

II. Speakers List

Provided by Wellington Garden Club 2010-2011 Programs

Please contact Susan Hillson (Susan@thehillsongroup.com) or Barbara Hadsell if you have questions about these speakers. These speakers were used by Wellington G.C. during the past few years and may not be available in all instances.

September 14, 2010

"HARDSCAPES IN THE LANDSCAPES" – Bill Reeve

We are leading off with a presentation that will focus on features that many of us include in our gardens and very often lay the groundwork for the overall landscape design. Landscape Architect, Bill Reeve will discuss the role that hardscape design and selection plays in the overall plan of a residential project. He will review the most commonly used hardscape elements such as swimming pools, patios/walkways, water features, arbors/trellises and art in the landscape. Understanding the order of design and the impact of each hardscape design decision and its relationship with the landscape will be the main focus of this lecture.

William H. Reeve, IV is the President of Botanical Visions, Inc. He has over twenty-six years of experience in the design/horticulture trade in the South Florida region. He promoted the Extension program, and has served and continues to serve on various professional organization boards and communities. He worked closely with the Children Services Council's staff on various aspects of the development of the Parenting Education Center. Bill is nationally certified in landscape design by the Association of Professional Landscape Designers. [Botanical Visions, Inc. received the Landscape Excellence Award for 2010](#) in Boca Raton.

Bill will be giving us a presentation showing us how we can artfully integrate hardscape elements into the design of our own gardens.

Phone: 561-361-6677 Website: www.botanicalvisions.com

October 4, 2010

"AMAZING MEDICINALS IN YOUR GARDEN" - Charlie McDaniel (passed away suddenly in Dec 2010)

Charlie McDaniel was born and raised in Tuscaloosa Alabama by plant loving parents. Consequently, he has collected plants all his life, traveling to Central and South America to locate new and exciting plants. For 25 years, he worked for 3M Education Product Dealers, where he and his wife, Nancy had the opportunity to travel and meet international plant collectors. He is a graduate of the University of Alabama. His major interest areas have always been ferns, aroids, and any plant with medicinal or beneficial uses. Currently, he works as a science teacher with the School district of Palm Beach County and works extensively with "at risk" youngsters. Phone: 561-967-5648 email: mcbosque41@aol.com

Charlie's presentation will offer a brief introduction to "Green Medicine and Ethnobotany" followed by a show and tell using live plants, some common, some rare, and educating us on their uses as medicines or health beneficial supplements. There will be an opportunity to taste, smell, and feel a number of plants that you may know, and many that you do not know. He will also brew 3 different types of tea for us to sample.

November 1, 2010

FRENCH SPIRAL BOUQUET – Hector Lopez

This very fascinating presentation by Hector Lopez, Journeyman, Design Artist, and Instructor at the School of Flowers, a unique florist located in Boca Raton, FL that is not only a florist but also a design school owned by Petal M. Harvill an International Master Floral Artist. Hector, who is one of their designers and teachers, will be sharing some of his design secrets, color theory and floral care. He is well versed in the techniques and trends of European floral design as well as other artful arrangements running the gamut of fruits and flowers, using exotics, tablescares, romantic French bouquets, spiral techniques, pave' designs to name a few. For today he will demonstrate the classic art of the French Spiral Bouquet. This is the most often sought after bouquet style through-out Europe, the Middle East, and Asia because of its simplicity of design and overall versatility. Floral design is a fascinating art form and one you can pursue on your own after this inspirational presentation through our club or a school like Petals Designs.

Petal Designs and School of Flowers, 21090 St. Andrews Blvd, Boca Raton, FL (561) 391-5394,
Website: www.schoolofflowers.com e-mail info@petalsdesigns.com

January 3, 2011

"FLORIDA'S NATIVES: THEY'RE A NATURAL" - Suzanne Dingwell

Sue Dingwell is a lifelong gardener. She became a Master Gardener in 2000 here in Palm Beach County. Being a "Master Gardener" means service, and she served in both the garden and in the phone room answering questions on the hotline at Mounts Botanical Gardens. As a result of her growing understanding of Florida's native plants, she joined the Palm Beach County Chapter of the Florida National Native Plant Society (FNPS) and became President of the Chapter three years ago, now serving her final term.

