latest concepts in growing and designing. Reserved seat assignments will be made as registrations are received.

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April 11-13, 1978

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For complete details contact:

Chairman: Mrs. E. D. Caton, 1542 Park Lane, Tampa 33603

Landscape Design schools have the specific purpose of educating both garden club members and the general public in good landscape architectural practice and the importance of the improvement of community environment. Such informed citizens will be qualified to serve as members of committees involved with the planning of public outdoor areas.

Tuesday, April 11: Registration: 8:00 A.M.

- 8:30—Introductions and Welcome—Mrs. Dewey R. Villareal
- 8:45—Announcements—Mrs. Dursie Ekman
- 9:00—Development of Landscape Architecture from 1840 to 1930: Mrs. Frank J. Schmoll
- 10:00—Elements of Landscape Architectural Design: Mrs. Richard Follett
- 10:30—Recess
- 10:45—Elements, continued.
- 11:45—The Professional Landscape Architect—Mrs. Schmoll
- 12:15—Questions and Answers
- 12:30—Luncheon
- 1:30—Site Design; Ground Form—Mr. Wayne S. Hundley
- 2:30—Urban Design: Mr. Hundley
- 3:30—Questions and Answers

Wednesday, April 12—Registration—8:05 A.M.

- 8:30—Announcements: Mrs. Ekman
- 8:45—Architecture and Related Arts and Professions: Prof. Vincent J. Bellafiore
- 9:45—Art and Nature Appreciation—Mrs. Charles Matheny
- 10:30—Recess
- 10:45—Arts, continued
- 11:30—Landscape Graphics—Interpretation: Prof. Bellafiore
- 12:30—Luncheon
- 1:15—Execution of Landscape Architectural Design: Prof. Bellafiore
- 2:45—Plants in Composition: Mr. Ross J. Ferlita
- 3:45—Questions and Answers

Thursday, April 13: 9-12 Noon: Examination for both garden club members and non-members who wish credit for the course.

Reading Assignments—

- The National Gardener (Current label required to take examination)
- An Introduction to Landscape Architecture—Laurie (Pages 35-44; 116-132; 177-190)
- Landscape Architecture—Simonds (Pages 41-77; 96-108; 173-221)
- The Book of Landscape Design; Ortloff and Raymore (Pages 271-277)
- Art and Nature Appreciation—Opdyke (Pages 1-42; 63-74)
- *Homescaping: Intermountain Regional Publication 4. A brochure/kit for \$1.00 each, no discount. University of Wyoming—Box 3354, University Station, Laramie, Wyoming, 82070.

Instructors—

Mrs. Frank J. Schmoll, a landscape architect in private practice in Tampa, also teaches at Pinellas Vocational Technical Institute.
Mr. Richard Follett, a landscape architect in private practice in Clearwater, is also an instructor with Pinellas Vocational Technical Institute.
Mr. Wayne S. Hundley, a landscape architect in private practice resides in Altamonte Springs, Florida.
Professor Vincent J. Bellafiore is an associate professor in Landscape Architecture with the School of Environmental Design, University of Georgia, in Athens.
Mrs. Charles Matheny is a retired art instructor, formerly with the Fine Arts Department of the University of Tampa, and currently active with private commissions and teaching art classes for different organizations.
Mr. Ross J. Ferlita is a Landscape Architect formerly in private practice and now serving as Deputy Director of the City of Tampa Parks Department.

NOTE—REGISTRATIONS WILL BE TAKEN AT THE SCHOOL, BUT EARLY REGISTRATIONS ARE URGED FOR THOSE TAKING THE COURSE FOR CREDIT. STUDY MANUALS WILL BE SENT TO EARLY REGISTRANTS UP TO ONE WEEK BEFORE THE SCHOOL—THOSE REGISTERING LATER WILL RECEIVE A STUDY MANUAL AT THE SCHOOL.

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April 11-13, 1978

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Luncheon Reservation—Please Check—April 11 _____ April 12 _____
(Cost—\$2.00 each day; pay at the school)

... and now us

Page 21 of the January/February issue of "The Florida Gardener" reported that the National Council of State Garden Clubs has launched an exciting new program—Gardening Study Courses.

Now FFGC is inaugurating its own first Gardening Study Course. It will be held at "FIT" (Florida Institute of Technology) in Melbourne, Florida. Series I. Course I, of Florida's own Gardening Study Course will take place on Wednesday and Thursday, September 12th and 13th with the examination on Friday, September 14th, 1978.

PLEASE—save the dates. This should be a great learning experience. More information in the next issue.

