



## Words from our President

Dear members of The Garden Club at Palm Coast,

Like the petals of a Hibiscus nurtured by the morning dew and kissed by the warm rays of the sun, a new season of rejuvenation and growth for our garden club is now upon us. I am so thrilled and delighted to serve as your president and to be a part of many wonderful activities and the many things we will accomplish this season.

As I shared with you just prior to our summer break, we will work together to foster, build and strengthen friendships, promote and live the joy of gardening and contribute to our communities of Palm Coast and Flagler County.

I would like to highlight some of our key priorities we will include in the agenda for our first meeting on September 12.

First, we are honored and lucky to hold our meetings at the Veterans of Foreign Wars (VFW). You will be able to order your meals in advance via our website or by calling the VFW directly. Please don't forget to tip the servers.

Our kick-off meeting agenda will feature the following topics:

- Greetings to all and what did you do during your summer vacation? You don't need to write an essay unless you really, really wish to do so. Let's bond and let's enjoy each other's company
- Let's Recognize and engage our fellow members and all our wonderful committees. It is essential that as members we participate in the committees actively to achieve our goals for this year. Stop at each booth, participate in the scavenger hunt and win a prize. Please select and join at least one committee

- Our first guest speakers to help kick off our new season are Jack Dunlop Jr. President of The Florida East Coast Bromeliad Society and Bill Hazard, Vice President of Florida East Coast Bromeliad Society

Together we will rekindle friendships, we will build our gardening agenda for the year and we will plan to serve and support our communities of Palm Coast and Flagler County.

Gratefully,

Denise Garcia

"To plant a garden is  
to believe in  
tomorrow"  
Audrey Hepburn

Denise Garcia



## September 12, 2022 Meeting at the VFW

The meeting will be held at the VFW located at 47 N Old Kings Rd, Palm Coast. Doors open at 11:30AM for membership renewal, raffles and socializing. Members can enjoy lunch at the VFW starting at 11:30 (cash only); plant sale starts at 12:00 in the pavilion outside. The Garden Club meeting begins at 1 pm.

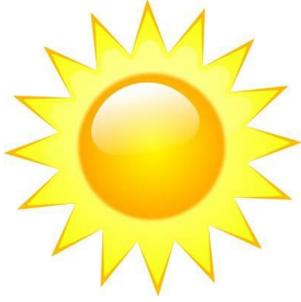
We will have a different menu to share each month. Click the button below to view this month's menu.

We get a great deal at this location based on the amount of meals ordered. (Please don't forget to leave a tip) Thank you

Board Meetings - First Monday of each month, August through May at the Palm Coast Public Library at 1:00PM. All club members are invited to attend, but general members are not eligible to vote. Please check the club's website calendar for November's board meeting location.

[AGENDA](#)

[September Menu](#)



## ***SUNSHINE REPORT***

During the summer months the following cards were sent:

- Get well card to Maureen O'Hara who is recovering from covid.
- Thinking of you card to Judith Davies who is having cervical spine issues.
- Thinking of you card sent to: Donal & Connie March & Mary Jablonski.
- Condolence card sent to Thomas & Kathy McKean, on the passing of their son Doug.
- Thinking of you card sent to: Kathleen Terlizzo, who is suffering from a hiatal hernia and will have surgery in Oct.

If you know of anyone who is sick, or is in need of an uplifting card please email [janetrfonseca@outlook.com](mailto:janetrfonseca@outlook.com) or call 347-673-3458

### **Membership**

Welcome to new members who joined over the Summer:

Lesley Kauthe. Joined in May  
Janet Bentz. Joined in June  
Jerrilynn Robertshaw. Joined in June  
Jennifer Nichols. Joined in June

Our Garden Club has:

Individuals. 132  
Couples. 17  
Distinguished Members. 12  
Honorary Members. 4  
Master Gardeners. 5  
Men. 22  
Women. 144  
Total Paid Members. 162

Ellen Werner, Membership Chairperson

**We hope everyone enjoys being a member of The Garden Club at Palm Coast and gets involved with a committee of their choice.**

**Happy Gardening!**

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## Installation of New Officers May 9th



At the May general meeting and BBQ new officers were installed. From the left: Marie Fabozzi (3 yr. Director), Kenetha Kilmurrary (1 yr. Director). Adrienne Harrell (Secretary), Susan McConnell (Treasurer), Jane Howells (Vice President), Denise Garcia (President).