She also serves on the Master Gardener Advisory Board, the Agricultural and Science Advisory Board, the Lake Worth Lagoon Initiative for Environmental Resource Management (ERM) and is the Social Media Team Leader for the FNPS. In her presentation she will explain the value of Native plants and how to choose appropriate ones for use in landscapes. She will be showing us a brief presentation with plants both in their natural settings, and as single specimens. She will include a "book talk" and have many handouts so that participants will leave well-armed to continue their education on their own. Suzanne Dingwell's blog: cleangreennatives.blogspot.org websites: Florida Native Plant Society: fnps.org

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September 14th 2009

ORCHIDS IN YOUR GARDEN—Jose Esposito

Mr. Esposito is President of Soroa Orchids Inc., a large and famous orchid nursery in Homestead, FL and is an accredited judge of the American Orchid Society
Phone: 305-255-3656 Web site: www.sforchid.com

October 5th 2009

HERBS – “MEDICINE IN YOUR OWN BACKYARD” - Louise McCormick

Louise McCormick is co-founder and president of the McCormick-Green Center for Holistic Therapies in Wellington. She integrates ancient healing methods with those of contemporary medical practices. With both of her parents being holistic physicians, Louise and her 10 siblings were raised to respect the mind-body-soul philosophy of health.

Louise is a registered nurse, and taught medical and surgical nursing at Barry University for 28 years. She studied and received certification in herbal, mind-soul aroma, cranial sacral and Thai massage therapies in the Amazon, Bahamas, Belize, Costa Rica, Guatemala, the Netherlands, Thailand and the United States.

In this talk, Louise will explore the mysteries of the healing plants in your own backyard. She will weave together the wisdom of the mystics, music, art and nature through plants and aromas.

McCormick-Green Center for Holistic Therapies, 785 Juniper Place, Wellington, FL 33414
(561) 791-2572.

November 2nd 2009

STRETCHING YOUR HOLIDAY DECORATING BUDGET – John Klingel “The Frugal Florist”

John will present some fun and simple ideas on how you can progress from Thanksgiving to New Years using the same basic design structure and mechanics in a floral design. John will offer suggestions on the best finds in thrift shops, yard sales and consignment boutiques for those one-of-a-kind containers. He will demonstrate how to create a floral arrangement that will transition through the holidays.

An artist, floral designer, former retail shop owner, author of “*The Frugal Florist-Do-it-Yourself Flowers on a Budget*” and currently Director of the South Florida Center for Floral Studies* in West Palm Beach. John has worked in many aspects of the floral industry. Mr. Klingel has also participated in regularly televised interviews about flowers on the NBC and PBS affiliates in WPB. He earned his degree in Commercial Art, was inducted into the American Institute of Floral Designers (AFID) in 1980 and is a member of The American Academy of Horticulture (AAF) and Professional Floral Communications International (PFCI). He’s received numerous awards; the Sylvia Cup, Florida State Designer of the Year amongst others. John, a floral designer for notables such as Vera Wang, Chris Evert and Janet Jackson will now bring his vast talent to the WGC showing us how we can frugally create designs that can extend our holiday dollars! *Websites: www.centerforfloralstudies.com:
www.frugalflorest.biz (561) 684-8100 john@centerforfloralstudies.com

January 4th 2010

“FANCY HIBISCUS” – Winn Soldani

Winn became a grower of “Fancy Hibiscus” after falling in love with these beautiful tropical flowers and experimenting on his own. Once he realized that the quality of plants he was creating in his own backyard were superior to those produced by the “experts”, in 1982 he turned his hobby into a business.

Winn has been written up in the *Palm Beach Post* and dubbed the “Hercules of Hibiscus”. Some of his hybrids like the “Black Dragon” are considered the rage of the hibiscus world. His

“Fancy Hibiscus” have been featured in *National Garden Magazine*, and on the cover of “*A Garden Diary: A Guide to Gardening in South Florida*” as well as in theme parks in the Midwest grower to the some of the rich and famous: the Dupont Estate in WPB, Bunny Melon’s Estate in Aruba to name a few.