LANDSCAPE DESIGN SCHOOL SERIES IX COURSE 4

(Bilingual)

April 18-20, 1978

Fairchild Tropical Gardens, 10901 Old Cutler Road, Miami 33156

For complete details contact:

Chairman: Mrs. Clyde Wooten, 9045 SW 64 Court, Miami 33156

Tuesday, April 18, 1978

- 8:00 A.M. Registration
- 8:30 Welcome: Mrs. John G. Wood, First Vice President, FFGC
- 9:00 Landscape Design Resume, Wooten
- 10:30 Coffee Break
- 10:45 Redesign of Areas, Fontana
- 11:45 Herbaceous Materials in the Landscape, Wooten
- 12:15 Lunch
- 1:00 P.M. Preservation of Historic Sites, Shearer
- 1:30 Evaluating Domestic Design, Shearer
- 3:30 Question Period and Adjournment

Wednesday, April 19, 1978

- 8:00 A.M. Registration
- 8:30 Welcome, Mrs. Edward Jordan, Second Vice President, FFGC
- 9:00 Planning and Zoning, Schwartz
- 10:00 Coffee Break
- 10:15 Subdivision and Land Development, Rosenberg
- 11:15 Contemporary Design, Henderson
- 12:15 Lunch
- 1:00 P.M. Herbaceous Material in the Landscape, cont. Wooden
- 1:30 Evaluating Public Design, O'Leary
- 3:30 Question Period and Adjournment

Thursday, April 20, 1978

- 9:00 A.M. Examination
- 12:00 Deadline for Examination Papers

Early procurement of books is essential. The assignments are basic for understanding the lectures and passing the examinations. Please allow six weeks for shipment.

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Laurie	12.00	Faltermeyer	1.95
Simonds	21.45	McHarg	6.95
Crockett	7.95	Carpenter	18.00

Book checks payable to:

FFGC Bilingual Landscape Design School

Mail to: Mrs. Cubbedge Phillips, 135 N.E. 43rd Street, Miami, FL 33137

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REQUIRED READING—COURSE 4

The National Gardener

An Introduction to Landscape Architecture: Laurie (Pages 1-12, 85-115, 191-201).

Landscape Architecture: Simonds (Pages 221-230).

Landscape Gardening: Crockett and Editors of Time-Life Books (Pages 1-98).

Redoing America: Faltermeyer (Pages 119-227).

Homescaping: Intermountain Regional Publication 4, \$1.00. Order from University of Wyoming, Box 3354, University Station, Laramie, Wyo. 82070.

This course is intended to serve both South Florida and Tropical Latin America. Design with tropical and semi-tropical plant material is studied in addition to the standard course.

Garden Clubbers after taking and passing all four courses—not necessarily in order—may qualify for certificates as Landscape Critics. The course is open to the public and should prove most useful to members of beautification groups, park and nursery personnel, and of course, homeowners.

The faculty includes award winning designers and specialists in related fields. The faculty includes:

Miss Juanita Shearer, Member ASLA, Honors graduate from University of Florida. Associated with Jonathan Seymour's office.

William O. O'Leary, Member of ASLA. Graduate of University of Florida. Guest instructor at Miami Dade Junior College. Extensive practice with numerous awards. With O'Leary, Shafer and Associates.

Emilio Fontana, Landscape Architect for Dade County Parks. Has degrees in Agronomy, Forestry and Architect of Parks and Gardens from Universities of Havana and Barcelona.

William Rosenberg, Member ASLA. Bachelors from University of Georgia, Masters from University of Pennsylvania. Teaching experience at University of Miami, and Miami-Dade Junior College.

Lawrence Henderson, Member ASLA. Graduate of University of Oregon. Together with Wm. Rosenberg in the firm of Henderson, Rosenberg, and Associates, primarily new communities and subdivision design.

Matthew Schwartz, Undergraduate work at University of New York at Buffalo, Masters in Urban Planning at University of Wisconsin. Duties with City of Miami Planning Department include urban development, zoning, neighborhood planning, and administration of federal program.

Mrs. Jean Wooten, Associate Member of ASLA. Honors graduate from Washington State University. Further study in Japan, University of Hawaii, and University of Miami.

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Series IX, Course 4

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'THAR SHE GROWS—CONVENTION '78'

52nd Annual State Convention

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MAY 17-18, 1978

600 N. Atlantic Avenue, Daytona Beach

HOSTESS: GARDEN CLUB OF JACKSONVILLE, INC.

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Vice Chairman: Mrs. Richard Bean, 8652 San Jose Blvd., 32217

May 16—Tuesday

- 10:00 AM-12 Noon.....Council of Flower Show Judges Meeting, Luncheon and program. Speaker: Mrs. Kemper Moseley, Durham, NC, "Creative Flower Arranging."
 12:00 NoonOpen for registration
 2:30 PMDistrict Directors Meeting with President
 3:30 PMBoard of Directors Meeting
 Landscape Critics Council Meeting, immediately following State Board meeting—Speaker
 7:00 PMShipwreck Party for early arrivals

May 17—Wednesday

- 7:00 AMOpen for registration
 7:30 AMBreakfast: "Hoisting the Sails"
 Speaker: Miss Dorothy Karl, now attending Yale on a National Council Scholarship.
 Presentation of Youth Awards
 9:30 AMFORMAL OPENING of 52nd Annual Convention
 12:30 PMLuncheon: "Full Steam Ahead"
 Speaker: Mr. Hampton Dunn, program on Historical Florida, Awards given
 3:30 pmFlower Arranging Demonstration by Mrs. Jean Taylor—Title: PORT HOLES
 to
 Horticulture Program by Dr. Julia Morton—Title: TREASURE ISLAND
 5:00 PM
 7:00 PM.....Banquet: "Pirates' Bounty"
 Speaker: Mr. Jeff Carroll, Forest Service, USDA Awards given

