

**Coral Gables Garden Club**  
**1997-1998**





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Wednesday, May 7, 1997

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THE CITY OF MIAMI COMMITTEE ON BEAUTIFICATION  
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PRESENTS THE 60TH ANNUAL



1997  
ROYAL POINCIANA FIESTA

Friday, June 6th through Monday, June 9th

SCHEDULE:

Friday, June 6th:

12:00 noon *Royal Poinciana Luncheon.* Crowning of Royal Poinciana Queen and her court. Talk by Larry Schokman on the horticulture of the poinciana and other beautiful flowering trees of South Florida. Mostly's in the Grove. COST: \$15. For Reservations, call 789-7401.

Saturday, June 7th:

10:00 a.m. *Royal Poinciana Fiesta Plant Sale.* Tropical plants and trees for sale by local plant societies. The Walk of Knowledge of the Museum of Science, 3280 South Miami Avenue, Miami 33129. FREE ENTRY

10:00 a.m. *Royal Poinciana Fiesta Workshop.* Information about cultivation and history of tree in this area. Poinciana sausage making demonstration and seedling sale. Museum of Science, 3280 South Miami Avenue, Miami, FL 33129. FREE

2:00 - 5:00 p.m. *Taste of the Tropics.* Information about and tasting of rare tropical fruits. Museum of Science, 3280 South Miami Avenue, Miami, FL 33129. FREE

6:00 - 8:00 p.m. *Poinciana Fiesta Concert.* Special musical event. Science Park Museum of Science, 3280 South Miami Avenue, Miami, FL 33129. FREE

Sunday, June 8th:

*Royal Poinciana Day on Metrorail.* Passes to be distributed at other Fiesta events. FREE

10:00 a.m. *Royal Poinciana Fiesta Plant Sale.* Tropical plants and trees for sale by local plant societies. The Walk of Knowledge of the Museum of Science, 3280 South Miami Avenue, Miami 33129. FREE ENTRY

10:00 a.m. *Arboretum tour.* See flowering trees and interesting botanical specimens in teaching collection of University. Northwest corner of the University of Miami campus, where Campo Sano meets San Antonio Drive. FREE

2:00 p.m. *Bus Tour of the Beautiful Poincianas.* Via Vaca Metrorail Station. View the beautiful trees on a narrated tour. Stop at the Kampong (David Fairchild's historic home) for refreshments. For information and reservations call (305) 789-7531. COST \$15

4:00 p.m. - 7:00 p.m. *Royal Poinciana Block Party.* Museum of Science, 3280 South Miami Avenue, Miami FL 33129. Live music and entertainment, historical and botanical exhibits, see the animals in the Museum's special collection, enjoy delicious food, view the magnificent poincianas along South Miami Avenue. FREE

Monday June 9th:

5:00 p.m. - 7:00 p.m. *Opening Reception for Royal Poinciana Art Exhibit.* Awards Ceremony and Coronation of Royal Poinciana Queen and her Court. Miami Herald lobby, 1 Herald Plaza. FREE

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- BE SURE TO VISIT THE MUSEUM OF SCIENCE TO ENJOY ITS EDUCATIONAL AND ENTERTAINING EXHIBITS.

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Fiesta Chairwoman: Kathy Gumbatz (305) 661-2481.

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CORAL GABLES GAZETTE • JULY 9-15, 1997

By Jordan Steele

Now that we are in the middle of a warm, wet summer, consider a cool spring flower show, the Royal Horticultural Society's Annual Chelsea Flower Show. This is absolutely the show of shows. About five years ago, the New York City Horticultural Society spent \$1.5 million to revive its annual flower show; the show did not continue. One of the only world-class shows in this country is the Philadelphia Flower Show. However, the Chelsea Show remains the world's premiere flower show.

The Chelsea Flower Show started over 75 years ago on the grounds of the Royal Hospital, and you can still see royal pensioners walking around in their red jackets. There are different types of tickets for the five-day show. On Monday, Queen Elizabeth, the royal family and invited guests saw the show which included food, spirits and music. The pace was leisurely but expensive, for the invited guests' admission also supports the Queen's charities. On Tuesday and Wednesday, the show was open to members of the Royal Horticultural Society, with tickets being discounted. These avid gardeners crowded the show just as on "public" days. The general public attends on Thursday and Friday.

There are three types of tickets: \$40 for twelve hours; five and a half hours at approximately \$22; and two and a half hours at around \$11. The twelve-hour ticket holder can start at 8 a.m., and the five and a half-hour ticket holder is admitted at 3:30 p.m., while the two and a half-hour ticket holder enters at

## THE OPINIONATED GARDENER



## England's Chelsea Flower Show

5:30 p.m.

At approximately 11 a.m., the crowd seemed the largest which continued to be the case until about 7 p.m. If you spend the money to go to England, be sure to buy the all-day ticket so that you can leave whenever you desire and leave after you've seen it all. However, with the lesser ticket you might be able to see the entire show.

This past spring this Opinionated Gardener and his wife visited the Chelsea Flower Show on Thursday, having taken the subway near out hotel to Chelsea from Kensington. At the exit of this station we were met by ticket scalpers. Since we already had tickets, I asked the scalper what his margin of profit was and he told me he had added 50 to 100 percent markup.

We arrived at the show at 8:20 a.m. and proceeded to walk the grounds of the show until 8 p.m.

taking short breaks for a noon snack and afternoon British cream tea.

Mid-May seems late for a flower show, as most general flower shows in our country are in early spring with the exception of specialty shows. The Chelsea participants retard early flowering plants and force later flowering plants; thus, the show provides maximum floral presentation.

The main show's tent covers three acres, with displays of 150 square feet to 1,000 square feet. These displays are from plant societies, educational institutes and commercial growers. All have won awards in lesser shows before being admitted to Chelsea. Outside the tent there are small landscaped gardens, some with elaborate water features, elevations and stone work. These gardens are built in a three-week period for a five-day show and then completely removed with the ground being leveled until the next year. One firm spent over \$500,000 for its display.

In the landscape setting you keep an eye out for ideas you can use in your own home. Perhaps you already use some of these landscaping tricks. While the Chelsea Show uses temperate plants, you can use tropical plants, with the dimensions, perspective and plant size being translated to suit our climate.

The Royal Horticultural Society had a video of the 1997 show on sale. If you would like to see it, send a post card with your name and telephone number to the Coral Gables Gazette at 2622 Ponce de Leon Boulevard, Coral Gables, FL 33134. We will arrange to show the tape.

## New officers welcomed by Garden Club

Evelyn Buddie, chairman for the Coral Gables Garden Club Installation Luncheon, chose the theme "Hats Off to Us" and used plenty of hats in keeping with the theme. Large straw brimmed hats decorated with real flowers, tulle and ribbon were placed on standards for table decorations in the ballroom of Riviera Country Club. Each guest was presented with small straw hats decorated with flowers and ribbons, as favors. Many women wore hats decorated with flowers but only past president Nita Norman used roses picked from her garden to brighten her chapeau.

The "Hats Off to Us" was a congratulatory message to all the members for the hard work put into the funds raised for the Miracle Mile/Douglas Road Entrance which was funded by the Garden Club.

The dedication of completion of the project had been held the week before. Replicas of the structure were used to decorate the head table.

Outgoing president Nancy Maloy turned over the gavel to new president Marien Evans Goldstroom. Other officers presented by installing officer Jane Wilson were Elizabeth Watson and Tina Archbold, vice presidents; Daria Downey and Liz Gallagher, secretaries; Mary Whitcomb, treasurer; Kathy Limmittis, financial secretary and Pat Crow, auditor.

By Kathy Gaubatz

Driving down the streets of Coral Gables, one can't help but notice the beautiful flame colored osseos of the Royal Poinciana (belenix regia) trees blooming in raking profusion. Their vivid color catches the eye and announces the arrival of summer. Usually, that is. The red flowers astomarily bloom during the first week in June. But not this year. They are almost one month early.

In addition to surprising the botanically savvy, this fact puts a minor crimp in the style of the folks who present the Royal Poinciana Fiesta each year. These are a devoted group of volunteers who have staged the event under the auspices of the City of Miami Committee on Beautification and the Environment. In fact, this June will be the festival's 60th anniversary year.

The Royal Poinciana tree is a legume and a member of the pea family. It is characterized by feathery bi-pinnate leaves that are over a foot in length. The red-orange flowers (there are varieties which range from orange to canary yellow) have five petals with one larger broader one which is white with yellow and maroon spots. The curved stamens are tipped with bright yellow pollen which is readily transferred to any bird, insect or human who ventures close enough to brush the acrid smelling clusters of blossoms. The tree itself grows to ten feet with its characteristic umbrella shape. The blossoms appear on the naked tree, the leaves appearing while the last blossoms fall. Foot long green seed pods follow with 20 to 30 inch seeds enclosed standing vertically along the pod's horizontal length. Many months later the large flat pods, by now dark brown in color, hang within and below the lacy foliage.

private garden of dona Ileana de Teran, the proprietress, was a happy contrast. Her Burle Marx inspired garden, which began inside her hillside home and spread out horizontally on both sides of

## PEOPLE, PLANTS & THINGS

## Poincianas are blooming — oh, oh!

of the tree.

Some of the best examples of the Royal Poinciana can be found on both sides of South Miami Avenue between 25th and 16th Roads.

In Coral Gables, the two specimens in front of the Church of the Little Flower on Sevilla and Andalusia Avenues are usually striking. Examples of yellow flowering trees are on the left of the driveway of 927 Coral Way and across the bridge from the Student Union on its south side on the UM campus.

To honor the blooming of the tree, the Royal Poinciana Fiesta will host a series of events to be held mainly at the Museum of Science. This includes a workshop and tree (sale) distribution, tropical fruit and vegetable event, plant sale and jazz concert on Saturday, June 7.

The sale will continue on Sunday the 8th, with a bus tour of the beautiful blooming trees beginning at the Vizcaya Metrorail Station, with a block party at the Science Museum. That day celebrants may enjoy a view of the blooming trees from Metrorail by using free passes for the elevated ride given out at Fiesta events. And Monday, June 9th, is the opening of the Poinciana Fiesta Art Exhibit at The Miami Herald Building. This show, featuring paintings, photographs and art works in mixed media will compare or contrast many tree species, bamboo, heliconias and trees.

At night we stayed in a hotel on a mountain side above Turrialba. Enshrouded in a cloud when we arrived, we were thrilled

tinuous until the end of the month. A Poinciana Queen and her Court—high school students who are outstanding academically and have demonstrated a concern for the natural environment, will be honored at a luncheon at Monty's in the Grove on June 6. They will also appear at other Fiesta events.

But to return to the trees. Each year those of us who are intimately involved in the celebration collectively hold our breath in hope that Mother Nature will produce the Poinciana's most beautiful blossoms no sooner and no later than the first week (end) in June. This year, with the fiery show already underway, is certainly no exception.

However, the early blooms are only part of what may impact the botanical celebration. Lack of financial support may prove to be a far more serious concern, for the City of Miami Beautification Committee has not been supported by the municipal government for the past two years. This year the money runs out—not only for the Fiesta, but for the Committee's tree plantings in the Greater Miami area as well. The seriousness of this matter has become apparent to the Fiesta organizers in recent weeks as costs of producing the event continue to rise. Emergency appeals to area individuals and corporations have been made; however, the situation remains problematic. Additionally, tourism officials have been less than enthusiastic.

