

Tallahassee Garden Club
September 1, 2023

**President's
Message**

Welcome to the new year, TGC members!

On behalf of your President's Council, it is my pleasure to welcome you to the 97th year of the Tallahassee Garden Club. We are all very eager to roll out the exciting activities and opportunities planned for 2023-2024!

The Orientation for circle chairs and circle treasurers was on August 23rd. Your TGC officers, and a few TGC committee chairs, were on hand to welcome them and to encourage participation in the events. These members are so full of energy and enthusiasm, and I think that you will really enjoy collaborating with them. The ROT chair was

really enjoy collaborating with them. The BOT chair was also there to give everyone the “rules of the road” for the Garden Center.

We also had orientation for new members the same day. Welcome new members! We are so happy to have each one of you!

The first Executive Board Meeting will be on September 6th at 10:00 am. This board is comprised of TGC officers, BOT Trustees, Past Presidents, Committee Chairs and Circle Chairs. If you are on the board, please be sure to look at the calendar in the Yearbook and “save the date” for all these meetings. Each of you have a vote, and if you are a circle chair, it is important to represent your circle with this vote.

Ann Riley, 2nd Vice President, announced that yearbooks will be ready for circle chairs to pick up at the September Executive Board Meeting. You will receive them at your September circle meeting. Ann spent her summer working extremely hard to ensure this early arrival. Thank you, Ann!

Joy Hevey is the Newsletter Editor this year. All information, news, invitations, etc. will be live and in color in the newsletter that Joy will create each month. You will find the newsletter submission deadlines for circle chairs and committee chairs listed in the yearbook calendar. And, don't forget to check the Weekly Blast that I send out each Sunday for an up-to-the-minute report on what is happening at TGC the next week.

Penny Pines is one of our National Garden Club Projects that will also kick off in September. With a contribution of \$68, the US Forestry Service will be able to purchase and replant one acre of seedlings. We encourage each Circle to take the challenge to collect enough money to replant at least one acre of seedlings. Your Circle can collect money each month or just “write out a check.” Thank you, Penny Lewis (aka “Penny”) for

out a check. Thank you, Pam Lewis (aka Penny), for your continued work as our Penny Pines Chair.

September 21st will be our first Plant Exchange and Horticulture Program for the year. Thank you to Susan McKnight, Robin Riley, and Gail Hill for heading this up each month.

“Biggest Fund Raiser of the Year - Pecans, Pecans, Pecans!!! The price is \$12.50 per bag. We want to hit the ground running to sell as many bags as possible before the cut-off date of October 20th. Sue Griner is the Pecan Chair and will be on hand to get the “BIG” order together and to the vendor by the deadline. Remember, the circle that sells the most pecans will get a prize.

Please remember the FFGC District III Meeting is October 12th in Madison, Florida. Our very own Lana Arnold is the new District III Director. Join me and let us all plan to be there and make her proud with the number of members from TGC.

By the way – did you know that we are now the largest club in the state with over six hundred members? Keep up the excellent work, and let’s get our membership back up to pre-Covid numbers.

I look forward to serving as the President of this honorable club and look forward to working with you and meeting each of you soon. Have a wonderful Labor Day and a beautiful, and hopefully, much cooler fall.

Sincerely,
Susan Weaver, President

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Welcome New Members

<u>First</u>	<u>Last</u>	<u>Circle</u>
Kitty	Camp	Babies Breath
Julie	Costas	Babies Breath
Jane	Watson	Babies Breath
Angie	Avery	Buddleia
Madison	Avery	Buddleia
Heidi	Copeland	Buddleia
Sherry	Valdez	Buddleia
Beth	Baggett	Buttercup
Armie	Chase	Buttercup