May 18—Thursday

- 7:00 AMOpen for registration
 7:30 AMBreakfast: "Fathoms, Knots & Leagues"
 Speaker: Dr. William J. Weber, "Seasons of Florida Wildflowers" Awards given
 9:30 AMContinuation of business
 12:30 PMLuncheon: "Captains Courageous"
 Entertainment: Jacksonville University Choral National and State Life Memberships given
 3-4:10 PMYouth Activities
 4:10-5 PMEnvironmental and Legislative Studies
 Title: NOW, HEAR THIS
 3-4:10 PM.....Landscape and Birds
 4:10-4:30.....Therapy
 4:30-5:00.....Parliamentary Procedure
 Title: LAND HO!

There will be 2 workshops each day. Each room used will hold 400 people.

- 7:00 PM.....Banquet: "Red Skies at Night"
 Speaker: Mrs. Jean Taylor, Cheshire, England
 Program: Flower Arranging Demonstration
 Adjourn Sine Die

All club presidents have received a registration card for delegates and alternates. For all other club members and visitors, etc. who plan to go to Convention, please use the following form. **This form is not to be used by delegates, alternates and state board members.**

* Registration is to be paid by everyone attending all or part of Convention. **ABSOLUTE DEADLINE FOR REGISTRATION IS MAY 7, 1978.**

- * Prepay registration and all desired events to: Mrs. Donald Frazier, 8340 Kim Rd., Jacksonville, FL 32217 (Itemize what you are paying for)
- * **Make checks payable:** FFGC Inc. 1978 CONVENTION
- * **POSITIVELY NO CANCELLATIONS** after May 7, 1978.
- * DELEGATES and ALTERNATES will register on SPECIAL FORMS sent directly to CLUB and CIRCLE PRESIDENTS.
- * All cards received together in the same envelope properly marked will be seated together or as close as tables permit; table seats 8.

Tentative program for the entire convention, with prices.

Registration Fee to be paid by all attending part or entire convention \$7.50
 Husband's Registration (unless attending Convention as a member) 5.00

Tuesday, May 16

Ship Wreck (Food-Fun Fashions) Early arrivals 7:00 P.M. 7.00

Wednesday, May 17

7:30 Breakfast "Hoisting The Sails" 5.00
 12:30 Luncheon "Full Steam Ahead" 7.00
 7:00 Banquet "Pirates' Bounty" 12.00

Thursday, May 18

7:30 Breakfast "Fathoms, Knots & Leagues" 5.00
 12:30 Luncheon "Captains Courageous" 7.00
 7:00 Banquet "Red Skies At Night" 12.00

TOTAL—Includes tax and gratuities on meals only 62.50

PACKAGE PRICE—Includes tax and gratuities on meals only 60.50

EVENTS FOR NON-MEMBERS—Please signify if interested

Wednesday, May 17 Deep Sea Fishing (special group rate)
 Thursday, May 18 Tour to Cape Kennedy (special group rate)

Tennis and swimming at Plaza Hotel Golf arranged by hotel—usual fee
 Check out time at Plaza is 11 a.m., May 19. Plan to spend the morning shopping or on the beach. **CONVENTION REGISTRATION**

DELEGATES, ALTERNATES—DO NOT USE THIS FORM

Shipwreck Party (\$7.00)
 Registration (\$7.50) Breakfast (May 18, \$5.00)
 Breakfast (May 17) (\$5.00) Lunch (May 18, \$7.00)
 Lunch (May 17, \$7.00) Banquet (May 18, \$12.00)
 Banquet (May 17, \$12.00) Total enclosed

Name _____ District _____

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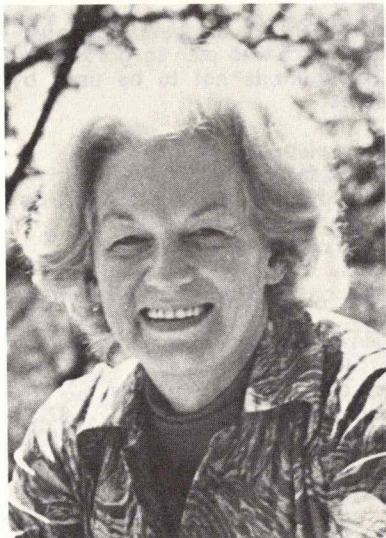
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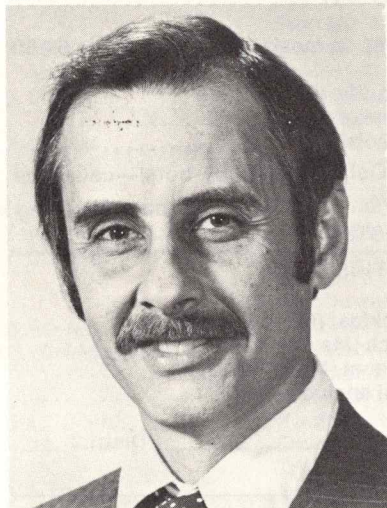
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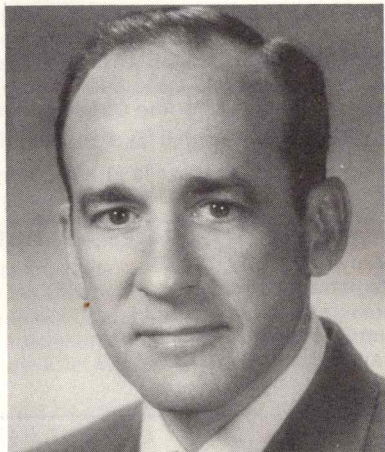
Mrs. Jean Taylor of Cheshire, England, began flower arranging while living in the United States in 1952. She is the author of nine books on flower arrangement and houseplants. In England she presented two television series, nationwide on flower arrangement. She has taught and demonstrated flower arranging in Italy, South Africa, Bermuda, Cyprus, Holland, Ireland and Kenya, as well as all over the United States.