Still, the Royal Poinciana Fiesta volunteers envision an event with potential benefit to the community—much like the Cherry Blossom Festival held every spring in Washington, D.C.

For those who want to support the festival, call the chairman at 661-2481. In any case, "The Poincianas are blooming - oh, oh!" great interest and scrutiny here in the United States. But, of course, its visual properties are the least of its attributes and reasons.

To be continued...

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Thank you, and we hope to see you, at one or more of these exciting projects!

no high heels

The collection of plants is internationally known. Eighty percent of the tropical and subtropical genera of palms are to be found here, the second largest collection in the world. There are 2,000 species of native plants, 320 types of Costa Rican birds, 80 species of mammals and 71 species of reptiles and amphibians. And over 3,000 kinds of moths and butterflies have been identified in the area.

But Diego and his wife are as important to Las Cruces, as it is known, as the wildlife and the landscape. Their knowledge and organizational and educational skills make the Wilson Botanical Garden the special place that it is. Gail was the office manager of a prestigious San Francisco law firm—he, a former Catholic priest. They now infuse their garden with a feeling of warmth for visitors as well as quiet enthusiasm for the plants, the land and the cause for conservation.

We arrived at the garden on the sixth day of our stay, after a day-long ride over the Cerro de la Muerte in the Talamanca Mountains. On the way over the Inter American Highway which was so filled with potholes our wonderful driver, Gerardo, had to steer out bus from one side of the road to the other in order to avoid them, we learned of a national strike about to take place. It seems that the Costa Ricans were so fed,

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## Partnership t trumps others

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an active social life. She found a  
at the All State Friendship Club.  
Today, at 94, Cress continues  
to keep active, socializing with  
friends and playing bridge on  
Wednesday evenings and Satur-  
day afternoons.

"I'm usually ready to quit  
when the time ends, but then  
again, I'm the longest time mem-  
ber of the club," she said.

Last December, the Friendship  
Club joined the American Con-  
tract Bridge League.  
At the club's first bridge game  
for the new league last month,  
Cress and her partner Eva Catlin  
won first place in the north-south  
division—against a room full of  
life masters.

"We were very happy to have  
won," said Catlin, 89. "I've

played with Edith on and off  
throughout the years, and she's a  
remarkable woman. At 94, to be  
able to do what she does, I call  
that remarkable. As long as she  
wants me to, I'll be happy to keep  
playing with her."

The club began as a shuffle-  
board club in 1955 and was

PLEASE SEE BRIDGE 4



RANDY BAZEMORE / Herald Staff

**THEIR FRIENDSHIP WAS IN THE CARDS:** Bridge partners Edith Cress and Eva Catlin won first place in  
the north-south division of their league, playing against a roomful of life masters.

she doesn't play for the title.  
"I enjoy being with people and  
playing the game with people,"  
she said. "I also like the challenge  
of figuring out a bid. Being a life  
master isn't important to me."



## The Hibiscus Leaflet

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### PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

MAY 1997

Thank you, Nancy Maloy, for being such a fine President!  
For the past two years it has been the shortest, most  
enjoyable GardenClub years of my life! Nancy is a very  
popular member and her leadership will be sorely missed.

You have put a big responsibility on my shoulders and I  
will try my utmost to live up to your expectations.

A special thank you also to our former President, Betsy  
Adams, Chairman of Adopt an Entrance. Our grandest en-  
trance at Miracle Mile and Douglas Road was dedicated last  
month in a most beautiful ceremony. With the fountains  
splashing and the new plantings thriving, it is a sight to  
behold!

All of the members can take a bow for the work that has  
been accomplished on this most worthy project.

This is THE GRANDEST ORGANIZATION!

LOVE,

MARIEN

### The American Dream for Coral Gables Woman's Club

It was a red, white and blue  
day for the members of the Coral  
Gables Woman's Club at their  
annual Installation Luncheon at  
the Coral Gables Country Club.  
Members were requested to wear  
the patriotic colors by luncheon  
chairman Sharon Watson and  
most complied. New president  
Maryscull Brown's theme for the  
year is "The American Dream  
takes you and me helping others  
to help themselves" is the reason  
for the red, white and blue flow-  
ers and profusion of flags on each  
table.

Other officers installed at this  
74th annual installation luncheon  
were Ruth King, Chris Charouhis,  
Sophie Quay, Nancy Frier, Su-  
san Van Bergen, and Sharon  
Watson. New directors, chosen  
from past presidents, are Janet  
Barone, Evelyn Nickas and Dor-  
othy Thomson. Members were  
entertained by a medley on songs  
sung by Richard Kosowski in-  
cluding, naturally, "Yankee  
Doodle Dandy." Sharon Watson  
was aided by her committee,  
Janet Barone, Blanche Brownell  
and Betty Stebbins, in making  
this a most successful luncheon.

On a sad note, outgoing pres-  
ident Susan Van Bergen died sev-  
eral days after the luncheon.  
Susan gave so much to the Coral  
Gables community which she  
loved. She will be missed by all  
those who knew and loved her.

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## SOCIETY

CORAL GABLES GAZETTE • JUNE 25 - JULY 1, 1997

### Coral Gables Garden Club

"Severy Gautier is so well or-  
ganized that the Garden Club  
Tour could be held as early as  
next week rather than the De-  
cember 14 date," says Coral  
Gables Garden Club president  
Marien Goldstrom, about the  
chairman of this extremely popu-  
lar annual event. Severy has  
lined up three houses on Granada  
Boulevard for the tour and has a  
wonderful committee to assist her  
including co-chairman Mari  
Arnold, Betsy Adams, Tina  
Archbold, Susie Brawer, Liz  
Gallagher, Pat Keon and Nancy



Betty Stebbins, Maryscull Brown and Sharon Watson.

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# NATIONAL GEOGRAPHIC Traveler

Calendar of **VENUS**

By Kathie Gartrell

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Tennessee • Vermont • Virginia  
West Virginia

## Royal Poinciana Fiesta

Miami, Fla. Celebrates the flowering poinciana trees throughout the community. Bus tours and flowering-tree park tour, poinciana workshops, art exhibit, and concerts. **Taste of the Tropics** features rare tropical fruits. Held at various locations. Admission charge to some events. 305-661-2481 or 789-7608.

June 6-8



## TREES

by Joyce Kilmer

I think that I shall never see a poem lovely as a tree.  
A tree whose hungry mouth is prest against the earth's sweet flowing breast;  
A tree that looks at God all day,  
And lifts her leafy arms to pray;  
A tree that may in Summer wear a nest of robins in her hair;  
Upon whose bosom snow has lain;  
Who intimately lives with rain.  
Poems are made by fools like me,  
but only God can make a tree.

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# THIS WEEK

Following the girls' introduction, an informative talk on the area's beautiful

For the past 60 years, the City of Miami has celebrated

specimens had broken and eventually broken in two. The program was initiated at a luncheon in the Grove on June 6. The Royal Poinciana Queen and her court were introduced and a talk on the Poinciana and the area's other beautiful flowering trees was given. Joy Kilmer, author of the poem "I think that I shall never see a poem lovely as a tree," introduced the young women. They were selected not only for their physical beauty, but for their character, intelligence and commitment to community causes. All of the girls are students. In addition, each has demonstrated a concern for the environment and an interest in preserving it for future generations. These exceptional girls are: Florida Archdiocese of Miami, St. John's School and Princess Jacqueline Brown of Miami South-west Senior High; Sharika Byers of the New World School of the Arts; and Joseph of the Design and the Arts, St. John's School. The girls are supervised by G. Holmes Bradford, Senior High.

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## You can dig in to help put Miami in the green

By YOLANDA BALIDO  
Herald Staff Writer

Miami residents, roll up your sleeves, put on your work gloves and get ready to help beautify your city. The city of Miami Beautification Committee needs volunteers and contributors for its 1997 community tree plantings.

The committee's schedule includes:

■ **June 2:** Planting 60 flowering trees along Interstate 95 and

## WANT TO HELP?

The city of Miami Beautification Committee has received no money from the city since 1995 and expects none this year because of the city's financial crisis. Volunteers and contributors of money or plant materials may call Steve Pearson, chairman of the beautification committee, at 789-7401.

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Northwest 14th Street, continuing a 1992 project.

■ **July 18:** Planting 80 to 100 native and flowering trees and coconut palms at the neglected Margaret Pace Park, northeast of the Omni on Biscayne Bay.

■ **Aug. 16:** Planting 50 trees along I-95 south of downtown, and a project with Glendale Baptist Church.

■ **Sept. 13:** Addition of 50 to 60 trees at the Miami City Cemetery on Northeast Second Avenue.

During the past six years, the committee has planted more than 2,000 trees throughout Miami neighborhoods and public properties.



By Kathy Gaubata

So what's happening to the trees of Coral Gables this month? What's in bloom, what's fruiting? The last blossoms of the Principians are still to be seen on the trees and should remain to a lessening degree throughout the rest of the summer. (Of note, the twin queen trees in front of the Church of the Little Flower have been replaced by two fifteen feet high specimens thanks to, Dan Keys of the Coral Gables Public Service Department) and an occasional Jacaranda is still sporting its striking purple spikes, such as the one on the north west corner of San Rafael and Alhambra Circle. Some of the Peltophorum interme, the Copperpods, are hanging on to their bright yellow flowers. An example is the modified tree in the front of 5745 S.W. 118 St. in Pine Bay Estates, a new part of the Gables west of Red Road South of Parrot Jungle.

But the trees that are really in bloom are the also purple blossomed Queen's Crepe Myrtle, the Lagerstroemia speciosa, and the Crepe myrtle shrub, the Lagerstroemia indica. The former, seen near the street at 5485 S.W. 92 St., also in a new part of the Gables, is a tree growing to 100 feet in its native tropical Asia but not reaching more than 40 feet here in South Florida. Its flowers are crinkly and 2 to 3 inches across, with five pinkish to purple petals. They grow in clusters at the last several inches

## PEOPLE, PLANTS &amp; TREES

## The trees of summer

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## Red Cross says thanks to helpers

Fifteen people, a foundation and one corporation recently received awards for their volunteer work with the American Red Cross of Greater Miami and the Keys at the group's 80th Anniversary Volunteer Recognition Luncheon aboard the Royal Caribbean's Sovereign of the Seas.

The event also welcomed new officers and board members.

These awards were presented:

**Bill Berg**, Public Relations Award.

**Jennifer Cuadra**, Youth Award.

**Scott Evans**, Health and Safety Services Award.

**Billy Gonzalez**, Emergency Services Award.

**John T. Macdonald Foundation**, Good Neighbor Award.

**Knight-Ridder Inc.**, Corporate Leadership Award.

**Rosalind Ludwig**, Janet Baker Scholarship Award.

**Theresa Marchetta**, Media Partner of the Year Award.

**David Price**, Sarah Cullipther Award.

**Bob Ribera**, L. Allen Morris Award.

**Judy Riddle** and **Liz Gallagher**, Volunteer Fund-raiser of the Year Award.

**Helga Rodger**, Anabelle Nitzsche Award.

**David Rogers**, Mrs. Arthur Curtiss James Award.

**Norman Ward**, Disaster Services Award.

**Miller Wilson**, Samuel Powers Award.

**Freddy Zelaya**, Young Adult Award.



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These officers of the Red Cross Board of Directors also were elected: **David Rogers**, chairman; **Kerry Clemmons**, chairman-elect; **Roger Cuevas**, vice chairman; **Rosalind Ludwig**, vice chairman; **Brian Clark**, treasurer; and **Janet Carabelli**, secretary.