## GARDEN CLUB AT PALM COAST PRESENT SCHOLARSHIPS TO HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS

The 2021-2022 Garden Club at Palm Coast Scholarship Committee awarded four \$1,000 scholarships at the Senior Scholarship Night held on May 2nd to the following seniors: Olivia Denino, FPCHS, Gabriella Monroe, FPCHS, Alyssa Sa, Matanzas HS, and Victoria Wilcox, Matanzas HS. Congratulations and best of luck to them. They all have career ambitions to become involved in environmental health sciences.

Each student submitted their application to the Flagler County Education Foundation and were forwarded to the Garden Club's Scholarship Committee. The committee then votes on which students meet the criteria set by the committee and the Garden Club. They look for students that will pursue careers in environmental studies. Scholarship funds come from the proceeds at club events during the year. The club's biggest annual fund raiser is the Spring Festival and Plant Sale which is held in April. The Garden Club at Palm Coast held several other fund raisers this year (Treasures in the Attic Sale, Fashion Show hosted by Chez Jacqueline, plant sales by the Propagation Guild) and some of those proceeds were earmarked for community scholarships. The club had great success with all the fund-raising events in the 2021-2022 season.

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## City Arbor Day May 7th

The Garden Club at Palm Coast attended the City Arbor Day celebration that was held on May 7, 2022 at Town Center. As in previous years, we had a booth giving away a free plant for any donation to the Student Scholarship Fund, as well as providing Club application forms and several informative handouts. The City gave away free trees for a donation or can goods. There were also butterflies that were released.



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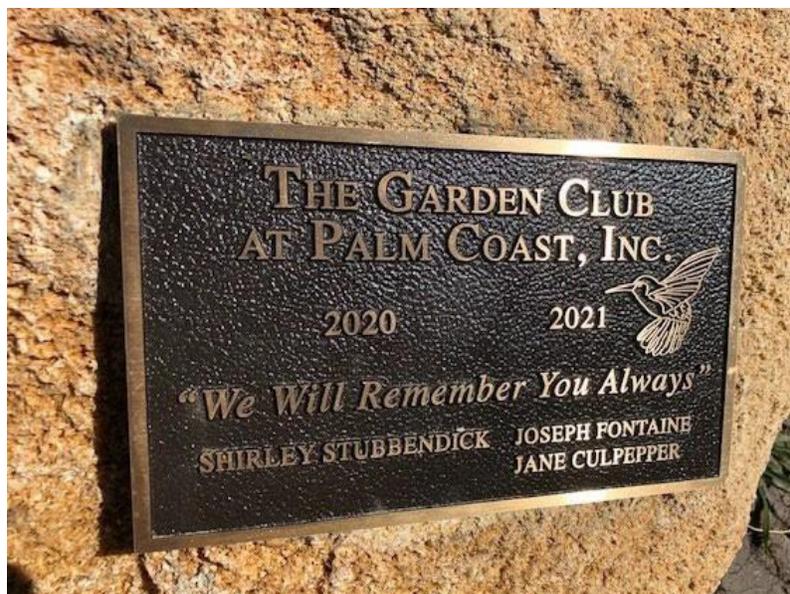
## Club Arbor Day - May 13

The Garden Club at Palm Coast held their annual Club Arbor Day Memorial Tree Planting Ceremony on May 13<sup>th</sup> along the St. Joe Walkway in Linear Park off Colbert Lane. This program honors members who passed away the previous year by planting a tree and placing a bronze plaque engraved with their names alongside the tree. However due to COVID, there has not been a ceremony since 2019. This year four members were honored: Angela Ricci (2019), Shirley Stubbendick (2020), Joseph Fontaine and Jane Culpepper (2021).

The city assisted the Club with a location and suggested the butterfly garden in Linear Park as Jane Culpepper aided the planting of the garden in 2012. The city planted a bottlebrush and Japanese blueberry tree on May 10<sup>th</sup>. Club members renovated the original garden and added 25 butterfly and native plants donated by a member of the Club.

The ceremony was held Friday, May 13<sup>th</sup> and members and friends of those being remembered met at the facilities building for the memorial service and afterwards visited the newly planted garden. Speakers included Denise Garcia, the newly installed 2022-2023 Club president, Robert Tabit (a past president) led the Pledge of Allegiance, Pastor Jack Pladdys (Palm Coast Bible Church) gave the Invocation and Palm Coast City Manager, Denise Bevan spoke. Members of the club gave their personal remembrances of those that passed. Refreshments were served after the ceremony.