Dr. Julia F. Morton is Research Associate Professor and Director of the Morton Collectanea, a reference department of the University of Miami. She has authored or co-authored ten books, the latest of which is entitled, "500 Plants of South Florida." For nine years, she conducted an investigation of "Possible Plant Causes of Esophageal Cancer." At the recent meeting of the Florida State Horticultural Society she received the Presidential Gold Medal for her contributions to Florida horticulture.



Mr. Jefferson E. Carroll of Fairfax, Virginia is Director of Environmental Education Programs for the Forest Service, of the USDA. He earned his Bachelor's Degree in Forestry from Austin State University, Texas. He received his Masters from the University of Michigan in Environmental Education. He has been with the Forest Service since 1962 with duty in Georgia, Florida, Alabama, Arkansas, Michigan, North Carolina and Washington, D.C.



Dr. William J. Weber has been a practicing veterinarian in Leesburg, Florida, since 1954. He is a past President of Florida State Veterinary Medical Association, and was named "Veterinarian of the Year" by the group in 1969. For the last eight to ten years, he has contributed wildlife and nature transparencies to various publications such as: "National Wildlife," "Backpacker," "Camping Journal," "Sports and Travel," etc. He is the author of two books: "Wild Orphan Babies" and "Wild Orphan Friends."



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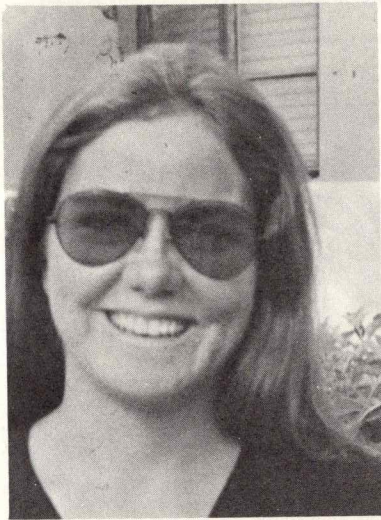
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Dorothy [Dori] Karl, of Key West, has been under the umbrella of Garden Club Scholarships since 1973. She is the recipient of The Elizabeth McCullagh Scholarship and the Taylor Alexander Ecology Scholarship both from FFGC. She has also been awarded a National Council Scholarship and is now attending Yale University as a graduate student in Forest Service.



Hampton Dunn, Vice President, Peninsula Motor Club, Tampa, is a native Florida "Cracker." He is the author of many books on Florida historical subjects, and his writings won the 1970 Award of Merit of the Florida Historical Society. In December, 1975, the University of Tampa bestowed upon him the distinguished Public Service Award.

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Rabbit's-foot fern tolerates higher temperatures and drier air than most of the other house ferns. It performs well in the average living room or den. Give it plenty of light, but keep it out of direct sunlight and away from drafts.

CIRCLE YOUR CALENDAR

Just another reminder to keep you posted on FFGC's Cruise! Symposium to be held from November 4-11, 1978 aboard a ship of the Cunard Line. Cost is only \$711.00, including tipping aboard ship. The Symposium is free!!

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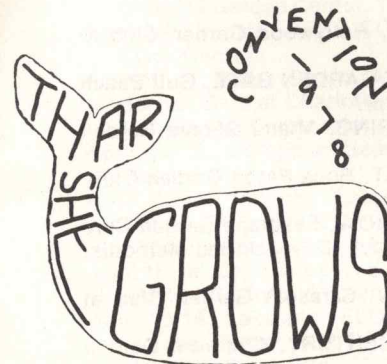
This infamous plant was brought to Florida in 1884 by a lady from Palatka, who purchased **one** plant at the Pan American Exposition in New Orleans in the same year. When the plant crowded out her garden pool, she threw the excess into the St. Johns River, which resulted in the chain reaction of plants now crowding most of the waterways in Florida.

ANCIENT HISTORY

The oldest living things on earth are the bristlecone pines, found high in California's mountains, aged 4,000 years or more by ring count; 1,000 years more ancient than the sequoias. They have recently contributed to archeology by making possible the more accurate radio-carbon dating of fossils. from "The News," N.Y. Federation of Garden Clubs

CALADIUM CULTURE

March is the best month to plant caladiums. Water during dry times and fertilize once a month. As days shorten (Oct.-Nov.) the leaves may be cut. In northern Florida, tubers should be dug at this time and stored in dry peat until the following spring.