New board members include

**Alejandro Aguirre**, **Charles Alzati**, **David Bauer**, **T. Willard Fair**, **Seth Gordon**, **Barry Johnson**, **Aida Levitan**, **Anne McDougal**, **Lynn Martenslein**, **Jackie Polakoff**, **Lisa Rawlin-Maurer**, **Linford Spence** and **Tom Weller**.

Newly elected trustees include **Peter Calin**, **Nancy Davis** and **Joyce L. Carr**.

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### GREEN DAY

More than 100 trees were planted over the weekend by volunteers at Pace Park, on Biscayne Bay, north of the Grand Hotel. The trees were donated by the Florida Federation of Garden

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By Kathy Gault

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So what's happening to the trees of Coral Gables this month? What's in bloom, what's fruiting? The last blossoms of the Platanus are still to be seen on the trees and should remain to a lessening degree throughout the rest of the summer. (Of note, the twin queen trees in front of the Church of the Little Flower have been replaced by two fifteen feet high specimens thanks to, Dan Keyes of the Coral Gables Public Service Department) and an occasional Jacaranda is still sporting its striking purple spikes, such as the one on the north west corner of San Rafael and Alhambra Circle. Some of the Peltophorum inermis, the Copperpods, are hanging on to their bright yellow flowers. An example is the modest tree in the front of 5745 S.W. 118 St. in Pine Bay Estates, a new part of the Gables west of Red Road South of Varred Jungle.

But the trees that are really in bloom are the also purple blossomed Queen's Crepe Myrtle, the Lagerstroemia speciosa, and the Crepe myrtle shrub, the Lagerstroemia indica. The former, seen near the street at 5485 S.W. 92 St., also in a new part of the Gables, is a tree growing to 100 feet in its native tropical Asia but not reaching more than 40 feet here in South Florida. Its flowers are crinkly and 2 to 3 inches across, with five pinkish to purple petals. They grow in clusters at the last several inches

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The summer has flown and September is upon us! Did you all have a beautiful few months of relaxation? I tried, but you know the paper work that goes with Garden Club commitment. Even so, it was a wonderful respite. Especially my trip to Asheville. My friend, Pauline, always invites me to her aerie and this summer I flew! Many of you know Pauline Averitte. She is a Master Flower Show Judge, also a Flower Card Creator-Extraordinaire! She lived for many years in Miami Shores and Key Biscayne before hiking up to the hills. Every year she celebrates the 4th of July with a bang-up (no pun intended) party and I was a lucky invitee. Pauline also hosted a most posh tea party at "CHELSEA'S" in Asheville. It was an English High Tea (we wore hats and everything!) We even had Trifle. Two former North Carolina Federation of Garden Clubs Past Presidents attended, as well as Monica Beattie (now Director of N.S. Judges Council) who came over from Franklin. I told her how much we miss her right here in District XII. It was a most memorable afternoon and I was so honored to be a part of the gathering!



Four Clubmates at dedication of Gables



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Commissioner Chip Withers addresses crowd at Gables Entrance dedication ceremony as Commissioners Bill Kerdyk, Jr. (right) and Dorothy Thomson look on.





# SOCIETY



Lynn Bauer, Bob Soper and Dorothy Stein



Pamela Cole, Aurelia Corbitt and Peggy Groves

## Beaux Arts associates attend another 'coffee'

By Rosalind Rush Moore

Each year, just as the fall season begins, Beaux Arts hosts a coffee for its associate members to update them on activities planned for the upcoming year. The Snapper Creek home of Kathy Gelb was the setting for the September 10th event - and what a beautiful setting. Kathy and her husband George bought the house a year ago from Beaux Arts member Marie Hero and her husband George and have removed 60 Australian pines and 6 large trees which blocked the spectacular view of the lake which raps around the house. The elms were just back from their scation home in northern Wisconsin.

Chairmen for the coffee were associate advisors Shelley Daniel and Lynn Fernandez. They introduced ball chairmen Mary

### CALENDAR OF EVENTS

- SEPT. 18 - Cocktail Party benefiting Bachelor Children's Center, Saks Fifth Avenue at Dadeland (private)
- SEPT. 19 - La Lega del Viceroy's October Fest, 8 p.m.-midnight, Vizcaya, \$35, call 656-4866
- SEPT. 20 - Twenty Little Working Girls Mother-Daughter Coffee (private)
- SEPT. 24 - Dade Heritage Trust lecture "The Freedom Tower: Its Architecture and Restoration", Coral Gables Congregational Church, 7 p.m., \$5, call 258-9572
- SEPT. 27 - Beaux Arts Pre-Ball Party, 3720 Granada, \$30, call 665-9718
- SEPT. 30 - Museum of Science lecture "Venturing into the World of Art", Museum of Science, 7 p.m., free and open to the public
- Oct. 4 - Coral Gables Community Foundation's "Merrick's Dream Ball", Biltmore Hotel, \$125 or \$200 per person, call 446-9670

Girl Scouts - the equivalent of an Eagle Scout. The parents promised the girls if they stuck with scouting to this level they would take them to Europe.

More in the crowd were Georgia Pearson who said she was here for the summer since her

It was a first visit to Paris for Susan Jones but she had an excellent tour guide in her mother, Ann Tammy, who has been to the City of Lights many times. Susan and Edgar took their son, Cooper, to the University of Florida in September where he will continue a Gator family tradition. Edgar's father was a football hero there in the 1920s, Susan is a Florida graduate as is Edgar's brother and his daughter Mariele Jones who accompanied them on the drive. Teresa and Jorge Gross took son George to Columbia University and Peggy and Graham Groves drove son Cameron to Gettysburg College. Michelle and Malcolm Wiseheart had a busy summer. With sons Malcolm, Jr., and William they visited London before driving to Cambridge, where Malcolm earned one of his law degrees at Queens College, for a law school reunion. Then on to Edinburgh where they conducted

where Michelle's father and sister live.

**Merrick's Dream Ball** Invitations are in the mail for the First Annual Merrick's Dream Ball which will be held on October 4 in the Country Club Ballroom of the Biltmore Hotel. Invitations, beautifully designed by Judy Adams Ueberberger with flowers and butterflies on every page with French blue highlights, are tied with a matching blue ribbon. "When my daughter was young, I always had trouble with getting the ribbons for her hair to do just right but now I am an expert at tying bows," says ball chairman Dorothy Stein who was helped by her committee in assembling 2,000 invitations.

A benefit for the Coral Gables Foundation, 1920s period costumes are suggested at the gala. With this in mind, members of the planning committee dressed in costume for a meeting last week at the Biltmore. It was announced that the Coral Gables Garden Club will handle all the table decorations, making this truly a Coral Gables community event. There will be no auction or raffle tickets sold at the dinner dance, only door prizes which include a seven day cruise on Norwegian Cruise Lines and round trip tickets to anywhere in the country on Continental Airlines.

After the meeting, Susan and Bob Soper invited the group for champagne at the Cellar Club on the 7th floor of the Biltmore. The Sopers were in Carmel last month for the birth of daughter Alice Cora's first child.



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## es' Dream Ball gala fires the '20s look

George Merrick invites you to wear the appropriate 1920s period dress or black tie to the ball, set for 7 p.m. Oct. 4 with cocktails at the Biltmore Hotel Country Club ballroom, 1200 Anastasia Ave. Dinner's at 8 p.m., followed by dancing to the Frank Hubbell Big Band.

Co-chairwomen of the event are Dorothy Stein and Patricia Ciera, both of the Gables. Tickets are \$150 and \$200 per person. For reservations or more information, call 446-9670 any time.

The nonprofit foundation fosters programs and works to enhance the quality of life for people living and working in the



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JUST DREAMY: Dream Ball committee members Susan Soper, Bob Soper a chairman Dorothy Stein don clothes from the '20s for the gala.



# SOCIETY

## Merrick's Dream Ball is a dream of a party

By Rosalind Rush Moore

The spirit of Coral Gables founder George Merrick must have been hovering over the First Annual Merrick's Dream Ball because everything about the evening went perfectly. "We did not have one thing go wrong," said a relieved Dorothy Stein who was co-chairman with Pat Clarke or the fund-raiser which benefited the Coral Gables Foundation. "The weather was perfect, we had a large crowd (350), the food was fantastic, the decorations were gorgeous and, of course, the setting of the Biltmore Country Club is always sensational."

The spectacular table decorations were created by members of the Coral Gables Garden Club. Tree-foot-tall crystal vases were used with pink and white anemones and sprays of white orchids. The Garden Club committee, headed by Cunita Lore de la and Clarita Bonerud, worked all afternoon creating arrangements for the tables, dances and powder rooms. All the effort was well worth it because during the party club president Marien Goldstrolch received pliment after compliment from Coral Gables mayor George Corrigan introduced him to Marien and told her his father served as president of the club in 1946.

Following cocktails and hors d'oeuvres in the courtyard of the Club where antique cars from the 1920s and 1930s evoked a George Merrick, guests ushered to the ballroom. Hubbel's 11 piece orchestra played danceable music and the floor was filled all night with a large number of invited guests.

As Dorothy Stein's got in the spirit of the night by dressing as flappers in their "beaus" including her son, Dillon Graham, her members Susan and Paul (she served as emcee), and Paul Bauer along with and Ed Swan, Rose and Richard. Pat and Jay hosted the Miami Herald news team in a very lively cloche hat and her Bill in a gangster costume with a fedora and a violin case. Jane

### CALENDAR OF EVENTS

OCT. 16 - "Hats Off to Kids" luncheon benefiting the Linda Ray Center, Radisson Center.  
OCT. 18-19 - Saturday and Sunday in the Park With Art, Cultural Council, Inc. Fairchild Tropical Gardens, call 238-1811.  
OCT. 23 - Portland Hall Foundation Luncheon, Surf Club.  
OCT. 24 - Third Annual Hotel Inter-Continental Make-A-Wish Ball, Hotel Inter-Continental, call 577-1000.  
OCT. 25-27 - Museum of Science Patron's Fine Art Show, Museum of Science, 10 a.m. to 6 p.m., free admission, call 665-8492.  
OCT. 25 - Belux Arts "Something Out of Africa Costume Ball", MetroZoo, \$300 per couple, call 662-6885.  
OCT. 25 - Mercy Hospital 47th Anniversary Gala, Hotel Inter-Continental.  
OCT. 25 - Daily Bread Food Bank Celebrity Doobie Art Auction, The Alexander Hotel, 6:30 p.m., \$25, call 630-9951.  
OCT. 31 - La Legi del Viscayan's annual Halloween Party, Viscaya, call 856-4866.

Woodbridge and Stetson Giles joined them.

The dinner, which had everyone raving, began with a wild mushroom beggar's purse served with port wine essence and was followed with field greens and hearts of palm with a champagne vinaigrette, petit filet and medallion of salmon with pinot Noir essence and ended with a chocolate shell brimming over with berries and topped with raspberry coulis and creme fraiche drizzle. Doesn't it make you hungry? After that, the Charleston seemed the perfect dance to work off calories and the band accommodated with several 20s style medleys.

