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Coral Gables Garden Club Coral Gables, Florida ~ Celebrating our 98th Year

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September 2022

Welcome to the 98th Season of the Coral Gables Garden Club!

President's Message by Susan Rodriguez

I hope you have enjoyed a wonderful Summer with family and friends. We have an exciting year planned for our members, with special public and private events to bring our community together. There is something to interest everyone! Browse the list of Club Happenings on the last page to add to your calendar.

I want to thank our members who have agreed to be committee chairs this year, especially those who have worked this summer to organize our 98th season. Denise West: the yearbook editor, Sherry Jordan: yearbook cover design, Teresa Zohn: monthly speakers & workshop, Alexis Ehrenhaft: getting the garden center ready, Judy Mangasarian: fantastic field trips, Marlene Riesco: Fun with Flower workshops & the November Floral Extravaganza, Maria Gonzalez: monthly hospitality teams, Joan Wright: Board hostesses, Barbara Reese and Jowanda Peterson: Spring Fundraiser, Beth Werner: our librarian, Carmen Cason: scheduling two garden therapy events, and Sharon Trbovich: The City Beautiful Flower Show. I'm excited to let you know that several of our Provisional Members will be chairing committees, starting with Bonnie Seipp: the District XII's representative for FFGC's camera club and Chair of the CGGC camera club, Tara Auclair: P.R., Website, Emily de Armas: Hibiscus Newsletter Editor, Website, Fabiola Bolanos: Social Media, Maria Ason: Landmarks, Wendy Cook: Historian and Photography, Kristal Meyer: May Installation Luncheon, Maria Feito: Registration. We have a special orientation planned for all Provisionals on September 24th, at the Garden Center, thanks to our provisional moms, Denise West and JoWanda Peterson. Finally, I hope you will embrace the opportunities of our 98th season. Thank you for your willingness to sustain our mission. I am looking forward to sharing this year with you, so get involved, and let's have fun!



Susan Rodriguez and neighborhood volunteer Brother Dave watering plants at the Macfarlane pollinator patch

September Program News

by Teresa Zohn

In April of 2023, we will be sponsoring a Flower Show, "The City Beautiful". Our workshops will focus on inspiring us to learn and participate in the Flower Show, which will include horticulture and flower arrangements. Our first workshop, "Horticulture, Plant and Container Selection and Preparation," will be held at 10:00 AM in the Garden Center at the Biltmore and conducted by Sandra Deery, Past President and Current Director of Coral Pines Garden Club, National Garden Club Student Judge, Award winning Flower Show Designer and Horticulture Exhibitor.

The workshop will be followed by lunch in the Danielson Gallery at 11:15 AM, with the meeting starting at noon. The Program will be: "Matheson Hammock: Restoring Microclimates and Reversing Extinction of Public and Private Forests," presented by James Duncan, Environmentally Endangered Land Preserve Manager, Miami-Dade County DERM. James has been leading us and ensuring the success of our project with the Girl Scouts of Tropical Florida to restore the Rockland forest on the Girl Scout Property on Old Cutler Road.

The Hostesses for September: France Ingraham*, Donna Box, Ana Lam, Karen Luneburg, Haydee Pichardo, and Linda Waldron

The workshops will be free for everyone, but please register with Teresa Zohn at Teresa.Zohn@gmail.com or text her at 305-773-0262 with your name.

Camp Mahachee: A Rockland Restoration Has Begun

by Susan Rodriguez

The invasive vines overtaking the front entrance of Camp Mahachee have been removed as Phase I of the Restoration Project is underway, setting the stage for a Rockland hammock.

A Rockland hammock is a unique community filled with limestone substrate that was common in the south Florida landscape until urban development began to expand and chipped away at this native habitat. In Florida, Rockland hammock occurs in three general areas: along the southern extreme of the Atlantic Coastal Ridge, also known as the Miami Rock Ridge, which extends from around downtown Miami southwest to Mahogany Hammock in the Everglades National Park, and throughout the Florida Keys according to the Florida Natural Areas Inventory.