Winn has been a consultant for numerous gardens throughout the country such as Fairchild Tropical Gardens in Miami, Flamingo Gardens in Ft. Lauderdale, Longwood Gardens in Pennsylvania, the National Arboretum at the Smithsonian in DC, and Queen Elizabeth Gardens in Grand Cayman, as well as a hibiscus grower to the some of the rich and famous: the Dupont Estate in WPB, Bunny Melon’s Estate in Aruba to name a few.

Winn will be introducing us to his unusual creations and hard to find oddities and his rare species in blues, blacks, silver as well as “color combinations you won’t believe.” He will also offer us the opportunity to become the owner of one (or more) of his amazing hibiscuses.

1(800) 432-8332. winn@fancyhibiscus.com

February 1st 2010

BUTTERFLY GARDENING – Alana Edwards

Florida Butterfly Expert, Alana Edwards, Education and Training Coordinator for Florida Atlantic University’s Center for Environmental Studies, will introduce you to the magical world of butterflies and ways in which you can invite them to take up residence in your own backyard.

Alana has been an avid “butterfliar” for the past 12 years. She co-founded the North American Butterfly Association (NABA) Atala Chapter in West Palm Beach, Florida and is co-creator of the acclaimed “Edwards Butterfly Garden” in Delray Beach. She was the lead coordinator for the US Fish and Wildlife Service sponsored survey of rare and endangered South Florida butterflies conducted by the NABA.

Alana will help us to understand what we can do to create a garden of paradise for butterflies and little bit of paradise for us too. (561) 799-8462. aedwards@fau.edu

March 1st, 2010

SUCCULENTS AND THEIR RELEVANCY IN SOUTH FLORIDA LANDSCAPE – Alan Stopek

Alan is one of the leading landscape designers/horticulturalists in the coastal areas of South Florida. He has produced a wide variety of plant species in his own nurseries, ranging from assorted palms, flowering trees and shrubbery, edibles, bromeliads, orchids and succulents.

Dubbed, “Mr. Succulent” by our WGC president, Alan will wow us with his “Kaleidoscope” compositions lining Royal Poinciana Way in Palm Beach, an award winning residential landscape on North Flagler Blvd. in WPB that was voted best residential in 2008 by Florida State’s professional organization. Alan will also show us photos of a small, yet fun composition he designed for the Four Arts Sculpture Garden.

Along with his amazing photographs, Alan will educate us about how the many varieties of succulents, including agave, aloes, kalanchoes, euphorbias and sedums provide an aesthetic weight and value to any landscape design. They have everything a difficult South Florida landscape needs to survive. They are salt, wind, drought, heat and cold tolerant, while performing extremely well in the humid and rain-soaked summer seasons of the year. Alan will share with us why succulents have been considered the jewels of the landscape throughout the world for the past hundred years.

Alan’s spectacular designs using these “relevant” plants will be an inspiration for those considering integrating these “jewels” into their gardens.

April 5th 2010

PHOTOGRAPHING NATURE – Joanne Williams

Joanne is a wildly traveled, published and accomplished freelance photographer specializing in wildlife and nature. Her work has afforded her the opportunity to travel via her own “Safari” company to many exotic areas of the world. Because her home state is Florida, the Everglades and other wildlife “hot spots” are frequently the focus of her lens! When at home in Florida she may be seen guiding her clients through swamps, marshes and wetlands aboard her “Fotoboat”

designed to view wildlife "up close and personal".

Her photographs can be found in such publications as *Birders World*, *Birders Digest*, *Ranger Rick Magazine* (May 2009) *the New York Times Magazine* and numerous books and six covers of Florida Audubon Magazine amongst many, many others. Her award winning work is displayed in the *Smithsonian Museum of Natural History in Washington, DC*. She was a keynote speaker at *Kennedy Space Center/Titusville at the Wildlife and Birding Festival*.

Joanne's presentation will take us on a visual safari set to music into many exotic lands worldwide, and on an amazing journey into our own backyard of Florida.
(954) 914-5884. jojo1w@comcast.net

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Keith Patton

A graduate of Auburn University and the University Of Western Ontario, Keith has spent many years of his life as a research technician and wildlife biologist for universities and government agencies. Some of his projects are avian mortality, aerial waterfowl, and wetland vegetation surveys. Currently, he is an Extension Agent at the Univ. of Florida, PB Co. Extension. He spoke on "Birdscaping". Phone # 561-233-1748.