This was a fun party with the perfect mix of guests. Among the younger group were new parents Lynn and Bill Kerdyk, Jr., Justin Prisenndorf, Kate and Kevin Fontenot, Claudia and Pat Coupet, Montelle Cline, Lynn and David Mitchell. Jill Beach joined Gloria and John Burns at their table as did Katie Doten and Liam Donnelly.

Both from Scotland, John and Liam discovered they grew up just 20 miles from each other near Glasgow. Foundation president Don Slesnick and his wife Jeannett had Maggie and Tim Blake, Ramona and Aldo Busot, Susan and Steven Moll, Carol and Rod Buell at their table.

A perfect ending for a perfect evening was after-dinner liqueurs and Carlos Tiranos cigars served on the terrace lit by the new moon. With a night no one wanted to see come to a close - and which raised approximately \$30,000 - it looks as though a Foundation tradition has been born.



Patricia Clark, Don and Jeannett Slesnick, Judy Umberger and Dorothy Stein.



Clark, Dennis Doucette and Slesnick.

# some SPECIAL neighbors

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 7, 1997, THE HERALD

The nominees of The Charles Whited Spirit of Excellence Award are individuals who have made a difference in the lives of so many in South Florida. Some are well-known throughout the region. Others have worked very effectively but have a lower profile.

A dedication to excellence and the results brought about by that good work is what binds them together.

We applaud their performance, their leadership, and the positive influence they have on all of us. Our community is better because of them.

Please join The Miami Herald and El Nuevo Herald in saluting the 1997 Spirit of Excellence nominees!

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Thomas S. Armour  
Luis Asanza  
Georgia J. Ayers  
Calvin Hays Babcock  
Annilda Badia  
Dorothy R. Baker  
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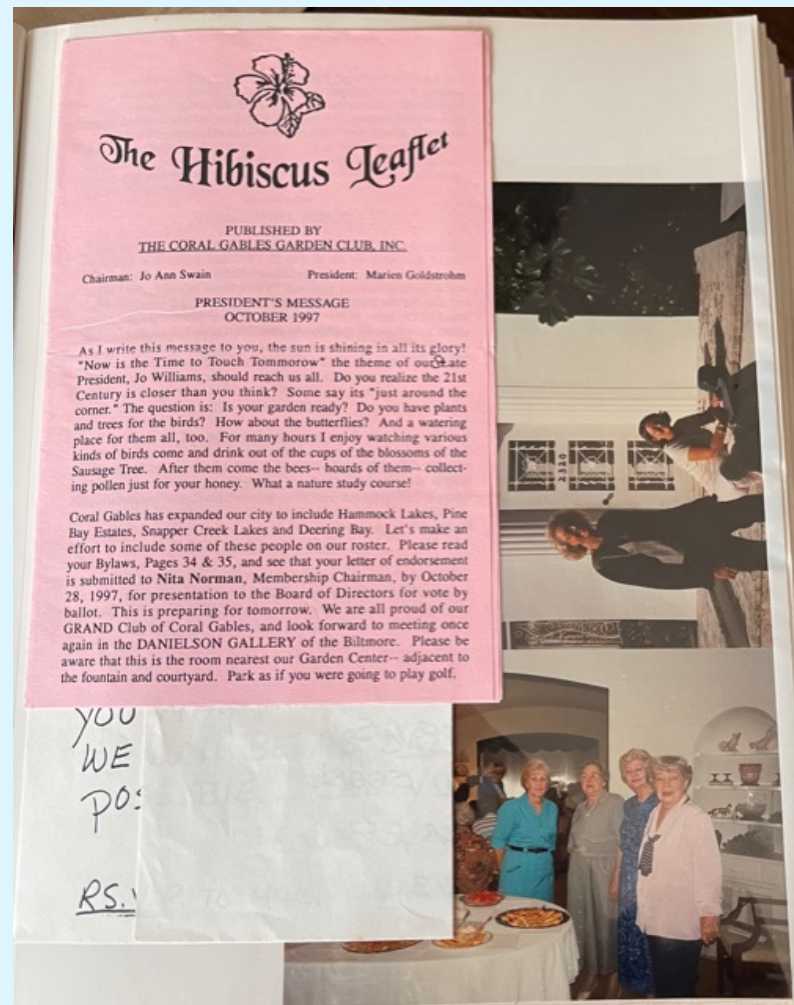
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## PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE NOVEMBER 1997

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We as a group are working very diligently in the present. All of you are helping in many ways to achieve our goals. The BIG PROJECT at this moment is the coming "Holiday Home Tour," December 14th, 1 to 4 p.m.

Awaiting your enjoyment are four beautiful homes on Grand Granada Boulevard. But you must also do a tango on Durango to see another lovely home and enjoy not only the Crafters Boutique, but the Country Kitchen baked goods and also refreshments for yourself.

"Many cooks are baking  
Crafters are crafting  
Arrangers are arranging  
Tickets are 'aselling'  
Like a partridge in a pear tree!"

Tomorrow arrives before you know it and we want everyone to participate. Offer your services-- that will be MY GIFT from you. Happy Thanksgiving to each and everyone!

Love, Marien



The Miami News - March 3, 1958

## Mary Bulmer Brickell A Mother of Miami

By JANE WOOD



Dutney drew a long, looped path around the globe before it brought Mary Bulmer Brickell in 1872 to a bit of a jungle on the little Miami river beside Biscayne Bay - where she was to help mother a metropolis.

from Yorkshire, England, where she was born the moved as a child with her parents to Australia, and then to Cleveland, where she married William Brewster Brickell.

With him she bought 640 acres of Harriet Inglish's Dade County property in 1868.

The settler grew that dutty young Mrs. Brickell roughed with her to the high point by the bay there her wanderings ended, measured 18 acres around the water. Before she died at 84, very small she looked like Queen Victoria, but sterner, and she was called stern-eyed and stern.

But they built a gracious big pillared white home and planted the oleanders around it. Mrs. Brickell lost the family fortune he made in the homestead grocery business. The Brickells and six seven children had the classically hard life the great American pioneers - with tropical luxuries.

Mrs. Brickell took over. She ran the trading at on the south bank of the Miami river that is the center of the rough little settlement it she put a pine of contempt between herself and popularity.

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## Mary Brickell Statue Project

in of seeing your name permanently inscribed in brick, we tribute to co-founder Mother of Miami, Mary Brickell.

Someone special by donating a brick to serve as the foundation of the Mary Brickell Statue.

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To buy a brick, you will receive a card of appreciation. Purchased for another person, they will receive a gift card as well.

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## PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE DECEMBER 1997

It's that joyful time again! Holiday plans have everyone jumping! Even me, if you can believe it. We are almost ready for our "GRAND HOMES OF GRANADA" Tour (with a detour on Durango). For months, Chairman Severy Gautier has been planning a view of five exciting Christmas decorated homes that will delight everyone in your family.

Every year gets better! That is the opinion of all those who have been enjoying the home tour for the past 28 years. Every year I ask myself, "How can they do it?" Come and see for yourself.

This is our main moneymaking event for community betterment. Do plan to attend. On Durango you will have a chance to enjoy refreshments lovingly prepared by all members. If you care to, you can purchase varied crafts at the Boutique as well as homemade goodies offered at the Country Kitchen. There will also be a mini "Silent Auction" with objets d'art on display for your bid. Come and join in the fun.

Have a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year with health, wealth and happiness to all.

Love, Marien

























## SOCIETY



Levery Gautier &amp; Daughter Katie Buckley at Garden Club Tour.



Carolyn Allen &amp; Mabel Gowin at Garden Club Tour.



Herb Sosa, Desiree Caskill, Luis Perez &amp; Becky Matkov at Dade Heritage Trust.



Dolly Mac Intyre, Thorn Grafton &amp; Sallye Jude at Dade Heritage Trust.



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## Community board elects

The St. John Community Development Corporation, a nonprofit community-based organization committed to the revitalization of Overtown, recently elected Robert Franklin of Coconut Grove and Norma Jean Walker



BEA MOSS

of Overtown to its board of directors. Franklin is vice president and general manager of the Miami Arena. Walker is president of the Overtown Women's Democratic Club.

Founded in 1985 by the Rev. Henry Nevin, pastor of St. John Baptist Church in Overtown, the corporation was established to revitalize the community. Some of its achievements include the development of 31 new rental apartments and three buildings on Northwest 13th Street; the implementation of the City of Miami's commercial facade program; and the improvement of 20 commercial structures in Overtown.

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## Hall of Fame

During its recent Fall District 7 meeting, the Florida Federation of Garden Clubs presented its Hall of Fame Award to Patricia Clarke of Coral Gables for her leadership of Flor-Expo '96.

Events included the Centennial Tea and Croquet in the Park, an auction and the International



Clarke

Flower show at the Coconut Grove Convention Center.

Virginia Brown of Homestead is president of the South Dade Garden Club.

## Music for causes

An Evening of Peace and Harmony: Music for a Better World, at South Miami Hospital's Victor E. Clarke Center recently, raised about \$20,000 for two causes.

The first was the Melissa Institute for Violence Prevention and Treatment founded by Lynn and Dr. Michael Aptman of





## 900 attend Garden Club Home Tour despite rain

By Rosalind Rush Moore

The phone started ringing early Sunday morning at the home of Coral Gables Garden Club Home Tour chairman Severy Gautier inquiring if the heavy rain would cause the event to be canceled. Severy said she had every confidence that the rain would let up in time for the tour. Sure enough, at one o'clock the sun stopped and 900 people toured five houses on or near Granada Boulevard.

The houses covered a wide variety of styles and dates of construction. The oldest, owned by Ila and Luis Gonzalez, was built in 1930 and designed by the same firm who designed the Coral Gables City Hall in 1928. Two brothers, Bill and Tom Daniel, live within a block of each other and their houses were both part of the tour. The other Granada house, owned by Allen Morris, is a Georgian-style home which was built in 1966. These four houses were all within walking distance with the last house belonging to Dr. Larry Imber was around the corner and served as the location of the boutique and refreshments.

Tina Archbold, Barbara Becker, Pat Jones and Nancy Sabla were house chairmen and were aided by many club members who created the beautiful floral arrangements in each location. Kathy Gaubatz handled the food - prepared by club members - and Mari Arnold was in charge of the punch. Jean Jenkins was ticket chairman with Liz Gallagher handling the programs.

As there is no advance publicity on this tour and members sell tickets to their friends, you can count on seeing people you know. Georgia Pearson was with her sister Betty Herrell and Verna Mae McLendon, with whom she attended high school. Mabel Sowin said she will spend Christmas in Lake Mary, near Orlando, with her daughter Linda Montgomery, her husband John brother of Severy Gautier, their children and grandchildren.

### CALENDAR OF EVENTS

DEC. 28 - Surf Club Christmas Ball, Surf Club  
DEC. 29 - Museum of Science & Planetarium Orange Bowl Luncheon, Fontainebleau-Hilton Hotel  
DEC. 31 - La Lega dei Vacayoni New Year's Eve Party, Vacays  
JAN. 17 - Children's Home Society's 13th annual Pink and Blue Gala  
JAN. 31 - Coral Gables Promenade, "Journey Through the 20th Century," call 441-8053  
JAN. 31 - Love and Hope Ball, Fontainebleau-Hilton Hotel

Muriel Rogers said her son and daughter, with grandchildren, will visit her for Christmas. Others enjoying the tour were Anita and Marcia Pawley, Joan Tufan, Jeani Pennekamp, Melinda Renuart, Vann and David Thomson, Mary Huston and Evelyn Nickas.