The second phase of this Rockland hammock restoration will include a hardwood tropical forest filled with 2,000 native trees, ferns, bromeliads, and epiphytes. The third phase will be a pollinator garden that will be gifted to the Girl Scouts by the Garden Club. Please make sure you read Horticulture Chair, Betsy Tilghman's articles this year, as she will highlight the interesting trees endemic to a Rockland hammock and the wildlife they support.

The Committee has been working on this project since May, guided by James Duncan, an Environmental Resources Project Supervisor for Miami-Dade, and an environmental policy expert, who will be our guest speaker at our September General meeting. The committee includes members Susan Rodriguez, Lynn Kerdyk, Rhonda Anderson, Charlotte Smiley, Teresa Zohn, Haley Karl, and Chelsea Wilkerson of the Girl Scouts, and Barbara McAdam of the University of Florida's Miami Dade Extension office. We have been arranging volunteers, cleaning debris, raising funds, doing assortment plans of native trees and Rockland understory plants, gathering donations from Adopt-A-Tree and native nurseries, and finding volunteers and



Team of volunteers at the Camp Mahachee site



Charlotte Smiley, Girl Scout alum



Camp Mahachee, Phase I

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experts for tree planting, irrigation, and debris removal. Thanks to all of our members who adopted 2 trees for this project.

Jennifer Possley, has been growing the very rare, endangered *Tectaria Fimbriata* fern in her lab at Fairchild, which is an appropriate understory plant for a Rockland hammock.

Hundreds of these ferns will be donated to our restoration. Dr. Jason Downing, also of Fairchild, will be donating epiphytes that can be tied onto the newly planted trees as well as terrestrial orchids. Lydia Cuni will be donating trees from the Connect to Protect program. We are blessed to have these great relationships with the Fairchild experts; they are very excited to help with this restoration.

Thanks to all the volunteers that have come out this summer to do physical work, including members of the Garden Club, Coral Gables Fire Department, Coral Gables High School Students, Keeping the City Beautiful team, Mayor Lago, and Vice Mayor Emeritus William Kerdyk III.

Sunday, October 2nd, from 2-5 PM, is the kick-off event planting the first set of trees. Please come out to support, and don't worry — you won't be asked to bring a shovel, as the holes will already be dug before you get there.

[You can learn more and see pictures on our website by clicking here.](#)



Fern for Camp Mahachee Tectaria Fimbriata



Volunteers on August 23rd debris clean up and invasives removal. Susan Rodriguez, Emily de Armas, Teresa Zohn, Wendy Cook, Grace Carricarte, Charlotte Smiley, Rhonda Anderson, Mary Snow, Bill Kerdyk, Trae Kerdyk, Matt Anderson Solanch, Coral Gables Fire Fighters, and Rotary members



Club members Wendy Cook, Susan Rodriguez, Rhonda Anderson, and Grace Carricarte cleaning debris at Camp Mahachee in July



Cutting down invasive trees at the Camp Mahachee site. The invasive trees were stripped of berries to be used as mulch for the project

Welcome Back: Favorite Flower & Leaf

by Donna Box

Please bring in your Favorite Flower and or Decorative Leaf in a clear glass container for our first meeting. Your specimen needs to be groomed. Small size would include dwarf varieties or small blooms like Pentas. Large exhibit should not exceed 18 inches. There is new tech on the iPhone that helps to identify plants by swiping up on the photo. Identify your exhibit by Genus species, underlined.

See example below.

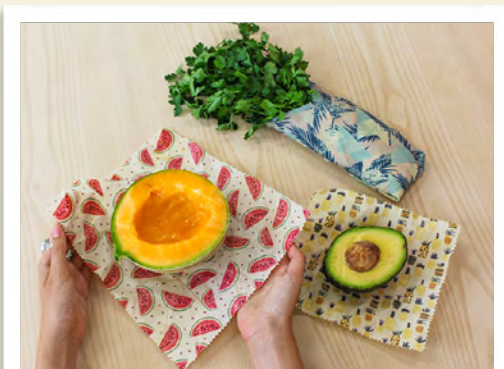


Flower: Ixora coccinea

Green Tip of the Month

by Emily de Armas

Use beeswax wrap to preserve food instead of plastic wrap. You can wash the wraps in cold water and let air dry. They're reusable for up to a year and they come in fun prints! You can find packs of 9 on Amazon.