Dr Kimberly Moore

An Associate Professor in Environmental Horticulture working at the Univ. of Florida's Fort Lauderdale Research and Education Center. She also is the academic coordinator for the teaching program in Fort Lauderdale. Her research interests center around bedding plant production and use, and landscape plant establishment (water and fertilizer requirements). She teaches several courses including Introductory Nursery management, Nutritional Monitoring and Management, Elementary Organic and Biological Chemistry, and Residential Landscape Design. Dr. Moore discussed "Weeds, Insects, and How to Control Them."

Phone# 954-577-6328 Email: klock@ufl.edu

Bob Haehele

He is a Horticultural consultant and gardening writer. He has a B.S. degree in Environmental Design from the Univ. of Massachusetts, and an M.S. in Horticulture from the Univ. of Delaware's Longwood Program. In Maryland, he served as educational horticulturist and Director of Brookside Gardens in Wheaton and as county agent for County. He was former county agent for Broward County, Florida. He maintains a web site with gardening tips called Garden Line at www.a-garden-diary.com/haele.htm. As the regional reporter for National Gardening, Bob writes a bimonthly garden column covering central and south Florida and extreme south Texas. His reports can be seen at www.garden.com. (select Tropical South). He is also host for several Radio Garden Shows, a public speaker, and a columnist for several publications. He spoke on "Unusual Plants in South Florida". Phone# 954-735-2022

Richard I. (Dick) Pase

He is a past president of the Rare Fruit Council of Palm Beaches, a Master Gardener since 1995, a grower and propagator on a two acre tropical fruit farm in Jupiter with his wife Mary, who is also a Master Gardener. Dick is a retired Engineer Manager from Pratt & Whitney. He talked about "Tropical Fruit". Phone #561-746-5723 Email : paser@bellsouth.net

Phyllis Gidley

She has been creating flower designs for over 20 years and is a Master Judge. She is a member of the Garden Club of Stuart, has chaired the Tropical Short Course, and the FFGC Judges' Symposium. Phyllis' designs have been featured in many notable publications in the world of Garden Clubs. Her topic was "Introduction to Creativity". Phone# 772-286-0507
Email gidleyc@bellsouth.net

Allen Sistrunk

He is a native Georgian; Allen received his degree in horticulture from U of Ga. He developed and directed the Atlanta History Center and gardens, served as the Executive Director of Vines Botanical Gardens. He is currently the Director of the Mounts Botanical Gardens.
Phone# 561-233-1749 Email : www.mounts.org

Pat Canning

Pat grew up on a farm in Missouri becoming very interested in that area's wildflowers. After moving to South Florida her interest continued with Florida's wildflowers. She now enjoys passing on her knowledge to others.

Allan Stopek

Receiving his degree on horticulture from Long Island University, Allan has vast experience in greenhouse and nursery operations. Owner/Operator of Xylephloem Inc.-a nursery that provides design, installation and maintenance programs as well as research with the University of Florida on pests and diseases of palms. Allan is a horticultural consultant for private estates, golf courses and communities. Mail: P.O. Box 676 Loxahatchee, FL 33470

Tom Hewitt

Tom is a consultant, Master Gardner and author of numerous articles for Florida Gardening Magazine, Around the house and the Sun Sentinel. His stories cover a large variety of plants and people, including one on "Disney's Garden Magic". Mail: Florida Gardening P.O. Box 500878 Malabar, FL Email: www.info@floridagardening.com

John Klingal

John is the owner/operator of the South Florida Center for Floral Studies and has been in the business for over 30 years. He has worked in every aspect of the floral business-from designer and display artist to owning his own florist shop featured in the Florist Review. After receiving many awards for his creative work, he sold his shop and now enjoys passing his knowledge on to others at his center. Phone# 561-684-8100 Email: John@CenterforFloralStudies.com

Ava Sue Hickerson

She is a retired Palm Beach school teacher; Ava Sue is a Master Gardner and expert in her favorite subject-flowering trees. Still active with the school garden projects, she was written up in the Palm Beach Posts "Obsessive Gardener" series.

