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by Mrs. Kenton H. Haymans, Editor

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THE COVER

In a moment of calm before the busy year ahead, FFGC's new president Ella Wood absorbs the peaceful beauty of the grounds surrounding FFGC Headquarters in Winter Park.

Photograph by Mrs. Charles Hetzer, Chmn. Photography & Slide Programs

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Garden Path

It was an exciting and heartwarming experience to see so many of you at our State Convention at the Diplomat in Hollywood and to have the privilege of meeting you and speaking with you at the reception following the Installation Banquet. I wish I could have personally thanked each of you for giving me the privilege of serving as your President.

My acceptance speech on page 4 of this issue outlines the major goals for this administration. With your help we will accomplish our objectives. We truly believe that the members of FFGC can accomplish any objective they believe in and support. With this thought in mind, we chose the theme, "Cultivate Communication—Harvest Rewards" in order to emphasize that accomplishments come only after action, and to act we must be informed.

Aren't you delighted with the new look of *The Florida Gardener*? *The Gardener* is one of our most important means of communication. It is also the tie that binds us together.

Through these pages we share our common interests in horticulture, floral arrangement and the preservation of our environment. Each issue will bring new information in these fields.

Each issue brings you dates and places for the many activities scheduled on your behalf and for your enjoyment. Please mark your calendars and plan to attend Landscape Design School, Course I, Series XII is scheduled for October 22-24 at State

Headquarters in Winter Park, and Course III, Series XI is scheduled for November 28-31 in Chipley.

Continue your training as a facilitator for Environmental Education Workshops. A Facilitator Training Workshop will be held at Wekiva Nature Camp, Wekiwa Springs State Park on November 8-11.

The first flower show symposium to be held in the southern part of the state in quite a few years is scheduled for November 13-14 in Ft. Lauderdale. Symposiums are a valuable learning experience in advanced Horticulture practices and flower arranging. And you don't have to be a Flower Show Judge to attend! We welcome **ALL** garden club members! While on the subject of symposiums, please come with us on our second Cruise Symposium February 10-17, 1980. Details and registration forms for both symposiums are included in this issue.

We are looking forward to seeing many of you at the Fall District Meetings. The theme for the meetings is "Garden Tools—communication, education, recognition and promotion." At that time we will distribute your club's service copies of the next Book of Information and copies will be on sale for those wishing to purchase their own personal copy. Plan to be with us—District meetings are a vital part of our communication system. We need you there, learning together, to make FFGC effective! Check the Calendar of Events for date and place of the meeting in your District!

The State of Florida continues to grow. As energy supplies grow shorter, more and more people will move into the Sunbelt and into Florida. To keep Florida beautiful and to attract more people into gardening, FFGC needs to grow. We should increase our membership in proportion to the state's population growth. Invite a friend to join an existing garden club—or find 15 people and start a brand new club. Your District Director will be delighted to help you get the new club started. Special recognition will be given to all members recruiting new members. Details at your Fall District meetings!

We hope the "Garden Path" will lead us down new trails of communication, and through communication to the rewards of making FFGC an effective part of our communities.

THE FLORIDA GARDENER



Part of the planned program for participants of the "SEEK 79" Youth Environmental Conference for high school students throughout Florida, sponsored by FFGC and the University of Central Florida in Orlando August 5-9, was an outing to Sea World. Shown enjoying the day were, left to right: Steven Grizzi, Mrs. Carl A. Dahlgren, Concord, N.H., President of National Council of State Garden Clubs, Inc.; Mrs. John G. Wood, President FFGC; Kurt Tesh and Brenda Drylen. All three students were from Winter Haven.

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Deep South To Mark Bartram Trail

By Mrs. Charles H. Blanchard
Bartram Trail Chmn.

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steps of William Bartram on land and

water, up hill and down dale. About 2500
miles is involved. All this verified on
paper, the time has now come to do it in
metal.

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to educate generations yet unborn. Each
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of still untouched beauty of flora and
fauna, river crossings, lakes, Indian villages
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this, for we live on most of the hallowed
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FFGC . . .

Blueprint for the Future

By Mrs. John G. Wood
President FFGC

"For, lo, the Winter is past, the rain is over and gone; the flowers appear on the earth; the time of the singing of birds is come, and the voice of the turtle is heard in our land." These beautiful words from the "Song of Solomon," heralding Spring, are to many of us also a description of our garden, when it awakens after its Winter's rest. To the beautiful imagery these words invoke we add—and "winged flowers" are fluttering among the blossoms, pollinating to insure that these flowering plants survive for another blooming. Our "winged flowers" are the butterflies, which appeared on earth over 130 million years ago, at the same time flowering plants began to add their beauty to the world around us.

A garden without birds and butterflies would be like a semi-desert—

(from an esthetic point of view), for they add music, movement, and color to our world, making it hum with vibrant life.

For years the Florida Federation of Garden Clubs has been concerned with the study and protection of birds. We have programs which educate our members to the importance of birds in our garden, and during this administration we have named a Butterfly Chairman, who will bring you educational information on butterflies—an endangered species in our gardens. The butterfly, like many flowers and birds, is of no particular economic importance, but it deserves to be valued for the beauty and interest it adds to the world of nature.

Nature, the natural world around us, existing once independently of man and his forces, is now being attacked constantly on all fronts by many technological advances. As we step into the decade of the '80's our state and nation is faced with many complex problems dealing with environmental concerns. As stated in the Charter of our organization—one of the specific purposes of our existence is to "further the education of our members in the conservation of

natural resources and nature studies." Now, more than ever, when economic considerations are first in everyone's mind, and as we face the growing shortages and expenses of fossil fuel and the lack of progress in developing alternative sources to enable our great country to maintain its economic standards, we must insist on full disclosure and knowledge of the consequences of lowering our standards for clean air and clean water, and all other environmental hazards. Environmental concerns **will** continue to be of primary importance to members of FFGC. We **will** continue to act as responsible stewards of our community, not only thinking of the immediate result, but weighing future implications that affect our children and our children's children. During this administration we **will** continue to expand our programs of environmental education, not only to our own members but reach out into our school systems, government and communities. New knowledge is gained every day on the value of recycling and reclamation, on conservation of natural resources, and on energy conservation. Our Florida Federation must continue its leadership in promoting programs which protect and defend the environment. In addition to these important environmental programs we will strive to achieve the following four specific projects:

First, *Operation Wildflower*. To Floridians, Florida is the most beautiful state in the union. We are, for the most part, blessed with an enviable climate that enables us to grow exotic plants with relative ease. Yet we are filled with envy when we hear and see pictures of roadways and highways of the states of Oklahoma, Texas, Pennsylvania and Georgia, where the program "Operation Wildflower" is a cooperative project of the garden clubs of those states and their Departments of Transportation. The program of growing wildflowers along the highways through controlled cultivation and mowing has resulted in savings of taxpayers' dollars by lowering maintenance costs. In addition, it has brought incredible pleasure to the motorists traveling those miles of highway. One of the primary goals of this administration will be to promote the pro-

gram "Operation Wildflower" in our state. In addition, a concentrated effort to encourage litter control along highways and city streets, through the many programs developed for this purpose, will be of major importance. Proper control of litter can also result in savings of millions of dollars for Florida taxpayers. "Glenn Glitter," FFGC's litter control symbol, which was recently adopted also by the State Legislature as the State of Florida's litter control symbol will help lead the way!

Wildflowers will be encouraged in all phases of garden club work—through "Operation Wildflower," through plant distribution; through formation of wildflower garden clubs; and through the study and planting of wildflowers in our own gardens.

The native flora of our state is a living part of our heritage,

as valuable and irreplaceable as any we have. Unfortunately, daily our wilderness and woodlands are vanishing and with them, the plants that live in that habitat. Unless we continue to act quickly to protect their environment and, where not possible to protect, to transplant into our gardens, our wildlings will disappear!

The next project area is *horticulture*. During the next two years one part of our major focus will be on a renewed and revitalized interest in a subject most basic to our organization—Horticulture. With this in mind, we have expanded our Horticulture Committee to include the following separate and distinct areas of Horticultural interest:

1. Food Gardens
2. Improved Cultivars
3. Indoor Gardening
4. Organic Gardening
5. Trees
6. Wildflowers

The chairman for each of these horticultural specialties will stimulate your interest and provide you with specific information in each of these areas.

The Gardening Study Courses, initiated by National Council of State Garden Clubs, has had two courses, with Course III coming up in the Fall. These courses add much to your knowledge of the how and why of plants, besides giving us practical, everyday knowledge to use in our own gardens. It will be our goal to expand these courses into many of our commu-

nities so that they can be available to many of our members without the necessity of travel or the need for being away from home overnight.