FRESH FLOWERS

To keep cut flowers fresh in an arrangement use the following recipe—

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WICKING WITH NYLONS

To water plants from the bottom, use a piece of nylon hose as a wick that extends through the bottom of the pot and up into the soil. Place the piece of hose in the container when potting the plant, and the nylon never rots.

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- March 3-4-5, Key West, FANTASIA, Key West Garden Club at Garden Center, White St. and Atlantic Ocean
- March 4-5, Lehigh Acres, LEHIGH ACRES TRANSPLANTS at Garden Club Auditorium
- March 6-11, Iverness A Beauty Spots Garden Clubs of Apache Shores Beverly Hills, Crystal River, Floral City, Iverness at Citrus County Fair Grounds
- March 8-9, Winter Park, SPRING '78, Winter Park Garden Club at Garden Center, Mrs. Jo Stone, Chr., 624 Balmoral Rd., Winter Park 32789
- Winter Park, YOUNGER THAN SPRINGTIME, Winter Park High School Gardeners
- March 10, Hollywood, SPRING FLOWER SHOW, Hollywood Garden Club at Garden Center
- March 11-12, Panama City Beach, THROUGH THE GARDEN GATE, Gulf Beach G. C. at Garden Center, Mrs. C. E. Littlefield, Chr.
- March 16, Miami Shores, MARCHING IN TO SPRING, Miami Shores Garden Club
- March 17-18, Boca Raton, GOOD ENOUGH TO EAT, Boca Raton Garden Club, 4181 N.W. Third Ave., Mrs. Buford E. Hiles, Chr.
- March 18, Lighthouse Point, SPRING FLOWER SHOW, Seagrape Garden Club
- March 18, Dover, IN THE GARDEN, Dover Garden Club, Dover United Methodist Church
- March 18-19, Sarasota, SPRING FLOWER SHOW, Sarasota Garden Club at Garden Center
- March 18-19, Clermont, DAWNING OF A NEW CENTURY, Clermont Garden Club, 849 W. Avenue
- March 20, Tampa, MOTHER NATURE-SEZ, Clearfield Garden Club at Clearfield Recreation Center, Clearfield and Indiana Aves., Tampa, Mrs. A. A. Keith, Chr.
- March 20-21-22-23-24-25, Eustis, LAKE COUNTY TRAVELOGUE, Lake County Fair Grounds, Lake County Council of Federated Garden Clubs, Mrs. David Mathews, Jr., Chr.
- March 22, Tampa, DOWN MEMORY LANE, Sunset Park Garden Club, Mrs. T. L. Jones, Chr.
- March 23, Chipley, THE WAY WE WERE, Chipley Garden Club at Woman's Club, Mrs. Hubert Cope, Chr.
- March 30-31, Belleair, GARDEN REFLECTIONS FOR THE SEASONS, Belleair Garden Club at Florida Gulf Coast Art Center, Mrs. John H. Becker, Chr., 1714 Magnolia
- March 30-31, Brandon, FLORIDA—IT'S BEAUTY AND WONDER, Valrico Garden Club, First Baptist Church at Brandon
- March 31-April 1, Bradenton, 1978 SPRING FLOWER SHOW, Manatee River Garden Club at Garden Center
- March 31-April 1-2, Miami, THIRD CENTURY ... COLOR AND DESIGN, Metropolitan Flower Show at Hialeah Race Track.
- April 1-2, Palatka, AS YOU LIKE IT, Garden Club of Palatka at Garden Center, Mrs. Dan Driggers, Chr., P.O. Box 72

