




## District 1 Newsletter

***“The Busy Bee” ..... “How doth the busy bee improve each shining hour and gather honey all day from every opening flower.” Isaac Watts***

***“Bee” sure to come to the District Meeting on Tuesday, May 9th at St. Rose of Lima Catholic Church, 6451 Park Avenue in Milton. If you have not registered yet, please do so as soon as possible. The theme is “Mama Mia” and promises to be a fun event. “Bee” sure to send me your delegates and alternates’ names for the meeting; also, your President’s report. “Bee” there! Thank you!*** 




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OKALOOSA COUNTY MASTER  
GARDENER VOLUNTEERS



**PLANT  
SALE**

8AM-12PM  
SATURDAY  
MAY 6, 2023

1976 Lewis Turner Blvd, Fort Walton Beh, FL 32547  
at the Okaloosa Technical College (OTC)

**All Plants \$5.35 (includes tax)**

Cash or Checks payable to UF (No credit cards)

Hard to find Native & Florida Friendly Plants

Your support of OCMGV Plant Sales is appreciated and provides funding for educational and outreach activities to the citizens of Okaloosa County

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**Pensacola Federation of Garden Clubs, Inc.  
Secret Gardens of the Emerald Coast**

Saturday May 20, 2023 10 am-4pm

Sunday May 21, 2023 Noon-4pm

Admission: \$15 per person

Tickets available at: THE GARDEN CENTER

1850 N. 9<sup>th</sup> Avenue, Pensacola FL

Monday, May 15 - Saturday, May 20, 2023

10 am – 2pm

For more information call: 850-432-6095

**\*CHILDREN UNDER 12 ARE FREE\***

**\*TOUR WILL BE CONDUCTED RAIN OR SHINE\***



Rose of Sharon

**Attention  
“Snapdragons”  
Photography  
Club or other  
interested  
members:**

**A JURIED NATURE AND WILDLIFE PHOTO COMPETITION** © Ana Blower

THE CORAL GABLES GARDEN CLUB  
Presents the 3rd Annual  
**AS·I·SEE·IT**  
*Photography Competition 2023*  
OVER \$3000 IN CASH PRIZES  
Submissions Open  
April 3rd - May 5th  
Follow us on instagram @asiseeitphotocontest  
Scan the QR code for details

Exhibition at the Coral Gables Museum  
For The Top 25 Images  
**AUGUST 10th - OCTOBER 1st**

**Scan their QR  
code, follow on  
Instagram or  
check website.**

***Valparaiso Garden Club Flower Show at the Valparaiso Heritage Museum, Saturday, May 13th, 10:00 - 4:00, 115 Westview Avenue in Valp. Please organize a carpool of your garden club friends.***

***Destin Garden Club Horticulture Speciality Show, June 6th, 9:00 - 4:00 at Destin Library, 150 Siebert Avenue.***

***Happy Earth Day (April 22): Thank you to Velda Dougherty and Jen Weber for the Earth Day event at the Library. The Girl Scouts thoroughly enjoyed the Butterflies in Motion. This Butterfly is named in memory of FFGC's Carol Wood. The name has been sent to "Journey North," an organization which tracks the migration of the Monarch butterfly. (Janet Hays)***



***The Florida Federation of Garden Clubs, Inc. met this past week in Kissimmee welcoming many new District Directors and officers in addition to the installation of Tina Tuttle, President, 2023 - 2025. Gina Jogan led the installation of the District Directors and new Officers which was an outstanding presentation titled "The Sweetest Installation Ever," with a bowl of candy of choice presented to each District Director by several VIPs in attendance. The FFGC Officers presented to their successor their related piece of jewelry for each position. A "sweet reception" after the program featured bowls of candy for everyone's enjoyment.***

***We offer our heartfelt thank you to Marge Hendon, outgoing President, 2021 - 2023 for her continued dedication the past two years as President and for her many years of service to FFGC. Marge was awarded a flower named "Harmony Marge Hendon," a beautiful dark red Begonia and a jewelry box filled with a piece of jewelry from each of her Board officers. She also received a "Guardian of Gardening" award. District Directors gave her a Llama necklace. Ms. Marge will continue with FFGC in an advisory role.***

***We offer our sincere thank you to Joyce Waters-Smith, outgoing District 1 Director for her support of all clubs, members and projects the past two years. I am quite sure she will still be involved in District 1 and FFGC's projects.***

***Congratulations to Jenny Weber, our new District 1 Director. I am sure we can expect great things from Jenny!***

***Camille Greeley and I would like to thank District 1 for our "Pillar of Pride" award. We are proud to represent our district. Club awards will be presented at the District Meeting on May 9th.***

***The 100th Year Celebration of the Florida Federation of Garden Clubs, Inc. will be held next April 9 - 12, 2024 at the Southbank Hotel by Marriott in Jacksonville.***

***This hotel held the first convention of the Florida Federation of Garden Clubs in 1924. Tina and Gina received their love of gardening from their mother who was born in 1924 on the date of the establishment of FFGC. Tina is pleased to lead this celebration!***

***A fun skit was performed at the business meeting with Tina and Jenny and group! I must say it was hilarious!***

***There will be a Flower Show, interesting speakers and workshops, and a huge birthday celebration to commemorate this anniversary.***

***We had a large attendance at this year's convention! Let's double our attendance in 2024!***

***HAVE A WONDERFUL SUMMER!***

***Some photos you may enjoy!***

***The Installation: The group, Tina, Jenny***



## THE "TRAISION SHOW"





***Marge at NGC***



***Harmony Marge Hendon***



***Tina Tuttle, FFGC President  
2023 - 2025***



***Some of the beautiful designs in the convention hallways:***