Thirdly, we must stress increased *membership*. The enjoyment and serenity that the practice of horticulture can bring into our lives must be the golden thread that draws others into our avocation—gardening. Each day, as one of our country's fastest growing states, many new people make Florida their home. If we are to preserve and protect the Florida we love, we must make these people aware of our beautiful world of gardening and make them one of us! For this primary reason, membership growth must become a vital factor in our planning. We challenge each of you during the coming two years to make just one person a garden club member. If each one of our over 31,000 members do this, we could double our size in two years! Some clubs limit their size because of the desire to meet in their homes, which adds to their fellowship and enjoyment. This is a very understandable attitude, but 15 individuals of that same club can each find one person to bring the love of gardening to, and help them start a club where these new members can also meet in their homes and enjoy the same benefits enjoyed by the founding club. But, it is imperative—and of extreme urgency—that as our state grows, so grows Florida Federation, or else we will lose ground in our efforts to preserve the beauty that is Florida!

Finally, renewed vigor must be expanded in the promotion of all our *youth programs*. FFGC has long enjoyed the position of having more youth gardeners than any other state in National Council, but this past year we have slipped from first position in our High School Gardener's category. Is this the wave of the future in our youth programs? We cannot allow this to happen! What do we offer our youth? We offer the best nature camp of all—at our own Camp Wekiva. We offer the original and longest standing environmental conference for high school students. We offer the first program in the nation for college clubs, and we offer our long lasting and deep involvement with our junior gardeners. As much as learning in the natural world is by imprinting, so that resistance to extinction and forgetfulness is achieved, so must our values be imprinted on our youth, for they are

"... Our Gardeners of Tomorrow."

The theme we have chosen for this administration is "Cultivate Communication—Harvest Rewards." We reflect upon the themes of former presidents, Mrs. Carroll O. Griffin's "Protecting and Defending Florida's Beauty;" Mrs. Maurice S. Dillingham's "Concern Today for Tomorrow;" Mrs. Andrew Gurke's "Friendship and Unity in Gardening;" Mrs. Sidney Davis's "A Time to be Involved;" Mrs. Homer Gwinn's "Accept the Challenge of Today" and our outgoing President, Mrs. D. R. Villareal, Jr.'s "Learning is a Growing Thing." Each theme reiterates the messages we have brought you—the need to be concerned, involved, and to promote our beliefs.

We add this further thought—to achieve these goals we must be able to communicate with each other, and to all others, the importance of our beliefs—the tranquility of our gardens—the enjoyment and fulfillment involved with our own special world. Let us go out and let the whole wide world know what it's all about! We will then garner the immeasurable harvest of rewards awaiting each one of us, when we promote and put into action programs that reflect the aims and objectives of this great organization, the Florida Federation of Garden Clubs, Inc.

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Timber Harvesting Studied

By Mrs. John G. Wood
President FFGC

Garden club presidents representing 42 state federations throughout the nation, including Hawaii and Alaska, have completed a three-day Environmental Education Workshop at Hawks Nest State Park, Ansted, West Virginia. The Workshop, sponsored by the National Council of State Garden Clubs, Inc., with the support of several forest products companies, was designed to develop an awareness of the environment and techniques for understanding environmental issues.

An important part of the program was a field trip to WESTVACO Timberlands, to study forest management techniques. After visiting this active logging operation, which employed a system for removing logs from steep mountain slopes very similar to a cable car, the group was divided into investigative teams assigned to determine the effects of this type of logging on the environment. Each group visited previously harvested tracts of two, five, thirty-five and fifty-five-year-old cuts and collected data on the different stages of regeneration. Samples of soil and water were collected and plant communities and evidences of animal life were catalogued. The management techniques employed at WESTVACO were highly praised by Garden Club leaders.

A major goal of the Workshop was to learn methods of studying controversial issues. As part of the experience, members tackled the emotionally charged issue of allocation of Alaskan lands to wilderness. In attempting to understand the diverse points of view regarding the issue, workshop participants assumed the roles of a wide variety of interested Americans, ranging from an Alaskan shopkeeper to a representative of a wilderness organization.

Miss June McSwain, Washington, D. C., Director of Education for the American Forest Institute, brought information on "Project Learning Tree", a program developed by environmental educators, under a grant from the Institute, to integrate environmental education into school curriculums.

Mrs. Carl A. Dahlgren, New Hampshire, President of National Council, attending as part of the Workshop staff, called the environmental education program an "important part of National Council's long involvement with matters concerning the environment" and urged the presidents to "go back to their states and implement programs on environmental education and expand existing efforts."

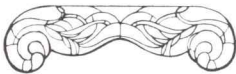
Chairman for the Workshop was Mrs. George A. Patterson, West Virginia, Chair-

man of the Environmental Education Committee, National Council. Representatives of the USDA Forest Service, developers of the workshop format on which National Council's program was formulated were part of the staff.

Forest industry representatives participating were Roger Sherman, Public Affairs Forester, WESTVACO Timberlands; Mrs. Sharney Chasteen, Educator Relations Program Manager, Weyerhaeuser Company and Gilbert W. Zieman, Director of Public Affairs, Edward Hines Lumber Company.



FFGC President Ella Wood, right, studies hardwood during the recent Environmental Education Workshop at Hawks Nest State Park, Ansted, West Virginia. Shown, from left are: Mrs. Warren T. Hammett, Greenville, Miss.; President of The Garden Clubs of Mississippi; Mrs. Sharney Chasteen, Educator Relations Program Manager, Weyerhaeuser Co., Tacoma, Wash.; Mrs. Carl A. Dahlgren, Concord, N.H., President of National Council of State Garden Clubs, Inc.; Jim Rothschild, USDA Forest Service, Atlanta, Ga., and Mrs. Wood.



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Butterflies



By Eve Riel Hannah
Butterflies Chmn.

A Brief vocabulary for the student of butterflies.

LEPIDOPTERA: An order of insects including butterflies and moths. *Note:* there is no single definition that could separate butterflies from moths. The terms below are general.

Butterflies: any of certain diurnal (day-time) lepidopterous insects having a sucking mouthpart, slender body, four wings, and clubbed antennae. They are usually more colorful than moths and usually rest with their wings in a upright position.

Moth: Any of a group of four-winged, chiefly nocturnal insects related to the butterflies. Moths usually have stouter bodies and varied forms of antennae, none being clubbed, and usually rest with their wings flat.

LIFE HISTORY: Butterflies undergo a series of changes known as metamorphosis e.g. egg, larva (caterpillar), pupa (chrysalis), and finally the adult butterfly.

The *first stage* of life is a tiny, weather-proof egg usually deposited on the under side of a leaf.

The *second, or larval stage* is most vulnerable; however, special protective adaptations occur. Some have long spines, or stinging hairs. Those that feed on certain plants have bitter tastes or are poisonous. At the larval stage butterflies can do some damage to plants. The damage is seldom serious.

The *third or pupal stage* produces an inactive, enclosed object that remains stationary, usually attached to a plant part. During this time of life the larval stage changes into the forthcoming butterfly. Larvae appear in many forms, sometimes rolled into a leaf, while others appear to be dead leaves, bird droppings, twigs or other debris.

The *fourth and final stage* is the adult butterfly which emerges from the bottom of the pupa. The insect crawls out with moist, tightly folded wings. As soon as possible it starts moving the wings to dry them and to pump fluids from the body to feed them. This process may take some time (up to 30 minutes for a Monarch) as it is

tiring and rest occurs often during the process.

As soon as the butterfly can become airborne it starts its purposeful life of cross-pollinating flowers, which is necessary for the survival of many plants. Our most handsome insect more than pays for the small damage it may have done while a caterpillar, and its presence makes the world a more beautiful and interesting place.

BOOK REVIEW

"A Field Guide to the Butterflies of North America, East of the Great Plains"

By Alexander B. Klots. Hardback, 349 pages. Houghton Mifflin Co., Boston 1951, \$10.95

This butterfly field guide is sponsored by the National Audubon Society and National Wildlife Federation, and is one of The Peterson Field Guides.

The guide tells the beginner how to identify every butterfly found east of the Great Plains and describes the habits, range, the food plants of the caterpillar, and the places in which the butterfly is likely to be found.

There are 247 species illustrated in full color and two full color pages of larvae and pupae of 28 species of butterflies.

In addition to descriptions of the individual species, the guide contains chapters on the butterfly and its environment (including climate, geographic variation, protective form, coloration, etc.), life histories, growth and the structure and habits of the adult butterfly.