Fun with Flowers: Little Dearies...Here's a Bewitching Way to Welcome Fall

by Sherry Jordan and Ana Lam

You'll need something to cut with.

To pin, stitch and attach with.

Come to our cottage. Your cohorts will be ready.

Summon your wilder side.

Let creativity guide your spirit.

Stir up something sensational.

Then don your masterpiece for our October General Meeting.

Coral Gables Garden Club's "Garden Witches"

A Witch Hat Decorating Workshop

Saturday, October 22nd, 10:30am-12:30pm

\$20/per person paid in advance, limited to the first 20 who reserve! RSVP and Questions to Ana Lam analamcg305@gmail.com

Make your check payable to: Coral Gables Garden Club, Inc. to confirm your reservation.

Deliver or mail payment to Ana Lam's home, 800 Ortega Avenue, Coral Gables, FL 33134

Hats are provided in Basic Black, so go for the GLAM.

Bring ephemera from your own collection. Or select from those provided. (i.e., silk flowers, ribbon, feathers, lace, rhinestones, netting, or even creatures with an abundance of hairy legs, if you dare!)



Horticulture Column: Bahama Strongbark- *borreria succulenta*

by Betsy Tilghman



Two thousand native trees in 3-gallon pots are being gathered for planting at the Girl Scouts of Tropical Florida Camp Mahachee, situated in an endangered Rockland hammock just off Old Cutler Road. The Coral Gables Garden Club is honored to be a partner in this important restoration, along with the Coral Gables Community Foundation and the Kerdyk Family PARKnership fund.

The planting of these native tree species gives us a great opportunity to highlight a few of them in this Horticulture Column. This month we begin with the Bahama Strongbark.

Barely growing as far north as the Miami River, this endangered small tree is found in southern Miami-Dade County, Monroe County, and the Florida Keys and West Indies. Trim it as a large hedge or let it grow tall. Either way, it is loaded in the spring with sweet-smelling white flowers attracting hummingbirds, butterflies, and night moths. The flowers become bright orange berries for wildlife in the fall. Although non-toxic to humans, the berries are not noted as a culinary delight – no competition from us for the creatures that enjoy them.

As a native to our area, it is tolerant of mild cold weather, drought, and salt, and likes well-drained soil with a bit of organic matter, as you would find in a Rockland hammock.

This is what is fun about digging into a plant's story – it is not just about the berries, pollinators, or growing requirements – the extra spark is its place in man's history – and the Strongbark has charm in this regard. The tree is also known as the Bahama or Smooth Strongback (back, not bark), which refers to the vivifying effects tea steeped from the tree's bark has on a tired and weary husband – a rumor whispered for centuries wherever the Strongbark grows.

Can't wait to research next month's tree!

MacFarlane, Morning Joe, and Monarchs

by Susan Rodriguez

I have been enjoying my morning coffee at the Macfarlane Pollinator Patch this Summer, amazed at seeing all the wildlife this little garden has to offer. Recently I was there with Dennis Olle, the President of the Miami Blue Chapter of N.A.B.A. and within 30 minutes we counted 7 different species of butterflies enjoying their day in the sun, amongst all the native plants that are flourishing there. Thank goodness he brought his binoculars as the smaller butterflies were a little harder to identify and a lot quicker than most.



Giant Swallowtails, Monarchs, Cassius Blues, Lyside Sulphurs, Horace's Duskywing, Monk Skippers, and an unidentified small yellow Sulphur all with different host plants were spreading their wings that day, enjoying the bountiful nectar sources.

Recently I planted another corky stem passion vine (one was removed by accident) so in time we will be seeing other butterflies such as the Julia, Zebra Longwing, and the Gulf Fritillary.

Monarchs are one of many butterfly species that nectar on Blue porterweed. Photo by Mary Keim

Our member Grace Carricarte has been doing a conservation project this summer on the Atala butterfly and she deposited hundreds of Atala caterpillars on the counties we have there. We need to get 7 more plants to establish a colony according to Dennis, so that is on my list of things to do this Fall.