Carole	Gramovot	Buttercup
Sharon	Frazier	Daffodil
Janet	Hartman	Daffodil
Michael	Killoren	Daffodil
Randy	Nolen	Daffodil
Belma	Rapiz	Daffodil
Bob	Rivers	Daffodil
Dulce	Roberts	Daffodil
Luz	Tatman	Daffodil
June	Williamson	Daffodil
Jane	Wills	Daffodil
Linda	Cyr	Gardenia
Luisa	Fairweather	Gardenia
Sylvie	Naar	Gardenia
Charles	Noel	Gardenia
Jennifer	Noel	Gardenia
Michele	Reyes	Gardenia
Vicki	Wooldridge	Gardenia
Helen	Ervin	Hibiscus
Elizabeth	Jackson	Hibiscus
Joanna	Love	Hibiscus
Gail	Fishman	Holly
Renee	Herring	Holly
Joyce	Stillwell	Jonquil
Inis	Bultmann	Magnolia
Marvlvn	Crank	Mimosa

Carolyn	Gosselin	Mimosa
Susan	Grabowski	Mimosa
Barbara	Linthicum	Mimosa
Michelle	Weathersby	Mimosa
Debbie	Williams	Mimosa
Eve	Williams	Mimosa
Gail	Alexander	Or. Blossom
Jen	Graham	Or. Blossom
Teresa	Morris	Or. Blossom
Frances	Ostrander	Or. Blossom
Linda	Scott	Or. Blossom
Terri	Anderson	Sh. Forest
Jeri	Herman	Sh. Forest
Lorraine	Clark	Sweet Bay
Ann	DiLalla	Sweet Bay
Robin	Riley	Sweet Bay
Rebecca	Sills	Sweet Bay
Donna	Wheeler	Sweet Bay
Sheila	Boggs	Violet
Virginia	Proctor	Violet
Susan	Kaempfer	Wisteria

UPCOMING EVENTS



<i>SAVE THE DATES</i>	
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Date	Time	Event	Venue
9/5 Tuesday	9:30 am 10:30 am	TGC Board of Trustees Meeting TGC President's Council Meeting	Garden Center
9/6 Wednesday	10:00 am	Executive Board Meeting* Hospitality: Babies Breath, Magnolia	Garden Center
9/7 Thursday	9:00 am	Healing Garden Workday*	1775 One Healing Place
9/21 Thursday	9:30 am	Plant Exchange/ Horticulture Program* Hosts: Oleander, Mimosa & Holly	Garden Center
			Garden Center

9/25 Monday		Newsletter Articles Deadline	Send to: tgcnews@outlook.com

*All members are encouraged to attend these events.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

.You are cordially invited to our Birthday Party!!!

Celebrating the 100th birthday of FFGC

at the District 3 Fall Meeting

Thursday October 12, 2023

Hosted by the Madison County Garden Club

Fellowship Church - Social Hall

Address: 1997 NE Colin Kelly Hwy, Madison Fl. 32340

Registration & Coffee: 9:00 am - 10:00 am

Meeting Time: 10:00 am

Cost: \$25.00

Reports: Presidents 3 mins & Chairman 2 mins

Make Checks Payable to: Madison Co. Garden Club

Mail Registration Forms & Checks to: Dennis Delfo, President

Mail Registration Forms & Checks to: Bonnie Kolbe, Registrar

10220 227th Lane

Live Oak, FL 32064

(850) 464-7546

Registration Deadline: October 2, 2023

District Ways & Means Raffle

Each club please donate a raffle prize (proceeds will help fund district youth programs)

Please bring gently used jewelry to be sold (proceeds help support FFGC youth projects)

Announcements Deadline – October 4, 2023

All new announcements to be presented at this meeting must be sent in writing to the District Director, Lana Arnold, prior to the meeting.

Driving Directions to Fellowship Church: Traveling East on I10 - Use Exit 251 (Hwy 14). Go north on Hwy 14 into Madison. Continue on Hwy 14 by turning right on SW Millinor St. & left on Duval St. Go thru town & take a right on NE Colin Kelly Hwy. Fellowship Church will be 1.5 miles is on the left. Red Brick church on a hill.

