



the Tarflower

The Tarflower Chapter of the Florida Native Plant Society



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APRIL 6 PROGRAM

Dr. Craig Huegel:

Matching Plants to What You Have Been Handed — The Truth About Right Plant, Right Place

Dr. Huegel is a naturalist and ecologist with extensive training and experience in many areas of natural resource conservation. He was a co-founder of the Urban Wildlife Cooperative Extension Program at the University of Florida. There he worked with many state, federal and local agencies and the public on issues of planning, growth management and wildlife at the urban interface. He was administrator of Pinellas County's Environmental Lands Division. Dr Huegel has lectured and written on many topics related to wildlife and wildlife habitat. He is 2-time recipient of the Green Palmetto Award. His newest book, *Landscaping for Wildlife with Florida's Native Plants*, is scheduled for publication in the fall of this year.

FUTURE PROGRAMS

May 4 Movie Night — View Doug Tallamy's *Bringing Nature Home* presentation

June 1 Stormwater Issues with Don Homblette

PLANT RESCUE *Jackie Rolly*

We're going back to Pine Ridge for another rescue on Saturday, April 17. Meet at Walgreens at the intersection of SR 535 and Tilden Road at 08:30am. We'll caravan from there. Bring plenty of water for yourself, a shovel, pots and rainwater if you have any. We still need wire grass for Oakland Nature Preserve, and other small flowering plants such as roseling which should be coming up now. Please contact Marge Holt at marjorieholt@earthlink.net if you are coming so no one is left behind and if we need to cancel for any reason. (Who knows? It might still be raining!)

APRIL FIELD TRIP *John Cento*

Pine Lily Preserve — Sunday, April 11th

What could be more fitting for our first joint field trip with our sister Cuplet Fern chapter than a trip to a new preserve? Orange County's Pine Lily Preserve is not even open to the public yet, but Cuplet Fern chapter member and Orange County endangered land manager Beth Jackson is once again treating us to a sneak preview of an Orange County's GreenPlace program property. Pine Lily Preserve is located near Bithlo in East Orange County. We will meet at 9am, SUNDAY, April 11th at the McDonald's located at 16920 E. Colonial Dr., Orlando 32820, at the corner of Columbia Schoolhouse Rd. (south side of the highway). Note the change from Saturday to Sunday this month. From there we will travel to the preserve to botanize. The preserve has a short loop and a longer one, so those who choose can shorten their hiking distance. Below is an excerpt regarding the preserve's plant communities: Pine Lily Preserve is approximately 431 acres in size and was purchased in 2000. The preserve helps protect oak hammocks, pine flatwoods, freshwater marshes and riverine swamp habitats associated with Long Branch, a tributary to the Econlockhatchee River.

Please check for the posting of the plant list on our chapter's website.

If you have any questions about this month's field trip, please contact John Cento at jcentocpa@hotmail.com or (407) 913-2417.

FNPS 30th Annual Conference

May 20-23, 2010

Register Now!

Join us in Tallahassee when the Magnolia Chapter hosts the 2010 Annual Conference. This will be a special 30th anniversary conference that honors our Florida Native Plant Society history. Over 300 people are expected to attend to celebrate the plants, people and places of Tallahassee and the Big Bend Region.

Latest conservation * Landscape Design * Plant ID Workshops * Social Events * Renowned Keynote Speakers * Guided Field Trips * Lunchtime "Knowledge Cafes" * and more!

Conference Hotel: DoubleTree Hotel, 101 S. Adams St. Tallahassee, FL 32301. Conference Hotel rate is discounted until April 15th.

For conference schedule, registration, field trip descriptions and details, visit <http://www.fnps.org/pages/conference/>. Don't miss this spectacular 30th Anniversary Historical Event!

Early Bird Registration ends April 9th!

Register Now!

See you at the conference!

2010 ELECTIONS SLATE OF NOMINEES

The slate of nominees for the Tarflower Board positions are as follows below. Nominations can still be taken at this time. Please provide your nomination recommendations to Jackie Rolly (j.y.rolly@att.net or 407-620-6963) or to Carolina Lane (carolina@mindspring.com). Voting on the slate of nominees will be at the May Annual Meeting. 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.

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Nominee Catherine Bowman

Nominee _____

1st Vice-President (Programs)

Nominee Julie Becker

Nominee _____

2nd Vice-President (Events)

Nominee Pete Dunkelberg

Nominee _____

Secretary

Nominee Jacqueline Rolly

Nominee _____

Treasurer

Nominee Irene Lauricella

Nominee _____

SPRING SATURDAY RETAIL DAY! AT THE NATIVES, INC.

