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ENCEPHALARTUS ferox—a member of the CYCADACEAE (Cycad family). Maximum trunk size in native Africa to 5 feet. Growing in the Cycad Gardens at Fairchild Tropical Gardens in Miami.

Photographed by Mrs. John DeMarchi, Wildflowers—South, Chairman

Inside Front Cover

Florida's entry in the Invitational class of the International Flower Show in Miami was created by Master Judge Mrs. M. S. Farrar of Coral Gables (XII). Mrs. Farrar used palms, Monstera deliciosa, palm bloom and citrus to fulfill class requirements: "The Union. Interpretive design. One from each state of the Union to be created by a representative of that state and to reflect its unique characteristics."

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JANUARY/ FEBRUARY 1977

President's Report

Again we are given the gift of a NEW Year! May it be a happy and prosperous one for each and every member.

Your President and Vice Presidents have just completed the tour of the districts. Everywhere we were impressed and inspired by the deep-rooted beliefs in the programs that bring a better way of life to our areas, state and nation.

The response of our garden club members has been tremendous, attesting to the interest in community service, observance of Liberty Tree plantings, the enthusiasm for our youth programs and a dedication of the membership to the advancement of our "challenging" program covering every facet of garden club involvement.

We thank our members for this—the pride they take in their accomplishments and their pleasure in this best of all volunteer work AND for their heartwarming hospitality and affection.

Since we are all one family, let us brag a little: about the highly successful and happy Symposium held in Boca Raton in September; the excellent Landscape Design School in Lake City in October and the exciting Landscape Design School in Miami in November. Since this latter school was a first attempt by the Federation in sponsoring a bilingual LD Course, we are pleased to report that 69 attended, with ten in the Spanish division and four students from out of the country. We think this shows great promise. Our deep appreciation goes to the three chairmen who planned and developed these three unique study opportunities.

Our Garden Therapy Chairman, Mrs. N. H. Thorn and her committee completed an in-depth survey of our prison program this summer. We felt it was time that we study our program and decide the worth of each program in the various prisons, whether some should be terminated and others added. Mrs. Thorn's report appears in this Gardener. We will continue our programs in the prisons we are presently serving and four other prisons have asked to be included. OF INTEREST is that every prison has asked that garden club members join actively in programs of teaching and demonstration. Since

the State of Florida has found it necessary to curtail funding of the horticulture programs, we are asked to contribute seeds, cuttings, soil, fertilizer (all the needs to sustain this program) as well as gardening magazines, books and any teaching aid. This may open a new avenue of activity to the many clubs in areas where the prisons are located.

We would remind you: CELEBRATE ARBOR DAY-January 21, 1977 by planting TREES; bring our school children into your observance. Short Course, Tropical, at Jarvis Hall, Lauderdale by the Sea, January 25-26 AND Short Course at the University of Florida, March 15-17, each with its own format and its own approach to give pleasure while we study together. Blanche Covington will be held March 21-25 and immediately thereafter our STATE FLOWER SHOW "Florida-Challenge to Beauty", in our fourth century city of St. Augustine on March 26-27. The complete schedule has been printed in the last three Gardeners. We urge every club and every member to participate in "their" State Flower Show. Consider attending Deep South Regional Convention in Savannah, March 8-10.

Since all of our programs are on "GO" we now earnestly request every member of the Florida Federation to join in the American Land Trust-the plan to preserve 1700 acres of Tiger Creek in mid-Florida at a cost of \$246.00 per acre. OUR GOAL is for every member to save JUST 10¢ per day until the sum of \$10.00 has been saved, then to send this money as your contribution. Surely every one of our 30,000 members is able to put aside 10¢ a day for three months and two weeks and by that time, you have your "Stake in Florida".

Recently I found this quotation by Douglas Curloss Peatie: "Soon they will be gone, the screaming wildlife, the trees, the clear bright water and we can only remember them with longing. We are not God. We cannot remake America as she was in the beginning but we can keep what is left of our heritage with a patriotic reverence."

This says it all! With affection and gratitude.

Velm Levinn

Federation Happenings

"Catch the Spirit of the Third Century"

51st Annual State Convention

HOLIDAY INN

April 26-27, 1977

4500 W. Cypress St., Tampa Hostess: Tampa Federation of Garden Club Circles, Inc.

TENTATIVE PROGRAM

April 25—Monday

12:00 Noon Open for registration

2:30 P.M. Coordinator's Meeting-Timberwood & Birchwood Rooms

3:30 P.M. Board of Directors' Meeting. Same rooms as above

6:00 P.M. Dinner, honoring Board of Directors of FFGC

8:00 P.M. Program: Florida Council of Flower Show Judges Cypress Cove and Oakbrook Rooms

For early arrivals and Board of Directors

April 26—Tuesday

7:00 A.M. Open for registration

7:30 A.M. Breakfast: "Challenge the Spirit of Youth"-Bay Pointe Rooms

Speaker: Miss Frances Hickey

Women's Representative Shell Oil Company

Presentation of Youth Awards and Shell Awards

9:30 A.M. FORMAL OPENING of 51st Annual Convention—Bay Pointe Rooms

11:30 A.M. Recess-Polls open.

12:30 P.M. Luncheon: "Challenge to a Nation"-Bay Pointe Rooms

Speaker: Mr. Nathaniel P. Reed

Asst. Secy. of the Interior

Hon. Chm. American Land Trust

"Invest in a Share of Florida"

Presentation of FFGC Awards

2:00 P.M. Recess. Polls open.

3:00 P.M. Forums. Each Forum will be presented twice so every

member will be able to participate in every forum.

3:50 P.M. 15 minutes to change to other forum.

4:10 P.M. Forums in Banyan Room and Lake Forest Room

Polls open til 6:15 P.M.

5:00 P.M.

to

7:00 P.M. Banquet "Catch the Winning Spirit"—Bay Pointe Rooms

Speaker and Program: Mr. Bob Thomas

"New Concepts for the Third Century"

Presentation of FFGC Awards

April 27—Wednesday

7:00 A.M. Open for registration

7:30 A.M. Breakfast "A Glimpse into the Third Century"-Bay Pointe Rooms Speaker: Dr. James A. Ragusa of NASA

"Space-The New Frontier"

9:30 A.M. Business Meeting continued

11:30 A.M. Business session adjourned. Polls open til 3:00 P.M.

12:30 P.M. Luncheon "The Spirit of the Past into the Future"

3:00-5:00 P.M. Forums. Same rooms and procedures as Tuesday

7:00 P.M. Banquet "The Spirit of the Garden Club Movement"

Speaker: Mrs. Carey Williams

Director of Deep South Region "Why Bother to be a Garden Club Member"

Installation of Officers and Directors

Adjourn Sine Die

Reception honoring new President of FFGC—Lake Forest Ball Room April 28—Thursday

9:00 A.M. Board of Directors meeting—Timberwood and Birchwood Rooms

To help make the seating at our meals more pleasurable, everyone will be assigned table and seat numbers for all meals, thus ensuring reserved seating for every member attending Convention. Location of tables will rotate (i.e.) one meal in the front of the dining room, perhaps the next on the side and the next in the rear so that every member will have front seating at one of the meals. Table numbers will be assigned by districts with one state board member serving as hostess at each table. If you desire to sit with specific friends or your husband, please send registrations in the same envelope.

Convention Co-Chairmen



Mrs. Steve Fritch

Chairman of Convention, Dot Fritch is Floral Design Chairman for FFGC, President of the Ivy Garden Circle of Tampa Federation of Garden Club Circles, a Life Flower Show Judge and past president of Tampa Federation.



Mrs. Crowell Dawkins, Ir.

Convention Co-chairman Joann Dawkins has been a member of FFGC's Board for 6 years, currently serving as Wekiva Youth Camp Registration Chairman and Garden Center Chairman. An Accredited Flower Show Judge, Joann is a past president of Tampa Federation and a member of Sunnydale Acres Garden Club of Tampa Federation.



Bob Thomas of St. Petersburg is well known to FFGC members for his exciting and innovative floral designs. A member of St. Petersburg Garden Club, and an Accredited Flower Show Judge, Mr. Thomas has recently organized the American Guild of Flower Arrangers.