- April 1-2, Palm Springs, CAVALCADE ROUND THE SOUTH, Palm Springs Garden Club at Kirklane School
- April 5-6, Clearwater, AMERICANS IN PURSUIT OF HAPPINESS, Clearwater Garden Club at Garden Center, Mrs. E. H. Smith, Chr.
- April 5-6, Sebring, RAINBOW OVER SEBRING, Garden Club of Sebring at Civic Center, Mrs. Thos. Baer, Chr.
- April 6-7, Indialantic By-The-Sea, FLOWERS MAKE SENSE, Garden Club By-The-Sea at East Minister Presbyterian Church, Chr., Mrs. Victor L. Cheek
- April 6-7, Naples, ANNUAL FLOWER SHOW, Naples Garden Club at Trinity-by-the-Cove, S. Prym, Chr. 900 Spyglass Lane
- April 7-8, Gainesville, LET'S APPRECIATE, Gainesville Garden Club in the Gainesville Mall, Mrs. Stephen Gottesman, Chr.
- April 8, Miami, CHANGING MOODS, Richmond Heights G. C., 11111 Pinkston Drive
- April 8-9, Ocala, FLOWER THOUGHTS, Pioneer Garden Club at Marion County Agricultural Center
- April 8-9, Bartow, SPRING FLOWER SHOW, Bartow Garden Club at Bartow Civic Center
- April 8-9, Orange Park, HOME AND GARDEN SHOW, Garden Club of Orange Park
- April 8-9, Winter Haven, FUN & FANTASY, Winter Haven Council of Garden Clubs at Garden Center, Third St., N.W., Mrs. W. B. Lemons, Chr.
- April 8-9, Venice, HERE COMES TOMORROW, Venice Area Garden Club at Civic Center
- April 13-14, Punta Gorda, A WORLD OF ART AND FLOWERS, Punta Gorda Garden Club at Charlotte Civic Center, Mrs. O. Simpson, Jr., Str Rte A Box 43-b Punta Gorda, chr.
- April 14-15, Pompano Beach, SPRING FLOWER SHOW, Pompano Beach Garden Club
- April 15-16, Daytona Beach, EVERYBODY'S FLOWER SHOW, Council of Garden Clubs of Halifax District at Wm. A. Finney Memorial Garden Center, 837 N. Oleander Ave., Mrs. Alberto M. Galliano, Chr.
- April 15-16, Gainesville, A BIT OF BEAUTY, Four Seasons Garden Club at First Florida Savings & Loan, 515 N. Main St.
- April 15-16, Lakeland, FLOWERS ALA MOOD, Garden Club of Lakeland at Garden Center, 802 E. Orange St.
- April 15-16, Plant City, ALICE IN WONDERLAND, Plant City Garden Club at Garden Center, 1112 N. Wheeler St., Mrs. Sharon Tyson, Chr.
- April 15-16, Rockledge, WITH A SONG IN YOUR HEART, Cocoa-Rockledge Garden Club at Garden Center, 1493 Fiske, Mrs. Geo. Wells, Co-ordinator
- April 19, Crystal River, SPRING SONG, Garden Club of Crystal River at St. Benedict's Catholic Church, Hwy. 19, Mrs. D. C. Raynor, Bx 416, Homosassa Springs
- April 20-21, Tampa, FIFTY GOLDEN YEARS AND WE'RE UP, UP AND AWAY, Tampa Federation of Garden Club Circles, at Garden Center, 2629 Bayshore Blvd.
- April 21, Tarpon Springs, MOTHER, QUEEN FOR A DAY, Garden Club of Tarpon Springs at Tarpon Springs Yacht Club, Mrs. Jack Newnam, Chr.
- April 21, Port Malabar, Port Malabar Garden Club, PORT POURRI OF 1978 at Malabar Methodist Church
- April 21-22, Jacksonville Beach, A SYMPHONY IN BLOOM, Ribault Garden Club at Garden Center
- April 21-22, Plantation, Bayberry Circle of Ft. Lauderdale, Spring Show at Deicke Auditorium
- April 21-23, Sanford, MEMORIES, Garden Club of Sanford at Sunland at Highway 17 at 92
- April 22-23, Panama City, FLOWERAMA AROUND THE WORLD, Panama City Garden Club at Garden Center

April 22-23, Coral Springs, SPRING FLOWER SHOW, Coral Springs Garden Club at Garden Center
 April 22-23, W. Palm Beach, 50 GOLDEN YEARS, W. Palm Bch., G.C. at Garden Center, 1121 W. Lakewood Rd.
 April 27-29, Miami, Three Club Flower Show, Dadeland, Ken-Pines and Sunset Park Garden Clubs, in Dade County Library at Cutler Ridge Gov't Center
 April 29-30, Melbourne, WEATHER RHYTHM, Melbourne Garden Club at Trailer Haven Auditorium, Mrs. R. B. Parsons, 1216 Burtonwood Rd., Chr.
 April 29-30, Windermere, FLORAMANIA, Windermere Garden Club
 May 1, Jacksonville, SPRING SHOW, Brierwood Circle of San Jose Garden Club at 4861 Philrose Court
 May 6, Jacksonville, SPRING FLOWER SHOW, Mandarin Garden Club at Garden Center, 2392 Loretto Rd.
 December 1-2-3, 1978 FLORIDA STATE FLOWER SHOW, Orlando, Mrs. A. L. Paulauskas, Chr.

SEEK '78

by Mrs. Daniel F. Connell
 Conference Chairman

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What's Our Name?

The following excerpts were taken from a recent article in the November/December issue of The National Gardener, written by Mrs. William J. Hedley, President of National Council.

We are the largest gardening organization in the world but almost no one knows our name.

We are called:

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National Council of Garden Clubs
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National Federation of Garden Clubs
National Association of Garden Clubs
National Council of Federated Garden Clubs
National Federation of Garden Clubs of America
National Association of Garden Club Federations
National Council of Federated Garden Clubs of America,

and occasionally by some one *in-the-know*,

National Council of State Garden Clubs.

I've heard them all.

There seems to be much trouble among the press, garden club members and non-garden club members as to the proper name. A name has been suggested that has general favor. It is Garden Clubs, International. The two words "Garden Clubs" would say immediately what we are, without any diverting preamble. The word "International" would separate us from local and State garden clubs and identify us as the parent group. According to Mrs. Hedley—"it would be appropriate that we accept this name."