There is also complete information on how to collect and preserve butterflies. This chairman hopes that due to the declining numbers of butterflies the illustrations will serve for study.

This publication has been highly recommended by professional lepidopterists yet is easily understood by the amateur.

By Eve Riel Hannahs,
Butterflies Chmn

Horticulture

Dracaenas

By Mrs. E. Robert Hunter

Horticulture—Improved Cultivars Chmn.

What's the difference between dracaenas, cordylines and pleomeles? Only botanists really know, and even among these specialists there has been a considerable amount of controversy. Within the current decade the pleomeles have been classed as dracaenas, and all three groups have now been placed in the AGAVACEAE family.

Whatever they are called, these plants are in constant demand all over the country because of their tolerance for indoor conditions and their great adaptability for landscaping.

This demand has speeded up the production of new hybrids. Much work has been done, for instance, with the cultivars of cordyline terminalis. Many are already familiar to us in gardens and nurseries—"Madame Eugene Andre;" the red-leaved "Firebrand" and many miniatures such as minima "Baby Ti."

Dracaena reflexa (formerly pleomele) also has a variegated cultivar with white edges, called "Song of India," which in turn is available in a new miniature cultivar. Other familiar dracaenas range from the tree-like *D. arborea* and *D. draco*, to the well-known corn plant *D. fragrans* and the green and white *D. deremensis* "warneckei." Not often found, but well worth searching for, is the very slow-growing but charming *D. goldieana*.

A particularly popular dracaena is *D. marginata*, whose odd twists and turns of stem and tuft of foliage on the end blends in marvelously with modern decor or a stark office interior. As a landscape plant *D. marginata* makes a lovely pattern against a bare wall. In fact, all the dracaenas and cordylines provide a tremendous variety of shapes, patterns and colors for landscape use. With their attractive color combinations and bold shapes they are effectively used en masse or as striking accents, and there are sizes to fit any need. Some dracaenas have even been used as aquatics, notably *D. sanderiana* and *D. thaloides*.

Propagation is easy. The entire top can be rooted and the remaining stem cut into

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Program Kits

By Mrs. William Howze

Horticulture Chairman

One of the most helpful persons a Horticulture Chairman can get to know is their local Extension Ornamental Horticulture Agent. As a rule, these agents are fountains of knowledge on almost any topic relating to horticulture. Too, their willingness to share this knowledge and give of their time presenting programs for garden clubs and other organizations places them in a spot dear to the hearts of Program Chairmen everywhere.

Due to the exploding interest in horticulture these past few years, however, many of these good friends are flooded with requests for programs. Of necessity, they have had to limit themselves to fulfilling only a fraction of these program requests, with the result that many of us have found ourselves scrambling for other qualified speakers, many times with disappointing results.

Fortunately for garden clubs in Hillsborough County, Extension Ornamental Horticulture Agent Roger Newton, realizing the scope of this problem, developed an educational program designed specifically to furnish technically sound, interesting programs which would substitute for him and his aides.

Over the past few months, Mr. Newton and his staff have put together 25 Horticulture Program Kits, each kit devoted to a specific subject, such as Bromeliads, Landscaping, Orchid Culture, etc., with more kits planned. The kits contain slides and a well written narrative which can be easily presented by a novice. A little outside research by the club member prior to presenting the program would be helpful, but not necessary.

The rules are simple. First, clubs wanting kits must be located in Hillsborough County. Second, kits must be requested well in advance, picked up one week prior to presentation and returned immediately after use. Plans are to eventually allow mailing, for the kits are small and compact.

Mr. Newton said that this program is not a state project. It is merely his own answer to a very real and growing prob-

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Cruises

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Awards

National

By Mrs. Hugh C. Simmons
State Awards Chairman

At the convention in New Orleans, Florida won the **BRONZE SEAL**, awarded to a federation for an outstanding, unusual completed project worthy of national recognition—in Florida's case the Wekiva Youth Camp.

Other awards won, were the **Gold Rosette** for State Flower Show for "Season's Greetings," the holiday show held in Orlando last December.

Certificates were received for the following publication awards: *The Florida Gardener*; *A First Reader for the Design Development of the Landscaped Environment*; *We're Somebody*, and our state yearbook, the *Book of Information*.

A **Certificate of Merit For Radio and/or TV Programs** was won by *District II* for their presentation of a series of 13 programs on a Panama City TV station.

District VII received an award for their show "For Everything There is a Season," and for their "7 Seeds" program, an entry in **The Lucille Droege Mauntel Award** competition. The *Winter Park HSG Club* in Dist. VII also won in this competition for having overall excellence and well-balanced year's conservation activities.

Winter Park Garden Club won **The Helen Hussey Champlin Award** of \$25 for their entry on their 45 years of youth work.

Valparaiso Garden Club received **Special Achievement Certificate and White Ribbon** for its collection of herbarium specimens, which was exhibited in five books arranged by months, giving location, common and scientific names and plant families.

The Glenridge Ecology Club, sponsored by the *Winter Park Garden Club* involved the whole community in its recycling program, winning the **Conservation Award for Junior and/or Intermediate Garden Club Achievement**.

"Saving Tosohatchee Preserve," the club's year-long campaign to protect the 28,000 acre Tosohatchee Preserve from heavy vehicle use and hunters, won **The Lucille Droege Mauntel Certificate for**
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Deep South

Florida won three awards at the Deep South Convention, held in March in Montgomery, Alabama. Congratulations to the *Coral Gables Garden Club*, winner of the **Mary Myrick Historic Preservation and/or Restoration Award**; to *Belleair Garden Club*, winner of the **Mary G. Pumilia Public Relations Award** for a club; and to the entire membership of the *Florida Federation of Garden Clubs, Inc.*, winner of the **Ellen Rowe Membership Award**.

Clubs are urged to watch for **The Ellen Griffin Horticulture Award**, a new award accepted at Deep South Convention, and donated by the Florida Federation of Garden Clubs, Inc. Details of this new award will be found in the forthcoming *Book of Information*.

FFGC Scholarships

Mrs. David C. Stouder
State Scholarships Chmn.

Scholarships, Fellowships and Student Aid Grants totaling \$7,100 were awarded recently. Recipients were:

H. HAROLD HUME FELLOWSHIP IN HORTICULTURE (\$2,700) University of Florida: Mr. John Griffis, Lubbock, Texas

GEORGE MORRISON SCHOLARSHIP IN LANDSCAPE ARCHITECTURE (\$1,000): Margaret Whitmer of Pensacola, Fl. attending Louisiana State University, Baton Rouge, La.

TAYLOR R. ALEXANDER ECOLOGY SCHOLARSHIP (\$1,000) University of Miami: Charles E. Hilsenbeck, Miami

ELIZABETH McCULLAGH MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP FOR HIGH SCHOOL GARDENERS (\$1,000): Joy Denise Forgy, Orlando, to attend Tennessee Technological University, Cookeville, Tenn.

FFGC STUDENT AID GRANTS—2 awards—\$700 each = Ronald C. Fuller, Winter Haven, attending University of Florida; Lisa C. Young, Ormond Beach, attending University of Florida.

Operation Wildflower

Mrs. O. Edgar Williams
Special Projects Chmn.

Sweet and restful sleep on a bed of wildflowers! Sound inviting? You'll be able to enjoy that pleasure around mid-August when 24 J. C. Penney stores in Florida introduce their "Wildflower Collection for Bed and Bath!" The National Council of State Garden Clubs has endorsed a botanically correct and artistically arranged pattern from Spring Mills which will be sold exclusively at J. C. Penney Stores. Merchandise will include sheets, bed spreads, curtains, towels and shower curtains.

Watch for these beautiful linens at all J. C. Penney stores listed below. As you make your purchase, be sure to introduce yourself as a member of the Florida Federation of Garden Clubs. By participating in this dimension of "Operation Wildflower" you'll not only be beautifying your home, you'll be supporting National Council's efforts to educate the public in the appreciation, preservation and propagation of our native grasses and wildflowers. Each package of linens will have an enclosure explaining our purpose and goals in "Operation Wildflower!" Royalties from use of the name will be used to accomplish further research in the propagation and conservation of our native plants.

P.S. Pleasant dreams, you all!

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District VII

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528 N. Orlando Ave.
Winter Park 32789

District VIII

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North Tampa 33612

201 W. Shore Plaza
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Tampa 33610

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Sarasota 33581

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Miami 33156

PLANT GOLD IN '79

1980 Golden Anniversary Garden Award

National Award

1 National Plaque—8 Regional Certificates—51 State Certificates

To be awarded a club or club member for a booklet of photographs (color prints) of "Plant Gold in '79" project, whether a private garden or a public area.