Mrs. Carey Williams, of Greensboro, Georgia presently serves as Director of the Deep South Region. Mrs. Williams is a past President of The Garden Club of Georgia and is well qualified to speak at the final banquet of our State Convention on "Why Bother to be a Garden Club Member."



Mr. Jack Siebenthaler is a registered Landscape Architect, consultant, designer, speaker, past president of the Florida Nurserymen and Growers Association and chairman and advisor to many state and local advisory boards, including the Florida Board of Landscape Architects. This multi-talented man has considerable familiarity with both sub-tropical and northern plant material, which allows him to cover a lot of territory.



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

CONVENTION FACTS:

Registration Desk in Holiday Inn Lobby will be open prior to all activities. Reservations for the Holiday Inn are to be made directly with the hotel, using form on page 7 of this issue of *The Florida Gardener*. NOTE: Reservations must be accompanied by one night's room revenue. Deposits will be refunded if cancelled 7 days or more prior to arrival date. Reservations will be accepted until Convention date depending on availability of rooms. Early reservations will have priority. Registration is to be paid by everyone attending all or part of Convention.

ABSOLUTE DEADLINE FOR REGISTRATION: For Delegates: April 16, 1977

All others attending: April 18, 1977

Prepay registration and all desired events: Mrs. E. D. Caton, 1542 Park Lane Ave., Tampa 33603 (Itemize what you are paying for)

Make checks payable to: FFGC INC. 1977 CONVENTION

Delegates and Alternates will register on special forms sent directly to Club and Circle Presidents.

SCHEDULE FOR VISITORS AND MEMBERS:

Registration	50
Husband Registration	00
(Unless attending Convention as a member)	

April 26, 1977

Breakfast "Challenge the Spirit of Youth"	5.00
Luncheon "Challenge to a Nation"	
Banquet "Catch the Winning Spirit"	
No charge for Forums	

April 27, 1977

Breakfast "A Glimpse into the Third Century"	5.00
Luncheon "The Spirit of the Past into the Future"	7.00
Banquet "The Spirit of the Garden Club Movement"	2.00
No charge for Forums	
Total, (includes tax and gratuities on meals only)\$5	5.50
Package price (tax and gratuities on meals only)	3.50

TENTATIVE PROGRAM FOR MEN:

Please indicate if you are interested in any of the following tours:

____Hav-a-Tampa Cigar Factory

___Schlitz Brewery

If there is sufficient interest these tours will be booked for **Tuesday**, **April 26**, but we must know approximately how many will take the tour.

Please indicate interest in these tours for Wednesday, April 27.

____Tampa International Airport

Port of Tampa—unloading banana boats

Golf and tennis is available at the Tampa Airport Resort (1/4 mile from hotel). Deep sea fishing available—trips from the Johns Pass or Clearwater Marina.

No charge for tours. Usual fees for golf and fishing.

ALL PRICES INCLUDE 8:00 P.M. Program, Monday, April 25th for early arrivals and Board of Directors.

Check out time at the Holiday Inn is 12:00 noon, April 28, 1977

The FLORIDA GARDENER

FIFTY-TWO YEARS OF INVOLVEMENT

The date—April, 1977. The occasion—the 52nd anniversary of the Florida Federation of Garden Clubs, Inc. We at the Holiday Inn-Tampa International Airport Hotel and Convention Center are pleased to extend our invitation to you and your hostesses, The Tampa Federation of Garden Club Circles, Inc.; to celebrate this occasion with us.

We know that from the commencement of your convention activities (April 24, 1977) to the conclusion (April 28, 1977) that you will enjoy the fine facilities and gourmet cuisine offered by our hotel.

For the ladies who wish to do a little shopping, we are only minutes away from two beautiful and enclosed shopping centers. Or, perhaps, you will wish to visit Tampa's beautiful Busch Gardens, still only minutes away from our Inn. Or, you might just wish to relax and soak up some of our good Florida Sunshine around the 88,000 gallon, shell-shaped pool here at the Inn. Whatever your desires, we are certain that you will find our Inn employees the "most accommodating people in the world."

To aid us in making your stay an enjoyable one, please make your hotel reservations early! Use only the official form below, sending it directly to our Inn. Reservations must be made by April 10, 1977 and because of new legislation, MUST BE ACCOMPANIED BY ONE NIGHT'S ROOM REVENUE.

Holiday Inn—Tampa International Airport Hotel and Convention Center 4500 W. Cypress St., Tampa, Fl 33607

Deposit will be refunded if cancellation is made seven (7) days prior to arrival date. PLEASE ENCLOSE CHECK. INCLUDE NAME OF EACH PERSON OCCUPYING ROOM.

PLEASE RESERVE:

Double Room (1 person)		. \$19.00
Double Room (2 persons)		24.00
Triple Room (3 persons)		28.00
Quad Room (4 persons)		32.00
1 Bedroom Suite (1-2 persons		48.00
ARRIVAL DATE:	_ DEPARTURE DATE:	
NAME:		4 -1 -1
ADDRESS:		

"Spread Your Wings"

"Spread Your Wings" at FFGC Short Course at the University of Florida in Gainesville, March 15-17. Two and one-half days of stimulating courses and workshops, plus lots of good times together.

This year's Short Course program has been planned to help all garden clubbers really "spread their wings" and expand into all the many facets of garden clubbing. Send in your registration now to be sure you get the sessions you would like best. No inflation here—it's still \$15.00 for the entire course.

The program will include (in brief):

Monday, March 14:

4:00 P.M.—Registration—East gallery, J. Wayne Reitz Union

8:00 P.M.—Informal slide-talk on Florida's endangered lands

Tuesday, March 15:

8:00 A.M.—Registration

8:30 A.M.-Welcome, Introductions, etc.

8:45 A.M.—"Japanese Flower Arranging" A lecture-demonstration by Mrs. Martha P. Neese, Advanced Master Instructor, Highlands, N.C.

10:45 A.M.—"Our Natural Resources, Their Use and Conservation" by Hilton Meadows, specialist in Diversified Environmental Planning

2:00 P.M.—A. Design Workshop in Japanese Flower Arranging: Mrs. Neese to B. Basics for the Florida gardener: by specialists from U. F.

4:00 P.M.—C. "For the More Experienced Gardener": by specialists from U.F.

6:45 P.M.—Informal reception for state officers—Union Parlors

8:15 P.M.—Concert by University of Florida Music Department

Wednesday, March 16:

8:00 A.M.—Registration

8:45 A.M.—"A Look at the Nine Classic Arrangement Forms": Duane Reeves, Designer, Florist and Lecturer, Pittsburgh, Pa.

11:00 A.M.—Slide lecture: "Discover Ferns, for Indoors or the Landscape"

2:00 P.M.-A. "Table Talk"-a design workshop: Duane Reeves

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4:00 P.M.—B. "Our Friends the House Plants": Care, propagation, taxonomy

4:15 P.M.—Tour of the University Greenhouses

8:00 P.M.—"Crafts Fair"—Union Ballroom. Seven crafts being exhibited and explained simultaneously.

Thursday, March 17:

8:00 A.M.-Registration

8:45 A.M.—"Horticulture News, 1977" by Dr. William J. Carpenter, Chairman Ornamental Horticulture Department, U. of F.

10:45 A.M.—"Modern Design and the Fine Arts:" Duane Reeves

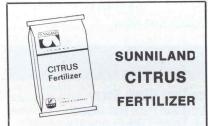
Housing reservations should be made immediately if you have not already done so. A block of 50 rooms has been reserved at the Flagler and will be held until March 1. Write: Flagler, Box 1406, Gainesville 32601, or Tel. 904-376-1661. There are also two Holiday Inns and two Howard Johnsons and many other available motels if you have your own transportation. You may park in the lot adjacent to and south of the Union or in the area just south and across the street from the Union Parking Lot.

Those electing to take an arrangement workshop should bring their own clippers, needle point holders and containers or plan to purchase these at Short Course. They will be on sale before and after the lectures and workshops.

For more information contact: Mrs. Gustave Harrer, Short Course Chairman, 2815 SW 29th Street, Gainesville 32605.

