



FFGC DISTRICT TOUR OCTOBER 2023

YOUR FFGC EXECUTIVE BOARD

Celebrating 100 Years



Tina Tuttle

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FFGC MISSION STATEMENT

*Florida Federation of Garden Clubs, Inc.
promotes the love of gardening, floral and
landscape design, and civic and environmental
responsibility by providing education, resources and
networking opportunities for our members, youth
and the community.*

FFGC SONG

In A Garden

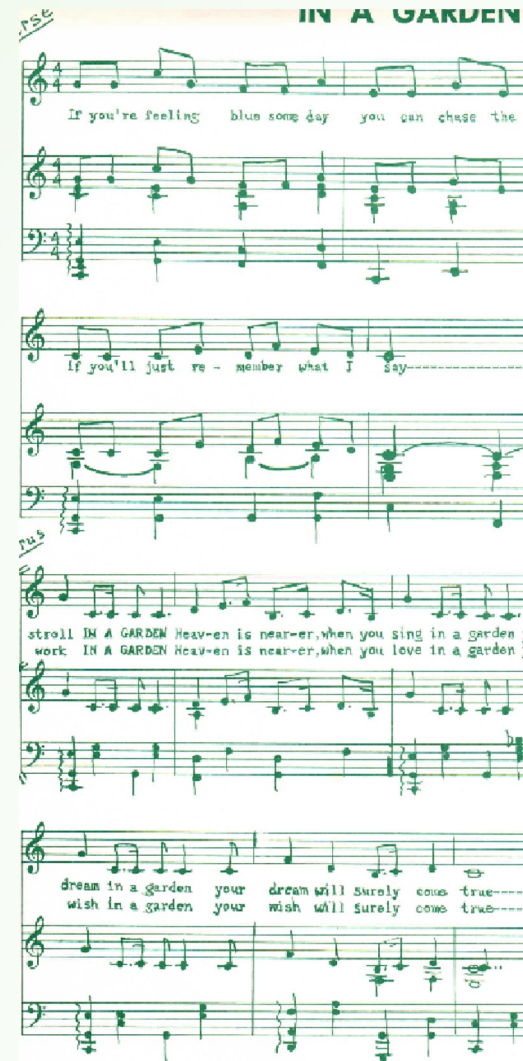
If you're feeling blue some day
You can chase the blues away
If you'll just remember what I say

When you stroll in a garden
Heaven is nearer
When you sing in a garden
Your song will be clearer
When you dream in a garden
Your dream will surely come true

When you work in a garden
Heaven is nearer
When you love in a garden
Your loved one is dearer
When you wish in a garden
Your wish will surely come true.

And if you're caught in the rain
Each flow'r will raise its face to you
And try to explain
That you're in the midst of
God's handiwork
So don't complain
About the rain
Just stroll in a garden
Sing in a garden and
Work in a garden, too.

Then wish in a garden
all your wishes come true.



F.F.G.C. NEWS & UPDATES

Headquarters Office Manager: Robin Hayes

Mon-Thurs 9 am - 1 pm EST

Email: ffgc@ffgcmail.com, www.ffgc.org

Telephone: 407-647-7016

- ❖ Legal issue with City of Winter Park “quashed.”
- ❖ Dues are due May 1 and delinquent June 1.
- ❖ *The Florida Gardener* is now online only!
- ❖ *BOI* is online only with updates made monthly.
- ❖ New State Newsletter-- all Districts participating.
- ❖ Online Member Survey coming soon!
- ❖ Open positions on the FFGC Board of Directors!



Celebrate Florida Arbor Day for FFGC's 100th Anniversary

Goal: Plant a tree on Friday, January 19th.

Get Tree Money

Buy & plant a NATIVE tree.

Get reimbursed up to \$100.

By **December 1 . . .**

- ☐ Pay for your tree.
- ☐ Submit *Application for Tree Money*.
- ☐ Submit native tree receipt.

Receive check in December 2023.

Take & share photos of tree planting.

Get Tree Seedlings & Get Reimbursed

Get up to \$100 for 100-200 native tree seedlings.

To Do Now . . .

- ☐ Order seedlings from **Superior Trees**.
- ☐ Submit *Tree Seedling Reimbursement Form* Part 1.