Robert Eigelburger

Bob is an accomplished landscape horticulturist and plant collector. He has a beautiful 6-acre tropical garden located in Palm Beach and has hosted many benefits to support the Mounts Botanical gardens. His gardens are a slice of paradise.

Penny Redford

Speaker on Passion flower vines. Phone # 627-8831 or 561-624-8853 Grassy Waters preserve

Stephen Webster, speaker, public relations manager and outreach coordinator for the Florida Department of Environmental Protection. He previously worked as news anchor for NBC and FOX in Louisiana. He has a degree in Broadcast Journalism and in Political Science from the University of Miami. He spoke on Magnitude Springs and Water issues in Florida at our Sept. meeting. His office number is: 561-681-6714 and his cell is: 561-248-0830.

WELLINGTON GARDEN CLUB PROGRAMS for 2007-2008

October 7 - Bill Reeve Topic Right Plant, Right Place

William H. Reeve, IV is the President of Botanical Visions, Inc. He has twenty years of experience in the design/horticultural trade in the South Florida region. He is nationally certified in landscape design by the Association of Professional Landscape Designers (APLD). He is a Florida state Certified Horticultural Professional (FCHP) by the Florida Nursery, Growers and Landscape Association (FNGLA). He served three terms as the President of the Broward County Chapter of the FNGLA. He also was Chair of the Toxic Reduction Education Committee (T.R.E.C.) for the City of Ft. Lauderdale dealing with landscape architecture and pest control issues throughout the city for the past six years. He has served on the Executive Board for the Environmental Education Council (E.E.C.) of Broward County Schools. He was the 1989-1990 Vice President for the South Florida Interior Landscape Association (S.F.I.L.A.) and a director for the Florida Foliage Association in 1988-1989. Bill has written publications on landscape design and pest management for the Environmental Protection Agency (E.P.A.) with the Department of Planning and Environmental Protection (D.P.E.P.). He was awarded the 2002 Young Nursery Professional of the Year Award and Outstanding Chapter President for 2003 for the state by the Florida Nursery, Growers and Landscape Association (FNGLA).
Phone #: 954-253-8704 wreeve@botanicalvisions.com

October 24 - Around and About: Breakers, Palm Beach-- tour and lunch at the Seafood Bar in The Breakers. Lloyd Singleton, Landscape Manager and Horticulturist at the Breakers, will conduct a tour of all the public gardens and the herb garden. Phone: 561-723-0210

November 2 - Meeting: Jo Williams, National Garden Club Habitat for Humanity Landscape Project Chairman. 2001-2007 and past Pres. of FFGC and Carolyn Vickey, Past Executive Director of WPB HFH affiliate will discuss the beginnings of the Habitat Landscape Project, its history, accomplishments and plans for the future. Phone: 954-457-7797

January 4 - Meeting: Carol Hall, 1st Vice President of FFGC, former District X Director and past Pres. of the WPB GC will share Camp Wekiva pictures and information about our FFGC Youth Camp 561-626-6535

January 15 - Around and About: Morning: Eaton Fine Arts Gallery Garden, 435 Gardenia Street, West Palm Beach 33401. Phone: 561-833-4766. Richard Frank, Artist and Gallery Director, will show us around the sculpture garden.

February 1 - Char Bever , District X Horticulture chairman, Flower Show Judge and member of the Poinsettia Circle of Indian River County GC- New Varieties of "Show Worthy" Plants. Phone: 772-778-0999 charsgarden@bellsouth.net

March 7 - Meeting: The "Dynamic Duo" of Phyllis Gidley and Joan Graff, Flower Show Master Judges and members of the G.C. of Stuart will present a design seminar "Less is More". Email: joangraft2@bellsouth.net

April 4 - Meeting: Gene Joyner - "Show Worthy" Native Plants of South Florida.