At the January Board Meeting of FFGC a poll was taken to acquire a consensus of the feelings of the members. The following is the report of that poll:

71 Keep name NATIONAL COUNCIL OF STATE GARDEN CLUBS, INC. as is.

9 Change name to GARDEN CLUBS, INTERNATIONAL

3 Change NCSGC to an International organization

6 Seek name change **other than** Garden Clubs, International

NATIVE PLANT DISPLAY!

When each one of you comes to Convention in May, bring one of Florida's Native Plants with you for Display! There is a Space in the "Convention Lobby Room" reserved for an exhibit of the Natives in your District! If you wish, each of you may Exchange your Plant with a member from another District at conclusion of Convention!



The FLORIDA GARDENER

THE SUCCULENT LILIACEAE

by Mrs. Robert Hunter

The Liliaceae is a large and seemingly indiscriminate family. One wonders about such apparently strange cousins as the Asparagus and the Beaucarnea, for instance. On closer examination, however, one discovers that often widely disparate plants such as the Pleomele and the Sansevieria will have very similar blooms. So we may take it on faith that there is a basic point of resemblance among these plants which led botanists to classify them, together as Liliaceae. We will start our examination of this family with the oldest of them—the succulent Liliaceae.

The aloes grow well enough here to be native but they are mostly from Africa and Madagascar. They range in size from small houseplants four or five inches across to small trees. Many, such as Aloe Arborescens, will form clustering rosettes, building upon each other. The Aloe Vera is well-known for its medicinal and cosmetic qualities and is found in many kitchen windows where it is handy for burns or cuts. Other varieties most commonly seen are Ferox, Brevifolia and Saponaria. Most attractive but not often seen are the variegated forms such as A. Variegata and the formally arranged A. Aristata.

A very distinctive succulent genus which is seldom seen is the Apicra. Mostly upright with clasping, overlapping leaves, these plants too are South African in origin.

A succulent plant more familiar to Floridians is the Beaucarnea Recurvata, related to the Yuccas. Its very distinctive bulbous base is topped by a shower of long thin leaves. An odd, but very attractive plant the Beaucarnea will grow to be a small tree and can store a year's supply of moisture in its base.

Gasterias, however are met with more commonly as they are attractive plants whether in or out of bloom. Their form is sometimes strap-leaves and sometimes rosette-shaped and its succulent leaves

have markings and sometimes "warts."

This different and interesting genus has been crossed with Haworthias to create the Gasterhaworthia.

The Haworthias are small slow-growing, rosette-shaped plants which never get very large but which will send up an odd little green and white bloom quite dependably. Fasciata, Subfasciata, Radula and Margaretferae are the varieties most often met in our flower shows. H. Reinwardtii is an upright form which is very attractive but somewhat harder to find and to grow.

We tend to regard or rather to disregard the sansevieria as weeds. Indeed the common Trifasciata (snake plant) will take over even in poor and sandy soil, sending down long husky roots to reach water. It is a mistake to overlook the Sansevierias as there are many new (or new to us) species and hybrids which are well worth cultivating. Even S. Trifasciata Laurentii is available in a smaller and more attractive edition called 'Compacta'. S. Guineensis Variegata is another low-growing, yellow bordered hybrid as is S. Craigii. Intermedia and Suffruticosa are compact plants with recurved leaves, and S. Liberica is a green and white miniature.

Outstanding among the large Sansevieria is the variety S. Ehrenburgii with its regularly overlapping leaves and stiff formal shape, like a fan. Most of us know the green rosette—S. Hahnii, with its variations, which makes an attractive long-lasting border for a flower bed.

All Floridians will recognize in Yucca the plant that brightens up our seacoast in the summer with its large impressive blooms.

Succulents are characterized by the ability of the plant to hold water and thus withstand drought. This means we should not "over-care" for them.

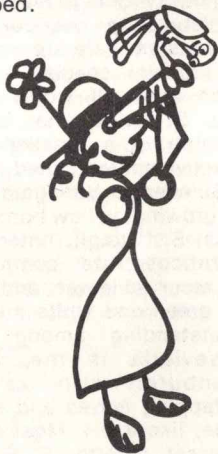
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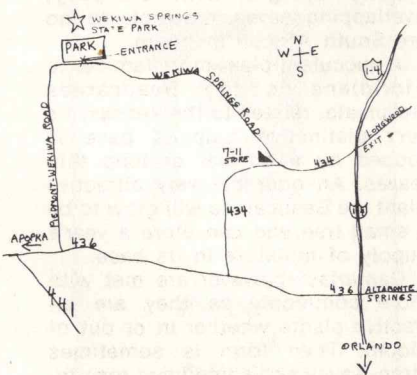
BCNSC will be in Wekiwa Springs State Park at the Wekiwa Youth Camp. The Park is a few miles north of Orlando - exit at Longwood from I-4, go west on 434, turn right at the 7-11 Store, continue west till you see the Park signs and entrance.

There is no fee for Youth Leaders. Members of a Garden Club who are not Youth Leaders may attend for \$25.00 per session. Get your application blank from your District Director.



A letter of acceptance and information concerning time, subjects and 'what to bring' will be sent to you in March.

BCNSC is not all work and study—we gab and eat and sing and make pretty hand-craft things and share experiences and have bonfires and learn simple folk/ethnic dance steps and stroll down to the pavillion and stop to smell the flowers along the way . . . We would surely like you to join us.