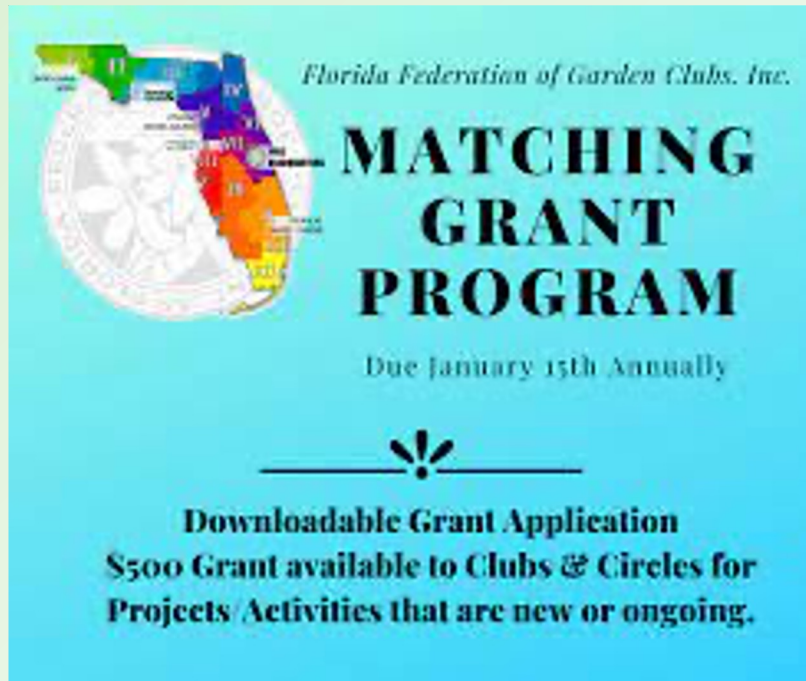
By **February 1 . . .**

Submit receipt + *Reimbursement Form* Part 2 +
photos of giveaway.

Receive check in February 2024.

Thank you to the *Duke Energy Foundation* & the *National Wildlife Federation*!

FFGC AND NGC GRANTS



Worthy Projects/new or ongoing.

- a) Any activity aimed at **increasing membership** by welcoming interested individuals to your Club/Circle.
- b) An activity to **beautify your community**
- c) Any activity to **increase awareness** of our mission.

Grant funds must be spent by April of the following year awarded and a report with pictures sent to the FFGC Matching Grants Chairman, Helen Purvis.

There will be a \$5,000 cap placed on grants awarded annually.

NGC's *Plant America* grant from *Ames Tools*, *Espoma*, *Native Plants and Wildflowers*, and *Youth Pollinator Garden* grants and *Natural Disasters Program*!

100 Ways to Celebrate 100 Years

#61 Nell Coe Award

2023-2025

Tina Tuttle

FFGC President



#61 Nell Coe Award

“100 Ways to Celebrate 100 Years”

Description and Purpose: presented to encourage and promote **participation in all aspects of FFGC and garden club work** and boost the growth in our membership. We will be **DOING** garden club instead of just being a garden club.

Proof of Accomplishment: Apply, get proof of each activity, and email with pictures.

Award: **\$250** may be awarded in each category.

Submission: Email Award #61 to Tina Tuttle

Due Date: **March 20, 2025**

AWARDS



FFGC AWARDS

All Award information is available online.

Applications sent via email but BOEs by mail.

Due dates differ—most due 22 November but several are due before or after that date!

#11 Yearbook Award	November 1
Flower Show Achievement Awards	November 22
Flower Show Related Awards	November 22
Deep South & NGC Awards to Awards Chair	November 22
Jr. Gardener FFGC Awards J-1 - J-6	November 22
Nell Coe Award #61.....	March 20, 2025

Winners announced at convention.

Remember, you must enter to win!

MEMBERSHIP



A.D.D. as District Membership Chair

Recruitment ideas! Retention ideas!

Membership cards distributed today!



THE VALUE OF MEMBERSHIP

- Membership connects you with nearly 10,000 members.
- *The Florida Gardener* online and submit articles.
- Educational workshops the environment, conservation, landscape design, and floral arranging. Complete all four NGC courses and become a recognized Consultant in that area.
- Programming that educates you and others.
- Convention for statewide presentations, speakers, education, and networking.
- Awards for yourself or your club.
- Earn an Honor through your club through special achievement, dedication or service.
- Engage at the state level by leading a committee or climb the ladder from president to district director.

YOUR \$12 MEMBERSHIP...



