



# the Tarpaper

The Tarflower Chapter of the Florida Native Plant Society



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## **MARCH 2 PROGRAM: Florida Soils**

Did you ever wonder what lies underneath those plants we look for? Chuck O'Rourke from the USDA Soil and Water Conservation District will tell us. Join us for an informative program.

## **FLORIDA WILDFLOWER AND GARDEN FESTIVAL**

Florida wildflowers are the focus of a day-long street festival in downtown DeLand on Saturday, **March 27**, organized by Mainstreet DeLand with the assistance of the Florida Wildflower Foundation, Volusia County Extension Service and others. This is the third year for the Florida Wildflower & Garden Festival, which hopes to grow into a regional event of statewide interest, promoting Florida wildflowers. Free to the public, the festival includes a great line-up of speakers on a broad range of native plant and family friendly topics plus exhibitors, vendors, gardening demonstrations and off-site field trips.

### **SPEAKER PROGRAM:**

<http://www.floridawildflowerfestival.com>

With all the cold winter weather, festival organizers expect a large crowd seeking to replace damaged plants, shrubs and flowers, as well as additional interest in garden supplies, lawn care, vegetables and plants. This is a great opportunity to showcase our plants, our landscape services, and the unique benefits of Florida native plants.

ALL PLANTS WELCOME, not just wildflowers. And not just plants! Sell anything green/enviro or garden related, locally made, etc. **NONPROFIT ALLIES -- EXHIBIT --** Reach beyond the choir and get your great message out! Just \$35 for a 10x12 booth space! Electricity available for \$10. **DOWNLOAD VENDOR APPLICATION:**

<http://www.floridawildflowerfestival.com/wildflower/2010-Vendor-Application.pdf>

### **MAKE A WILD WEEKEND OF IT!**

**WILDFLOWER CEU COURSE ON FRIDAY.** AFNN will be offering a Friday afternoon course on sustainable landscaping with wildflowers for horticulture & landscape professionals and serious native plant enthusiasts (FNGLA & ISA CEUS

available). Instructors include Bill & Nancy Bissett and Brightman Logan. Lunch at Mainstreet Grill plus 3 hours of course instruction. Discount for AFNN members.

### **MORE INFO:**

[http://www.afnn.org/other/wildflower\\_ceu.html](http://www.afnn.org/other/wildflower_ceu.html)

### **WEEKEND FUN**

Wildflower Festival all day Saturday, DeLand Outdoor Art Festival on Saturday & Sunday

The festival is a highlight stop on BikeFlorida's 2010 Annual Tour: <http://www.bikeflorida.org/bf2010/2010.php>

### **SATURDAY NIGHT**

Peace, Love and Wildflowers is the theme for Saturday evening's dinner and festivities. Bike Florida 2010 Annual Tour cyclists and members and friends of the Florida Wildflower Foundation will take over Indiana Avenue for dinner and, yes, dancing in the street. The Groovers and Shakers will churn out groovy tunes from the '60s and '70s. Bring your tie-died shirts and granny glasses – the Florida Wildflower Foundation will award prizes for the Best Hippie Dude and Best Hippie Chick costumes. Don't forget your love beads! Buy 'em at the Foundation's booth during the Festival or from a Foundation flower child at dinner for \$1 a strand -- or 5 for \$3 -- with proceeds going to the Foundation ... to plant more wildflowers, man! Watch for details at Florida Wildflower Foundation website: <http://www.floridawildflowerfoundation.org>

**DOWNTOWN DELAND** is a great place to walk, shop and enjoy a delicious relaxing breakfast, lunch, coffee break or dinner, with a variety of cafes and restaurants. Discounts available for exhibitors, vendors, and members of the Florida Wildflower Foundation.

### **WHERE TO STAY** <http://www.visitwestvolusia.com>

Closest to the downtown area would be the charming historic DeLand Artisan Inn, University Inn & DeLand Country Inn. DeLand Comfort Inn and Holiday Inn just a five minute drive from downtown.

FESTIVAL INFO / QUESTIONS: 386-738-0649

or <http://www.floridawildflowerfestival.com/>

## **MARCH 13 FIELD TRIP TO CATFISH CREEK** John Cento

Meet at trailhead in Allen David Broussard Catfish Creek Preserve State Park at 9:30am. Call John Cento for details, 407-913-2417

## **CENTRAL FLORIDA EARTH DAY**

The 5th annual Central Florida Earth Day will happen on Saturday, April 24 from 10:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. at Lake Eola Park in downtown Orlando! You are invited to participate!

For more information, call Larry Rumbough, Organizer Central Florida Earth Day, <http://cfearthday.org/> (321) 331-1859

## **SUPPORT OVAS AND HAVE FUN**

The Oklawaha Valley Audubon Society will present a special program of readings and songs about the Civilian Conservation Corp (CCC) on Sunday, **March 7, at 2:00** at the Trout Lake Nature Center in Eustis. The event features Michigan author and song writer, Bill Jamerson performing his original music and reading excerpts from his book, *Big Shoulders*. Jamerson wrote and produced the PBS film "Camp Forgotten." A **donation of \$15** is suggested. Contact Billie Argenziano at 352 357 8270 or Russ Littlefield at 352 735 0690 for more information.