Use 9 x 12 brief cover with name of award—Golden Anniversary Garden Award—and name and address of individual entrant or garden club entrant. Book to contain no more than three pages of colored prints (front and back of each of three pages may be used).

Major plant material in each photograph to be identified by common and botanical names, to be written below or near photograph. Photographs to include over-all views of the garden or planting, area views, such as patios, walkways, borders, beds, window boxes, groups of containers, etc., plus close-ups of plants in bloom, flower clusters or individual blossoms. No pictures of people, please. Securely fasten all prints to the page and pages within the book. Loose material is not acceptable.

NO APPLICATION REQUIRED. Submit Book of Evidence to State Awards Chairman on or before January 15, 1980. State Awards Chairman to submit winning State entry to Regional Director on or before January 30. Regional entry submitted to National before February 15. National Award to be presented at 1980 National Convention. All entries will be returned and Certificates presented at Regional and State meetings.

WE'VE BEEN TOLD
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To help National Council celebrate its 50th Anniversary, garden clubs throughout the country are being urged to PLANT GOLD. In Florida we are very fortunate to be able to PLANT GOLD trees that will span generations. The Parkinsonia (Jerusalem Thorn) and Koeluteria (Golden Rain Tree) will grow throughout the state from Pensacola to Key West. The farther south you live, the larger your selection of available golden trees.

FFGC plans to present National Council with a Golden Scroll listing each "Plant Gold in '79" project reported. Encourage your clubs to incorporate gold plantings in their beautification projects and Arbor Day programs. To be listed on the Golden Scroll, a one-page resume and a picture of the planting should be submitted to this chairman: Mrs. Robert E. Mills, Trees Chairman, 9735 SW 138 St., Miami, FL 33176.



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Penal Garden Therapy is Harvesting Rewards

Mrs. Nelson H. Thorn
Penal Garden Therapy Chmn.

The FFGC Penal Garden Therapy Program is alive and growing and harvesting rewards! Let's keep it that way with generous contributions, which are welcomed any time of the year by this chairman. It is only through these contributions that the program can be carried on. If you have any doubts as to the value of Penal Garden Therapy, read on.

We wish to share with you a letter received from an inmate of Raiford Prison (U.C.I.). He had been in our Ornamental Horticulture Program at Raiford for four years, and was paroled last October. This is what he said in part:

"Dear Mrs. Thorn:

I hope you remember me. I was an inmate of U.C.I. in the Horticulture Department. I met you at the Inmate Flower Show two years in a row.

I'm writing to express my gratitude to ALL GARDEN CLUB MEMBERS. Through your support, and the guidance and education provided by Mr. Jordan (Instructor of our program), I was able to find happiness after my parole became effective in October.

In this particular area where I live, a parolee is usually given a choice of working in a chicken processing plant or a textile mill. However, because of my background in horticulture, my Parole Supervisor allowed me to go job hunting. I obtained a position at a Botanical Garden, and was placed as a Greenhouse Manager. A happier man would be hard to find!

My thanks to you and ALL GARDEN CLUB MEMBERS. You all provided the backing for Mr. Jordan to do the job, and have the program. There are many men who are as I was, lost and unsure about their future. Not all of them can be helped, but four years in the Horticulture Program convinced me that many can. Please continue the support for all the men I left behind, and thank you again."

This letter was unsolicited. It came from the heart, I am sure, and it is first-hand testimony as to the VALUE of this program. There are six correctional insti-

Membership— How Is Your Garden (Club) Growing?

By Mrs. Frank T. Lowe
Membership Chmn.

If your Club is not growing or you have lost members, the time has arrived to learn the reason. Why are members resigning? Why are others not interested in joining the finest organization in the community?

Some of the reasons given for resigning are "Requested to assist with too many activities"—perhaps the good worker may feel imposed upon. "Not needed"—have these members been overlooked? Do members feel they have "learned all I need to learn"? This indicates that programs need to be updated and made more interesting.

In every community there are hundreds of good prospective members, people who would be an asset to a club, people interested in the club's activities.

We need to be enthusiastic. We have the answer to the question—"what can I expect to gain by being a garden club member?"—the answer is the joy of working together to beautify the community, learning the fundamentals of home landscaping, sharing talents and knowledge learned from the educational activities sponsored by the club and FFGC; for the pleasure of bringing cheer and beauty to others and most important—the lasting friendships gained by growing and sharing.

NOTICE EE WORKSHOP

All garden clubbers are cordially invited to attend an "EE" Workshop (Environmental Education) sponsored by District V at Withlacoochie State Park, near Brooksville, Thurs. Sept. 20—Sun., Sept. 23. Contact General Chairman: Mrs. Daniel F. Connell, 726 SW Kings Bay Drive, Crystal River 32629.

tutions where our program is being promoted. Letters like this could probably come from each of them. But not all inmates can express themselves so well. However, *the need for the program is still there!* Happy harvesting!!!

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CITRUS WHITEFLY

The citrus whitefly, a major pest of citrus and ornamental plants in Florida, is being experimentally controlled by releasing the parasite *Prospaltella lahorensis*, introduced originally from Pakistan in 1968. "Observations of the University of Florida release area show a 97% reduction in whitefly populations since the release." Important hosts of the whitefly are citrus, gardenias, viburnum, ligustrum, Japanese persimmon and chinaberry.

"THE GOLDEN YEARS"

Inadvertently left out of the list of clubs and circles celebrating 50 years or more of existence was Heights Garden Circle of Tampa Federation of Garden Club Circles, Inc., which brings to 77 the number of clubs and circles still alive and healthy after a half century of good gardening. Congratulations!

FREEZING AND CANNING

Freezing and canning vegetables from your garden is an excellent way to economize. A free publication from the Division of Marketing of the Fla. Dept. of Agriculture and Consumer Services. Send postcard requesting "Freezing and Canning Florida Vegetables" to: Division of Marketing, Room 427, Mayo Bldg., Tallahassee 32301.

from Fla. Dept. of Agriculture

TREE SEEDLINGS

Since 1929 the Division of Forestry has been selling tree seedlings to Floridians in an effort to keep the state green. This has helped make the wood industry Florida's #2 money-maker. This year the Division expects to sell over 50 million seedlings . . . mostly in the tree farm industry. The Division also sells seedlings for landscaping purposes, usually at cost. Sycamore, live oak and sabal palm potted seedlings sell for 50¢ each. Fewer than 10 trees may be ordered, but there is a minimum charge of \$5 for each species. For information phone your nearest Division of Forestry office, listed under "Florida, State of."

STAINED POTS

Lois Loveridge of Ft. Pierce writes that she "had some beautiful ceramic pots that were stained badly from salt and rust. Upon cleaning my sink with Duro's Sink n' Tub Stain and Rust Removal, I decided to try it out on my pots . . . voilà . . . it worked on ceramic, clay and plastic!"

CONGRATULATIONS . . .

. . . to Monica Beattie, immediate past Editor of *The Florida Gardener*! *The Gardener* won the National Certificate of Merit for a state publication of more than 24 pages published more than four times a year. Presentation of the award was made at National Convention in New Orleans.

DRIED FLOWER BOOKLET

The U.S. Department of Agriculture has a free booklet, "Dried Flower Arrangements," which tells you step-by-step how to dry flowers and how to keep arrangements in good condition for years, describing methods of air drying, glycerine or pressing dried flowers, and tells which flowers and shrubs are best for each method. Send a postcard to the Consumer Information Center, Dept. 679G, Pueblo, Colo. 81009.

from Fla. Dept. of Agriculture

TIME TO . . .

. . . cut back poinsettias for the last time this season. Fertilize well.
. . . feed hibiscus, using fertilizer relatively high in phosphorus and potassium.
. . . pinch back chrysanthemums and dust for mildew and mites.
. . . separate "clumpy" things, like day-lilies.

TOADS

The toad is a true friend of the gardener. In three months a toad will eat up to 10,000 insects. Mr. Toad must have access to water so keep a shallow pan filled in the garden.

The Garden Forum . . . Missouri

STORING SEEDS

Be sure to store seeds in a **dry** place . . . a jar with lid is too moist. Seeds will not dry sufficiently to germinate, even though they appear to be dry.

ENCHANTED GARDEN CORNER

*Kathy Sample
Plant Distribution Chmn.*

Create a small place of enchantment in a corner of your garden by growing some of Florida's unique native flora. A clump of *Lobelia cardinalis* (Cardinal Flower), has bloomed for several weeks in my garden. The ruby-throated hummingbirds, a couple, are fascinating to watch as they collect nectar from these well-pollinated red-spiked flowers! All four seed spikes together measure six feet!