NGC Dues and Expenses	\$1.20
Board Expenses	\$0.40
<i>The Florida Gardener</i>	\$1.80
Awards	\$0.90
Staff & Office Expenses	\$3.40
Officer Expenses (+ Tour)	\$1.90
Website, Telephone & Web	\$0.70
FFGC Promotion/Membership	
Cards	\$0.35
Contingency Fund	<u>\$1.35</u>
Annual Dues	\$12.00

*Join
Us!*

FFGC PERSONAL HONORS

Bricks \$50

Hall of Fame \$100

Pillar of Pride \$100

Earth Steward \$100

Patron \$500

**Guardian of
Gardening \$1,500**

Life memberships*

FFGC CONVENTION

“Celebrating 100 Years”



Date: April 9-12, 2024
Location: Jacksonville, FL
Hotel: Southbank by Marriott

100th Celebration
Biennial State Flower Show!
Awesome speakers and workshops!
Members Only Art Show with cash prizes!
Opportunity drawings, 50/50, and Tombola!



























SPONSORSHIP

Only 40 convention sponsorships available!
Deadline: **December 22, 2023.**

Convention ads are available to, individuals clubs/circles, districts.
\$50 for half slide
\$100 for full slide.
Deadline: **February 21, 2024**

Sponsor logos and convention ads will be featured on PowerPoint during meals.



	1	3	6	10	20
	Available CENTENNIAL • \$5,000 •	Available CAKE • \$3,000 •	Available ICING • \$2,000 •	Available CHERRY • \$1,000 •	Available CANDLE • \$500 •
SPONSORSHIP TIERS & BENEFITS					
Recognition as Centennial sponsor on our website for 60 days (value: \$500)					
Recognition as Cake sponsor on our website for 30 days (value: \$250)					
Inclusion in appreciation page in our official publication, <i>The Florida Gardener</i> , sent to 10K people and shared to our 20K online community. (value: \$1,000)					
Social Media posts 1/x week for eight weeks (20,000 followers (value: \$1,000*)) <small>*Based on \$1 per click for 10% of our audience.</small>					
Social Media posts 1/x week for six weeks (20,000 followers (value: \$800))					
Social Media posts 1/x week for four weeks (20,000 followers (value: \$400))				 2 posts	 1 post
Include your logo in all on-site signage (value: \$150)					
Inclusion in all event slideshows shown at every meal (value: \$75)					
Two (2) tickets to the keynote speaker dinner at the honors table (value: \$100)					
We are unable to sponsor this event, but congratulate you on achieving 100 years of service to the state of Florida with a cash donation in the amount of				\$	

HOSTED BY FLORIDA FEDERATION OF GARDEN CLUBS, INC.

You only turn 100 once so we're **throwing a party** in Jacksonville. Your sponsorship will fund our **commitment** towards our never-ending mission of **public education and civic involvement** in environmental education, beautification, and **teach our youth** to be flower children forever. In 100 years, our achievements are many, but Florida faces many threats to its fragile ecosystem and we need your help to address the **next century's issues**.

The Florida Federation of Garden Clubs, Inc. is a 501(c)(3) organization. IRS rules and regulations apply. A copy of the official registration and financial information for Florida Federation of Garden Clubs, Inc., a Florida based nonprofit corporation (Registration No. CH31154, may be obtained from the Division of Consumer Service by calling toll-free 1-800-HELP-fla (435-7352) within the State or visiting their website, FRESH FROM FLORIDA or www.800helpfla.com. Registration does not imply endorsement, approval, or recommendation by the State.

FFGC.org/convention

SERVING EARTH SINCE 1924.

SALES CONTACT:
Inger Jones
mjinger@att.net
(954) 649-9310

PAY ONLINE:
ffgc.org/donate

PAY BY CHECK
Inger Jones
will send an invoice.

DEADLINE 12/22/2023

OPPORTUNITY DRAWING

FABULOUS PRIZES TO WIN!

Drawing will be at the convention on **April 12, 2024.**

You do not have to be present to win ...

but it would be so much fun if you were!



OPPORTUNITY DRAWING ITEMS

Florida Federation of Garden Clubs, Inc.
97th Convention | April 10-12, 2024
Southbank Riverwalk Hotel Jacksonville FL
FFGC.org/Convention | #FFGC100

SEVEN GREAT PRIZES

TWO NIGHTS STAY



100 POINTS

at the Disney vacation resort of your choice
(in FL). BOOK W/ TINA TUTTLE.
<https://disneyvacationclub.com>



SUGGESTED DONATION \$2 PER TICKET.

Proceeds go to support FFGC's objectives and special projects.