**Historic house for Dade Heritage Trust party**  
Since Dade Heritage Trust is Miami-Dade County's leading voice for historic preservation, it is appropriate that an historic home is always chosen for the group's Holiday Party. This year, the beautiful Casa Mia, home of Desiree Caskill and Luis Perez, was the setting for the party. Built in the mid-1920s, the Mediterranean-revival-style Coral Gables house occupies an acre in the area near the Biltmore Hotel.

Desiree provided background information on the house and interested guests were astonished to learn that no nails were used in construction of the house as it was built completely of concrete. There are five concrete-coffered hand-painted ceilings in the house which guests thought were wood as they looked very much like the ceilings in the ballrooms of the Biltmore Hotel. All the interior and exterior doors - which are the originals - were imported from Spain. "Since we moved here in 1961 we have been rehabilitating the house," explained Desiree who is an interior designer and says that term is used for older houses instead of renovating. Most notably is the re-covering of the pool which now has a Byzantine mosaic glass lining of pieces of tile which are one inch by one inch. Desiree created the design which

looks like a Persian rug. The living room of the house is featured in this month's issue of "Florida Design Magazine."

DHT Executive Director Becky Matkov welcomed guests and DHT President Herb Sosa stressed the importance of continuing the group's vigilance in preserving Miami's past by preserving its early buildings. Christine Rupp, DHT membership coordinator, was in charge of the party with able help from many including Rachael Parsons. DHT founder Dolly MacIntyre was among the 120 guests who attended the party as was Sallye Jude, a past DHT president and past Florida Trust president. DHT vice presidents Penny Lambeth and Enid Pinkney (who was just appointed to the Metro-Dade Historic Preservation Board, were there as were Don Sackrider, Janice and Hunter Fryor, Thorn Grafton, Ellen Oppenheimer, Anna Elbert and DHT treasurer Bill Murphy.

Following the comments by Herb, Becky and Desiree, an auction was held with Don Slesnick serving as auctioneer. Among the interesting items were cartoons by Pulitzer Prize winning Miami Herald cartoonist Jim Morin, photos by architect Thorn Grafton who is currently project architect for renovations on the Junior League building, and a weekend at the Biltmore.

### Chi Omega hosts Holiday Party

Joan Brown served as chairman of the Chi Omega Holiday Party this year as well as hosting the event at her home. She was assisted by co-chairman Meredith Mills for this annual event.

Guests were asked to bring a gift for an "owl" auction. As the symbol of Chi Omega, owls are traditionally used as gift items. "I seem like owls were out this year because no one seemed able to find any," says Joan. Other items were auctioned with proceeds going to the Chi Omega Foundation.

The party is a way for Chi Omegas to keep up with sorority activities and meet new members of the group. Margaret Howell, who was in the University of Miami chapter with Joan, was there as were Georgia Pearson, Nancy Maloy and Jeanne Heyward. Plans are underway for an April 18 Spring Luncheon.

**Coffee-goers get construction preview**  
Those attending the Light House for the Blind Holiday Coffee were given a preview of the progress of the construction of the group's new building. If all goes according to plans, the three-story structure should be completed by next summer.

Susan Kelley, president of the Lighthouse board, welcomed guests and expressed her appreciation for their help in making this much needed space a reality. "There are thousands of blind people in our area whom we have not been able to help because of lack of space," she said. "With the new building we will be equipped to help those who cannot see live full and productive lives." Jim Kracht, chairman of the building project, especially thanked members of the board and donors for their time and contributions in making the new building a reality.

Former board president Bill Morrison was in the group as were Michele Battle, Dr. Marta Weeks, new board member Tom Brady, Sloan McCrea, Ray Casas, Carter Hopkins and Anna Rentz who was sporting a shorter hair style. The new look came about before her recent trip to India when she cut it short to avoid the extra time a longer hair-style requires.





# Mary Brickell to enter long overdue limelight

by YOLANDA BALIDO  
Herald Staff Writer

Through the years, historians have honored William Brickell in books, museums and monuments as one of Miami's founders. But they often forgot to mention his wife, Mary Brickell.

"Mary Brickell is one of the mothers of Miami," said Carmen Petsoules, an amateur historian and 30-year Miami-roads resident. "But she has not gotten the proper place in history she deserved."

So Petsoules, who has spent the past 30 years trying to carve out a place for Mary Brickell in Miami's history, plans to put up a bronze statue of her along Brickell Avenue "so she will never be forgotten."

Sometime in April, it will be placed in the median along Brickell between Southeast Sixth and Seventh streets, an area Mary Brickell paid for and designed.

"The purpose of this statue is to not forget Mary," said Cesar A. Becerra, a South Florida historian. "Carmen has brought Mary out of the dark ages. Now, others are giving credit to Mary, one of Miami's mothers."

Petsoules bought the nearly \$11,000 monument — designed by West Palm Beach artist Beto Alvarez — by selling tickets to the public at \$25 each. They will serve as the statue's base and bear the names of the purchasers, who include living members of the Brickell family.

Becerra said Brickell probably has

been slighted in history because she was a quiet lady who appeared in few photographs. For years, historians thought that Brickell had never been photographed until Petsoules in 1991 found a picture of her deep in the archives of the Historical Museum of South Florida. Since then, she has found five more.

In her home, filled with so much Mary Brickell memorabilia that Petsoules calls it a "live-in museum," Petsoules holds up that photograph of Brickell while pointing at the bust statue. "See, the bust is exactly like she is," Petsoules says.

Mary Bulmer Brickell and her husband settled in Miami in the 1870s and bought more than 2,000 acres of land from the Miami River south to Coconut Grove. William, who promoted South Florida and recruited people who later became instrumental in its development, ran the first trading post and post office in the young city.

Becerra said Mary Brickell was actively involved in pioneer efforts until her death in 1922. "William Brickell sometimes was a little bit of a crazed man with the modern equivalency of Alzheimer's, and on many legal deeds it was Mary's signature that appeared."

After William's death in 1908, Mary took over family affairs, Petsoules said. "She was the guiding force for the Brickell family."

Petsoules said she is looking for a place to display all her Mary Brickell memorabilia.



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poinciana's bloom is brief?  
 Well, so are ecstasy and grief.

#### PORTRAIT OF A LADY

Men never knew that she was there,  
 Shy Susan with the faded hair;  
 Or if they looked at her at all.  
 It was as if they saw a wall.  
 And where she went, or why, or when,  
 Meant nothing to the race of men.

But once when Terry had three beers,  
 He traced the primrose of her ears  
 And wondered if her mouth would twist  
 Into a curve as yet unknissed.  
 Obedient to some command  
 His hot lips lingered on her hand,  
 And ever after that she walked  
 As one with whom the angels talked.

CIANA: Only they who are truly blind  
 Who banish beauty from the mind.

Lade L. Street, before his eyes grew dim,  
 Found your flame an elemental hymn.  
 As his wish that all the world should know  
 Sudden splendor of your sunset glow,  
 Wanted every garden, great and small,  
 Wear in June a poinciana shawl.

#### TOPSY-TURVY

I rush to town to purchase bread  
 And hurry home with cake instead;  
 I give the space I need for rows  
 Of corn and beans to golden-glows.

I buy a bonnet, Quaker prim,  
 And pin a poppy on its rim,  
 For God, who made me plain as mud,  
 Has sprinkled stardust in my blood.

#### THESE THREE:

A little food, a little sleep,  
 And one dear arm to lie upon;  
 An hour to laugh, an hour to weep,  
 And one small bed to die upon.

Love, food, and sleep, a symphony  
 Of simple needs... immortal three.

#### THE OLD SQUAW

There is no softness in her anywhere,  
 Her flesh is like the gumbo-limbo bough,  
 Her wrinkled mouth as ashen as her hair,  
 And history is written on her brow.

She smokes the pipe her mother's mother knew,  
 And wastes no breath upon a squandered word,  
 She does not heed the buzzard at his task  
 Of picking clean a carcass thrown aside.  
 But blows about her head a smoky mask.

There will be soup enough to warm her bones,  
 And boards enough to ease her crooked back,  
 And safely hidden under coral stones  
 Are coins enough to bulge a gunny sack.

She does not count the years that she has known  
 She could not tell you when or whence she came  
 But from the seed of seed that she has sown  
 Flamingos feed, an ever-widening flame.

The Old Squaw slowly scans the darkening sky,  
 The sawgrass is her compass and her chart,  
 The cypress is the symbol of her tribe;  
 And stark deception has become an art.

There is no softness in her anywhere,  
 No vent through which a curious world can spy;  
 Nor has the gumbo-limbo sprawling there  
 These hundred years once heard her laugh or cry.

#### WATER LILIES

You are to me what water is to lilies  
 That send their cool, dark stems  
 through yielding green  
 But should you watch the water leave the lilies  
 In burning pools where drought has seized a life  
 And every aching field and barren hill is  
 As leafless as the desert's sterile sand.  
 That desolation, coiled like doom about you  
 Would be the portrait of my life without you

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#### PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE JANUARY 1998

What a grand time we all had on the "GRAND HOMES OF GRANADA TOUR!" Everyone can be proud of their contribution to this supreme effort! The weather even cooperated beautifully with the rain stopping by noon and the tour proceeded on schedule. Over 700 tickets were sold so we await the tabulation of net profits to be announced at our January General Meeting. The five magnificent homes were decorated in full Christmas glory. Just as previously stated, it was a tour not to be missed!

Congratulations to Chairman Severy Gautier and Co-Chair Mari Arnold, and also Crafts Chairmen Helen Tillotson, Chris Neagle and Sally Reeder. The popular Gourmet Kitchen was run perfectly by Mona Coll. Thanks go to Kathy Gaubatz who handled refreshments; tickets were Jean Jenkins' territory; while the Program came under the chairmanship of Liz Gallagher. A special thanks to all chairmen of the individual homes plus their talented flower arrangers. We are such a fortunate club in total talent. Also gourmet cooks - the cookies were outstanding!

We must give a big thanks to Martha Smith who filled in so capably for Carolyn Durham who was called out of town on the day of the Merrick House decoration. The committee worked diligently filling the house with fresh greens, red ribbons and wreaths, and handmade angels from "crafty" Sally Reeder. If you missed this particular Christmas house...you really missed a treat!







CORAL GABLES GAZETTE DEC. 17-23/1997

By Kathy Gaubatz

To see Lauren Priegues, tall, curly red hair and easy smile is not to guess she has so many irons in the fire.

First, she is a lawyer with the U.S. Attorney's Office in the Environmental Crime Section. Next, she is a wife and mother of two children, Katharine 3 1/2 and Elizabeth of five months. Her husband Lazaro, a physician in private practice, shares her love of plants and the environment. His passion is for palms, especially those with spines on the trunk or leaf ribs. An finally, she is the enthusiastic and inspired leader of the committee whose responsibility it is to oversee the plantings and installations on the public swales and in the parks throughout the City.