Submitted by Janet Correia





Alfred (husband) and Nina Ricci (daughter of Angela)



Jane Villa-Lobos



Suzanne Wheeler and Dr. M Frances Fontaine

# National Garden Club Week - Library Display

Nancy Landoli made a display at the Palm Coast Library for the week of June 6 to June 10. The display was kept up for a month.



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# Places to Go/ Events

Jane Villa-Lobos

**Sept. 21 Pollinator Plant Sale.** Bloom & Grow Garden Society, 238 West Smith St., Winter Garden. 10-2. <http://www.bloomandgrowclub>

**Sept. 24 Native Plant Sidewalk Sale.** Wild Birds Unlimited, Island Walk Shopping Center, Palm Coast Parkway, Palm Coast. 10-1. Cash/checks

**Sep. 24 Plant City Garden Fest,** Plant City Train Depot, 102 N. Palmer St., Plant City. 9-2.

**Sept. 30 Basics of Gardening in Florida,** Palm Coast Community Center, 10-11. Fee: \$10. [www.palm.coast.gov/parks-and-recreation/activities](http://www.palm.coast.gov/parks-and-recreation/activities)

**Oct. 1 Farmers Market Plant Sale.** Tractor Supply, Belle Terre Parkway. The Garden Club will have a booth. 9-1.

**Oct. 1. First Saturday Creative Bazaar Arts & Crafts.** Palm Coast Arts Foundation, 1500 Central Ave. Town Center. 9-2.

**Oct. 1 Fall Plant Sale** Nehrling Gardens, 2267 Hempel Ave, Gotha. 9am-noon. [nehrlinggardens.org](http://nehrlinggardens.org)

**Oct. 7 First Friday Garden Walks at Washington Oaks Gardens State Park,** 6400 N. Oceanshore Blvd. (A1A). 10-11. Guided tour of historic district and gardens. Wear comfortable shoes and bring water. Park entrance fees apply.

**Oct. 7-8 District VII & Judges Council NGC Flower Show “Masks Up”.** Orlando Garden Club, 710 E. Rollins St., Orlando. 12-4 FREE.

**Oct. 8 Native Plant Expo.** Pigotte Community Center, 504 Big Tree Rd., South Daytona. Sponsored by the Paw Paw Chapter of the Florida Native Plant Society. Several native nurseries and workshops.

**Oct. 8 Garden Club of DeLand Fall Plant Sale,** Garden Club of DeLand, 865 S. Alabama Ave. 8-Noon. <http://www.gardenclubofdeland.org>

**Oct. 8 Second Saturday Plant Sale at Washington Oaks Gardens State Park,** 6400 N. Oceanshore Blvd. (A1A). 10-2. Park entrance fees apply.

**Oct. 8-9 Creekside Festival.** Princess Place Preserve, 2500 Princess Place Rd (off Old Kings Rd.), Palm Coast. Sat. 10-6; Sun. 10-4. \$5 per carload. Over 100 vendors selling arts and crafts, photography exhibition, top notch bluegrass music, crafts for kids, miniature horse rides, kayak and walking tours, food vendors. <http://www.flaglerchamber.org>

**Oct. 22 Palm Coast Fall Arts Festival.** Central Park Town Center. 11-5. Arts & Crafts.

**Oct. 22 Annual Backyard Biodiversity Day and Native Plant Sale.** Mead Garden, 1500 S. Denning Dr., Winter Park. 9-3. FREE. <http://www.meadgarden.org>

**Oct. 26 District VI Fall Meeting.** New Smyrna Beach Garden Club, 2000 Turnball Bay Rd., New Smyrna Beach. 9:00. There will be a continental breakfast, Ways & Means, full catered lunch and program by the Marine Science Center.

**Oct. 22-23 Fall Plant Sale and Orchid Show.** Kanapaha Botanical Gardens, 4700 S.W. 58th Drive, Gainesville. 9-5. FREE. 50 vendors and American Orchid Society judged show in entrance building. Bring cash as most vendors do not accept credit cards. 352-372-4981. <http://www.kanapaha.org>

**Oct. 28 Learn how to plant an edible garden during fall and winter.** Palm Coast Community Center, 10-11. Fee: \$10. [www.palm.coast.gov/parks-and-recreation/activities](http://www.palm.coast.gov/parks-and-recreation/activities)