Recently retired, Gene Joyner has been the Extension Agent in Palm Beach County for 35 years and is a West Palm Beach native. Phone: 561-686-6687

April ? - Around and About: Flamingo Gardens 954-473-2955 www.flamingogardens.org
Walking Tour of Florida's largest collection of "Champion" Trees followed by a Box Lunch and Narrated Scenic Tour by Tram

Speakers/Programs for the Boca Raton Garden Club's 2010-2011 season

"Nature's Apothecary - Medicinal Plants and Herbs" - David McLean

David is a Horticulturist, Naturalist and owner of Trinity Churchside Garden nursery in Ft. Lauderdale. He is also a former Horticulture instructor at Broward Community College. He was also the designer and curator at Nova Southeastern University's Medicinal Garden. David's talk was about herbs and other native plants that are used medicinally. He also brought these and other unique plants for members to purchase. Phone: 954-768-0423

"A Talk on the Wild Side - South Florida Wildflowers and Native Orchids" - Roger Hammer

Roger is an award-winning author and Botanist from Homestead, FL. He is the author of "Everglades Wildflowers," "Florida Keys Wildflowers" and "Exploring Everglades National Park and the Surrounding Area." His many speaking engagements include serving as the keynote speaker at the 2008 World Orchid Conference. He is an instructor at Fairchild Tropical Gardens and is also an avid photographer. He is currently working on his fourth book. Roger provided us with a talk and photographic presentation of native orchids and wildflowers.

Website: <http://rogerhammer.com/Home.html>

"Passion in Bloom - Design Tips from the Designer" - Berne Llewellyn

Berne is the head of the Floral Department at Boca Raton Whole Foods. He previously owned four floral shops in Illinois. He also participated in worldwide FTD think tanks to determine the direction of floral design. Berne demonstrated several floral designs and also provided us with design tips. Phone: 561-447-0000 Website: <http://wholefoodsmarket.com/stores/bocaraton/>

"Plants Gone Wild - Unusual Tropical Plants" - Sid Gardino

Sid is the owner of Gardino's Nursery in Delray Beach, FL. Gardino's Nursery specializes in rare and unique tropical plants that are both beautiful and easy to grow. Sid got his start with exotic plants over 30 years ago in Brazil. Sid showed us a wide variety of unusual tropicals which were also available for purchase. Website: <http://www.rareflora.com/>

"Flamboyant Florescence - Rare Gingers and Heliconia" - John Goss

John is the owner of J.G.'s Tropical Plants and Fine Arts Photography in Vero Beach, FL. He has travelled from the jungles of Costa Rica to Panama to Belize in pursuit of plants not commonly found in south Florida. He is also an outstanding botanical photographer. John brought a wide variety of gingers and heliconia to accompany his presentation. He also had an assortment of beautiful botanical photographs. Website: <http://jgstropicalplants.com/>

" Garden of Eatin' - Edible Landscaping" - Jeff Wasielewski

Jeff has taught horticulture classes for over 15 years at Fairchild Tropical Gardens and Miami-Dade College. He is also a Certified Arborist with a master's degree in education. Jeff has held positions at Fairchild as a Horticulturist and as the Assistant Curator of Tropical Fruit. He currently works in the Marketing Department as a writer and editor. His talk will cover tropical fruit horticulture for the home gardener from pruning and planting to fertilizing and watering.

Website: <http://www.fairchildgarden.org/>

Sept. 20, Plant exchange, Oct.18 Travel to McKee Botanical Gardens, Oct.22 Pampered Chef Fund Raiser, Nov.15 Workshop to refurbish Christmas Decorations, Dec. 6, Decorate Library for Christmas, Jan.17,1012, Xeroscape & Native Plants Lecture, Feb. 21, Travel to Palm Hammock Orchid Estates, Mar. 20, Travel to Busch Wildlife Sanctuary