As the Cardinal Flowers fade, several varieties of indigenous *Hibiscus* are getting ready to flower. All of these plants are easy to transplant!

LANDSCAPE DESIGN SCHOOLS

Series XII—Course I

October 22-24, 1979

FFGC Headquarters, Winter Park

For complete details contact local chairmen:

Mrs. Charles Vale, 3600 North Chickasaw Trail, Orlando 32807, or Mrs. J. R. Myers, 2560 Tuscaloosa Trail, Maitland 32751

Monday, October 22, 8:00 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.

Development of Landscape Architecture to 1940: Mr. Emilio L. Fontana

Roadside Development: Mr. James E. Klement

Ecology and Environment: Mr. Fontana

Civic Projects and Garden Clubs: Mr. Klement

Tuesday, October 23, 8:00 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.

Theory and Basic Principles of Landscape Design: Dr. Neil G. Odenwald

Home Grounds: Dr. Odenwald

Plant Materials in the Landscape: Mr. Ronald S. Wilson

The Professional Landscape Architect: Mr. Wilson

Friday, October 24, 8:30 to noon

Instructions and examination

INSTRUCTORS:

Mr. Emilio L. Fontana—registered Landscape Architect, registered consultant in Parks & Recreation, also in Arboriculture. Presently Supervisor of Landscape Architect Section of Dade County Parks & Recreation Department.

Mr. James E. Klement—is a registered Landscape Architect and Urban Planner with the Department of Recreation and Public Affairs, Jacksonville.

Dr. Neil G. Odenwald, ASLA, School of Environmental Design, Department of Landscape Architecture, Louisiana State University at Baton Rouge.

Mr. Ronald S. Wilson—registered Landscape Architect now with Garden Village Design, Inc., Maitland.

READING ASSIGNMENTS:

The National Gardener

An Introduction to Landscape Architecture: Laurie (pgs. 13-35); (167-190)

Landscape Architecture: Simonds (pgs. 79-114; 145-167)

The Book of Landscape Design: Ortloff and Raymore (pgs. 62-193; 291-308)

The Art of Home Landscaping: Eckbo

NOTE: THE READING EXAM WILL INCLUDE ONE QUESTION FROM THE PREVIOUS THREE ISSUES OF THE NATIONAL GARDENER.

BOOKS: a limited number of books for required reading may be checked out of Headquarters Library as available. Those who wish to purchase books, contact Book Chairman: Mrs. W. A. Clark, 4437 Lenmore St., Orlando 32806, or you may order direct from National Council.

MOTEL INFORMATION: Arrangements have been made with Mount Vernon Motor Lodge, 110 South Orlando Avenue, Winter Park 32789. Rates: Pool Area \$16 single, \$20 double. South Section \$18 single, \$22 double. The Mount Vernon Motor Lodge is located on route U. S. 17-92 above Fairbanks.

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. Late registrants will receive a study manual at the school.

Attach National Gardener label if refreshing or taking exam.

Make checks payable to: FFGC Landscape Design School Series XII

Mail application and check to Registrar: Mrs. M. J. Brosche, 245 N. Lake Avenue, Apopka 32703

SERIES XI—Course III

November 28-30, 1979

Washington Holmes Area Vocational Tech. Center

209 Hoyt St., Chipley 32428

Secretary: Mrs. George W. Horne, Rt. 1, Box 175, Chipley 32428

(This is a tentative schedule. Brochures will be available upon request or through your District Director).

Wednesday, Nov. 28—8:00 a.m.-3:30 p.m.

See Book of Information for topics

Instructors: Vincent J. Bellafiore

James Klement

Thursday, Nov. 29—8:00 a.m.—3:30 p.m.

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Instructors: James Klement

Hilton T. Meadows

Friday, Nov. 30—9:00 a.m.-12:00 noon

Examination for those taking course for credit

Study Manual will be sent to those registered by 11-14-79

READING ASSIGNMENT:

The National Gardener

An Introduction to Landscape Architecture, Laurie (pgs. 45-84; 133-166)

Landscape Architecture, Simonds (pgs 1-41)

The Book of Landscape Design, Ortloff & Raymore (pgs 213-264; 278-290)

Redoing America, Faltermayer (pgs 1-118)

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Dracaenas

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sections with at least two nodes. These sections are placed flat on the rooting medium, about half submerged. Place in the shade and keep moist. Air-layering is also commonly used for reproducing these plants.

While most of the dracaenas and cordylines will survive considerable neglect, a little attention to their cultural needs will be repaid by lush performance. A ficht, moist (not wet) friable soil, fertilizer two or three times a year, a little protection from strong winds and frost should produce blue-ribbon winners from any of these cultivars.

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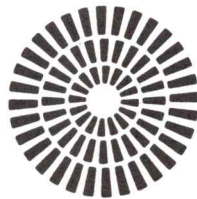
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National Life Memberships

In honor of National Council's 50th Anniversary, Florida, under the chairmanship of Past President Mrs. Sidney R. Davis, placed more National Life Memberships during 1979 than any other state in the history of National Council. "Since Florida is the largest of any state we should always outsell the others. Our goal for the 1979-81 term is high, so read your Book of Information, write this chairman (Mrs. Sidney R. Davis, P.O. Drawer 8, Fort Myers 33902) and let's win for Ella!" . . . words from Berne Davis.

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1979

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- Oct. 13-14, Ft. Pierce, **INDIAN SUMMER DELIGHT:** St. Lucie County Garden Club and Orchid Society, at Agricultural Center, Airport Rd.; Mrs. Norman Dovey, Chmn.
- Oct. 25-26, Orange Park, **FALL REFLECTIONS:** Orange Park Garden Club, at Orange Park Mall; Ms. Soozie Haden, Chmn.
- Oct. 30-Nov. 3, Tallahassee, **AUTUMN SPLENDOR,** Tallahassee Garden Club, at North Florida Fairgrounds; Betty D. Nettles, Chmn.

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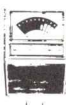
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Floral Design—

Using Weathered Wood

in Flower Arranging

By Bob Thomas
Floral Design Chmn.

Summer is almost behind us, with all the mowing, weeding and watering, and now we may find a few days in which to gather unusual materials for next year's flower arranging.

One of the most used materials that all flower arrangers love, is the finds of the woods and streams—driftwood and weathered wood. We prefer the latter term because it more easily describes the wood itself. To be sure in a flower show, list wood as either "weathered" or "decorative," never "driftwood." This statement is made because it is hard for a judge to determine just where the wood came from. You may have found it in the wooded area behind your house, lying on the ground many miles from any body of water that might have washed it clean and conditioned it.

Finding the Wood

Now that we have established how to name the found wood, let us talk a bit about finding it, conditioning it and using it. First, most of the unusual wood finds are made around bodies of water. We seldom just by chance walk along a beach or stream, and looking down, find the unusual. One must go looking for the wood. Most of the best wood is found in early spring when the water has brought it up from hidden places, or winter thaws have loosened it from areas upstream where man never travels. After the water levels of lakes and streams drop, following the early spring rains, we must seek the hidden coves and wooded areas where the wood may have lodged. It is usually best to approach these places by boat, equipped with a small, very sharp saw and knife to cut away just what you want. I have found many unusual finds this way. Travel with your husband on a fishing trip, do all the nice things that he likes, then suggest a driftwood hunt at the end of the long day. This is only one place to find wood treasures.

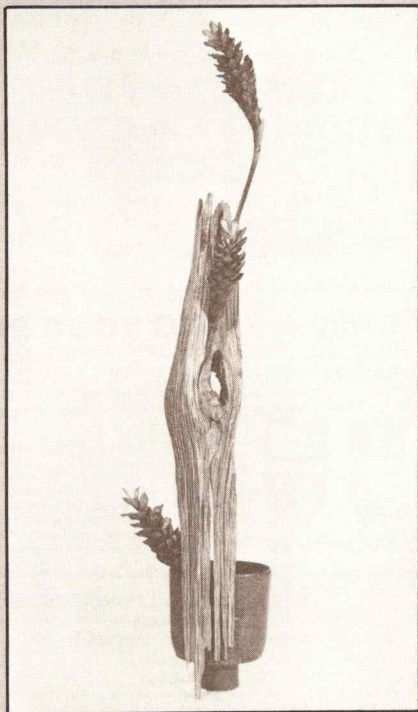
Old fallen-down buildings reveal many unusual pieces of wood. We may find worm-eaten wood, decayed boards with

lines still good, and sometimes rotted or worn wood that has been tooled by man. All of these make most unusual forms, and reveal beauty that is realistic. Often I walk along an old fence-row and find rotted fence posts and rails that have character you would love.