Pre-Registration Form-1977 Garden Club Short Course

Name						
Address						
	(include zip)					
Please check:	For entire course (\$15.00)					
	One day only (specify day) (\$7.50					
Make checks payable to: Florida Cooper Mail to: Dr. Robert Black, 119 Rolfs Hall, Cancellations must be received by March I would prefer to attend: (Please indicate	University of Florida, Gainesville 32611 n 11 for full refunds.					
Japanese Arranging Workshop Basic Florida Gardening	"Table Talk" (Design workshop)"House Plants"—care,					



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Resume of Minutes

Compiled by Mrs. Melville Hall Resume Chairman

Board Meeting, September 28-29, 1976 Headquarters—Winter Park

At the fall meeting, members of the Board of Directors:

* Heard FFGC President Mrs. Homer Gwinn report having spent three days at Wekiva Youth Camp, attended and participated in the third annual S.E.E.K. Youth Conference, judged flower shows, lectured and conducted workshops in Central America, dedicated 199 trees of three species along Old Cutler Road—an historical highway, and planting the 200th tree in honor of the Bicentennial.

* Heard other officers report continuing efforts to further the Florida Federation of Garden Clubs' and Nation Council's aims, objectives and programs in many areas, including the Garden Club of Lake Wales having purchased two acres of land on nearby Tiger Creek for a landscaping project.

* Heard among others, letters of congratulations on the International Flower Show from Mrs. Vernon L. Conner, Mrs. William J. Hedley, Mrs. Howard Kittel and Mrs. Robert Crosby, president, first vice president, immediate past president and treasurer, respectively, of National Council of State Garden Clubs.

* Heard Mrs. Maurice S. Dillingham parliamentarian, explain that "moving the previous question" asks for an end to debate on the matter at hand. The chair must then put the question to vote and announce results. This action cannot be used in committee, when the chairman should adequately discuss with members, and that club bylaws should provide that newly elected officers should immediately take up their duties.

* Accepted with regret the resignation of Mrs. T. K. Young as Rare and Endangered Species Chairman.

* Ratified the appointment of Mrs. Edward T. Starr and Mrs. Walter Neals as chairmen of the 1977 fall symposium in

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• Gro-Tone Ree Green

· Gro-Tone Soil Acidifier

· Gro-Tone Perk Nutritional

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- BLOOMaster
- Floraganic
- · BED MIX
- · Gro-Tone Organic Lawn Special with Chinch Bug Killer

PESTICIDES & NUTRITIONALS

- · Gro-Tone Malathion Spray
- Gro-Tone Nematode Granular
- · Gro-Tone Outdoor Flea Dust
- · Gro-Tone Liquid Sevin
- · Gro-Tone Snail & Slug Bait
- Gro-Tone Spreader Sticker
- · Gro-Tone Zineb Fungicide
- · Gro-Tone Nutritional Dust or Spray
- · Gro-Tone Chinch Bug & Worm Spray
- Gro-Tone Copper Liquid Fungicide
- · Gro-Tone Lawn Fungicide (Granular)
- Gro-Tone Lawn Fungicide (Liquid Spray) Gro-Tone Cygon
- Gro-Tone Benomyl Systemic Fungicide Spray

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Tampa and the 1977 spring symposium at Lake Buena Vista, respectively. Both symposiums are co-sponsored by the Florida Council of Nationally Accredited Flower Show Judges and the

- Federated Havana Garden Club (II), Woodlands Garden Club of Longwood (VII), Quad City Garden Club of Margate (XI); accepted for probation the Village of Kendale Lakes Garden and Beautification Club (XII); accepted the resignation of Green Cove Springs Garden Club (IV), Rio Vista Garden Club of Melbourne and Oleander Garden Club of Holly Hill (VI), and Pachira Garden Club (XII). Heard announced a new circle, Tibouchina, affiliated with the Federated Garden Circles of Fort Lauderdale.
- * Authorized an advance of \$500 as working capital for the 1977 FFGC Convention to Tampa Federation of Garden Club Circles.
- * Commended the efforts of Karl E. Eichorn of Cocoa Beach and his committee in seeking the establishment by the National Park Service of a wilderness area within the Canaveral National Seashore.
- * Adopted a resolution opposing completion of the Cross-State Barge Canal for environmental, conservational and preservational reasons and bespeaking rejection of plans to finish construction of same by Governor Reubin Askew and cabinet members; also, requesting Governor Askew to proclaim Tiger Creek an ecologically vital area to be preserved in its natural beauty, to pledge full cooperation of the state, and to urge all citizens to participate in its preservation; and another resolution opposing construction of a dam at Blountstown on the Apalachicola River.
- * Heard the Airport Holiday Inn and The Plaza announced as convention hotels for the 1977 FFGC Convention in Tampa and 1978 FFGC Convention in Daytona Beach.
- * Heard the report on a survey of Florida's correctional institutions by a Garden Therapy evaluating team and approved the addition of Sumter Correctional Institute to the list of others receiving benefits from the federation's program which includes Avon Park, Lowell, Raiford and Apalachee.

* Accepted for FFGC affiliate membership Club Jardines de Costa Rica, Club lardin of Guatemala, Club Jardin de Grecia Costa Rica, and Club de lardineria d'El Salvador.

* Approved the federation contributing funds to place a Blue Star Marker on U.S. 27 in front of the new state capitol in Tallahassee honoring men and women of the Armed Forces of the United States.

* Heard Kenneth Morrison, president emeritus of the Florida Audubon Society and vice president of Defenders of Wildlife speak on Tiger Creek, the preservation of which has been designated by American Land Trust as its first project in Florida. Accompanying color slides were shown. Nature Conservancy has obtained 850 acres of the land which is now selling for \$260

Ratified action of the Fellowship-Scholarship Committee in granting \$500 to Donald R. Richardson to complete work for his degree during the summer at Florida Atlantic University; and granting \$200 to Gregory Meyer to apply on his tuition at University of Florida this fall.

Approved Flower Show Schools, including Course IV in Tampa April 12-14. 1977 with Mrs. Edward Starr, 201 S. MacDill Ave., as chairman.

- * Approved honoring Florida's first president of National Council of State Garden Clubs by naming the library in the Headquarters Building that she envisioned and watched grow into reality, the "Jessie M. Conner Library"; heard contents of the library have been evaluated at \$4,067.54 for insurance purposes and that additional books have been received.
- * Approved the purchase of draperies for the work room at a cost of \$169 plus tax; ratified painting the interior of the entire building at a cost of \$1,144.00; and approved purchase of a new Gestetner mimeograph machine for \$1,499.00 plus tax, less \$50 on trade-in, from George Stuart, Inc., Orlando.
- * Applauded the announcement Mrs. Edward Smithers, treasurer, has become the federation's newest patron and her name is to be inscribed on the Patrons Plague in the fover of Headquarters Building.
- * Witnessed the presentation of two

checks to the federation, the first for \$400 by Mrs. James A. Connolly, a donation from CIA for tours booked by Florida garden club members, the second in the amount of \$200 from Mrs. Virginia Knopke—a like contribution from Knopke Travel Agency.

* Approved sending all returned Florida Gardener labels to clubs and circles for their information; and that they be charged 25 cents per label.

* Elected Mrs. Sidney Davis to serve as chairman of the state nominating com-

mittee.

* Heard the district directors had voted to give \$10 trophies to the 1977 State Flower Show.

* Ratified appointment of Mrs. E. W. Johnson as chairman of the 1976-77 Wekiva Youth Camp and Mrs. Hugh Simmons as treasurer.

* Agreed that the federation will cosponsor with Shell Oil Co., the 1977 S.E.E.K. Conference as a Deep South Regional project.

deep south convention



Deep South Region's 1977 Convention is in the hands of this capable committee: (l. to r.) Mrs. Robert Davis, Registration Chairman, Mrs. Darvin Nease, Registration Co-Ch., Mrs. Ernest Montford, Convention Co-Ch., Mrs. Herbert C. Skinner, Jr., Convention Ch., and Mrs. Jesse Way, Jr. Credentials Ch.

YOU ARE CORDIALLY INVITED TO ATTEND THE 1977 DEEP SOUTH CONVENTION

in historic Savannah, Georgia March 8-10, 1977

The Theme: The Thirteenth Colony Welcomes the Third Century.
You will enjoy a Candle-light Tour, an old fashion barbeque, a "Preservation Workshop on Wheels." Many good things are in store for you.