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There is much to do in this garden, including recording data of what wildlife is there and creating an informational chart to be posted for the community. Labeling the plants, weeding, mulching and watering are just a few things that need to be done. During the school season, the Coral Gables High School kids come on Wednesday afternoons to work, that is a really nice time to be with our community's youth.

If you would like to get involved with our priority to engage the MacFarlane community, please email me at susan56athome@gmail.com or Grace Carricarte at grace@greatestlife.one



*Thoroughwort, endangered source of nectar
for butterflies
photo by Wendy Cook*

Red Mangrove Project 2021-2022

by Grace Carricarte



Mangroves ready for transportation

The Coral Gables Garden Club began the Red Mangrove Project in 2012 by planting 300 propagules (mangrove seedlings) at Matheson Hammock. Eight years later Rhonda Anderson, member and now commissioner and Project Canopy Chair, resumed this project after rescuing propagules stranded on the Matheson Hammock bike path and parking lots during King Tide events in 2019. Our Club eagerly approved her request that the Club member participate in raising the young Red Mangrove trees.

That one move turned into the collection, planting and growing 750 healthy trees during the height of Covid in 2020-2021. With the partnership with the nonprofit MANG, these trees were acclimated and planted in the Keys to restore hurricane damaged trees and in West Palm Beach where mangrove populations have become scarce. This year on August 25th, MANG picked up over 1,000 young Red Mangroves from our 2021-2022 efforts. An additional 200 trees were donated to a local non-profit, Force of Nature, who will acclimate and plant them on a permitted site in Miami-Dade County.

At the forefront of this project is education through community presentations, booths at events, school presentations, meetings, and sharing with volunteers the imperative functions mangroves play and their use in eco-restoration. This year's project even caught the eye of National Geographic for an article published July 26, 2022 entitled *Can restoring mangroves protect Miami from rising seas?* by Laura Parker. [It can be found online in the Environment section](#)

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This project could not have been done without the hundreds of volunteers including those high school students, community members, city staff, and our own members who came out. We are grateful for everyone's efforts collecting propagules at Matheson Hammock, later sorting them, planting them, and the group affectionately called "Mangrove Maniacs" who cared for these plants for 7 months. As they grew, so did our friendships as we encountered many lessons, texts, talks, dirt, and laughs along the way.



Garden Club members Rhonda Anderson and Susan Rodriguez with MANG, Coral Gables city employees Solanch and Matt, and volunteers



Mangrove pups growing in kiddie pools

Remembering Gail

by Denise West

We will miss the beautiful smile of Gail Mase, a Coral Gables Garden Club member since 2001. Gail and her husband Ken were married for 59 years and had two sons and five grandchildren. Returning to Coral Gables upon Ken's retirement in 2000, they built a beautiful Spanish-style home on the Biltmore golf course, which many will remember as featured in a CGGC Holiday Home Tour. Despite medical limitations, Gail attended the general membership meetings (before COVID), greeting all with joyous smiles, a reflection of her faith in God. Gail's parting gift to each attending her memorial service was a Blooming phalaenopsis orchid plant containing a favorite verse from 1 John 4:19 "We love because he first loved us."



*Gail Mase
March 16, 1942- August 28, 2022*

Announcing: A New Camera Club for Members

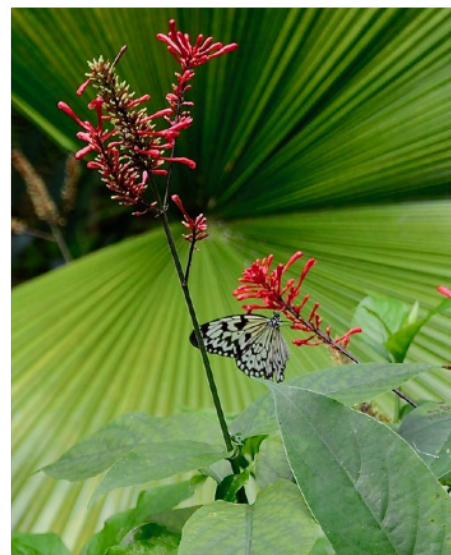
by Bonnie Seipp

We're proud to announce a photography program to offer educational meetings, articles, and opportunities for members to develop and improve their photography skills and have fun! Our Meetings will be perfect for the novice.