Lauren greets me at the front door of her new (ish) home. Having completely renovated one old Spanish house, both the structure and yard, several years ago, she and Laz bought a home on Castile Place 2 1/2 years ago and started to do their magic all over again. As we talk, she shows me around her new house, stopping in the courtyard, where 50

## Striving to make Gables even more beautiful city botanically

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renovated kitchen to have lunch. That is where she tells me of her plans for the Beautification Committee.

One of the recent accomplishments has been the flowering tree park at the intersection of Granada and Ponce de Leon Avenues. Planted last year and dedicated last month, it includes more than a dozen different kinds of trees.

Another such project is the Alhambra Gables where begins at Douglas

row of Delonix regia (Royal Poincianas) like those along South Miami Avenue.

Finally, Young Park, between Castile Avenue, Granada Boulevard and Castile Plaza is to be enhanced. Using left-over funds from his campaign, Mayor Raul Valdes Fauri is contributing \$2,500 to make the park into the second flowering tree park in the city. The new plantings will include a Bombax ceiba, to be placed behind the plaque in the southwest corner of the area. Chorisia speciosa and Cassia javanica will also be planted. And in the eastern end of the area some Copernicia Baileyana palms will be installed.

Lauren leads me to the door and the front yard. After showing me a Datuna with its beautiful tubular flowers in bloom and discussing the origin, history and horticultural interest of a few more specimens, she bids me adieu. She says she hopes to

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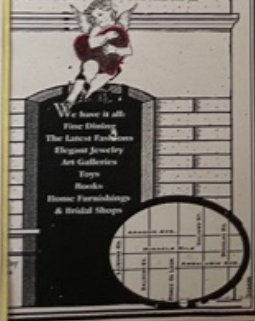
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## Developer hopes to lure tenants to Miracle Mile

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Chip Withers, who is willing to talk with Taubman officials about Miracle Mile if the offer isn't tied to the Rouse project. "It just reeks of an effort to kill the competition."

Coral Gables has been actively seeking and considering proposals to develop the city's former equipment yard for more than a year.

City commissioners in December approved a development agreement with Rouse for the 17- to 20-acre complex at 340 San Lorenzo Ave. that would also include a collection of boutiques, restaurants, a theater, apartments, offices, parking and a public plaza.

"If they believed so much in the street, why didn't they participate in the process before?" Valdes-Fauli asked. "Taubman has written a self-serving letter, 15 months too late."

Taubman is a real estate investment trust based in Bloomfield Hills, Mich., known for owning pricey, upscale properties such as The Mall at Short Hills in New Jersey and Beverly Center in Los Angeles. The Falls is its first property in Florida, although it is also developing a project in Wellington in Palm Beach County.

The company also has a track record of redevelopment projects in downtown urban areas similar to Coral Gables, such as the Cherry Creek Center in Denver and Paseo Nuevo in Santa Barbara, Calif.

But Rouse isn't ready to cash in its plans for Coral Gables. The company is continuing to seek the approvals needed to begin construction in 1999 and have Merrick Park open by the turn of the century.

"Nothing has changed," said Ruben Rouse, vice president and director of retail strategies for Rouse. "We're going forward with the project."

In addition to eliminating potential competition, what Taubman stands to gain from killing the Rouse project is an opportunity to try to lure Nordstrom or Neuman Marcus to The Falls. The \$24,000-square-foot center, which has Macy's and Bloomingdale's, has room to expand and add two more anchor tenants, Murphy said.

Landing Nordstrom would be a coup for any South Florida mall because the Seattle-based department store chain has yet to open any stores in the state.

Taubman is not the first major national retail developer to attempt to block the Rouse project. The Simon DeBartolo Group, which owns numerous malls in South Florida, including Dadeland, complained last year about the traffic that Merrick Park would create.

Local retail analysts say Taubman and DeBartolo executives aren't giving up on efforts to lure at least Nordstrom away from Merrick Park. Executives of both companies decline to discuss any ongoing tenant negotiations.

But Murphy says that's not the reason behind Taubman's proposal, which would include buying property on Miracle Mile, helping to lure new upscale tenants and working with the existing property owners to manage the area. Taubman envisions the possibility of luring tenants like Saks Fifth Avenue, which operates several smaller downtown stores elsewhere.

"The area needs a larger variety of concepts that will encourage people to linger longer and stroll the area," said Linda Reynolds, director of retail services for Taubman.



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## PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE FEBRUARY 1998

Start preparing for a few more months of exciting and enjoyable events! Fill your calendar with some of these February - March happenings:

- 11 February - BOARD MEETING - 9:30 a.m.  
Home of Mrs. Walter Davison, 1208 Asturia
- 19-22 February - 1998 TROPICAL FLOWER & GARDEN SHOW  
West Palm Beach
- 21 February - COUNTRY DAY AT THE USDA-Chapman Field  
Sale and food booths plus a very special "White Elephant" Booth. MMFS JUNIOR FLOWER SHOW will be held in the meeting room.
- 23 February - GENERAL MEETING-NO WORKSHOP  
Danielson Room at the Biltmore Hotel - 12 noon  
This is one meeting you will not want to pass up! Program will be by Stefanie Reed, Vice President, Sotheby's-N.Y. (Followed by meeting & program)
- 4-6 March - FLOWER SHOW SCHOOL - Course I  
West Palm Beach; Carol Hall, Chairman





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Weren't you delighted with our February meeting at the Biltmore? The slide program about ANTIQUES - Speaker, Stefanie Reed, V.P. of Sotheby's NY, was fascinating!

Luncheon by Mary Frances Irvin and her hard-working committee proved to be divine! The crusty French bread and sweet butter accompaniment made a beautiful arrangement in huge hand-woven baskets. Tuna salad plus the freshest assortment of greens tossed with a delightful dressing brought many back for another helping. The cookies, as always, just disappeared. If you missed this, I am sorry. It was so special.

Flower Show Chairman, Cunita Loret De Mola invited Clarita Bonderud's Design Class members to enter the Flower Show. What a success that turned out to be! The ribbon winners just beamed at their good fortune. Even Clarita's entry for "PRESIDENT'S DAY" won not only a blue ribbon but a lot of very favorable comments and smiles. Antiques displayed by various members won raves. The items were rare and beautiful as well as educational.

Thank you from Helen Tillotson, Priscilla Jackson and Chris Neagle to all that brought their gorgeous art treasures to the General Meeting.



# BUSINESS

The Herald



CANDACE BARBOT / Herald Staff

ON THE MILE: At one end of Miracle Mile, an entrance beckons visitors to the downtown Coral Gables shopping strip.

## Miracle on the Mile?

Gables officials skeptical of bid to upgrade shopping strip

By ELAINE WALKER  
Herald Staff Writer

One of the country's largest developers of upscale shopping centers offered Tuesday to put its money and experience behind restoring Miracle Mile to its glory days as a ritzy shopping strip.

It sounds like a deal too good to be true. But, of course, there's a catch.

The offer by the Taubman Co., which in December bought The Falls shopping center in South Dade for \$156 million in cash, is contingent on the city of Coral Gables

agreeing to kill plans for The Rouse Co.'s development of the Village of Merrick Park.

In a letter to Mayor Raul Valdez-Fauli, Taubman executives warned that to proceed with plans for Merrick Park, a \$275 million shopping complex anchored by Nordstrom and Neiman Marcus, would kill the viability of Miracle Mile.

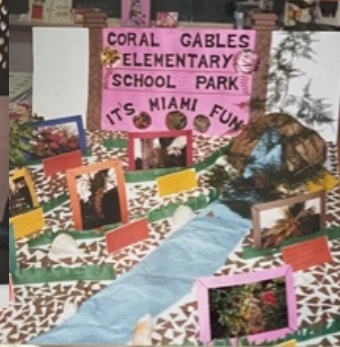
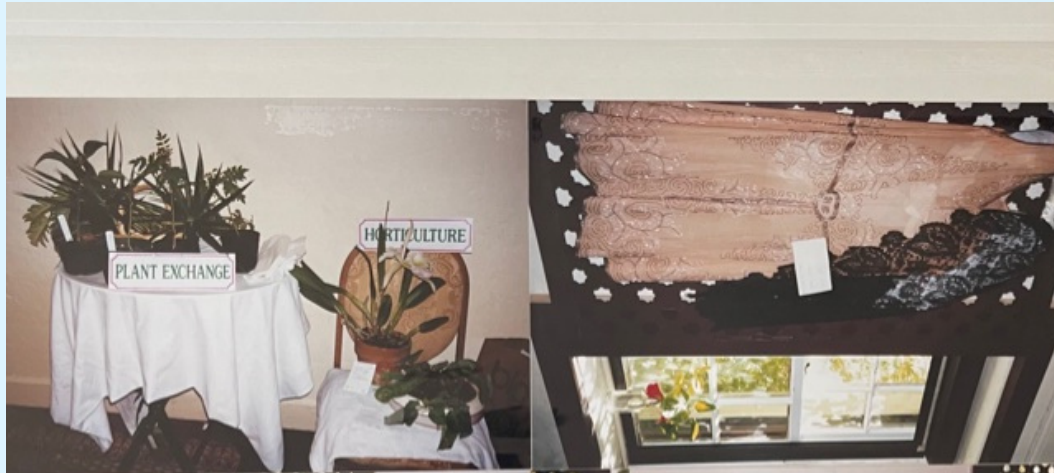
"We think it's a shame to throw this away," said Henry Murphy, senior vice president of development for Taubman. "We think there's a good opportunity to

revitalize the downtown. This can't be allowed to deteriorate any further. It just needs attention, cooperation and work."

But city officials Tuesday were skeptical of the offer, questioning Taubman's motives for wanting to kill the Rouse project and any suggestion that the city's process had been unfair.

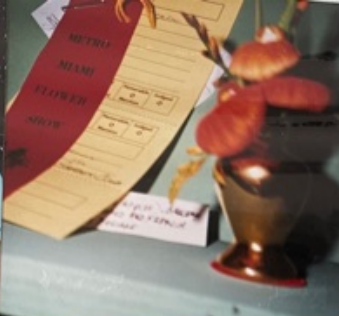
"Is it a sincere effort or a sincere effort to make sure their project at The Falls moves forward?" asked Commissioner

PLEASE SEE GABLES, 11B









## Nature, art to blossom at Miami Flower Show

Program includes vendors, lectures

BY MICHELLE BUSH  
Staff News Service

With some fresh flowers here, some dried flowers there and a little color added with a spray of paint, Victoria Ross adorns the sun, Lady and the Parachute, two of the dried foliage arrangements she will enter in this weekend's 44th Metropolitan Miami Flower Show.

Ross, 66, who lives in Princeton, has participated in the show more than 25 years and is an expert in conventional and contemporary floral designs.

"I had to interpret the theme of the show and use my imagination," said Ross, a member of the Sunset Park Garden Club, one of 38 area garden clubs sponsoring the show along with the Miami-Dade Park and Recreation Department.

This year's show theme is the arrival of Floral Arts, which features floral design, horticulture, vendors, and more.

Only World War II and Hurricane Andrew have interrupted the show in 50 years, said Mary Ellen Chestnut, show chair-

woman.

This year's event will take place at the U.S. Department of Agriculture's Subtropical Horticulture Research Station, 11601 Old Cutler Rd. And if show organizers have their way, the 700-acre site will become its permanent home.

"The Department of Agriculture made a beautiful piece of land available to us," said Carol Johnson, president of the Metropolitan Miami Flower Show.