Make your plans now to attend. You will have a "learning time and a good time."

Do come!

Mrs. Carey Williams, Director

The FLORIDA GARDENER

Deep South Regional Convention—March 8, 9, 10, 1977

Theme: "The Thirteenth Colony Welcomes the Third Century"
DeSoto Hilton Hotel, Savannah, Georgia

Convention Chairman: Mrs. Herbert C. Skinner, Jr., 7 Country Club Rd., Savannah, Ga. 31410

THE PRESIDENT'S WELCOME

Georgia, the thirteenth colony, will welcome you with enthusiasm March 8-10, 1977, for the Deep South Region Convention in historic Savannah.

The members of the Garden Club of Georgia, Inc., from the majestic mountains to the palm-fringed seacoast, wish to share with you the beauty of lovely Savannah, and information, entertainment, delightful tours and warm fellowship with other Deep South friends.

Plan to enjoy the brief post-convention tour—a special bird's eye view of Georgia's famous Golden Isles. Mark the date. Make your plans and meet us in March!

Cordially,

Ann W. Venard (Mrs. Haskell Venard)
President of The Garden Club of Georgia, Inc.

Tuesday, March 8	
12:00 Noon: Regional Council Luncheon and Meeting, The Oglet 7:30 P.M.: Candle-light Tour	\$5.50
to	
9:30 P.M.: Reception—Green Meldrim Mansion (Courtesy Bright	of America)
Wednesday, March 9	
8:00 A.M.: Breakfast—A Visit to the First Century	5.50
Program—P. Duncan Callicott, Director	
Tennessee Botanical Garden, Cheekwood	
9:30 A.M.: Formal Opening and Business Session	
1:00 P.M.: Luncheon—A Vignette of the Second Century	7.50
Program—The Savannah Story	
3:00-5:30 P.M.: Historic Savannah Tour	5.50
"Preservation Workshop on Wheels"	
8:00 P.M.: Banquet—The Thirteenth Colony in Transition	14.00
Program—Dr. Noah Langsdale	
President Georgia State University	
Reception honoring the Regional Director	
Hosted by The Garden Club of Georgia, Inc.	
Thursday, March 10	
9:00 A.M.: Business Session—continued	
10:00 A.M.: A Third Century Challenge	
12:00 Noon: Bon Voyage Barbecue	7.00
Registration Fee	\$5.00
	\$50.00
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There's a Long, Long Trail A Windin'

By Mrs. Charles H. Blanchard Bicentennial Chairman

So many have learned, because of the BICENTENNIAL, of that great naturalist, scientist, poet, artist and explorer, William Bartram, who had such a deep love for Florida. In his book TRAVELS (pub. Philadelphia 1791, London 1792 in four languages) read widely in both Old and New Worlds, he described it "like it was" in such charming vet scientific fashion, that men like Emerson, Carlyle, Coleridge and Wordsworth were among his readers and copiers.

To think that an explorer of the magnetic mysteries of nature could not only describe them in poetic prose but also paint what he saw, almost a hundred years before Audubon, makes research about him of abysmal interest. He was about the best Public Relations man Florida ever had. He admired everything about us from alligators to

Indians.

He came to Florida twice. First with his father John, down the St. John's River in 1766. Later he returned alone and spent the years 1773-1778 traveling through the Deep South. Each day he wrote and drew pictures for his English benefactor, Dr. Fothergill, which he sent to London along with specimen plants.

His romance with our state starts at the St. Mary's River and goes down the St. John's. Get out your map; he could have walked right where your house stands. In tracing the Florida part of the Trail we know that he was at Jacksonville, (Cow-Ford), Fernandina, Mandarin, Switzerland, Green Cove Springs, Picolata, Palatka, San Mateo, Welaka, Fruitland, Georgetown, Astor, Dexter, Beresford, Kenwood, Hawthorne,

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The Althea Garden Club of Pensacola has had a marker set in place in the Historical District and dedicated to William Bartram. It is on the exact spot where Bartram received an Edict from Peter Chester, then serving as Royal Governor in the 15th year of the reign of His Majesty King George III. This edict commanded all of His Majesty's servants and subjects to aid William Bartram in his search for botanical material and natural history.

To those of you who enjoy research I commend the following books: Bartram's TRAVELS, Francis Harper's BARTRAM TRAVELS (Naturalist Edition), Mark Van Doren TRAVELS OF WILLIAM BARTRAM, Helen Gore Cruickshank JOHN AND WILLIAM BARTRAM'S AMERICA, Josephine Herbst NEW GREEN WORLD, to name a

To those of you who hike, commune with nature and hunt specimens, form a liaison with the researchers of books and together Accept the Challenge of Today, which spells out ACT!!!

Mark where Bartram was in your area. Such a little thing to do for one who more than two hundred years ago did so much for Florida.

Yes, there is a long, long trail awinding ... up and down and across our state. Put your garden club's name down in history for those to read long after we have gone. Mr. Bartram thanks you and so do I.



The FLORIDA GARDENER

Checkerboard Chatter of and about gardening

PIN HOLDERS

Ever have trouble cleaning the pin holder after using oasis in flower arrangements? Good news: cut a square (4-6 inches) from nylons, press it down on the needle holder, then press on the oasis. When ready to discard the arrangement pull up the nylon and presto, everything is slick and clean.

(The News from Pennsylvania)

SUCCULENTS

A preview of Tropical Short Course, Ft. Lauderdale, January 25, 26: Some essentials for optimum succulent growth: Light effects both bloom and color. A nutritious soil is necessary. Pure sand for cactus and succulents is a falacy, and soil-less or peatlike mixes are not suitable. Never water on a cold or very gray day, and always use tepid, never cold, water. Small pots need watering more often. Fertilize very sparingly and only when actively growing. Use Bonemeal (1 tsp. to 6" pot) or weak solution of 10-5-5 ratio.

ROSE PRUNING

Who ever said you had to prune back your roses all at once? By doing this you deprive yourself of any bloom for at least six weeks. Why not prune back in stages? By dividing your rose bed into quarters and pruning a fourth of your bushes at weekly intervals you will keep from being "without" for very long. Fertilize your bushes as you prune them and water well.

YOU CAN'T SAY TREES WITHOUT SMILING ...

By Mrs. Glenn E. Hansen Illinois Gardener

Come on. Try it. You *smiled!* With a bit of effort from garden club members, "trees" might even replace "cheese" when smiling for the photographer. It can also score a point at the same time.

Today's garden club members and the children and adults they work with are the 20th century counterparts of Johnny Appleseed.

THUNBERGIA

Several varieties of Thunbergia grow in Florida, including the delicate Thunbergia Affinis (Acanthaceae), a shrub growing to 3 feet with dark violet flowers, and Thunbergia grandiflora, a perennial vine. This very strong winter-blooming climber grows to the tree tops and must be pruned regularly to keep under control. Grandiflora has pale azure flowers that no doubt accounts for the common name "Skyvine." Thunbergia alata var. Bakeri grows over the lower trunks of trees and has attractive small white flowers.

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WORDS TO LIVE BY

As we enter the Flower Show Season we hear the same old words, "I can't stand those crazy arrangements." Flower arranging has come into its own as a creative art form, and is, as are painting, sculpture, music, the dance and other art forms, the product of imagination and interpretation built on a solid foundation of principles. Mrs. John W. Knight, Jr., speaking at Symposium in Boca Raton, warned, "Don't be down on what you're not up on." Good words to remember in all areas of life.

RUNOFF

Runoff is a word that is coming into its own in today's vocabulary. In our pollution-conscious society runoff is a BIG problem—Runoff of waters from land into water. Runoff carries all kinds of sediment into the water, such as fertilizer, soil, pesticides, animal refuse, trash and from the road, oil and grease. What to do? Keep a buffer of natural vegetation between the lake and your lawn or garden for one thing. Don't scalp your lakefront in the name of beauty and tidiness.