During the Great Depression, the Civilian Conservation Corp (CCC) put millions of young men to work during a nine year period from 1933-1942. In Florida they planted millions of trees, fought forest fires and built roads. They built or upgraded many of our state parks including O'leno in HighSprings, Gold Head in Keystone Heights, and Hillsborough State Park. Come, reminisce, learn and be entertained. **Wine and refreshments provided starting at 1:00.**

## **WEKIVA RIVERFEST**

The Wekiva Wilderness Trust is pleased to partner with The Friends of the Wekiva River in announcing the Wekiva Riverfest at Wekiva State Park.

**February 27** 7:30 am – 9:30 am Annual Real Florida 5K Cross Country Run and Fun Walk.

**March 1-4** 10am– 6 pm Wekiva Paint Out

**March 6** 10 am – 4 pm Wekiva RiverFest

**March 13** 9 am – 5 pm Canoe & Kayak Race

## **WINTER GARDEN WORKSHOPS**

*Presented by Florida Yards & Neighborhoods and the Florida Native Plant Society*

Learn about the nine principles of **Florida Friendly Landscaping** and the benefits native plants provide for biodiversity, ecosystems, and wildlife.

1. Right Plant, Right Place - plant selection, site analysis, soil, & PH
2. Water Efficiently - irrigation system, calibration, water conservation, controllers, application
3. Fertilize Appropriately - selection, application, scheduling, spreaders

4. Mulch - guidelines & types
5. Yard Pest Management - integrated pest management, identification, treatment, disease, pesticides
6. Recycle - benefits, mowing, pruning, composting
7. Storm Water Runoff - best management practices, pollution, swales, rain gardens
8. Waterfront Protection - management, pollution, septic tanks
9. Wildlife Attraction - benefits, creating habitat

**When:** April 17, 2010, 9am – 11am

**Where:** 1<sup>st</sup> Floor Winter Garden City Hall, 300 West Plant Street, Winter Garden

**Registration:** Please call 407.654.2732 or email [astout@wintergarden-fl.gov](mailto:astout@wintergarden-fl.gov)

*All landscaping workshops are FREE*

## **RAIN BARREL WORKSHOP**

*Presented by Florida Yards & Neighborhoods*

Participants learn about water conservation, capturing rainwater and other FYN principles. Rain barrels will be available for purchase at the *10th Annual Spring Fever in the Garden* here in downtown Winter Garden.

**Workshop Date:** April 10, 2010

**Workshop Time:** 9:00 am – 10:15 am

**Workshop location:** 1<sup>st</sup> Floor Conference Room (Chambers) at Winter Garden City Hall, 300 W. Plant St., Winter Garden

**Registration:** Is required to attend the workshop and to guarantee that a rain barrel is available for purchase. Open and free to Winter Garden residents only.

**To register:** Contact Angela Stout - Phone: 407.656.4111 x 5193 or Email: [astout@wintergarden-fl.gov](mailto:astout@wintergarden-fl.gov)

**Rain Barrels:** \$40 each for participants who complete the rain barrel workshop, \$50 each for anyone who does not complete the workshop. Acceptable payment methods include cash or check (to: Bloom and Grow Society). More information about payment and rain barrel pick-up will be provided at the workshop.

## **NOMINATE A BEST PRACTICE WINNER TODAY**

Sustainable Florida is accepting nominations for its 11th Annual Best Practice Awards. More than 100 businesses, non-profit organizations, governmental groups and individuals have been honored for their work that demonstrates that a healthy environment and a healthy economy are mutually supportive.

The nomination deadline is fast approaching. Nominate yourself, a colleague, a vendor or partner. Nomination forms may be accessed on the web at [www.CollinsCenter.org](http://www.CollinsCenter.org) and are due March 31, 2010.

## ***ELECTIONS***

The Nominating Committee of the Tarflower Chapter is looking for candidates to fill the Tarflower Board positions listed below. Request members review the duties of the various Officers and provide recommended names and contacts to fill these positions. The Nominating Committee will contact the candidates to ensure their availability to fill the position. Please provide your recommendations to Jackie Rolly [j.y.rolly@att.net](mailto:j.y.rolly@att.net), (407-620-6963), or to Carolina Lane at [carolina@mindspring.com](mailto:carolina@mindspring.com), or see us at the February meeting. Voting on the slate of nominees will be at the May Annual Meeting. Although some of the people currently serving on the Board may opt to continue serving, we wish to provide this opportunity for others to serve.

Officers may be elected for a period of one (1) year. Only members in good standing may be officers of this corporation. Officers shall automatically be members of the Executive Committee. Officers shall serve without compensation except reimbursement for actual expenses incurred or to be incurred.