Checks payable to: FFGC 2024 Convention

Drawing to be held in Jacksonville on April 12. No need to be present to win.

Florida Federation of Garden Clubs, Inc. is a 501(c)(3) organization. IRS rules and regulations apply. Winners of prizes valued at \$600 or more will be issued IRS Form W2G. Your donation may be tax deductible as allowed by the IRS. Consult a tax advisor for more information. Please send checks and stubs to Jennifer Weber, Convention Chair, 9900 Norman Riley Rd, Holt FL 32564 | (850) 902-9060. ALL details are on the drawing tickets.



Fabulous prizes are waiting for you! All you have to do to **WIN** is purchase a ticket—or 2 or 3! Drawing for these prizes will be at convention on **April 12, 2024.**

TICKETS FOR THE
2024
OPPORTUNITY
DRAWING

are on their way
to your club.

All the details are
on the ticket.

BUY! BUY! BUY!
Sell to others; no
need to be there
to win!
LIMIT 5000 TKS



OPPORTUNITY DRAWING 2024
SUGGESTED DONATION
\$2 PER TICKET.

PRIZES GALORE!

- ☞ Two Night Stay at a Disney Resort
- ☞ Two Night Stay @ Southbank Hotel
Jacksonville Riverwalk
- ☞ Five gift card baskets valued at \$500 each

Checks Payable to: FFGC Convention 2024

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OPPORTUNITY DRAWING 2024

Drawing will be held
April 12, 2024
Send checks and ticket
stubs to:

Jenny Weber,
Convention Chairman
9900 Norman Riley Rd
Holt, FL 32564
(850) 902-9060

Net proceeds support
FFGC aims, goals and
special projects.

Tickets limited to 5,000.
One prize per winning
ticket. You need not be
present to win.

KEEP THIS STUB

Florida Federation of Garden Clubs, Inc.
97th ANNUAL CONVENTION

www.FFGC.org/Convention

NO.

NAME _____

ADDRESS _____

CITY/ST/ZIP _____

PHONE _____

EMAIL _____

SEND THIS STUB

THE BIENNIAL STATE FLOWER SHOW “CELEBRATING 100 YEARS!”

The Garden Club of Jacksonville on April 9-12, 2024



HORTICULTURE / DESIGNS /
BOTANICAL ARTS / EDUCATIONAL
EXHIBITS / YOUTH / VENDORS
Gina, Jogan, Chair





DEEP SOUTH GARDEN CLUBS 2024 ANNUAL CONVENTION



**Debby
Cooper,
DSGC
Director**

***“Springtime in the Smokies”* Park Vista Hotel, Gatlinburg, TN
March 19-20, 2024**

Full registrations \$245, Tri-refresher fees are \$15 each

2023-2025 DSGC Theme: “Decorate the Deep South with Floral Design”

NATIONAL GARDEN CLUBS, Inc. 2024 CONVENTION DENVER, CO



June 1-5, 2025
Westin Winchester Hotel, Denver, CO
Come meet NGC President, Brenda Moore!

2023-2025 Theme: "Go Green-Plant America":
Plant America-Feed America
Plant America-Landscape for Wildlife
Plant America-Plant for Pollinators



WEKIVA YOUTH CAMP



- ❑ 2024 curriculum: Trees!
- ❑ Staggered Registration begins 8 pm, January 2, 2024.
- ❑ Volunteers, especially nurses, are needed!



WEKIVA YOUTH CAMP



**FFGC Wekiva Youth Camp in Florida
Coed Water Activities, Arts, Adventure,
Environmental, Sports Overnight
ACA Accredited
Congratulations!**

2024 WEKIVA SCHEDULE

FFGC WEKIVA YOUTH CAMP 2024 SCHEDULE
Registration online at www.wekivayouthcamp.org

Boys Week 1: June 16 – 22, 2024

3rd – 6th Grade, 7th Grade Primitive, 8th Grade Environmental Education (EE)/Canoeing

Boys Week 2: June 23 – 29, 2024

3rd – 6th Grade, 7th Grade Primitive/Tent Camping

Co-Ed Week 1: June 30 – July 6, 2024

3rd – 6th Grade, 7th Grade Girls Primitive

Co-Ed Week 2: July 7 – 13, 2024

3rd – 6th Grade, 9th Grade Leaders in Training Program (LIT) (Invitation only)

Critter Camp - July 9 – 11, 2024 -Critter must have completed either Grade 1 or Grade 2

Girls Week 1: July 14 – 20, 2024

3rd – 6th Grade, 7th Grade Primitive, 8th Grade Environmental Education (EE)/Canoeing