AMERICAN LAND TRUST

If your donation to the American Land Trust (ALT) was sent in prior to the ALT award announcements, and before the procedure was announced, and if you didn't mention your club or circle name, please notify your state ALT Chairman: Mrs. John G. Wood, Lake Otis, Winter Haven 33880, so your contribution will be counted in the overall state totals. Be sure to give the date of your contribution.

MIREX

Mirex, perhaps the most persistent pesticide known, will be banned under an agreement reached in September, 1976, by the Environmental Protection Agency. The ban, however, will be a gradual phase-out that will allow use of some forms until June, 1978. This means that millions more acres may be treated before the phaseout is complete. Mirex causes cancer in laboratory animals, can have devastating effects of wildlife, particularly aquatic life, but has failed to check the spread of fire ants. (From Audubon Leader)

PLANTING TREES

Are you prone to planting tiny trees that suddenly grow into *large* trees that almost knock your house down or uproot your driveway? All trees have a natural potential height and shape according to their variety. Information on these potentials is easily come by and will save a lot of trouble and expense if used *before* site selection and planting instead of three years later when your rose bed is completely engulfed in shade and your swimming pool full of leaves. Read up on your tree before planting!



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Note: The Consultant for High School Gardeners has been changed. Please note new co-chairmen: Mrs. Kenneth Edwards, Star Rt. 2, Box 840, Middleburg, Fl 32068. Tel. 904/282-5831 and Mrs. Rudy Kratz, 9655 Evans Rd., Jacksonville 32208. Tel. 904/764-4095.

RULES FOR DIVISION II—ARTISTIC

This schedule is written as an interpretative show, with artistic classes pertaining to the St. Augustine area. The rules are most important. Please read them carefully. All facts given are to inform, inspire and guide.

- 1. Registration will be in advance with the Section Consultant by March 16, 1977. Cards confirming registration will be sent and should be brought with exhibit and checked at entry table at Armory entrance.
- 2. Exhibits may be placed on Friday, March 25 from 3:30 to 7:30 P.M. and on Saturday, March 26 from 7:30 to 10:00 A.M.
- 3. Finished exhibit MUST be checked and card submitted to Classification Committee member before exhibitor leaves the area.
- 4. Exhibits must be the work of one exhibitor but may be placed, with exhibitor's permission by another person. If unable to exhibit on date of show, exhibitor MUST provide a substitute.
- 5. Exhibitor MUST keep exhibit fresh or allow the Show Committee to do so.
- 6. Materials used must be listed on an unlined 3"x5" white card. Botanical as well as common name requested.
- 7. Notes of explanation on one unlined 3"x5" white card permitted in all classes.
- 8. No artificial flowers or foliage may be used.
- 9. Bases may be used. Accessories and backgrounds (furnished by exhibitor) may be used in all classes staged in niches which are light beige.
- 10. Only fresh plant material shall be used in classes eligible for TRICOLOR.
- 11. Only naturally dried, treated or a minimum of dried tinted plant material may be used in classes eligible for the AWARD OF DISTINCTION.
- 12. To be eligible for the AWARD OF CREATIVITY, the exhibit must contain some plant material fresh and/or dried.
- 13. Material used may be designer's choice in classes eligible for the NATURE, ART and INDUSTRY Award—contrived, man-made or discarded forms may be used but some plant material, either fresh and/or dried must be included. No artificial flowers or foliage allowed.
- 14. In CORSAGE SECTION no feathers or artificial leaves of any kind may be used. No tinting or glitter allowed on fresh flowers. Ribbon, net and accessories permitted in all classes.

Telephone:

15. A TRICOLOR TABLE AWARD will be given for classes 22, 23, 24. They will be staged on a standard card table.

ARTISTIC DIVISION AWARDS

- 1. The National Council Standard System of Awards shall be used: one BLUE, one RED, one YELLOW, one WHITE ribbon as merited, may be awarded in a class.
- 2. A Sweepstakes Award (green and white) will be given to the member winning the most blue ribbons. In the event of a tie, the reds and yellows may be counted.
- 3. The TRICOLOR (blue, red, yellow) may be awarded from Classes 1, 2, 3. Awards shall be given to a blue ribbon design of all fresh cut plant material scoring 95 or more. Distinction is a quality to be judged with four entries in each class to place award.
- 4. Two CREATIVITY AWARDS (purple) shall be given: one from Classes 4, 5, 6 staged in niches and one from Classes 13, 14, 15 staged on pedestals. Exhibit must include some plant material, fresh and/or dried. Award shall go to a blue ribbon design scoring 95 or more and Personal Expression and Artistic Distinction is a quality to be judged with four entries in each class to place award.

5. BEST CORSAGE AWARD shall be given in Classes 7, 8, 9 to a blue ribbon winner

scoring 95 or more.

6. The NATURE, ART AND INDUSTRY AWARD (Metal with red, green, purple) may be given in Classes 10, 11, 12. Materials used may be designer's choice, contrived, man-made or discarded forms or a combination of these but plant material, either fresh and/or dried must be included. No artificial flowers or foliage may be used. Award shall go to a blue ribbon design scoring 95 or more.

7. BEST MINIATURE AWARD may be given to a blue ribbon design scoring 95 or more, material to be used as specified in Classes 16, 17, 18, all miniatures to be under

5"; to be staged in boxes.

8. The AWARD OF DISTINCTION (brown) shall be given from Classes 19, 20, 21. Award shall go to a blue ribbon design consisting of all naturally dried, treated or dried, tinted plant material or any combination of these dried materials. No fresh plant material permitted. Design must score 95 or more and Distinction is a quality to be judged with four entries in each class to place the award.

9. A TRICOLOR for Tables shall be given in Classes 22, 23, 24. All fresh plant material

must be used.

- 10. The AWARD OF APPRECIATION (orchid) will be given to Invitational Designs (Not judged).
- 11. Each panel of judges on completing their three classes will place the top award within their assignment.

12. IN ALL CLASSES DESIGN IS OPTIONAL WITH THE EXHIBITOR.

DIVISION II—ARTISTIC

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SECTION A. Tricolor Award. All fresh plant material. Design optional. To be staged in niches 32" high, 24" wide, 24" deep.

Class 1. "KING FERDINAND'S ZEAL"—Expansion of territory and establishment of

missions were the primary goal of the king. Four entries.

- Class 2. "PONCE de LEON'S SEARCH"—His extreme desire for youth and riches motivated his discoveries. Four entries.
- Class 3. "PASCUA FLORIDA": THE FEAST OF FLOWERS—On Easter Sunday the Spanish fleet sighted the beauty of the new land. Four entries.
- Consultant: Mrs. J. L. McDonald, 32 Saragossa St., St. Augustine 32084. Tel. 904/829-8450.
- **SECTION B.** Creativity Award. Fresh and/or dried plant material. Design optional. To be staged in niches 40" high, 36" wide, 18" deep.

Class 4. THE FLAMBOYANT FRENCHMAN—JEAN RIBAULT—Now come troubles for the Spanish settlement. In 1562 the French settled nearby and blocked the shipping lanes. Four entries.

Class 5. PEDRO MENENDEZ de AVILES ARRIVES—To reinforce the Spanish holdings, more men, supplies and missionaries were sent by the king under de Aviles. Four entries.

Class 6. "NOMBRES de DIOS": NAME OF GOD—The first Christian mission for the Indian was established on its present site. Four entries.

Consultant: Mrs. Louis Solana, P. O. Box 1413, St. Augustine 32084.

Section A. (Tricolor)	Section B. (Creativity)
Scale of Points:	Scale of Points:
Design30	Design
Color & Texture30	Interpretation
Distinction or Marked	Personal Expression
Superiority10	Artistic Distinction20
Choice of Material	Color10
Condition10	Total 100
Total 100	

SECTION C. Best of Corsage Award:

- Class 7. MERRYMAKING—To relieve the grim everyday life there were times of gaiety. A formal corsage using bold colors of Spain. All fresh plant material. Four entries.
- Class 8. DARK EYES—Milady remembered her native Spain. Corsage on a comb. Fresh plant material. Four entries.
- Class 9. CELEBRATION—Florida ceded to the United States and became a territory. A simple nosegay. All fresh plant material. Four entries.

Consultant: Mrs. William Green, R.F.D. #1, Box 186, St. Augustine 32084, Tel. 904/829-2729.