### IF YOU GO

The Metropolitan Miami Flower Show will be open from 9:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Saturday and Sunday. Tickets at the gate are \$6; presale tickets are \$5. Children 12 and younger are admitted free. For more information, call Carol Johnson at (305) 996-3858 or Mary Ellen Chestnut at (305) 965-5730.



MICHELLE BUSH / For the Her-

**FLOWER POWER:** Victoria Ross, a member of the Sunset Park Garden Club, prepares a design for this weekend's show.

PLEASE SEE FLOWERS, 7














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**Annual May Luncheon**

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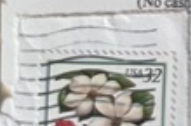
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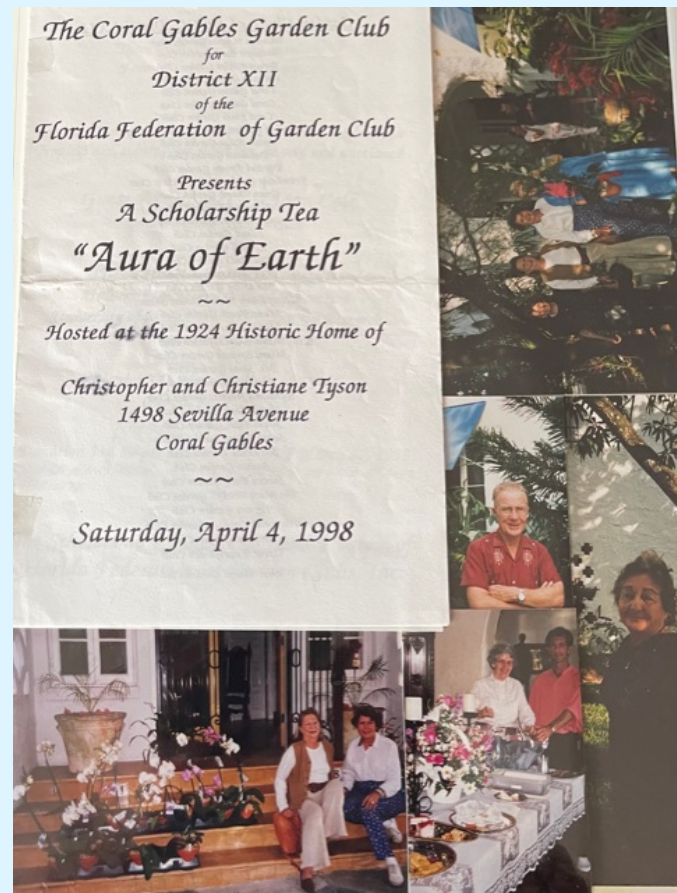
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**AN ASTRAL EVENT:** Patrons of the Miami Museum co-chairperson Tish Fryer, astronomer extraordinaire Jack Horkheimer, Susan and celebrity auctioneer Bob Soper, and Pat Clarke, also Patrons of the Miami Museum co-chairperson, share a laugh at the Museum of Science and Space Transit Planetarium's fund-raiser hosted by the Museum of Science and Space. The benefit auction and party took place Friday evening. WFOR's newsmen Soper hosted the Apollo Auction, which offered celebrity lunch dates and cruise prizes worth up to \$19,000.

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## Red Cross to honor 8 for stellar work

By FERNANDO ALMANZAR  
Herald Staff Writer

The Red Cross of Greater Miami and the Keys will honor eight noted local women at its Spectrum Awards ceremony Thursday at Miami's Hotel Inter-Continental.

"These awards are a way to say 'thank you' for the outstanding work these women have done throughout the year in South Florida," Red Cross spokeswoman Sharon Burns said.

Through the previous four Spectrum presentations, the Red Cross has raised more than \$250,000, Burns said. Next Thursday's luncheon is expected to be particularly well-attended because of the accompanying exhibition of 14 dresses once worn by the late Diana, Princess of Wales, Burns said.

This year's honorees are:

*Dresses once worn by the late Diana, Princess of Wales, will be on display at the luncheon.*

■ Pianist **Loretta Drasnoff**, who will receive the Citibank Cultural Prize for motivating many young people to take up music. Through-out her international career, Drasnoff has reflected in her music the great diversity and cultural richness of South Florida.

■ The AT&T prize for community service goes to **Joel Goodman**, who in the past 15 years has worked in many groups that protect the rights of children. She now works with Sen. Bob Graham in a project involving the development of very young children.

■ Miami-Dade School Board member **Frederica Wilson** will receive the education award cre-

ated by the J.N. McArthur Foundation. She created "Stop Day," which sets aside one day for schoolchildren to talk about crime and violence.

■ **Rosa Gonzalez** will receive the William Fox Jr. Foundation's youth award. Gonzalez is an outstanding student at the Palmer Trinity School who travels to the Dominican Republic every year, during vacation, to teach English.

■ The Deloitte & Touche entrepreneurial award goes to **Rosa Sugrues**, owner of Iberia Tiles, one of the largest producers of ceramic tile in Florida.

■ Lawyer **Daniella Levine** gets the Baptist Health Systems' health

care award for her efforts to improve social programs in the community.

■ The Bal Harbour Shops bestows its philanthropy prize on **Jean Ellen Shahan**, a member of the Family Planning Board of Greater Miami. She also helps create guidance and service programs for young people.

■ **Patricia Clark** will get the Ball South Volunteerism Award. Clark has been a valuable contributor to many countywide programs, she has worked at Miami's Museum of Science and the Space Travel Planetarium.

Television personality **Cristina Saralegui** will be the host of the ceremony, which begins at noon Thursday at the Hotel Inter-Continental, 100 Chopin Plaza. Tickets are \$100, \$150 and \$250. For information, call (305) 644-1200, ext. 216.

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Horkheimer, Pat & Douglas Clarke at Museum Party.



Marie & Bill Trotter, Jack Horkheimer & Marilyn Davison at Museum Party.







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CONNIE CROWTHER

## Plant trees, children get the shade

"One generation plants the tree; the next generation gets the shade."

With the thought provoked by this Chinese proverb, Lauren J. Priegues has launched a timely and worthwhile community project in Coral Gables: Plant more trees now, so that future generations will continue to enjoy the beauty, the fresh air and the shade we have today.

Trees mature and wither. Trees die. Trees suffer irreparable damage in storms and hurricanes. Therefore, if we don't keep planting trees — forever — we will not keep space of the natural attrition of our beautiful shade canopies. Priegues, chair of the city's Beautification Committee, takes the concept one step further. She wants us to plant as many flowering trees as possible — especially in the park areas where they will not afflict their occasional blossom blotches on our shiny new cars.

#### Cascades of blossoms

Who among us hasn't marveled at a heart-stopping red royal poinciana tree, a delicate pink frangipani or plumeria, or a crepe myrtle hanging low with cascades of white blossoms? What better addition to our community could we make than gorgeous, lush flowering trees to complement the beauty of our architecture, winding streets and open green spaces? I'm with Lauren Priegues: there's nothing I'd like to see more than a community punctuated with hundreds of flowering trees, each one popping into buds at various times of the year to keep the chain eternal.

#### Fire from the air

Early in my career I lived in Nassau, Bahamas, where the island turns bright red each June with the thousands of blooming royal poinciana trees. Someone told me that when you fly over the island during this time, it looks as if the entire island is on fire. I tried it — and it's true. The predominant color you see from the air is the bright scarlet of the poincianas, contrasted with the clear, aquamarine blue sea and the necklace-like strings of pas-

tel coral reefs surrounding each island. Lauren is already doing her part to push the poinciana trees in Coral Gables. She cultivates poinciana seedlings then gives them away each year to people who want to start a tree in their yard. Another positive point of the poinciana is that they lose all their blossoms and leaves in the winter, magnifying our less-bright, less-warm winter sun.

#### A community-wide effort

Lots of other people are also involved in this effort to increase our population of trees and flowering trees. HealthSouth Doctors' Hospital recently donated \$6,000, through the Coral Gables Foundation, to plant trees in the triangle-shaped park at Granada and Pisano, in the midst of a residential neighborhood. Mayor Raul Valdes-Fauli donated \$2,500 in unused campaign funds to plant trees throughout Coral Gables. Commissioner Jim Barker has underwritten a planting project on Country Club Prado. The open space there is beautiful, but would be even more so with more grand, cooling trees.

The Parkership program, brainchild of Commissioner Bill Kerdyk, has spawned a public-private effort to increase our open park space. Individuals have donated land and funds, again through the Foundation, to provide small neighborhood parks, in perpetuity.

#### Garden Club contributions

**The Coral Gables Garden Club**, a bastion of the City Beautiful founded by Eunice (Mrs. George) Merrick in the early days of Coral Gables, also works tirelessly to keep the community landscaped and planted year-round. Members recently worked with the city to create a gorgeous new gateway, fountains, plantings, trees and surrounds at the corner of Miracle Mile and Douglas Road. This gateway signals to all who pass that they are entering a very special place, a place where people care.

#### Pride begets pride

In this column, I regularly comment about how one individual's efforts can, indeed, make a huge

difference. Pride begets pride. Our community is a monument to this idea. Planting a tree, buying a tree to be planted, supporting existing programs, or donating money or securities to the Foundation to support the tree-planting and Parkership programs are ways each one of us could make a significant contribution to what has become a cumulative, community-wide effort to make our beautiful community even more beautiful.

#### Commemorative trees

The Pinewood Cemetery gives us an opportunity to plant a much-needed tree there and dedicate it in the memory or honor of a loved one. Several individuals I know, whose mothers and fathers are buried thousands of miles away, have dedicated trees in their parents' memory. They visit there regularly, keep the area cleared around their commemorative tree, and plant flowers, just as they would visit the graves far away.

#### Plant on Mother's Day

This coming Sunday, May 10, is Mother's Day. It's a great time to think about honoring our mothers, living or departed. It's also a day when Fairchild Tropical Garden will host its regular Tropical Flowering Tree Day, where hundreds of flowering poinciana, silk floss, red silk floss, African tulip, orange geiger, myrtle, frangipani, and other flowering trees will be for sale, just waiting for you to snap them up and plant them somewhere they can grow and bloom. If you want to get involved with the Beautification Committee's efforts, call Lauren Priegues or City Hall, or attend their meeting on the third Wednesday of the month at 9:15 a.m. in the Commission Chambers. It's something small, simple, easy and cost-effective that we can each do to make a blooming fantastic cumulative impact on our community.

Connie Crowther, writer and public relations counselor, has lived in Coral Gables for 22 years and is active in community affairs.





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SOCIETY



Betty Adams, Chris Tyson, Pat Clarke at Garden Club Tea.

"Aura of Earth" raises scholarship funds  
Chairman Pat Clarke chose the term "Aura of Earth" as the theme for the Florida Federation of Garden Clubs Scholarship Tea "because that is something that is beautiful and lasting." Hosted by the Coral Gables Garden Club at the home of Chris Tyson, the tea was also an opportunity to bid on rare plants. And who better to serve as auctioneer than Ken Eulent who is manager of Tropical Garden?  
Much work went on behind the scenes before the tea was held. A variety of locales as child garden, Clifford Arboretum, the Kampang, Parrot, South Miami Orchids, Culture Study Society had separated and re-potted. was handled by Jane Williams her committee. Virginia (president of the Coral Music Club) handled the and gathering of the food Charlotte Henderson was zions chairman. Coral Garden Club President oldstrohm welcomed the who gathered in the garden for the auction loved Jo Williams who esident of the Florida of Garden Clubs.