EXECUTIVE BOARD

POP-UP SHOPPING OPPORTUNITIES!

Jane Driggers, Buttercup Circle, will have her unique “Fall and Football” décor on sale.

Libby Penrod, Sweetbay Circle, will be selling interesting items for personal and home use at her Bag for HOPE table.

Susan McKnight, Sweetbay Circle, will be ready to replenish your garden and gauntlet glove supply at her table.

We are looking forward to starting a new TGC year with you all! Bring cash or checks please.

CIRCLE NEWS

Buddleia

By Linda McCarthy

The Budds had a fantastic visit at [SunBlest Gardens](#) with owner, Caleb VanWingergerden, who

showed us all around the amazing greenhouse growing operation. Look for their tag next time you shop at Costco or any bog box store. They have an open house in October and spring where you can buy plants. We enjoyed lunch at Wakulla Springs afterwards.

Buttercup

By Cathy Bishop

In April, the Buttercup circle enjoyed a wonderful presentation on the history of plantations in Leon County.

David Lang provided an entertaining and informative opportunity for us to learn more about the early history of our community – and he peaked our interest in possible stories to hear in the future! Two new members joined our

circle – a Buttercup welcome to Carole Gramovot and

Beth Baggett. Lastly, we put the final touches and planning for the extravaganza and in true Buttercup style, everyone is pitching in to help.

Coreopsis Circle

Summer fun was on the agenda for members of Coreopsis members. In June we met for brunch at The Egg and then an outing to see Flight of the Butterflies at the IMAX at the Challenger Learning Center; all scheduled by Chary Root. In August, Gail Hill welcomed the group to her annual pool party, complete with her spectacular paella prepared poolside. Members were glad to cool off in the pool, sip refreshments and catch up on news.

Mimosa

Mimosa Garden Circle met at the Garden Center in May for their end-of-the-year luncheon and to honor our own Sue Griner, outgoing President of the Club. Following tradition the circle presented a gift to the Garden Center, elegant black patio umbrellas and stands to match the wrought iron chairs. Now there is additional shade there for members and others using that space.

We are so proud of Sue and appreciate her leadership for the past two years and wish her well earned rest and perhaps fewer phone calls. Job well done!

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Orange Blossom

Orange Blossom circle enjoyed attending the District III meeting in Monticello followed by our monthly meeting at Marie Womble's home for dinner and our final meeting for the year.

Looking forward to Fall!

COMMITTEE NEWS

Pecan Sales are kicking off!

TGC's first fundraiser of the year starts today! You can click on the scroll down to print an order form and be the first in your Circle to turn in your order. Forms will also be available on the website at www.tallahasseeclub.com.

Circle Pecan sales chairs will also have order forms at your September Circle meetings, so be prepared to purchase as many bags as your trunk will hold. And just in case you've never ordered the Chocolate Amaretto covered pecans, now's your opportunity. They are a favorite among those who have ordered them!

The sale runs until Friday, October 20, 2023. Bags will be available for pickup by your designated Circle Pecan Sales chair on Friday, November 10, 2023.

Think of all the potential purchasers you know. Have you sold to your friends and acquaintances in your Book Club? Sunday School class? Bridge club? Bunco pals? Other clubs you are in? These pecans sell themselves. All you have to do is tell them about the opportunities to purchase hard to find varieties, like Chocolate Amaretto pecans or praline pecans... Remember to tell them that our pecans are fresh and Top Quality! This year's crop!

Questions? Contact Sue Griner, Pecan Sales Chair, by email at:

Suegriner47@gmail.com

or

by phone, 850-345-1868.

[Pecan Order Form](#)

Name:

Address:

Phone:

Email:

Varieties of Product Ordered - 1 lb. bag - \$12.50 per bag

Mammoth Pecan Halves.....

Large Pecan Pieces.....

Chocolate Amaretto Pecans.....