SECTION D. Nature. Art and Industry Award. Must contain some plant material fresh and/or dried. To be staged on pedestals 40" high, 18" wide, 17" deep.

Class 10. A PEACEFUL SEA—Before invasion, the Indians lived a life of tranquility. Four entries.

- Class 11. INDIAN MAIDENS—Grace and supple movements prevailed. Four entries.
- Class 12. YOUNG BRAVES—By his hunting prowess, he proved his strength and masculinity. Four entries.

Consultant: Mrs. Robert L. Johnson, 1247 S.W. 11th Ave., Gainesville 32601. Tel. 904/376-7922.

Section C. (Corsage)	Section D. (N.A.I.)
Scale of Points:	Scale of Points:
Design, Including Color	Design40
Distinction	Effective Combination
Wearability10	of Materials
Schedule Interpretation15	Emotional Communication
Technique	Originality of Ideas15
Suitable Combinations	Total 100
Condition5	
Total 100	

SECTION E. Creativity Award. Fresh and/or dried plant material. Design optional. To be staged on pedestals 42" high with circular tops of 18" diameter.

Class 13. LOOTINGS AND BURNINGS—Not only the Indians but the English and the French completely destroyed many of the early buildings. Four entries.

- Class 14. BEGINNINGS OF REBUILDING—Settlers progressed through rough timber and thatched homes to more durable home structures. Four entries.
- Class 15. PRECARIOUS PERMANENCE—In spite of constant unexpected enemy destruction, progress in new forms of building evolved. The Fort was now built with one room of stone which inspired its use also in homes of elegance. Four entries.

Consultant: Mrs. Louis Solana, P. O. Box 1413, St. Augustine 32084.

- **SECTION F.** Best of Miniature Award. Design optional. To be staged in niches 5" tall, 5" wide, 3" deep.
- Class 16. TRADITION PREVAILS—Happy times of earlier years encouraged a search for beauty in the new life. All fresh plant material. Four entries.
- Class 17. ALTAR VASES—Simple designs graced the interiors of the missions. Fresh and/or dried plant material. Four entries.
- Class 18. LAND INVASIONS FROM THE SEA—Winds and storms frequently caused heavy damage to homes and crops. All dried plant material. Four entries.

Consultant: Mrs. Paul Dunklin, 1002 South 15th St., Palatka 32077, Tel. 904/325-3974.

Section E. (Creativity)	Section F. (Miniatures)
Scale of Points:	Scale of Points:
Design30	Scale40
Interpretation	Design
Personal Expression20	Color
Artistic Distinction	Originality
Color10	Condition & Suitability10
Total 100	Total 100

- **SECTION G.** Award of Distinction. All dried plant material. Minimum amount of painted material. Design optional. To be staged in niches 36" high, 32" wide, 24" deep.
 - Class 19. MINORKA—New settlers gathered at this fishing island and eventually settled at St. Augustine bringing with them native island cuttings and seeds of plants new to the territory. Four entries.
- Class 20.—EXPORTS—As time passed, it was possible to export to England an excess of sugar, cotton, corn and indigo dyes. Four entries.
- Class 21. SEA WORLD—The community through the ages has depended heavily on the surrounding waters for food, transportation and recreation. Four entries.
- Consultant: Mrs. B. F. Wells, 2121 North Costal Highway, Vilano Beach, St. Augustine 32084.
- **SECTION H.** Best of Table Award. All fresh plant material. Functional segment. To be staged on card tables 28" high and approximately 35" square.
 - Class 22. NATURE'S BOUNTY—After a period of strife for 400 years, life became more abundant. Four entries.
 - Class 23. THE ROYAL FAMILY—Lavish entertaining abounded after the building of the Ponce de Leon Hotel.
 - Class 24. THE BRITISH ARRIVE—The custom of the afternoon tea became popular among the lively ladies of the city. Four entries.

Consultant: Mrs. J. L. McDonald, 32 Saragossa St., St. Augustine 32084.

Section G. (Distinction)	Section H. (Best of Table)	
Scale of Points: Scale of Points:		
Design	Design, Stressing Proportion	
Interpretation	and Scale	
Color15	Suitability of All Material20	

Conformance to Schedule	
Perfection of Decorative Unit 10	
Creativity	
Distinction	
Total 100	

SECTION I. Invitationals. Artistic designs from twelve districts. Florida Council of Nationally Accredited Flower Show Judges. To be staged on low tables 18" high by 18" square.

"TWELVE MOMENTS IN HISTORY" Depiction of historical event or site within exhibitor's district.

DIVISION IX—EDUCATIONAL EXHIBITS

Rules and Awards

- 1. Exhibits shall show projects furthering National Council objectives which shall include conservation of Natural Resources, Horticulture, Landscape Design, Garden Therapy, Birds, Our Youth 4-Y, Wild Flowers.
- Exhibits may be displayed and judged in competition, or displayed as noncompetitive, at the discretion of the exhibitor.
- 3. An Educational Award (brown and white rosette) may be given to an outstanding educational exhibit in the show, provided the exhibit scores 95 or more, covers at least 25 square feet and is not a Commercial exhibit. These must be at least two exhibits to place award.

SECTION A: EXHIBITS DISPLAYED IN COMPETITION

Class 1. Eligible for The Educational Award Class 2. Exhibits displayed as Non-competitive.

Educational Value	4
Interest to viewers10	
Clear and concise presentation10	
Uniform/educational signs & tags10	
Must pertain to some facet of	
Flower Show work in NC objectives10	
Staging	6
Prominent location and	
size of exhibit10	
Adequate lighting10	
Neatness	
Adaptation or conformance to theme	
Originality and Uniqueness of	
exhibit	
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Flower Show Calendar

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1977:

February 3-5, Orlando, "Contemporary Tempos" Straw Hat Garden Club, Colonial

February 5-6, Key Biscayne "Our World of Flowers", Seagrape Garden Club and The Island Garden Club, St. Christopher Parish Hall, 95 Harbor Drive

February 26-27, Palm Springs "Cavalcade Round the South", Kirklane School February 26-27, New Port Richey "There's No Biz Like Show Biz"

March 5-6, Fort Myers "Flower in Rhythm" Federated Garden Clubs of Lee County

and Fort Myers—Lee County Garden Council, Inc., Lions Park, Cleveland Avenue March 12-13, Englewood "A Treasury of Beauty", The Lemon Bay Garden Club, Englewood Bank and Trust Co.

March 12-13, Vero Beach, Garden Club of Indian River County

March 16-19, Bevilles Corners "Flowers Are . . ." Azalea Garden Club of Sumter County, Sumter County Fair Grounds, Junction of Rts. 471 & 48

March 17, Chipley "Flower March", Woman's Club

March 19-20, Blountstown, Torreya Garden Club, Blountstown Elementary School March 19-20, Ocala, Pioneer Garden Club, Fort King Middle School Gymnasium March 19-20, Clermont "The Dawning of a New Century", Mildred Amateis Garden

Center, 849 West Avenue March 19-20, West Palm Beach

March 19-20, Lakeland "For Land's Sake" Lakeland Garden Center

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March 19-20, Sarasota "Focus on Beauty" Civic Center Exhibition Hall

March 26-27, STATE FLOWER SHOW, St. Augustine

March 26-27, Bartow "Southern Hospitality", Bartow Civic Center

March 26, Naples, House & Garden Tour

April 1-3, Miami "Third Century—Color and Design", Metropolitan Miami Flower Show, Dinner Key Auditorium

April 2-3, Winter Haven "As Time Goes By" Winter Haven Council of Garden Clubs, Garden Center

April 2-3, Palatka "A Medley of Our Past, Present and Future", The Ravine State

April 12-13, Belleair "Songs We Used to Sing", The Gulf Coast Art Center (Belleair-Clearwater)

April 15, Boca Raton

April 16-17, Naples

April 21-22, Clewiston "Flowers in Song" The Clewiston Garden Club and The Green Thumbs Garden Club, Sugarland Auditorium

April 23-24, Jacksonville "The Things People Say", Garden Club of Jacksonville, The

April 23-24, Indian Harbour Beach, "Fragrances and Flowers," In-Har-Bee Garden Club, Inc.