2008-2009 Speakers Used by the Boca Raton Garden Club

1. Matthew King - "Proper Tree Pruning" - 561-233-2421
2. William Reeves of Botanical Visions, Inc. - 561- 361-6677
3. Alana Edwards - "Florida Butterflies" - 561-799-8462
4. Robin Chappell- "Herbs" - 561-368-2268
5. Susan Toth - Pine Jog Environmental Center - 561-686-6600
6. Trent Meeks - Sunbelle Exotics - 561-394-4397
7. J.C. Stern - Hospice of P.B.C. - Stress reduction - Healing Touch of Gardening – Living in a Vegetable Garden - 561-227-5296 - FREE
8. Darrin Parmenter -I.F.A.S. Extension - "Vegetable Gardening in South FL" – 561-233-1725 FREE
9. Joanne Williams - freelance photographer wildlife & nature - 954-941-7901 – FREE (make a donation)
10. Winn Soldani - "Fancy Hibicus" - 800-432-8332 - \$75 fee - sells plants
11. Geoff Coolidge - "Cool Roses" - 561-684-2421
12. Treasure Coast Wildlife Center, Palm City, FL - "Owl Rehabilitation" presentation 772-286-6200

PROGRAMS FOR OCEAN RIDGE GARDEN CLUB **2010-2011**

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 11

John Klingel "The Frugal Florist" "Stretching Your Holiday Decorating Budget"
Cost: \$150

THURSDAY, JANUARY 13
Sue Dingwell: "Native Plants: Why Bother"
Cost: \$100

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY, 10
Barbara Hadsell AND Susan Hillson: "Growing Edible Plants in your Garden"

THURSDAY, MARCH, 10
Alan Stopek: "Succulents & Their Relevancy in South Florida"
Coconut2@gate.net

THURSDAY, APRIL 14
Jan Norris: "Cooking with Herbs"

BOYNTON BEACH G.C. PROGRAMS

1. We are in the process of awarding our 1st beautification award to Glenda Hall, Forestry & Grounds/Streets Manager of the City of Boynton Beach for her landscaping efforts at the City of Boynton Beach Library. This award is similar to the District's Unsolicited Award Program.
2. Our Club enjoyed a fabulous trip to Jungle Island located in Miami this past March. We highly recommend the trip to other clubs. For further information, contact Mary Scheitler (561) 491-8033.
3. Our Club enjoyed Cash Cashion, the Swamp Gardner columnist for the Palm Beach Post on October 26th. He spoke about Tropical Landscapes and was very informative and enjoyable.
4. Vince Petrovsky, owner of Heaven & Earth Floral, Inc. was magnificent in his floral presentations to our members. He created 5 of the most unusual and beautiful designs that were raffled to those present. We highly recommend his work. (cell phone # (561) 628-6269)
5. Another workshop presentation was done by Bradley of Johnny Mango's in Boynton Beach. This landscape and gardening business is just wonderful. Bradley demonstrated how to repot orchids that were brought to him by our members.

PROGRAMS 2007-2008 **Garden Club of Stuart**

Contact Cyndy Trossbach (bocyndy@bellsouth.net) if you have questions.

October 8, 2007 -- "A Water Fest"

After the water shortages we've experienced earlier this year, methods of water conservation and information about horticulture that can withstand such conditions are of great interest. Fran Shaw, Master Gardener and our own Garden Club member, will present "Native Plants that Survive Florida Summers and Drought," followed by a presentation on "Rain Barrels" by Fred

Burkey, Multi-County Extension Agent, Florida Yards and Neighborhoods Programs, Martin/St. Lucie Cooperative Extension Service.

November 12, 2007 -- "Following the Lewis and Clark Trail"

Two local Master Gardeners, Tony and Florence Chatowsky, will share their marvelous experience when they pursued the route these famous early explorers took across our great nation. The Chatowskys focus on the flora and fauna they saw during their trek, some of which surely were native to the areas they passed through.

December 10, 2007 -- "Designs with Grocery Store Flowers"

John Klingel, AAF, AIFD, PFCI, author of THE FRUGAL FLORIST, and designer/instructor at South Florida Center for Floral Studies in West Palm Beach, will present designs we can create inexpensively. His designs will be raffled, and his book and other items will be available for purchase.

January 14, 2008 -- "Lifestyles of Butterflies in the Garden"

Growing interest in the establishment of gardens which attract butterflies is evidenced by our Club's participation in FFGC's Butterfly Sanctuary Certification Program, as well as the newly established butterfly gardens the Club is sponsoring at Bessey Creek and Hospice. An expert on the subject, Alana Edwards, of Environmental Studies Education and Training at Florida Atlantic University, will deliver delightful comments and show us some of these marvels of nature.