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The exercise of the option by the Nature Conservancy insured that 2,985 acres will be preserved for our children and our children's children.

Our task is not yet complete! Almost \$150,000 must still be raised to reimburse The Conservancy for the purchase and all clubs and circles are urged to continue their support of this vital conservation project! A contribution of \$260.00, the cost of acquiring one acre, will make each club or circle a member of The Acre Club, with permanent recognition on a plaque to be erected at the Preserve.

March 31st is the deadline for contributions to count toward National Council and F.F.G.C. Awards. All Books of Evidence must be received by this Chairman *on or before* that date. *One* Book of Evidence will qualify your club or circle for *both* competitions. Check page 86, 138, and 139 of the 1977-1979 Book of Information for complete details. F.F.G.C. Awards are offered to Junior, Intermediate, and High School Gardeners as well as for clubs and circles.

Your contributions before *March 31st* will again make your State Federation the National Council leader and winner of the Damroth award. Send your checks made payable to the Nature Conservancy, to the American Land Trust or to your State Chairman, Mrs. John G. Wood, Lake Otis, Winter Haven, Florida 33880.

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THE RESULTS OF THE 1976-77 FREEZE DAMAGE REPORTS

Mr. Nate Klein, Horticulture-Education Chairman

Reports on the 1976-77 freeze damage unfortunately arrived very slowly—the last ones in last December, 1977. This means we could not be guided by the findings for safer plant selection before the 1977-1978 cold weather hit us.

Although the questionnaire was prepared to be answered by individual members, many represented data from entire circles or clubs. Accordingly, the results could not be properly developed on a District basis; and even the following statewide results do not represent a factual report. Yet, there surely is some value to the findings.

The breakdown of returned reports follows:

DISTRICT	NO. OF REPORTS	AVERAGE LOW TEMPERATURE	AVERAGE HOURS OF LOW TEMPERATURE
I	18	15°	8 hours
II	10	10°	5 hours
III	No Report	N/R	N/R
IV	16	19°	5-1/2 hours
V	4	18°	5 hours
VI	58	24°	7 hours
VII	4	18°	4 hours
VIII	22	28°	5 hours
IX	10	26°	4 hours
X	13	27°	4 hours
XI	12	29°	6 hours
XII	13	30°	4 hours

Several hundred different plants and trees were mentioned in the reports. The following indicate the ten most frequently mentioned in each category. Only four were mentioned often enough to be reported in those shown as plants or trees helped by the extreme cold.

Here are the findings: (listed in order of most mentioned plants)

PLANTS AND TREES NOT AFFECTED BY COLD

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|---------------|----------------|
| 1. Azalea | 6. Gardenia |
| 2. Ligustrum | 7. Pittosporum |
| 3. Podocarpus | 8. Jasmine |
| 4. Roses | 9. Camellia |
| 5. Holly | 10. Pyracantha |

PLANTS AND TREES BURNED BY FREEZE THAT HAVE COME BACK

- | | |
|---------------|------------------|
| 1. Hibiscus | 6. Poinsettia |
| 2. Croton | 7. Bougainvillea |
| 3. Ixora | 8. Carissa |
| 4. Avocado | 9. Sea Grape |
| 5. Schefflera | 10. Gardenia |

PLANTS AND TREES BURNED AND KILLED BY FREEZE

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|------------------------|----------------|
| 1. Hybrid Hibiscus | 6. Frangipani |
| 2. Croton | 7. Orchids |
| 3. Norfolk Island Pine | 8. Allamanda |
| 4. Lime | 9. Ixora |
| 5. Crown of Thorns | 10. Cacti |
| | Begonia |
| | Cocoa Plumrosa |

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HELPED BY FREEZE

1. Azalea
2. Roses
3. Camellia
4. Crepe Myrtle

The completed questionnaires established the assumption that basic plant and tree selection followed normal area weather patterns. Northern type fruit trees, for example, were only mentioned by the northernmost areas of Florida. Likewise, real tropicals were only reported from the southernmost areas. However, the majority of all plants and trees shown in this compilation were reported by all or almost all areas and evidently are commonly planted throughout Florida.

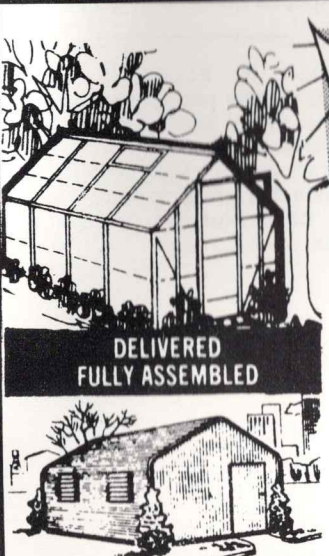
You can see that some plants like Crotons and Ixora appeared in one or more categories. This is not based so much on area and climatic conditions as on relation of location of plants as well as wind and cold protection provided by homes or other larger vegetation.

It is hoped from this study that the average gardener will be able to plan more carefully in regard to landscaping in the event of colder winters, which it seems we are going to have in the future.

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