Also, don't forget that wood can be selected when it is still fresh and green and it will dry in color and forms that will be of use later on.

Cleaning Wood

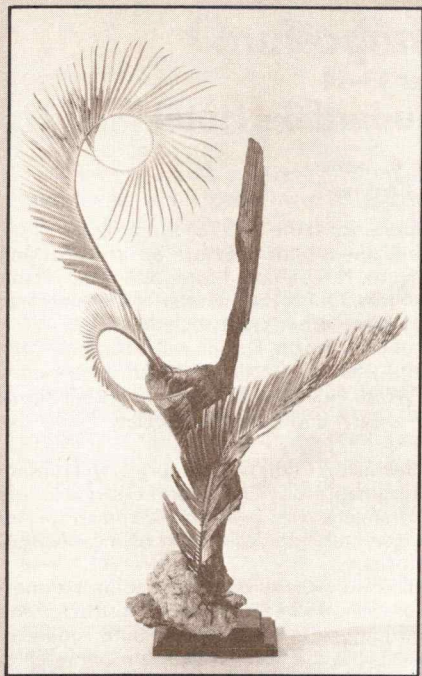
Now that we have found the wood, how do we clean or condition it? This will depend on what you are going to use it for, and how you plan to use it. We are talking about using the wood in a flower arrangement as part of the design, such as the line or an accessory. However, if you



Abstract design using decorative wood and red ginger in a brown ceramic container.

Artist—Bob Thomas

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Abstract design using decorative wood (Heart of Pine), Sago leaves and Mespah Burl.

Artist—Bob Thomas

are creating a collage or an assemblage you may want the wood to serve as a background, or it may be used as a base on which to place the design. Whatever the use, there must be certain cleaning done before it is used.

I find a stiff metal brush is best for cleaning the wood. Run cold water over the wood as you brush it and this will remove all dirt or decayed particles that are in the way. On some woods, like pine or cedar, a wheel with a brush attached will speed the results. Let the wood dry several times during the treatment and then you can see what is needed.

I find that sawed or cut places are very hard to hide, so if a part of the wood is to be removed, break it so that it appears natural. The most captivating part of any weathered wood is the grain of the wood found in a finished work. It not only activates the wood but adds texture, and is most pleasant to work with. If the color is wrong when the wood is dry, there are many methods of changing it that you may find most useful. If a white or light grey color is needed, brush the wood with a

strong solution of bleach, letting it dry between brushings. Stop upon reaching the color you need. By no means let the wood soak in a strong bleach for any length of time.

If a more woody brown tone is needed, try brushing the wood lightly with liquid shoe polish. If this doesn't work, use wood stain, never covering all the wood surface, but just brushing lightly so the raised portions of the textured surface will absorb the stain. If you want color on the wood, I suggest that you treat the wood the same way. Do not spray the wood solid, killing all the beauty found in its natural stage.

Use of Wood

We may use the wood in many ways. As part of the design, we may want to extend a line of the wood, or let the wood create the main line. This in itself may present the problem of how to anchor the wood. There are only two or three really good ways to anchor wood. First, use a large, strong, long needle holder in your container. Never try to force the wood down onto this holder. You can take hardware cloth and wrap a piece around the lower part of the wood, then insert this into the holder, or you can invert a smaller needle holder on the bottom of the wood, remove a few of the needles from the center of this holder, drill a small hole in the holder so a screw can then be screwed through the holder into the wood. This holder can then be inserted into the needle holder in your container whenever you choose. If you are using a large flat container, a flat piece of wood can be anchored to the bottom of the piece of drift wood, then the whole thing can be stood in the container.

I find that today many people are using an unusual piece of driftwood as a form of sculpture, and adding a few flowers to the design. If this is the case you can pour plaster of paris or a quick drying cement in an empty milk carton to a depth of about four inches, then insert the wood in the substance until you have a good balance. The base can then be painted and you have your sculpture form. A cup needle holder can be added and water picks for water, if needed.

With these tips in mind I hope you will find time to look for and save each treasure you find in weathered wood, and if you have no use for it today, you may wish for it tomorrow. Good luck, and have fun, for this is a fun hobby.

1979 Fall Symposium

November 13-14

Sheraton-Fort Lauderdale Hotel

Mrs. George B. Secrist
Symposium Chairman

Come join us for another great learning experience at the 1979 Fall Symposium!

On **Tuesday, November 13**, the Symposium opens with a lecture on *Begonias* and *African Violets* by Mrs. George Quick, Burlington, N.C., a noted Symposium Instructor, and National Chairman of Improved Cultivars. Mrs. Quick is a member of the American and Chicago Horticulture Societies, as well as many other plant societies.

Also on Tuesday Mr. Stanley D. McMillan of Lake Worth, Florida will lecture on *Cacti and Succulents*. A graduate of Florida Atlantic University, Mr. McMillan is presently teaching Botany and Marine Science at Lake Worth High School, and is an International member of the Exotic Collection (England)—a Cacti and Succulent Society. He is also active in Fern and Bromeliad societies.

On **Wednesday, November 14**, Mrs. R. G. Beardsley, Gainesville, Georgia, will present "Creative Design." An active member of the Imaginatif Study Club, North Georgia Judges Council and the American Guild of Flower Arrangers, Mrs. Beardsley is known for her sense of adventure and beauty in flower arrangements, and designs her own containers. She will bring a selection of her containers for sale.

"Decisions, Decisions!" by Mrs. Thomas H. Ward will also be presented on Wednesday. Mrs. Ward is an International Flower Show Schools and Symposium Instructor and has had extensive experience in teaching and judging in Central and South America.

ROOM ACCOMMODATIONS will be available at the hotel. Make all room reservations directly with the Sheraton-Fort Lauderdale Hotel, 303 N. Atlantic Blvd., Fort Lauderdale 33304. Phone (305) 467-1111. Cost of rooms: Single \$26.50; Double \$28.50. Extra person \$5.00. Please indicate that you are with FFGC if you do not have a yellow hotel card.

REGISTRATIONS will be taken Tuesday, Nov. 13 between 7:00 and 8:00 a.m. **Please send Registration Form and check to:** Mrs. E. S. Montgomery, 4570 Trade Winds West, Lauderdale-By-the-Sea, Florida 33308. **Make check payable to:** FFGC—1979 Fall Symposium. Registration Fee: entire course \$23.00; Examination Fee: \$2.00; One-day attendance: \$14.00.

Mark your calendar and register early for the 1979 Fall Symposium. Seat assignments will be made as registrations are received.

For additional information, please contact Symposium Chairman: Mrs. George B. Secrist, P.O. Box 1532, Fort Lauderdale 33302. Phone (305) 467-1916.

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Cruise Symposium '80

By Mary Kay Kokenge
Cruise Symposium '80 Chmn.

A love of travel, a yearning for more knowledge about plant material and its uses, enjoyment of the fellowship among garden clubbers, and a remembrance of the excitement and adventure of last year's cruise, made it easy for me to accept this assignment to chair CRUISE SYMPOSIUM '80.

Can you imagine a more energizing therapy than sailing away on a Sunday afternoon, for a week away from the everyday routine? A time to feast your eyes over the most beautiful blue waters of the Caribbean, warmed by the tropical sun on a February day. This will be the atmosphere surrounding the second Cruise Symposium.

Now, it can't be all fun and frolic, for we must adhere to National Council requirements in all details; but two and one half work days out of seven for doing pleasant work is not a bad percentage. In fact, when you know that the Instructors are Mrs. Nelda Brandenburger of

Sacramento, California for Design, and Horticulturist Mr. Herbert Gundell of Denver, Colorado, you will look forward to the required hours of their instruction. To quote Flower and Garden magazine, "Nelda Brandenburger is one of this country's best known flower arrangers, as well as a lecturer, writer, and Flower Show judge." As for Herb Gundell, he has produced a weekly "Weekend Gardener" show on Denver's CBS station since 1954—or, as he says "since the days of black and white TV." Did the Nielsens make him do it? It seems we have the best of the West coming to the East. And for one of the fine fringe benefits, we will enjoy learning about "Evaluating Flower Shows" from Florida's renowned Sally Rahm.

With all these goodies served up amid sumptuous meals, and planned shipboard activities for morning, noon and night, we will not interfere one moment with your evenings or your shore-time excursions. After all, there's still lots of gold trinkets, straw hats, and gallons of you-know-what to be bought in those two best duty-free

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lem—that of getting good information to as many people as possible with a limited staff and budget.