Growing Bromeliads in Florida

Part III By Mrs. Robert Hunter Horticulture Chairman

For a long time it was thought best to let bromeliads grow in a natural setting without the usual garden care. Now we have found that they do respond to fertilizer and a little attention to their particular needs and preferences.

Fertilizing at half-strength with a liquid fertilizer is good because bromeliad leaves are especially well-adapted for moisture-retention. Osmocote is also recommended.

Watering requires care since some bromeliads are wet-loving and some dry-loving and rot is a frequent enemy, particularly in our rainy season. If rot is suspected the plant should immediately be unpotted and left on its side to dry out. Repot in a loose medium. Rot and Aechmea scale are the two chief troubles that plague the bromeliad grower and both are much easier prevented than cured.

Good preventive suggestions are to avoid overcrowding, keep benches clean and free from debris and see that there is good ventilation at all times.

Scale can be controlled with

Malathion or Cygon. Either of these can be sprayed on the leaves of the plant, but a better way is to make a large canfull of the solution and dip the entire plant. Let it dry on its side in the shade for a couple of hours or overnight, then rinse with plain water. This latter method is a more effective deterrent since the spray gets between the leaves and into all the interstices. Scale is unsightly and spreads rapidly to other susceptible bromeliads but it seldom kills

On the whole, bromeliads are reasonably care-free and there are few plants that can be so rewarding for so little trouble.

Many bromeliads grow best in trees and many will grow in the ground where they are a very effective land-scaping adjunct. Most of us, however, grow a good part, if not all, of our bromeliads in pots. For these, time should be taken each year for a potting bee, as many plants reproduce vigorously and outgrow their pots or grow over the edges.

When a bromeliad blooms, that part of the plant does not flower again but will produce an offshoot or "pup" which will grow to maturity and flower in its turn. Some genera have inflorescences which last for weeks or even months.

The media used for growing bromeliads in Florida should take into account their period of greatest stress, which for those grown outside is our rainy summer season. Therefore, they should be grown in a loose, well-drained medium with aeration about the roots.

The following mixture is recommended:

2 parts coarse peat moss

1 part perlite

1 part coarse tree fern

For those bromeliads needing even more drainage such as the Vriesias and some pot-grown Tillandsias, increase the tree fern to two parts.

For terrestrials—Cryptanthus, Pitcairnias etc., a mix similar to soil but more aerated and slightly acid should be used, such as the following:



2 parts good sterile soil or sand 1 part peat moss

1 part peat inc

There are many other materials used for growing bromeliads such as osmunda, used orchid mix, wood shavings, styrofoam balls and cypress mulch. Plants grown under protected conditions with controlled watering can be grown in almost anything, but the mixture recommended is a good all-around medium for outdoor conditions.

Azalea-type pots with their broad bases are good to use but do not overpot, as this is conducive to rot.

Some varieties are more cold-tolerant than others. Some susceptible varieties, such as cryptanthus "It", need to be brought in during severely cold weather to avoid leaf damage.

The light and water tolerance of bromeliads can usually be determined by the texture of their leaves. Those which have thin, light green leaves, possibly translucent, need less light and more water, while those with heavier, thicker leaves will tolerate more sun, although very few bromeliads will grow well in Florida in full sunlight.

Reproduction by seed is mostly used for hybridizing and for the growing of such species as Vriesia Splendens, which are sparing with their pups, but the natural increase of bromeliads by offshoots will keep the average home grower in more than sufficient supply.

Offshoots should not be removed from the parent plant until they are about 1/3 to 1/2 its size. Offshoots which are taken off early will not mature as rapidly as those left on the plant, but, on the other hand the parent plant will produce more offshoots when the pups are removed, so this is a matter for individual decision by each grower.

For more information on this plant family one cannot do better than subscribe to the Bromeliad Journal or join one of the chapters of the Society. There are a few books on bromeliads but most are written for other growing conditions than ours and should be followed with caution. The latest is Victoria Padillas' book "Bromeliads", which will be reviewed shortly.

An earlier work by Bob Wilson is written for our part of the world but is incomplete, as the second volume has yet to be issued.

Prisoner Rehabilitation

A Survey of State Garden Therapy Program

By Mrs. Nelson H. Thorn Garden Therapy Chairman

At the end of the 1975-76 year the FFGC Board approved an "In-Depth" Survey of their Prisoner Rehabilitation Program. This statewide program has been in existence for more than 16 years, and is supported by garden clubs all over Florida.

Correctional Institutions participating are: Raiford (Union), Avon Park, Lowell (Women's Div.), Apalachee and Sumpter, recently added after this survey. This chairman spearheaded the review. Committees were appointed from districts where institutions are located. Approved by President Mrs. Homer Gwinn, FFGC Public Relations Chairman, Mrs. Truman Green, was asked to accompany each committee.

Meetings were set up at the institutions in advance, with the Superintendents and Horticulture heads participating in most cases. In general we were received with friendliness and cooperation, and at three places we were invited for lunch!

The basic approved garden club program of Garden Therapy is horticultural. Carried out in its various forms, Horticulture is very therapeutic. This is supported by the professional Hortitherapist's belief that there is a strong affinity between people and plants, and that when people are in need of therapy, working with plants helps them. In garden clubs we like to stretch that to include "Gardenrelated" projects as well.

We saw women at Lowell studying detailed courses in Botany, making flower arrangements and learning floral arts. Men at Avon Park have built a beautiful island (with a swinging bridge!) out of a swamp and have accumulated an outstanding collection of Tropical Plants for display.

Apalachee and Sumter are deep into landscaping. "Ornamental Horticulture" is Raiford's specialty, having produced its 16th annual flower show a few weeks before our visit. We were very proud to display Avon Park and

Raiford arrangements at the Bicentennial International Flower Show in Miami Beach, as part of the FFGC Garden Therapy exhibits.

We saw how classes are taught, how the program works, what facilities are available for training. In most cases every effort was made to show us the record of expenditures of our money and materials bought and used.

We toured greenhouses and nurseries, saw actual propagation and planting by inmates and watched them refer to their books and references when checking the answers to questions—especially those put by Mrs. Green!

We also observed the repair and disrepair of greenhouses and equipment and noted great ingenuity and inventiveness to "make-do".

We talked to inmates, their leaders and supervisors. But most of all we



observed the great pride these men and women showed when they displayed "their" plants, or explained what they were doing, or showed us what they had created, made, repaired or "made do." We were well aware of the good "esprit-de-corps" displayed by these Horticulture groups!

We will continue the program at these institutions, adding Sumter to the list. Followups are indicated in some cases.

We do believe that our State Garden Therapy Program helps inmates adjust to a different way of life and find a certain degree of peace under these most difficult circumstances.

For those who are released, our program has helped them find a new way of life in a vocation near to Nature and the outdoors, still in touch with plants. Although exact statistics are not available, we are told that the rate of return to prison by those who have been in this program is substantially lower. Raiford reports a waiting list for released prisoners who have trained in this program.

There are a few important things we can do to help. Garden Club members have been educated by seminars, workshops and courses of study in all aspects of Garden Club Programs, and that is wonderful! HERE is an opportunity for you to use this education, to share some of your information and your talent with these groups that are not free to learn elsewhere.

There was not one institution that did not ask us to have Garden Club members come and visit, and if possible



give demonstrations or teach something—even help with nomenclature and identification of plants.

So—make up a group, take plants, pots, planting media, simple horticulture books, magazines, small used tools, any type of garden supplies. You'll be so welcome!

"Putting Our Best Foot Forward" JUDGES COUNCIL—ANNUAL MEETING

NOTICE TO ALL JUDGES! Gather your friends together, arrange car pools, let's ALL go to the FFGC State Flower Show on March 26, 1977, in St. Augustine.

DO plan to stay over for the Florida Council of Nationally Accredited Flower Show Judges Annual Meeting, "PUTTING OUR BEST FOOT FORWARD" on March 27, 1977.

Business Meeting at 10:00 A.M. followed by luncheon, program and installation of new officers.

Registration fee of \$7.50 includes luncheon.

Make checks payable to: District IV, FCNAFSI.