### **President:**

- A. Preside at all general membership meetings.
- B. Appoint committees for special tasks as required.
- C. Be an ex-officio member of all committees except the nomination committee.
- D. Sign all documents, contracts, etc.
- E. Conduct monthly Board Meetings.
- F. Attend annual State Conference, or if unable, appoint a representative from the Executive Committee.

Nominee \_\_\_\_\_

Nominee \_\_\_\_\_

### **1<sup>st</sup> Vice-President (Programs)**

- A. Exercise the functions of the President during the absence or disability of the President.
- B. Chair the Program Committee.
- C. Act as an aide to the President

Nominee \_\_\_\_\_

Nominee \_\_\_\_\_

### **2<sup>nd</sup> Vice-President (Events)**

- A. Exercise the functions of the President during the absence or disability of the President and 1<sup>st</sup> Vice-President.
- B. Chair the Events Committee.
- C. Act as an aide to the President.

Nominee \_\_\_\_\_

Nominee \_\_\_\_\_

### **Secretary:**

- A. Record, maintain and report minutes of the Executive Committee, Board and General meetings to the Executive Committee on a monthly basis.
- B. Provide a summary of all of the meetings monthly to the editor of The Tarpaper.
- C. Be custodian of all corporate records except financial. The Treasurer's report is to be included in the minutes.
- D. Prepare correspondence.

Nominee \_\_\_\_\_

Nominee \_\_\_\_\_

### **Treasurer:**

- A. Keep, maintain, and report correct accounts of financial transactions monthly with copies to the secretary for inclusion in the minutes.
- B. Chair the Budget Committee.
- C. Be the custodian of all monies of the corporation.
- D. Sign all checks as directed by the Executive Committee with bills initialed by the President.

Nominee \_\_\_\_\_

Nominee \_\_\_\_\_

Note: The immediate past President shall be the FNPS State Chapter Director and as such shall also be an automatic member of the Executive Committee of this corporation.  
State Chapter Director.

## ***CUPLET FERN ANNOUNCEMENTS***

New Seminole County FNPS Chapter, Cuplet Fern - if any current Tarflower Chapter members reside in Seminole County - you should have received a letter from FNPS asking if you wish to have your membership moved to the new chapter. If you didn't receive a letter and wish to move or wish to stay with Tarflower, please send an email to [info@fnps.org](mailto:info@fnps.org) and let them know your wishes.

If you wish to receive the Sabal Minor on line, please send an email to [info@fnps.org](mailto:info@fnps.org) and let them know. The more people sign up for on line the more money we can save in printing and mailing costs.

Another way our members can help FNPS earn money is to use the following web site when ordering anything on line: <http://www.goodsearch.com/goodshop.aspx>. You are not charged anything additional, and FNPS earns additional dollars. In fact, when you look at the web site you can see how much we have earned. Make sure you indicate Florida Native Plant Society, Melbourne, FL, as the recipient.

**RECEIVE THE TARPAPER ON LINE!** To Receive the Tarpaper on line, please use the following link to join the fnps\_tarpaper yahoo group, [http://groups.yahoo.com/group/fnps\\_tarflower/](http://groups.yahoo.com/group/fnps_tarflower/) After accessing the fnps\_tarpaper yahoo group, click on 'Join Group' and continue to follow the instructions.

**CLIMATE CHANGE INITIATIVE**

As a reminder, our program on Thursday, February 25 at 6:30 pm, is being presented by Randall W. Parkinson, Ph.D., P.G --Administrator, Space Coast Climate Change Initiative and covers the subject of The Science of Climate Change and Rising Sea Level. This program is co-sponsored by the Church. We'll have plenty of refreshments, too!

**PADDLING ADVENTURE / HIKE**

Lake County park rangers and staff from the Lake County Water Authority will lead a "Paddling Adventure & Hike" on Saturday, Feb. 27, from 5 to 8:30 p.m. beginning at the Crooked River Preserve, located at 11121 Lake Louisa Road in Clermont. For more information check out Lake County Parks & Trails' Event Guide, [www.lakecountyfl.gov](http://www.lakecountyfl.gov), keyword: parks, or request a copy by calling Parks & Trails at (352) 253-4950.

**UPCOMING PROGRAMS**

April 6: Dr. Craig Huegel. Matching Plants to What You've Been Handed - The Truth About "Right Plant Right Place"

\$25	Individual/Gift
\$35	Renewing Individual
\$40	Family/Household
\$50	Contributing/ Non-Profit
\$125	Business/Corporate
\$100	Supporter
\$250	Donor
\$1000	Life
\$15	Full-time Student
\$15	Library or School

Make Checks Payable to:  
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 Florida Native Plant Society  
 P.O. Box 278  
 Melbourne, FL 32902-0278  
 Phone: 321-271-6702

**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 March 2 at 7:00 P.M.** 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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