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JANUARY PROGRAM: Florida's Water...Wealth for our Future

Tracy McCommon, as host and producer for Nature Wise, Inc. and other ½ hour television programs in the "Wildlife Matters" series, will be presenting her latest release, "Florida's Water...Wealth for Our Future", at Leu Gardens, on January 8, 2008, 7:00pm.

Tracy McCommon has one bachelor's degree in Psychology from Lock Haven University in Pennsylvania, and a second bachelor's degree in Radio/Television Communications from the University of Florida. Her love for the environment and wildlife lead her to start Nature Wise, Inc., a non-profit 501 (c)(3) organization dedicated to "improving the environment through educational television and video" in 2006. As Host and Producer for Nature Wise, Tracy produced ½ hour television programs in the "Wildlife Matters" series and other documentaries, which encourage conservation of Florida's natural resources and wildlands.



Tracy McCommon.

PLANT RESCUE Jackie Rolly

A plant Rescue will be held at the Orlando International Airport, Saturday, January 19, 2008. We will meet at the gas station at the SW corner of SR 15 (Narcoossee Road) and the Beachline (SR 528), at 8:45 AM. (The park and ride area is no more.) We will then caravan to the airport site. This will probably be a wetland area or maybe we'll be escorted to a new site!

Bring a hat, sunscreen, bug repellent, shovels, trowels, pots, water for yourself and the plants. Plants rescued are earmarked for the Central Florida Zoo and Botanical Garden for their restoration efforts. The February Plant Rescue will also be at the Orlando International Airport on Saturday, February 16, same time and place. The March Rescue, however, is tentatively planned for a new upland (dry) site off Avalon Road. Plenty of endangered plants will be waiting for us.

LANGFORD PARK CLEAN-UP

Jackie Rolly

January 12 will be a clean up day at Langford Park in lieu of a Field Trip. Please join us as we assist Langford Park in removing invasive exotics and helping them plan for future native plant areas. Bring a shovel, gloves, hat, sunscreen, bug repellent, and plenty of energy. Langford Park allows the Tarflower Executive Board to hold the monthly meetings there and this is our way of thanking them.

By the way I saw a great sign in the herb garden at Dandelion Tea Shop, that I think you should use. It read:

"We don't plant our garden in your butt, so please don't plant your butt in our garden.

Rufino Orsorio will Speak at WP Garden Club

Kim Furbish, Winter Park Garden Club

The Winter Park Garden Club is having a Gardening Festival Celebrating Nature's Bounty on Sat., Feb 23 from 8:30 am to 1:30 pm at the Winter Park Garden Club House in Mead Gardens which is on Denning Drive in Winter Park.

Rufino Orsorio will be speaking at 9 am. His talk will be titled "Beyond Cabbage Palms and Coco Plums." Other guest speakers will be Doug McGinnis from Tropical Blossom Honey in Edgewater, Bernie Moro, the Worm Lady from Apopka and a Japanese Gardener. There will be various vendors and a plant sale featuring plants grown by the Winter Park Garden Club members. The public is invited. It is free to attend this informative event.

Local Native Nurseries

Biosphere Consulting Inc

(407) 656-8277
14908 Tilden Rd
Winter Garden, FL 34787

B B Brown's Gardens

(352) 429-5566
11490 Montevista Rd
Clermont, FL 34711

Green Images

(407) 568-1333
1333 Taylor Creed Rd
Christmas, FL

What's Blooming in Wekiwa

Take a journey to different areas within the park to explore, identify, and discuss what's in bloom. Led by a volunteer, this program is fun for all ages, regardless of your knowledge of plants! Participants should be capable of walking two miles unassisted. Please be sure to wear appropriate footwear and clothing. Sunblock, insect repellent, and refreshments are also suggested. Pets are prohibited. Pre-registration is required and participation is limited to 15 people. To register please call Jessica at (407) 884-2006.

WHEN: 3rd Saturday of the month from 9am to 11am

COST: Included in park \$5 fee

WHERE: Wekiwa Spring State Park, 1800 Wekiwa Circle, Apopka, FL 32712

\$25 Individual/Gift
\$30 Renewing Individual
\$40 Family/Household
\$50 Contributing/ Non-Profit
\$100 Business
\$100 Supporter
\$15 Full-time Student
\$15 Library or School

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SOCIETY NEWS:

Chapter Meetings

Chapter meetings are held the first Tuesday each month at

HARRY P. LEU GARDENS, (1920 N. Forest Avenue, Orlando). The next meeting is **Tuesday January 8** at 7:00 P.M. Refreshments 6:30. See you there! (For directions, call 407-246-2620 option 1)

Executive Committee

The next board meeting will be TBD. For more information contact Catherine Read. Members are welcome to attend.



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