To provide further aid to clubs he has compiled a list of qualified speakers living in the area. The list includes many commercial growers, as well as hobbyists who are experts in their field, and who are making themselves available in the interest of public education. Very few speakers charge fees above their expenses, if at all.

Another helpful project which Mr. Newton has started is the compilation of a complete list of horticulture societies located in the Tampa Bay area. Mr. Newton is doing this with the assistance of anyone and everyone, especially garden club members. This list enables his office to readily answer the tremendous number of inquiries of how to contact these societies.

So, garden clubbers, if you have been seeing less and less of your friendly Extension Ornamental Horticulture Agent this past year, he is very likely out trying to be in about three places at once, attempting to meet the ever-increasing demands of his profession. Do both of yourselves a favor. Encourage your agent to create an educational slide program, and to compile a list of competent horticulturalists willing to be added to your club's well worn speakers list. Such a program will work for everyone's benefit!

Awards

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Conservation for Belleair Garden Club.

The South Florida Bromeliad Society won **Award of Merit #34-1** for a display and **#34-2A** for its professional bulletin "Grande."

Flower Show winners: Tampa Federation of Garden Clubs for "Fifty Golden Years"; Palm Springs Garden Club for "Cavalcade 'Round the South"; Gainesville Garden Club for "Let's Appreciate"; Marathon Garden Club for "Island Living"; Winter Haven Council of Garden Clubs for "Fun and Fantasy"; Seagrape Garden Club for "The Story of Easter"; and three circles of Tampa Federation (Flowering Tree, Old Fashioned and Town 'n Country) for "Tampa Town."

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Resume of Minutes

Compiled by Mrs. Melville Hall
Resume *Chairman*

Pre-Convention Board Meeting April 17, 1979 Diplomat Hotel, Hollywood

Member of the Board of Directors:

- Accepted with gratitude \$3,000 given by Henry Chillias in memory of his wife, Fran, to have a pin designed and made for use by State Presidents while in office; and approved placing monies previously donated by others for such a pin in a restricted fund until a committee, chaired by Mrs. Sidney R. Davis, can recommend action for their use.
- Approved establishing a James Warren Bates Guardians of Gardening Fund at Headquarters in memory of President Jean Villareal's father.
- Federated **The Men's Garden Club of St. Augustine (IV)**; **Englewood Garden Club (IX)**; **Garden Club of Plantation Acres (XI)**; and **Bougainvillea Garden Club of Miami (XII)**.
- Accepted for probation **Coleus Garden Club** of Gainesville, **Lake Butler Garden Club**, **The Seedlings** of McIntosh and **Winding River Garden Club** of Yankeetown, all of District V.
- Approved awarding the first Polly Moody Memorial Youth Scholarship (SEEK Conference) for 1979 to Tracy Louise DeBusk.
- Ratified purchase for Headquarters use of a Smith-Corona typewriter at a cost of \$317.55 and a Xerox Copying Machine at a cost of \$4,529.20.
- Heard the first reading of the resignation of **Homewood Garden Club** of Fort Walton Beach.

Convention April 18-19, 1979 Diplomat Hotel, Hollywood

Delegates, alternates and visitors, totaling 729, attending 1979 Convention "Thru the Looking Glass":

- Applauded FFGC President Mrs. Dewey R. Villareal, whose summation revealed achievement of main goals during her administration, including starting college level clubs, service to geriatric citizens, expanding work with youth at

Wekiva Camp and SEEK, performing routine duties, attending and participating in National Council and Deep South conventions and board meetings, FFGC's 12 District meetings, environmental education workshops, symposiums and the State Flower Show; dedicating Blue Star Memorial Highway Markers, including those placed by Zephyrhills Garden Club (VIII) and Biltmore Heights Garden Club of Miami (XII), just prior to the convention.

- Adopted amendments to the Federation's bylaws, including adding a Parliamentarian, as an appointed officer, to the roster; spelling out that two District meetings (spring and fall) shall be held annually, with places and dates to be decided by FFGC President and District Directors; adding an Assistant Treasurer and two board members, to be appointed by the President, to the Budget Committee; and appointing the Bylaws Committee to serve also as a Revision Committee.

- Raised annual membership dues from \$1.50 to \$2.50 per capita and family membership dues from \$2.00 to \$3.00, effective in June, 1980.

- Heard Mrs. Vernon L. Conner, Past President FFGC and Florida's first National Council President, has donated \$5,000 to the Headquarters Endowment Fund; a plate bearing the name of Mrs. Frank W. Hewlett, honored by her husband, has been affixed to the Guardians of Gardening Wall at State Headquarters, bringing the total of Guardians to 16; Headquarters atrium re-landscaping is a gift of Henry Chillias in memory of his wife and monies donated to the Fran Chillias Memorial Fund were used to purchase an office wall clock and library books; Fifty-seven names were added to the "Parade of Presidents" Book, twenty-four to the "In Memoriam" Book, one each to the Silver and the Grandparents Books during the past year.

- Adopted a resolution calling for members to contact state legislators, U. S. Congressmen, National Park Service Director William M. Whalen and Secretary of the Interior Cecil D. Andrus, urging them to attend hearings scheduled by the National Park Service and to support the National Bartram Trail legislation, which would commemorate the eight-state, including Florida, route followed by the famed horticulturist William Bartram in 1773-1778.

- Heard an inspiring address by FFGC

Past President Mrs. Carroll O. Griffin, completing a two-year tenure as Director of the Deep South Region and now Fourth Vice President of National Council of State Garden Clubs, Inc.

- Witnessed presentation of numerous awards, including FFGC's highest honor, the Blanche Capel Covington Award for Leadership, to Mrs. E. D. Caton of Tampa Federation of Garden Club Circles (VIII); State and National Life Memberships and Presidential Citations from FFGC President Villareal to Mrs. E. W. Johnson and posthumously to Major John Feaster for their dedication to Wekiva Youth Camp, and to Florida Phosphate Council for renewed efforts in environmental education.

- Also witnessed impressive ceremonies conducted by Past President FFGC and National Council Parliamentarian Mrs. Maurice S. Dillingham, who installed eight newly elected officers, headed by President Mrs. John G. Wood, and 12 District Directors.

- Heard Mrs. Wood voice appreciation for confidence placed in her and project several programs to receive emphasis during her tenure.

Post-Convention Board Meeting April 20, 1979 Diplomat Hotel, Hollywood

Members of the Board of Directors:

- Heard FFGC President Mrs. John G. Wood announce "Cultivate Communications-Harvest Rewards" as theme of the 1979-'81 administration;

- Approved appointments of Committee Chairmen appointed by President.

- Ratified appointment of Assistant Directors as presented by Directors of eleven Districts.

- Heard Mrs. Kenton Haymans, Editor, announce delivery of 11,000 1980 Florida Flower Arrangement Calendars completed by Convention's end, and heard Mrs. Robert Spiro, Promotions Chmn. encourage members to help expand FFGC Calendar sales through gift and card shops.

- Hears Mrs. Morris D. Cammack, State Legislation Chmn., urge members to write Governor Graham in Tallahassee, and to newspapers, opposing legalizing killer trapping in Florida; and heard Mrs. Roger J. Waybright, Natl. Legislation Chmn., report that through an educational program members will be encouraged to actively participate as citizens

in the decision-making processes of Government.

- Heard Mrs. Daniel F. Connell, chairman, report on plans for FFGC's SEEK '79, scheduled for Aug. 5-9, University of Central Florida, Orlando; and Mrs. Harry C. Durand, Finance Chairman, announce receipt of \$4,710.34 to date, this amount to be added to a \$4,739.81 reserve from SEEK '78, giving a total of \$9,450.15 for this year's conference.

- Authorized \$500 advance for Landscape Design School, Series XII, scheduled for Oct. 22-24 at FFGC Headquarters; also authorized payment of 1979 Convention bills.

- Heard President Wood appoint Mrs. Chester D. Schomp, Chairman, and Mrs. Maurice S. Dillingham, Mrs. Gustave Harter, Mrs. E. R. Jordan and Mrs. Hugh C. Simmons members of Bylaws and Policy Committee: heard Mrs. Simmons and Mrs. Spiro appointed to serve with FFGC Treasurer, President, First Vice President and Chmn. of Headquarters and Endowment Trustees on Budget Committee.

- Elected Mrs. Crowell T. Dawkins, Jr. and Mrs. Charles H. Blanchard to serve with chairman Mrs. Homer Gwinn, on a Nominating Committee to present names to fill two vacancies among Headquarters and Endowment Trustees at June Board Meeting.