Girls Week 2: July 21 – 27, 2024

3rd – 6th Grade, 8th Grade Environmental Education (EE)/Canoeing

Camp Set-up June 1, 2024, Staff Orientation June 12-15, 2024

WYC CRITTER CAMP

- ❑ For campers having finished 1st/2nd grade.
- ❑ Limited to 32 campers.
- ❑ Dates: **9-11 July 2024** (during week 4)
- ❑ Crafts, Nature, and Swimming
- ❑ Registration begins 8pm, 2 January 2024



CAMP FEES

Sponsored by a Garden Club:

Registration	240.00
Activity Fee	35.00
Processing Fee	5.00
TOTAL FEE	\$280.00

Camper Child/Grandchild with Volunteer

Registration	135.00
Activity Fee	35.00
Processing Fee	5.00
TOTAL FEE	\$175.00

Camper Not Sponsored by a Garden Club:

Registration	340.00
Activity Fee	35.00
Processing Fee	5.00
TOTAL FEE	\$380.00

CAMP WISH LIST

Waterfront

Baby CPR Manikins \$525 for 4
Air purifier for Clinic/Office \$275
Adult CPR Manikins \$454 for 4
Sponsorship of the Waldo Photo
app \$300 per year
AED Trainer \$115
Backboard \$200

Leaders in Training (LIT)

Holiday Coach Lines (bus to/from
Marine Science Station \$2,020-
budgeted)

Primitive

Tents (2) \$200 each
Sealing for tents - \$150

Crafts

Tote Bag (50 pack) Reusable
Shopping Bags (\$20 ea. X 12
packs
Name tags \$100 (budgeted)

Nature

Digital cameras \$100 each
Journal markers \$250

Clinic

Littman Stethoscope \$160
Pulse Oximeter \$40
AED replacement pads \$65
Tray table with wheels \$100
Over-the counter medications
(each summer) \$225
AED battery (summer 2025)
\$250

Kitchen

Cook and Hold Oven \$9,500
Drink dispenser \$1,371
Hot/cold wells for food service
\$4,500
Griddle \$500
Additional Plates, bowls, cups,
ladles \$500

VOLUNTEER TRAINING & JUNIOR GARDENER LEADING TRAINING

- ❑ **SAVE THE DATE! FEBRUARY 10-12, 2024**
- ❑ Come experience the camp and learn how to assist WYC staff in crafts and nature sessions.
- ❑ Take home information to share with your Junior Gardeners!
- ❑ **FORM:** <https://www.ffgc.org/Wekiva-Youth-Camp>.



This
Volunteer
Training
form is
available
online.

Cost is
\$75.



WEKIVA YOUTH CAMP VOLUNTEER TRAINING

Fri, Feb 9 (@ 1 pm) – Sun, Feb 11 (@ 12 pm) 2024



It's that time again for the 2024 Wekiva Volunteer Training. A weekend of friendship, nature and beauty of Wekiwa Springs State Park in Apopka.

FFGC's Wekiva Youth Camp has been located at Wekiwa Springs State Park since 1974. Over a six-week period each summer, campers completing grades 1-8 spend a week living in cabins and learning about the importance of conservation and protection of our environment. Adult Volunteers and Environmental Educators serve as Program Leaders and Role Models to our Campers. Volunteers are housed in air-conditioned cabins with indoor plumbing. The clinic is staffed with a Registered nurse on site daily. Our Camp Director supervises the activities of the Campers and Counselors, many who are former campers.

Wekiva Volunteer Training is an excellent opportunity to become acquainted with summer volunteer opportunities. Space is limited. The first 30 Registrants will have the opportunity for Volunteer cabins. After those spaces are filled, attendees will have the option of "living like a camper" in Camper Cabins with a bathhouse nearby. Bring a friend and learn about Wekiva Volunteer opportunities. Driving Directions and a Recommended Packing List can be found at www.wekivayouthcamp.org.

NAME: _____ CELLPHONE: _____
EMAIL: _____ ADDRESS: _____

GARDEN CLUB MEMBER: YES/NO GARDEN CLUB NAME _____

ARE YOU INTERESTED IN JOINING A GARDEN CLUB? YES ☐ NO ☐

Special Request (sorry no guarantees) Cabin Mate: Specific Cabin: _____

NURSE: YES ☐ NO ☐ CURRENT LICENSE: _____

VOLUNTEERED AT WYC BEFORE? YES ☐ NO ☐

INTERESTED IN 2025: YES ☐ NO ☐ PROGRAM: _____

PLEASE MAIL REGISTRATION FORM & \$75.00 CHECK PAYABLE TO WEKIVA YOUTH CAMP TO REGISTRAR Leticia Gunn, 8915 NE 9th Ave, Miami FL, 33138, (786) 445-5125. You may email Ldelatorregunn@gmail.com for other registration alternatives. Registration receipt will be confirmed by email.