Meetings will take place on the third Wednesday from 7 - 8 pm, twice in the Fall and twice in the Spring for educational programs. Photography field trips will be scheduled throughout the year. Updates will be shared on social media, including a dedicated Facebook page with opportunities for critiques.

As we advance, we are planning on including additional events and competitions. Please join us on October 19th at 7pm in the Garden Club space at the Biltmore Hotel for our first meeting! Courtney Schmidt will be teaching our first class, "The Art of iPhone Photography." Courtney is an artist and Adjunct Professor & Lecturer of Photography in the Department of Art and & Art History at UM. She has her Master in Fine Arts – MFA Photography, Bachelor of Arts – BA Photography, Bachelor of Arts – BA, Religion/Religious Studies, and Bachelor of Arts - Business, Management, Marketing and Related Support Services from the University of Miami. She is excited to teach those eager to learn. She having your their phone software up to date.

If you're a more advanced photographer and would like to lead a meeting arranging a speaker for us, please let me know at seipphome@gmail.com.



Licuala palm, Fire Stick flowers and Malabar tree-nymph butterfly. Photo by Bonnie Seipp.

Announcing the return of: Fall Floral Extravaganza!

by Marlene Riesco



As summer comes to an end and the fall season approaches The Coral Gables Garden Club is happy to announce the return of our Floral Extravaganza! This year we will be featuring the Designs of Master Florist Mario Fernandez of Belle Fleur. The event will be held on Friday November 4th from 10:00am to 1:00pm at the Coral Gables Congregational Church, 3010 De Soto Blvd, Coral Gables

Watch as master florist, Mario Fernandez shares the art of floral design and creates arrangements for the holidays. Browse Belle Fleur's Pop-Up Floral Shop to create your own arrangement. Mario's Floral Designs will also be raffled. Enjoy a Sparkling Reception, take home some goodies from the Famous CGGC Bake Sale, and start your holiday shopping with beautiful gift items from the Fair Trade shop. It's a perfect way to kick off the Holiday season.

Attention Members: Pick Up Yearbooks September 26th

by Denise West

The 2022/23 CGGC Yearbooks to be distributed September 26!

Your Coral Gables Garden Club 2022/23 Yearbook will be available at the CGGC September 26 general membership meeting! Be sure to pick up your copy or arrange for a friend obtain your yearbook. Only one yearbook available per member. We are very grateful to our advertisers who help underwrite the publication expense. Advertisers generously support our club, so please thank them and support their businesses!

Our Garden Club Rose, Rosita Perez

by Kitty Winkler with photos researched and provided by Suzuyo Fox

Our club Director and former President, Rosita Perez, has led a life of international adventure. It all started in Havana, where she was born and lived until her marriage. The Cuba that Rosita grew up in was a sophisticated and cosmopolitan place, much more advanced than other Latin American countries at the time. Rosita attended a British school and later enrolled in the University of Havana, which sadly closed its doors when Fidel Castro came into power. Rosita met her husband-to-be, Marcos, over an Easter holiday at a town noted for its mineral springs that she was visiting with her family. Marcos, who was in school in the United States at the time, had returned to Cuba for the holiday. Several years of a mostly long-distance courtship followed, but when Marcos came home after his freshman year at University of Florida he swore he wouldn't go back to the university unless he could marry Rosita and return to Florida with her as his wife. In 1959, they were married and returned to Gainesville for Marcos to start his sophomore year. In the next few years, Marcos was pursuing his education and career while Rosita was busy raising their two baby daughters. In 1962, Marcos accepted a job with General Telephone, and the family moved to New York, GTE's headquarters location. After a short time, in 1963, they moved again, as Marcos was assigned to Lima, Peru. Lima was their home for the next three and a half years. During those years Marcos' traveled throughout Latin America, and Rosita gave birth to their third daughter. Marcos joined Johnson & Johnson, and the family moved to New Jersey. However, before long, they were on the move again when Johnson & Johnson sent them to Brazil in 1972. While Marcos was often away on business, Rosita developed a passion for gardening. She grew vegetables and flowers, and she even grew grass from seeds! In the Brazilian heat, some gardening days were "three shower

days" when she began work in the garden in the early morning, showered and had lunch, gardened again until another shower in the mid-afternoon,