It was a lovely afternoon for the event and many people went home with wonderful treasures to beautify their gardens which enhances the Garden Club credo "Life is only what you make it, so make it beautiful."

Local COLOR Social

Red Cross Honors Women at Spectrum Awards

The American Red Cross recently hosted its annual Spectrum Awards for Women Luncheon, honoring eight local women for their outstanding contributions to the South Florida community. Miami's Inter-Continental Hotel. Cristina Saralegui, veteran journalist and host of the top-ranked Hispanic talk show "The Cristina Show," was the key note speaker; and Miami Herald columnist Tara Solomon served as Mistress of Ceremonies. The Spectrum Awards honorees were: Joni Goodman, The AT&T Community Service Award; Loretta Dranoff, The Citibank Cultural Award; Frederica Wilson, The J.N. McArthur Foundation Education Award; Jean Ellen Shehan, The Bal Harbour Shops Philanthropy Award; Daniella Levine, The Baptist Health Systems Health Care Award; Patricia Clarke, The Bell South Volunteer Award; Rosa Gonzalez, The William Fox Jr. Foundation Youth Award; and Rosa Supranes, The Deloitte & Touche Entrepreneurial Award. The luncheon was attended by more than 500 people.



PATRICIA CLARKE, JEAN ELLEN SHEHAN, JONI GOODMAN, ROSA SUPRANES, FREDERICA WILSON, ROSA GONZALEZ, LORETTA DRANOFF, & DANIELLA LEVINE

Star Trek' inspires beaming fund-raiser for science museum

By Lisa Graham

Supporters donned their Trek regalia to attend the "Me Up!" fund-raising held last Friday at the Museum of Science & Space at Planetarium. Patricia Clarke, co-chair of the event and president-elect of the museum and its fund-raising group, said the benefit group on the theme in part took on the name in part in honor of the "Star Trek" series on view at the museum in May.



Master of Ceremonies and Song of TV Channel 4 and Patricia Clarke, event co-chair.



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## James Sottile Jr.

James Sottile Jr., a longtime Coral Gables resident who established a business empire in real estate, mining, construction, citrus groves, cattle ranching and banking, died in his home May 1 at age 84.

He was also responsible for establishing the Pan American Bank Credit Card, one of the country's first nonretail credit cards.

In 1957, Sottile was featured in Fortune Magazine as one of the 20 richest men in the United States, which ranked his personal fortune between \$75 million and \$100 million.

Sottile was born in Charleston, SC, on Oct. 19, 1913. Nine years later he moved to Dade County, where he attended Coral Gables Military Academy. He participated in the ceremony that took place when the University of Miami's cornerstone was laid.

Sottile graduated from Miami High and later studied agriculture at the University of Florida. He returned home to help his family financially during the Great Depression.

In 1936, he married Ethel Hooks, whose family settled in South Florida in 1897.

Before World War II, Sottile and his father acquired more than 18,000 acres of land, which included six miles of Biscayne Bay waterfront.

Some of the land was sold to Florida Power & Light, which later built Turkey Point Power Plant.

During the war, the government hired him to build several air bases throughout the state, including those at Homestead, Boca Raton, Jacksonville, Avon Park, Orlando and Tampa.

After World War II, Sottile bought more than 30,000 acres in Brevard County and citrus property in Highland and Manatee counties. His business became one of Florida's largest ranching and citrus operations. His ranch "Sury Q" in Brevard had a herd of 15,000 cattle.

In 1951, Sottile began acquiring banks. The enterprise eventually included the South Dade Farmer's Bank, Pan American Bank of Miami, Coral Gables First National Bank (now SunTrust) and the Bank of Palmetto. He also held an interest in Goldfield Corp., a company that helped rebuild Dade's electrical infrastructure after Hurricane Andrew.

In the 1980s, Sottile bought land on LeJeune Road and Valencia Avenue, where a Publix supermarket and other retail stores were developed.

"We considered the thought of building a 13-floor office building but subsequently abandoned the idea and continued the lease with Publix on a long-term basis," his son told a reporter. "It is one of the few city blocks, if not the only one, with single ownership. His primary remaining assets include construction, mining and real estate."

Sottile was a past state racing commissioner, a former trustee of the University of Miami, and a

member of Coral Gables Rotary, Elks Club, Sons of the American Revolution and the Knights of Columbus.

In addition to his son and wife of 62 years, Sottile is survived by two daughters, Linda S. Loneragan, Suzanne S. Guanci and Jeanne S. Walsh, 22 grandchildren and 26 great-grandchildren. Another son, James Sottile III, died in 1983.

Visitation was on Sunday, May 3, with prayer services at 7 p.m. at Abner-Plummer Funeral Home, 6001 Bird Rd. A mass was held at 10 a.m. Monday, May 4 at Church of the Little Flower, Coral Gables.

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**ROBERT**  
1911-1998, 86, of passed away on April 19, 1998. Born in Buffalo, attended Bentley College, moved to Coral Gables in 1947. He founded Business Forms in 1948, remained active until 1985. Also involved in his community was a past commander of the Country Club of Coral Gables, member of the Country Club of Coral Gables, member of the Progress of Miami, a life member of the Orange Bowl Committee, past president of the Gables People-to-People Society, member of the Board of Sister Cities International and volunteer of the child Tropical Garden. He was ordained a Presbyterian at age 16, he remained at the First Presbyterian Church of Coral Gables its closing. He then became an associate member of Mark's Lutheran Church. He was preceded by his daughter, Dottie Seipp Corder, who survived by his wife of 42 years, Joyce. His son, Robert Seipp, grandsons Robert Seipp of Key Largo, Florida, and Dorian Seipp of Coral Gables, FL. Memorial service at 2:00 PM Thursday, April 23, 1998. The family will be at the service at 2:00 PM. Mark's Lutheran Church, 3500 LeJeune Rd., Coral Gables, FL. Memorial donations may be made to Mark's Lutheran Church.

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## Colm W. Weldon, 58, Coral Gables lawyer

**BELLE de GALE**  
Writer

Colm W. Weldon had a life of "Work hard, play hard."

World traveler, gun-hoer, sportsman and Coral Gables lawyer for more than 20 years, Weldon burned brightly at both ends.

He worked a lot but just as much. He said still, "said his Nardis Garrison Weldon wanted to see and everything."

Weldon died Jan. 5 at his home in St. Simons Island, Ga. He was 58. Weldon graduated from the University of Miami with a law degree in 1964. After college, he married his first wife, Mary King, and moved to Miami, where his in-law owned a finance corporation. He and King split up in 1965. After the divorce, Weldon spent several years working at various law firms downtown.



Weldon

## DEATHS

In 1974 he became a partner in the Coral Gables firm of Pyska, Kessler, Massey, Weldon, Catri, Holton and Doublerly.

Weldon later married Nardis Garrison. A member of the Dade County Bar Association, the Association of Trial Lawyers of America, Florida Defense Lawyers Association and the Defense Research Institute, Weldon loved what he did.

"He was a very well respected lawyer, and he loved the attention he got as a defense attorney," his wife said.

He also loved the outdoors. As co-owner of a house in Stillville, Weldon spent much of his time fishing and boating.

After Hurricane Andrew destroyed most of Stillville, Weldon's fishing trips turned to road trips. He and his wife traveled around the country, mostly by car, visiting the same places sometimes two or three times.

The couple also traveled to Europe at least once a year.

"He had several medical problems over the

years but never acted like it, or gave it to them," said Pam Garrison, his sister-in-law. "He lived as though he would live forever. He knew something we didn't."

In 1994, Weldon's wife was attacked in the driveway of their Coral Gables home. Muggers got away with her gold Rolex. The following month he was held up at gunpoint while home. The couple then decided to leave Miami-Dade County.

They moved to the St. Simons Island, Georgia, where Weldon continued to practice law.

In 1997, making plans to travel the rest of the world, Weldon retired early.

In addition to his wife, Weldon is survived by his daughter Mary "Binky" Lamar, granddaughter Aubrey McKenzie Fash, and son-in-law.

Services are at noon today at the First United Methodist Church of Coral Gables, 536 Coral Way.

In lieu of flowers, contributions in his memory can be made to the American Cancer Society, the Miller-Ward Alumni House at the University of Ducks Unlimited.



### Dr. Julia F. Morton

(1912-1996)

Dr. Julia F. Morton was a world-renowned economic botanist. She had no academic degrees; her formal academic training was limited to a couple of community college Spanish courses. This makes her Doctoral title all the more remarkable: It was awarded her by Florida State University, which named her an outstanding academic woman in Florida. Although her Doctorate is an honorary one, not many holders of "earned" doctoral degrees achieved as much professional recognition.



Julia F. Morton

"Jay" was insatiably curious. She worked on a variety of projects, including growing wild rice and Chinese water chestnuts in Florida, the use of a plant dye substitute for synthetic dyes, identification of safe plants for the U.S. military in Viet Nam and a beautifully illustrated and very professional book on tropical fruits. She fielded a multitude of inquiries about plants that came in person, by mail and by telephone. During her career she followed up inquiries to find answers to thousands of questions posed to her about plants. She referred to some of these investigations as "detective stories." Some were as simple as a person

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coming to see her with a rash that looked suspiciously like that caused by poison ivy. The person with the rash maintained stoutly that she knew what poison ivy plants looked like and had none in her yard and certainly had touched none. Jay did a little investigating, found poison ivy growing in a vacant lot near the victim's home, and established that the woman's rash was indeed from poison ivy. The rash victim's dog had brought back the skin irritant after running through poison ivy in the vacant lot and she had acquired the rash from petting her dog.

Dr. Morton was involved in several studies of plants containing carcinogens. In one, she found the plant or plants that might be responsible for the high incidence of esophageal cancer among residents of the Island of Curacao in the Netherlands Antilles. During a six year investigation, she collected and lyophilized samples of 23 plant species that were most often used in bush-teas by the esophageal cancer victims. She, with the help of the National Institutes of Health, found that three of these plants produced tumors in 100% of experimental animals tested.

In many of her investigations of human problems involving plants, Dr. Morton worked with people in a way that caused me to accuse her of "practicing medicine without a license."

by Howard J. Teas

### James W. McLamore

(1926-1996)

The Department of Biology lost a true friend when James W. McLamore died on August 8, 1996. I first met Jim at Frank Smather's Four Fillies Farm about three months after I arrived in Miami. We had a meeting with the late Bill Klein, former director of Fairchild Tropical Garden, and Frank to discuss ways in which the Department and the Garden could work more closely to advance research in tropical plant biology. One of Jim's true loves in the plant world was orchids. I was struck by his intense commitment, both to the University and to the Garden. Over the next four years, as I got to know Jim better, what impressed me most about the man was how he really cared about people. He had a warmth about him that was magnetic. I felt it in his handshake and could see it in his eyes. He was a great humanitarian. To honor his memory and his tireless support of educating young people, the University has announced plans for the James W. McLamore Distinguished Fellowships in tropical botany, landscape architecture and business. The Department of Biology will support the research studies of graduate students working toward their Ph.D.

by Michael S. Gaines

As *The Biologue* went to press, we were saddened by the death of Dr. Earl Rich, who was Professor Emeritus with the Department of Biology. He died on April 8, 1997.