The Natives Inc. is celebrating 28 years of growing, sowing, potting, planting, specking, seeding Florida Native Plants. Come celebrate with us at our Spring Saturday Retail day! Saturday April 24th, 9:00am-3:00pm. We've got a wonderful new crop of wildflowers — all your favorites.

Wildflowers : *Liatris spicata*, *laevigata*, *gracilis* •

Carphephorus corymbosus, *sutropicanus* • *Helianthus carnosus*, *radula* • *Solidago fistulosa*, *stricta* • *Pityopsis* •

And more!

Shrubs and trees: Simpson's Stopper • Yellow Anise •

Walter's Viburnum • St. John's Wort • Blueberries • Green Palmetto • American Beauty Berry • Slash and Long Leaf Pine • 6 Oak species • And much, much more!

Come join us on the 24th! See our web site for directions.

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FNPS FREEZE DAMAGE SURVEY

FNPS is collecting data to find out how the native plants in residential and commercial landscapes and nearby natural areas responded to the freezes this winter. Please help us compile this valuable data by visiting our chapter web site (<http://www.fnps.org/pages/chapters/chapterpg.php?keyword=Tarflower>) and downloading the Freeze Damage Survey. Completed surveys may be submitted via mail or email to the addresses indicated on the form. Thank you for your participation.

TROUT LAKE WORKDAY

Friday, April 2 at 8:30am will be an FNPS workday at Trout Lake. We'll be hauling treetops, lining the trails with tree trunks, and various other projects. At 11:30am, we will have a Pizza Party with homemade cookies for dessert. A big Thank You! to the Habitat and Maintenance volunteers for all their hard work over the past year.

LEU GARDENS' PLANT SALE *Jackie Rolly*



*Crowds and plants at the
2010 Leu Gardens Plant Sale*

Another great sale by Tarflower members at Leu Gardens this year. Thanks to Marc Godts, we had over 100 species of trees, shrubs and flowering plants. We had increased



Tarflower booth, Saturday

inventory, thinking that people would be interested in replacing their frozen tropicals after this cold winter, and the fact that people are generally more interested in Florida's native plants now more than ever. We guessed right!

Very few plants were left over by Sunday afternoon. Saturday was a beautiful day, sunny and warm, with large crowds continuously buying plants. Sunday was another story entirely. The rain came down in sheets by the afternoon; fortunately,

we had tarps to cover the tables and displays. The rain didn't stop the public from buying. We couldn't believe it! Umbrellas in hand, we kept selling all Sunday afternoon, even in the worst of the downpours,



Tarflower booth and plant sales

right up until almost closing time. Thanks mostly go to Ora, Pete and Marc who stood out in the pouring rain talking to



Fred Hunter helps unload



Huddling under the tarp

people while the rest of us stayed huddled under the tent.

We couldn't have done it without our dedicated volunteers. In particular, Marc Godts for his fortitude and dedication in running around to various nurseries days before the event, selecting the plants and arranging them. Special thanks also to those who stood all day greeting the public in the sun and rain, talking to them about the best plants for their landscape: Marc, Catherine, Pete Dunkelberg, Frank, Bonnie, Julie, Ora, Chuck, Craig, Eugene, Carolina and notably Elizabeth, a brand new member. Thanks also to those whose math was tested taking the money: Jackie R, Jackie S, Irene and whoever Jackie made sit in while she took a break. Phyllis was at her best, selling books and t-shirts and filling in where needed. Set up and tear down went efficiently and easily thanks to Brent, Fred, Pete and all the other helping hands. **Three cheers to all!** (Photos courtesy of Phyllis Gray and Frank Winzig.)

CELEBRATE ENDANGERED SPECIES DAY ON MAY 21

Started by the United States Senate, Endangered Species Day is the third Friday in May. Every year, thousands of people throughout the country celebrate Endangered Species Day at parks, wildlife refuges, zoos, aquariums, botanical gardens, libraries, schools and community centers.

For more information on festivals, field trips, park tours, community clean-ups, film showings, classroom presentations and many other fun and educational activities in your area, visit www.endangeredspeciesday.org.

And for a detailed list of 10 Easy Things You Can Do at Home to Protect Endangered Species, visit www.stopextinction.org/10athome.html.

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Local Native Nurseries

Biosphere Consulting Inc

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

BB Brown's Gardens

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

Green Images

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

\$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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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 April 6 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 Bowman. Members are welcome to attend.

Tarpaper Online!

A current issue of the tarpaper is always available at <http://winterparkhoney.com/images/tarpaper.pdf>. The tarpaper can also be viewed on line by accessing the chapter web site through FNPS.org. Click on Chapters -> Tarflower and follow the instructions to the tarpaper!

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