## **Tool and Knife Sharpening**

If you have any lawn and garden tools, knives, or just about anything with an edge, Knife Sharpening LLC in Flagler Beach can sharpen them. They have a booth at the St. Augustine Amphitheater Farmers Market every Saturday from 2-5. They are also at the Flagler Beach Produce Market (Samsue) at 2751 Moody Blvd. on Fridays from 2-5. 2001 Palm Dr. f-104, Flagler Beach, 386-793-

7924, [wesharpen4u@gmail.com](mailto:wesharpen4u@gmail.com) <http://www.knifesharpeningllc.com>

## Selection of the Month



**Beth and Kirk Swaggerty of S. Flagler Ave., Flagler Beach have been recognized as September 2022 Selection of the Month by The Garden Club at Palm Coast.**

The Swaggertys lived in Orlando area for 4 years before moving to Flagler Beach 20 years ago. Their front yard consists of 3 island beds with various flowers such as: red, white and pink pentas, pink crown of thorns, firecracker bush, dwarf pink oleander, pots of aloe, red and white mandevilla, palm lily, and pineapple guava.

Adding to the diversity are: yellow and pink lantanas, agapanthus, plumbago, variegated triostar stromanthe, fire bush, pink crinum lilies, and coontie palm. Sylvester and sabal palms, enormous live oaks, and 2 white bird of paradise provide shade. Several palms have climbing philodendrons with their roots wrapped around the tree.

Located on Smith Creek in the back, there is a large mangrove area as well as trees and palms which Kirk has attached staghorn ferns and whimsical bird houses. For color there are Ti and triostar stromanthe, pentas, heather, crown of thorns, ginger and rosemary bushes. Bromeliads grow in several tree stumps.

The open back porch has potted *Crossandra* plants called Orange Marmalade and a large wooden box planted with red pentas. In the ground are red, pink, and white pentas, heather, rosemary, and red geraniums.

Sitting in the Adirondack chairs on their pier, one can enjoy the tranquility and even take an afternoon nap.

Submitted by Nancy Landoli  
Selection of the Month Committee



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## Are you new to gardening in Florida?

Jane Villa-Lobos

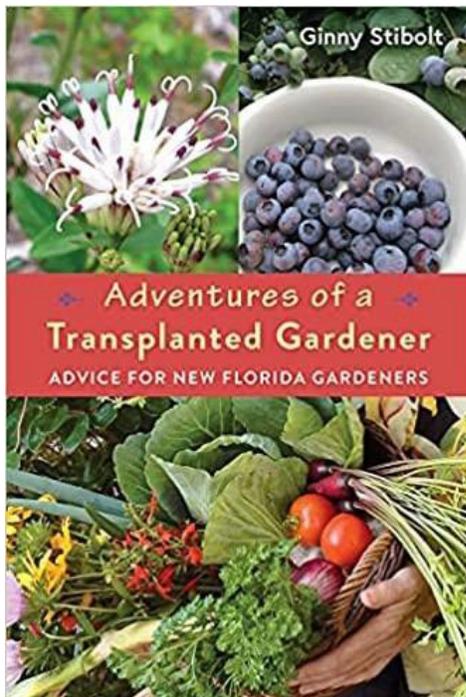
There are many new residents from out of state who are wondering what to plant in our region and when to plant them. Here are a few resources for you to explore.

First check out the garden club's website <http://www.gardenclubatpalmcoast.org>. Click on Resources - What is growing in North/Central Florida for a month-by-month list of what is flowering and what edibles to plant.

For a series of classes, visit the Palm Coast Parks and Recreation Department list of classes through their Horticulture Workshop Series with UF IFAS Extension Office. <http://www.palmcoast.gov/parks-and-recreation>. All classes are \$10 and are held at the Community Center from 10am-11am. You must register on the link above as space is limited.

- Sept. 30 Basics of gardening in Florida
- Oct. 28 Learn how to plant an edible garden during the fall & winter Nov. 18 Learn what plants grow together
- Dec. 16 The nine principles of Florida Friendly Landscaping

You can also purchase [Adventures of a Transplanted Gardener: Advice for New Florida Gardeners](#) by Ginny Stibolt. Botanist and life-long gardener Ginny Stibolt shares tips and advice from her own experience moving to Florida. She has written five books on gardening in Florida and is a member of the Florida Native Plant Society. She shows what a "Real Florida" landscape looks like and explains how working with this knowledge makes gardening easier and more successful. Topics include gardening for birds and butterflies, growing food, composting, and storm water management.



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