Board Meeting June 5-6, 1979 Headquarters, Winter Park

Members of the Board of Directors:

- Heard Mrs. John G. Wood, President, report on activities which included attending the National Council Convention in New Orleans, where FFGC had 47 members registered, second only to the host state, and received 23 awards, headed by the Bronze Seal for Wekiva Youth Camp work, the Presidential Citation for enrolling 153 National Life Members during the past year, and the Gold Rosette for "Season's Greetings," FFGC's State Flower Show; bringing back from the NCSGC Post-Convention Board Meeting the recommendation that all states continue the "Plant Gold" (gold flowering trees) campaign and urging the Postal Department to issue a commemorative stamp honoring National Council's 50 years of service; also brought information that Spring Mills is now producing botanically correct wildflower bed linens, towels, etc. to be available at J. C. Penney Stores in the

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fall; that at the Sears, Roebuck & Co. "HANDS" Conference in Norfolk, Va. nine Florida cities were named among 30 finalists in 1979 Community Improvement work, and having used "Cultivate Your Garden" as theme for talks outlining hoped-for accomplishments of this administration at the 12 District Meetings.

- Ratified appointment of Mrs. Urban Kokenge and Mrs. O. Edgar Williams, Jr. as National Council Calendar and Special Projects Chairmen, respectively; and approved Mrs. William A. Clark of Orlando as Assistant Director of District VII.

- Federated the **Bartram Wildflower Study Club** (IV); **Tymber Creek Garden Club** of Ormond Beach (VI); **Lake Conway Woods Garden Club** (VII); **Spring Hill Garden Club** (VIII); **Alturas Garden Club** (IX); accepted **Sogetsu, Florida Branch**, Delray Beach, as an affiliate member; approved the transfer of **Havana Garden Club** from District II to District III and accepted for probation **Devonshire Garden Club** of Longwood (VII). Also, heard **Citrus Wood** announced as a new circle of **Garden Club of Lakeland** (IX); first readings of intent to resign from **Jasper Garden Club** (III), and **Tampense Garden Club** of Lighthouse Point (XI); and announcement of disbandment of **Amaryllis Circle** of **DeLeon Springs Garden Club** and **Egret Circle** of **Titusville Garden Club**, both of (VI), and **Shore Crest Circle** of **Garden Club of Lakeland** (IX).

- Elected Mrs. W. Scott Peirsol and Henry Chillas as Headquarters and Endowment Trustees; and subsequently heard the trustees elected Mrs. Peirsol as Chairman, Mrs. O. Fenton Wells as Vice-Chairman; and Mrs. E. R. Jordan as Secretary.

- Ratified purchase of five folding tables at a total cost of \$281.50 for Headquarters,

and approved using all headquarters donations, other than those for restricted funds, toward the funding of scholarships.

- Accepted Henry Chillas' additional gift of three diamonds to the Fran E. Chillas Memorial—an FFGC Presidents Pin.

- Approved awarding Cody Publications, Inc., Kissimmee, the contract for printing and binding the 1979-1981 Book of Information at a cost of \$7,219.50 for 3,000 copies with 224 pages or \$7,770.50 for 3,000 copies with 240 pages; accepted the Cody Publications, Inc. bid to print *The Florida Gardener* at a cost of \$4,451.54, plus alterations and tax, per issue of 31,000 copies; and accepted the bid of Robinson's, Inc., Orlando, in the amount of \$24,489 for 25,000 Florida Flower Arrangement Calendars, \$26,217 for 27,000 and \$28,791 for 30,000.

- Advanced \$500 operating expenses to the 1981 Florida Flower Arrangement Calendar, \$200 to the Gardening Study Course, \$400 to Tropical Short Course, and \$500 to District XI for the Nov. 13-14 Symposium in Fort Lauderdale.

- Approved awarding: The H. Harold Hume Fellowship in Horticulture to John Griffiths with the proviso that if he does not matriculate, the Fellowship be awarded to Susan Mashburn, and if she does not matriculate it shall be awarded to Patricia White; the George Morrison Scholarship in Landscape Architecture to Margaret I. Whitmer, Pensacola; the Elizabeth McCullagh Scholarship for High School Gardeners to Joy Denise Forgy of Orlando, to attend Tennessee Technological University in Cookeville, Tenn.; the Taylor R. Alexander Ecology Scholarship to Charles E. Hilsenbeck, Miami, for the academic year 1979-1980; FFGC Student Aid Grants for the academic year 1979-1980 to Ronald



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Fuller, counselor and conservation teacher at Wekiva Youth Camp for the past four years, to continue his studies at University of Florida, and to Lisa Young, Ormond Beach, who has completed her junior year, to continue her studies at University of Florida's College of Agriculture; and approved recipients of two \$70 Polly Moody Memorial Youth Scholarships to be selected by Mrs. Daniel Connell, Chm., to attend SEEK '79.

- Approved all Clubs and Circles of the Federation supporting the Four Mile Cove Eco-Park at Cape Coral, conservation project of District IX, with contributions of a suggested 15 cents per capita; checks to be made payable to Four Mile Cove Eco-Park Fund, Attn. William Potter, Director, Parks and Recreation, 5819 Driftwood Parkway, Cape Coral, Florida 33904.

- Accepted as World Gardening project for 1979-1980 a Self Help Reforestation and Soil Conservation program in north-eastern Haiti sponsored by CARE, Inc. Contributors of \$15 or more will receive a Certificate of Appreciation.

- By resolution requested the Florida Department of Transportation to designate Route 60 in Clearwater a Blue Star Memorial Highway; and endorsed

action of the State of Florida in its application to the Federal Government for a matching grant of 1.8 million dollars to extend the protection of the Estuarine Sanctuary to the Apalachicola River, the Bay and the Barrier Islands, by the purchase of 190,000 acres of land and urged the Federal Government to act expeditiously to complete its action, also requested assistance of the National Council of State Garden Clubs, Inc. in the endorsement of the Apalachicola River Estuarine Sanctuary.

- Heard "The Wonderful World of Gardening" announced as theme of the 1980 Convention scheduled May 1-2, at the Dutch Inn, Lake Buena Vista.

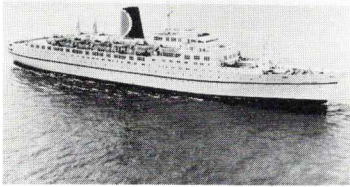


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CALENDAR OF EVENTS

1979**September**

- 11-13 Gardening Study Courses, Series I, Course III, Melbourne
20-23 Environmental Workshop, Withlacoochee State Park
26-28 Flower Show School Course III, Orange Park

October

- 1-3 Flower Show School, Course III, Pensacola
2-4 Flower Show School, Course II, Gainesville
2-5 NCSGC Board of Directors Meeting, St. Louis, Mo.
Fall District Meetings
8 District VIII—Seminole
9 V—Oklawaha
10 III—Carrabelle
11 II—Bonifay
12 I—Garnier Beach
15 IV—Jacksonville
16 VI—Melbourne
17 X—Boynton Beach
18 XI—Ft. Lauderdale
19 XII—Miami
25 VII—Maitland
26 IX—Lakeland
22-24 Landscape Design School, Series XIII, Course I, Winter Park
29-31 Flower Show School, Course III, Sarasota
31-2 Flower Show School, Course IV, West Palm Beach

November

- 1 **Dues delinquent**
3 Environmental Education Workshop, Wekiva
13-14 Flower Show Symposium, Ft. Lauderdale
19-21 Landscape Design School, Series XI, Course III, Chipley

December

- 1 **DEADLINE for filing STATE AWARD applications with DISTRICT AWARDS CHAIRMEN** (see B.O.I.)
1 **DEADLINE for mailing—NATIONAL and DEEP SOUTH Award Booklets** to: Mrs. Hugh C. Simmons, P.O. Box 13686, Gainesville 32604

1980**January**

- 8-9 Board of Directors Meeting, Winter Park
18 Florida Arbor Day
29-30 Tropical Short Course, Miami

March

- 3-5 Short Course, Univ. of Florida, Gainesville
10-12 Deep South Regional Convention, Biloxi, Mississippi
Spring District Meetings—March 7 through April 11
25-27 Gardening Study Course—Series I, Course IV

April

- 13-18 Blanche Covington Nature Study Course, Wekiva
21-23 Landscape Design School, Series XII, Course II—Winter Park

May

- 1-2 FFGC Convention, The Dutch Inn—Lake Buena Vista
11-15 NCSGC Convention—Oklahoma City
27-29 Landscape Design School, Series XI, Course IV—Chipley