Mail form below to: Mrs. William Fitch, 1311 Campbell Ave., Jacksonville 32207 before deadline, March 21.

Make motel reservations directly with Ponce DeLeon Lodge, St. Augustine.

Registration Form for Judges Council Annual Meeting, 3/27/77

Name	District	District		
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Status (indicate Certificate): Student_____ Accredited___Life____Master

If Council Officer, name office ______Fee enclosed



OLD OR INCORRECT ADDRESS

Please attach last mailing label

Name:	Club Code:
Address:	
City:	Zip:

NEW ADDRESS

Name: ————————————————————————————————————		
City:	State:	Zip:

Do you plan to continue your membership in your present club? _

Mail to The Florida Gardener, P.O. Box 1381, Winter Haven, Fl 33880

The FLORIDA GARDENER

FLORIDA FEDERATION OF GARDEN CLUBS, INC.

CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEET—ALL FUNDS

CASH: General funds		\$50,449.37
Restricted funds		120,631.73
ACCOUNTS RECEIVABLE:		
Bi-lingual Landscape Design School	\$ 500.00	171,081.10
Florida Gardener		
	1,986.90	
Tropical short course	300.00	
1976 Fla. Flower Arrangement Calendar	500.00	
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Environmental workshop	300.00	4,086,90
INVENTORIES:		
Cook books	1,019.25	
Charms and pins	87.60	
Ways and Means items	1,885.01	
FFGC 50 Year History	1,262.86	
Educational pamphlets	74.54	
Civic directories	20.60	4,349.86
NVESTMENTS (at cost):		and the second
Bonds		67,277.00
HEADQUARTERS PROPERTY:		
Land, improvements, building & equipment	146,988.49	
Less accumulated depreciation	69,285.17	77,703.32
DEFERRED CHARGES:	03/203.17	77,703.32
Florida Flower Arrangement Calendar—1977		
Expenditures	24,270.64	
Less revenues	19,102.64	
Less revenues	5,168.00	
1976-77 Florida Gardener		
	342.50	
Prepaid pest control contract	84.24	6 24 4 7 4
Prepaid insurance	720.00	6,314.74
LIABILITIES:		\$330,812.92
ACCOUNTS PAYABLE:		
Youth Manuals		\$ 100.00
National Council—membership dues		142.00
		242.00
DEFERRED INCOME;		242.00
Florida Gardener—advertising	216.30	
Member dues and awards	984.50	
Prepaid camperships		
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FUND PRINCIPAL:	A CONTRACTOR	23,273.30
General Fund	42,392.45	
Wekiva Youth Camp Fund	3.90	
Conservation Camp Building Fund	17,995.17	
Blanche Capel Covington Fund	3,598.21	
Mary S. Compton Life Membership		
Endowment Fund	28,268.61	
Headquarters Endowment Fund	127,344.84	
Gateway Project Fund	1,195.30	
Youth Environmental Conference Fund	8,795.82	
		229,594.30
HEADQUARTERS PROPERTY INVESTMENT		77,703.32
TOTAL LIABILITIES AND FUND PRINCIPAL		\$330,812.92
		4550,012.52

These financial statements consisting of consolidated balance sheet and general fund revenues and expenditures for the year ended May 31, 1976, are excerpts from the audit report of the same period prepared by Jack C. Nolan, CPA, and are subject to all notes to financial statements contained in the original report.

Mrs. Edward F. Smithers, Treasurer

REVENUES AND EXPENDITURES FISCAL YEAR ENDED MAY 31, 1976

REVENUES:		
Membership dues:	¢ 45 C55 50	
Regular membership	\$ 45,655.50	
Less: allocated to Florida Gardener	<u>17,141.00</u>	
	28,514.50	\$ 28,516.00
High School Gardeners	1.50	\$ 20,510.00
Projects and Activities:	22 500 61	
Revenues	32,590.61	13,719.57
Expenditures	18,871.04	13,7 13.37
Other revenues:	CO 00	
Council of Garden Clubs	60.00	
Fellowship and scholarship fund	180.40	
Interest on savings and CD's	615.65	
Interest: Headquarters Endowment Fund	4,601.04	
Sales tax collected	1,835.53	0 729 74
Transfer from Wekiva Youth Camp	2,446.12	9,738.74 51,974.31
TOTAL REVENUES		31,374.31
EXPENDITURES:		
Membership dues	7 762 25	
National Council	7,762.25	7 0 47 25
Affil. org., high sch. & Jr. Gardeners	85.00	7,847.25
Administrative expenses	Sind of Military Company	
Book of Information—printing	3,561.12	
District Chairman allotment	1,437.00	
Donations	500.00	
Gifts and courtesies	35.00	
Life membership expense	96.45	
Mimeograph supplies	247.36	
Miscellaneous	403.10	
Payroll tax expense	532.41	
Postage—club service	123.07	
Postage and supplies—Federation	629.75	
P.O. Box rent and bulk mail permit	56.00	
Printing and stationery	606.72	
Privilege	5.00	
Professional fees—audit	1,375.00	
Salaries	9,100.00	
Sales tax paid	1,776.33	
Scholarships	3,000.00	
Telephone and telegraph	744.09	
Travel expenses:		
President	2,975.45	
Other officers	1,325.16	28,529.01
Headquarters:	-	
Building and equipment maintenance	700.04	
Grounds—maintenance	4,512.41	
Insurance	1,010.00	
Janitorial service	705.00	
Lease rental	10.00	
Miscellaneous	478.35	
Power and lights	1,105.20	
Sanitation service	29.00	
Sewer	36.00	
Telephone and telegraph	408.89	
Water	44.18	9,039.07
Total expenditures		45,415.33
EXCESS REVENUES OVER EXPENDITURES		\$ 6,558.98
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CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Board of Directors Meetings:

January 11-12, 1977—Headquarters, Winter Park April 25, 1977—Tampa June, 1977—Headquarters, Winter Park

Coming Events:

1977:

January 21, Florida Arbor Day January 25-26, Tropical Short Course, Ft. Lauderdale March 1-3, Flower Show School #IV, Winter Haven March 1-3, Flower Show School #III, Jacksonville Beach March 8-10, Deep South Regional Convention, Savannah March 15-17, University of Florida Short Course, Gainesville March 20-26, Blanche Covington Nature Study Course, Wekiva March 26-27, State Flower Show, "Florida—Challenge To Beauty", St. Augustine April 4-6, Landscape Design Study Course, Series 8, Course IV, Lake City April 12-14, Flower Show School #IV, Tampa April 26-27, State Convention, Tampa May 3-4, Spring Symposium, Buena Vista, Orlando May 3-26, FFGC Officers Spring Tour May 8-13, NCSGC Convention, Kansas City, Mo. June 19-25, Wekiva Youth Camp, Boys June 26-July 2, Wekiva Youth Camp, Boys July 3-9, Wekiva Youth Camp, Girls July 10-16, Wekiva Youth Camp, Girls July 17-23, Wekiva Youth Camp, Girls August 7-10, SEEK '77, FTU Campus, Orlando 1978, Deep South Regional Convention, Orlando 1979, State Convention, District XI 1980, State Convention, District IX 1981, State Convention, District XII 1982, State Convention, Panama City, Districts I and II

S.E.E.K. '76 AWARDS

Awards from Shell Oil Co., will be given to the three intermediate and three high school Florida Federated Garden units whose environmental action projects are judged best according to the established criteria. Awards for each of the two unit categories will be:

First place \$100.00 Second place 75.00 Third place 50.00

The monetary awards will be given to the youth units for further environmental action projects. The adult-sponsoring group and the youth group will both receive certificates of recognition. One student from both first place winning units will receive expenses paid for one day and night at the state convention in Tampa, April 1977.

- 1. The major portion of the projects must be conducted after September 1, 1976.
- Entries should be addressed to S.E.E.K. '76, Florida Federation of Garden Clubs, Box 1604, Winter Park, Fl 32790 and postmarked no later than March 27, 1977.
- Entries must be from individual units only.
 For further information on these awards and for application blanks, please contact Mrs. Robert Stone, 624 Balmoral Road, Winter Park 32789.

Postmaster:

Please mail form 3579 to The Florida Gardener P. O. Box 1381 Winter Haven, FL 33880