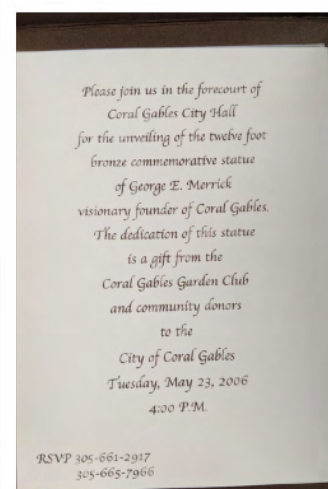
and finished planting and cultivating in the early evening, followed by a third shower before dinner. In 1990, the nomad days ended when Johnson & Johnson transferred Marcos to Miami, and the family settled on Catalonia Avenue. With the children grown and on their own, Rosita was able to accompany Marcos on some of his business trips. She also continued her passion for gardening. Rosita was often working on her flower beds in front of the house, and that was how she met and got to know Josette Herzeca, a neighbor and member of Coral Gables Garden Club. Josette saw that Rosita was a perfect fit for the club and convinced her to join. In the Garden Club, Rosita developed a new passion for flower arranging, and she remains one of the club's outstanding floral designers. Charlotte Henderson recalls that interest in floral design surged because of Rosita's enthusiasm and recruitment of members to attend design schools. Thanks to all she learned from established members of the club and her own energetic participation, it wasn't long before Rosita became one of the club's leaders. She was named president in 2005 and served two terms.



Rosita at Advanced Floral Design Workshop



*2001 May Luncheon Rosita Perez
Helen Reynolds, Mary Whitcomb*



*Invitation for Statue Dedication of
George Merrick*

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The largest club project that was completed during Rosita's time as President was the dedication of the statue of George Merrick that stands in front of Coral Gables City Hall. The work on fundraising and commissioning the statue had been a major effort for several years, but installation and dedication of the statue finally happened in May of 2006, with Rosita making the keynote address. According to Nita Norman, it was touch and go until the last minute because the statue base, made of a special coral rock found in the Keys, was delayed; and final assembly of the statue and base almost didn't happen by the dedication date on the invitations that had gone out to city leaders. Other distinguishing activities during Rosita's presidency included: a Horticulture Workshop which received an Outstanding Program Award from the Council of Garden Club Presidents of Dade County, formation of a new committee to develop more parks and green space for enjoyment of Coral Gables citizens, a Home and Garden Tour that netted \$14,000, a first appearance at the UM Beaux Arts Festival with a table themed "The Art of Table Decorating," and other major accomplishments. Over the years, Rosita has personally led and/or participated in a number of Garden Club projects including: Adopt-an-Entrance, Junior Gardeners, Arbor Day, Garden Therapy and Floral Design School. As a Director of the Garden Club for the past fifteen years, she has continued her role as a knowledgeable and beloved club leader.



October 2019 Sally Morris, Derita Downey, Rosita Perez

Membership Update

by Sally Stoltz

As you know, there have been changes to our membership by-laws:

- An active member may sponsor no more than (2) prospective members per year.
- A sponsor presenting a letter of recommendation must be in good standing.
- The sponsor must be an active member of the club and have a personal acquaintance with the proposed member.
- You no longer need (2) endorsement letters.
- A prospective members must attend (2) general meetings.

We will now be accepting membership of new members twice a year, the deadlines are November 1, 2022 , and March 1, 2023. Now that the new year is coming, please be thinking of people that you would like to invite.

Please don't hesitate to call me if you have any questions.

Sally Stoltz Morris, Membership Chair (786) 514-8984

From the Desk of: Your Hibiscus Leaflet Editor

by Emily de Armas

Thank you to all contributors of this publication, to our President Susan Rodriguez and to Marci Montgomery for passing the torch to me as the new Editor. I've enjoyed getting to know you all through your submissions and content.