February 11, 2008 -- "Fantasy Flowers by Rose"

Following an early morning workshop on "contrived" flowers (Hands-on class, 9-11:30 a.m. today, \$10 fee, which includes supplies), Rose Vickers, Past President of Flower Show Judges, Instructor and Master Judge, will demonstrate to the entire membership at our 1 p.m. program how she creates beautiful flowers from colorful corn husks and other natural materials. You won't believe these beauties!

March 10, 2008 -- "Designing Terrariums"

Terrariums will be a new feature of our 2009 Flower Show, and our own Garden Club member Janet Foell just happens to love this miniaturized form of gardening. Janet will demonstrate how to select the best plants and containers, as well as how to create and maintain winning designs. Bonus: Janet will offer one of these terrariums as a raffle prize!

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PROGRAMS/HORTICULTURE INSTRUCTION/DESIGN DEMOS

October 11, 2010: Cordyline/Ti Plants

Diane Rexroad (Hibiscus Circle member) and *Jim Haines*, both Master Gardeners and owners of Tropical Ranch Botanical Gardens will speak about Cordylines, a wonderful group of plants that provide interesting colors and unusual shapes in your landscape or on your patio.

November 15, 2010: Sustainable Gardening

Learn the What, Why and How components of having a sustainable garden from *Jason McCobb*, who developed a full functional garden at the Breakers in Palm Beach. His main area of focus is growing high quality and nutritionally dense vegetables.

December 13, 2010: Frugal Florist's Holiday Decorations

Learn from a master, *John Klingel*, how to be creative and design your own holiday centerpieces using "grocery store bought flowers." Once you learn how; A holiday centerpiece is a great gift idea! John's creations will be part of a free raffle at the end of the program.

January 10, 2011: The Everglades: History & Restoration

Susan Ervin with the Everglades Foundation will advance an understanding of the irreplaceable environmental and economic value of the Greater Everglades Ecosystem, including plans which will improve our Indian River estuary.

February 14, 2011: Garden Pests

Bob Curran, Entomologist and Volunteer Agent at the UF-IFAS Extension Office in Martin County, will speak about Garden Pests (including bugs) and which alternative methods of control can be good for your garden.

March 14, 2011: Herbs & Medicinal Plants

Charlie McDaniel, a science teacher from Palm Beach County, will speak about using plants medicinally. His major interest areas are ferns, aroids, and any plant with medicinal or beneficial uses. Learn which medicines or beneficial plants you may have in your yard or patio.

Mr. McDaniel passed away suddenly in December. His program was replaced with a presentation by Bruce Pearson, owner of Tropical World Nursery in Boynton Beach. The program was a power point presentation on An Eco Tour of Thailand. Mr. Pearson travels the world collecting orchids and conducts tours of Thailand. The presentation included information about our climate being similar to Thailand, that plant nomenclature can indicate a plant's origin and many of our new cultivars come from Thailand. For more information regarding his plant business and tours, contact Mr. Pearson at tropicalw@aol.com

Garden Club of Fort Pierce- 2010-2011 Programs and Speakers

September - "James J. Smith Bonsai Collection" – Amy Dahan, Director Heathcote Botanical Garden

October – "The Right Palm for You" – Dr. John Kennedy

November – "Beautiful Bromeliads" – John Meyerhoffer

December – Holiday Luncheon

January – "Backus in Bloom" – Robin Dannahower & Keith Lustig

February – "FNGLA Plants of the Year" – Anita Neal, Univ.FL. St. Lucie County Extension

March – "Friendship through Flowers" – Ikebana – Pauline Chrabaszcz

April – “Some Like it Hot” – summer flowers – Carol Coud Bailey

Other Speakers Provided by Various Clubs

- Joan Black PEP Gardening
- Jeannette Waltz 467-9506 Speaks on Design or Horticulture
- Odom's Orchids in Ft. Pierce 1611 S. Jenkins Rd. 772-467-1386
- Pinder's Nursery....Terri Pinder
- Blooming Idiot's --Rose Ladies from Okeechobee
- Native Plants—Cynthia Plockelman (WPB) 561-585-1278