Praline Pecan Halves

_____ Bags ordered x \$12.50 per bag=**TOTAL cost**
\$ _____

PAID BY ____ CASH ____ CHECK (payable to your Circle, or to
the Tallahassee Garden Club if you are NOT in a Circle)

Orders are due to TGC by Friday, October 20, 2023

Return your order, together with payment, to your Circle's Pecan
Sales Chair **prior to the deadline.**

If you are **NOT** in a Circle, send to Tallahassee Garden Club, 507
N Calhoun St, Tallahassee, FL 32301.

**Each Circle Pecan Chair will pick up all orders for their
Circle.**

If you are **NOT** in a Circle, you will pick up your order at the
Tallahassee Garden Club, 507 North Calhoun St on Friday,
November 10, 2023 between the hours of 9:00 am and 3:00 pm.

Net Profits benefit the Tallahassee Garden Club.

Plant Exchange

Chairs

**Susan McKnight & Robin Riley (Sweet
Bay Circle)**

**Thursday, September 21, 2023
9:30 am**

Host Circles: Oleander, Mimosa & Holly

Horticulture Program

**Water Gardens
TAPP**

**September 21, 2023
10:15 am**

**Chair
Gail Hill (Coreopsis Circle)**

Youth Gardening

Chair: Jane Berry
(Coreopsis/Holly)

Gilchrist Garden Report

After the summer break, Magnolia Circle Members are back on the job at Gilchrist Elementary School. With the valuable help of parent volunteers on school beautification day, all beds were weeded mulched, and the kindergarten bed is ready for their annual fall planting.

One gentleman spent the day constructing several new raised beds (materials donated by Gilchrist PTA). Now, we await volunteers for (1) relocating two shrubs so our last (2) beds can be constructed & placed, and (3) donations of mulch & soil and labor to place it all.

This year ALL grade levels will be offered an opportunity to work in the garden for the first time. Lea Richardson, the Gilchrist mom-in-charge of the garden has developed plans that include seeds, books for fun & reference, and help available for the teachers to involve their class. There's no experience required, just the class's participation. Chris Parrish and Stacie Kornegay are the Magnolia liaisons for support, info, labor & crowd control on class days. Many other Maggie Magnolias come out on 'big' days to assist. Magnolia has assisted with funding and gardening at Gilchrist for 20+ years.

Article & photo submitted by Stacie Kornegay

Order Your Walk of Honor Bricks Today!

Are you looking for a way to honor a special person in your life or commemorate a memorable occasion? A Walk Of Honor Brick is just for you!

For \$100, a custom engraved brick with a message of your choosing will be installed in the "Walk of Honor" brick pathway located at the front of the Tallahassee Garden Center.

Jeanne Hunnewell, Chair
850-597-2880
jhunnewell@comcast.net

COMMUNITY NEWS

TMH Healing Garden

Marty Quinn (Magnolia Circle)

Summer 2023 has brought little rain and HOT temperatures that have caused problems at the TMH Cancer Center's Healing Garden. The Watering Crew and Workday Volunteers have been diligent and have managed to keep most plants and bushes flowering in the garden.

The late season arrival of the Caladiums added such nice color and is showing off in many of the pots. Sunpatiens do best in locations that don't get mid-afternoon sun. The roses and hibiscus are blooming, and volunteers stay busy deadheading them to get more blossoms.

The September Healing Garden Workday is Thursday, September 7th, starting at 7:30 a.m. (so we can at least try to beat the heat). If you aren't on the current list of volunteers, please join us in this project. Contact Marty Quinn at martyquinn30@gmail.com to receive monthly email reminders.

And please visit, especially if you have never been there, to see this place of beauty and solace for the staff, clients, and caregivers. A special thanks to our volunteer

members who have committed to supporting this important community garden.

FFGC & TGC Travel

Chair: Shelly Atkinson (Orange Blossom)

DONATIONS

**A special thank you to all of those who
donated this year to the Tallahassee
Garden Club:**

Holly Circle \$500.00

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