My goal is to make the Newsletter suit the needs of the club and its members. If you have any suggestions for improvement, or things you'd like to see, I would love your feedback. As a hard-hitting editor balancing content, formatting, and file sizes, I can't promise I can implement all feedback, but it would be valuable to know what you would enjoy in regards to this publication.

Submission deadline is the FRIDAY following the general meeting each month. You can send story ideas, content, and questions to hibiscusnewsletter@gmail.com

Club Happenings and Volunteer Opportunities 2022/23*

2022 Events

Date	Time	Event	Location
Sep 24 (Sat)	9 am	<i>Provisional Orientation</i>	Garden Center, 1200 Anastasia Avenue
Oct 2 (Sun)	2 pm-5 pm	<i>Tree Planting at Camp Mahachee</i>	9950 Old Cutler Road
Oct 15 (Sat)	5:30 pm-7 pm	<i>Lamar Louis Curry Ribbon Cutting</i>	Lamar Louis Curry Park, 2665 DeSoto Blvd
Oct 18 (Tue)	4:30 pm-7 pm	<i>Bubbly, Bites & Birds -</i> Cocktail party showcasing the winners of the 2022 Photo Contest	Allen Morris Building, Penthouse #2, 121 Alhambra Plaza
Oct 19 (Wed)	7pm	<i>Camera Club Meeting</i>	Garden Center, 1200 Anastasia Avenue
Oct 22 (Sat)	10 am-12 pm	<i>Fun with Flowers</i> <i>Workshop: Witch's Hat</i>	Garden Center, 1200 Anastasia Avenue
Nov 4 (Fri)	10 am-1 pm	<i>Fall Floral Extravaganza -</i> Save the date! Floral demonstration with owner of the Belle Fleur Floral Shop. Open to the Public	Coral Gables United Church of Christ, 3010 De Soto Blvd
Nov 16 (Wed)	7 pm	<i>Camera Club Meeting</i>	Garden Center, 1200 Anastasia Avenue
Nov 18 (Fri)	10 am-12 pm	<i>Garden Therapy</i>	Crystal Academy, 107 Mantilla Avenue
Dec 5 (Mon)	10 am	<i>Merrick House Decorating</i> <i>Event</i>	907 Coral Way
Dec 13 (Tue)	10 am-12 pm	<i>Workshop for Holiday</i> <i>Centerpieces</i>	Garden Center, 1200 Anastasia Avenue

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2023 Events

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Jan 18 (Wed)	7 pm	<i>Camera Club Meeting</i>	Garden Center, 1200 Anastasia Avenue
Jan 21 (Sat)	10 am-12 pm	<i>Fun with Flowers Workshop</i>	Garden Center, 1200 Anastasia Avenue
Feb 1 (Wed)	TBD	<i>Field Trip - Coral Reef Restoration Laboratory</i>	Rosenstiel School of Atmospheric and Marine Sciences, UM
Feb 11 (Sat)	8 am-3 pm	<i>Tour of Kitchens</i>	TBD
Feb 15 (Wed)	7 pm	<i>Camera Club Meeting</i>	Garden Center, 1200 Anastasia Avenue
Feb 25 (Sat)	10 am-12 pm	<i>Fun with Flowers Workshop</i>	Garden Center, 1200 Anastasia Avenue
Mar 8,9 (Wed, Thu)	10 am	<i>Prepping for Fashions and Florals Event</i>	Garden Center, 1200 Anastasia Avenue
Mar 10 (Fri)	11:30 am-2 pm	<i>Fashion and Florals - Spring Fundraiser: Fashions and Florals luncheon. Open to the public.</i>	Biltmore Hotel, 1200 Anastasia Avenue
April	TBD	<i>Full Moon Sunset Cruise on Biscayne Bay</i>	Pelican Harbor Seabird Station
April	TBD	<i>Garden Therapy</i>	Riviera Rehabilitation Center
April 3- May 5	Ongoing	<i>AS I SEE IT Photography Contest 2023</i>	Online submission, Garden Club Website
May 10 (Wed)	11:30pm-1 pm	<i>2023 Installation Luncheon</i>	TBD