No REFUNDS after January 7, 2024.

<https://www.ffgc.org/Wekiva-Youth-Camp>.

www.FFGC.org/wekiva-youth-camp | www.wekivayouthcamp.org



YOU'RE INVITED TO



SPONSORED BY THE FLORIDA FEDERATION OF GARDEN CLUBS, INC.

ACA ACCREDITED RESIDENTIAL CAMP
FOR CHILDREN IN GRADES 1-8
SUNDAY -- SATURDAY
SESSIONS FROM JUNE 16 - JULY 27, 2024



WEKIVAYOUTHCAMP.ORG



S.E.E.K. 2024

Location: UF, Gainesville

Dates: Sunday, June 9 to
Wednesday, June 12

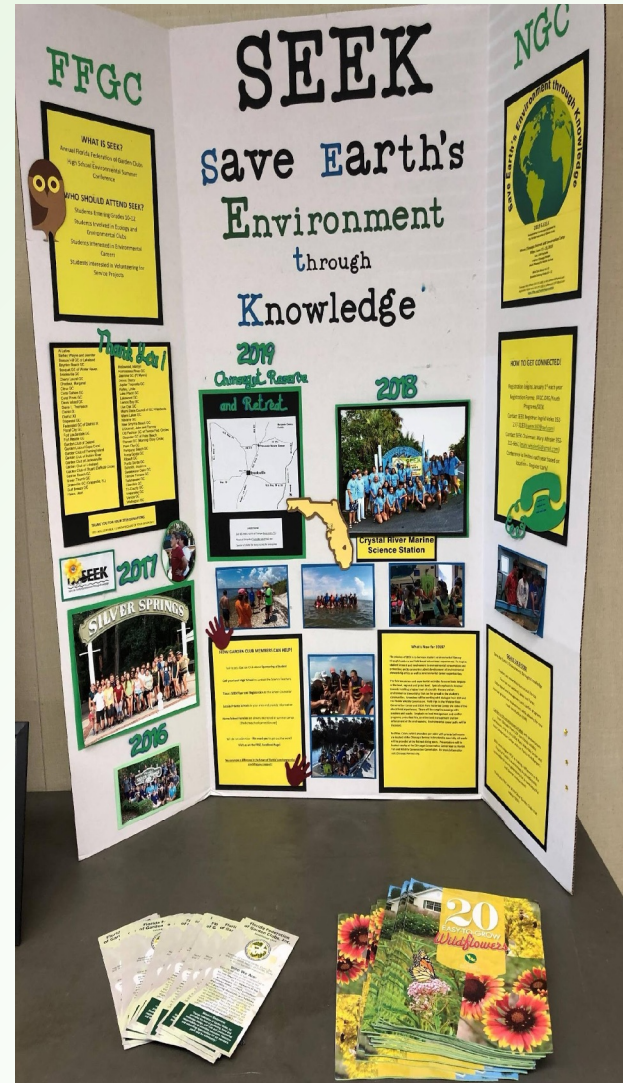
Theme: "Our Natural World"

Sponsored by Florida
Wildflower Society, our
affiliate.

SEEK 2024 -- 50 students,
with returning from SEEK
2023.

[FFGC.org/SEEK](https://ffgc.org/SEEK) for updates

Email: SeekConferenceReg@gmail.com



SCHOLARSHIPS

F.F.G.C. Scholarships

\$30K/yr

Applications due 1 May.

DSGC Adv. Scholarships = 2
given, \$3,500 each

NGC Scholarships = 43
given, \$4,000 each

NGC and DSGC applications
due 1 February.

In-house and club
scholarships!

CONGRATULATIONS

F.F.G.C.

SCHOLARSHIP
RECIPIENTS
2022-2023

Ailee Odom
Cassie Valenti
Caroline Gordon
Miller Maddox
Cayla Smith
Madison Ryan

FFGC Scholarship
Chairman,
Helen Purvis
NGC/DSGC Sch. Chrm.,
Mary Adams

AILEE ODOM



EDUCATIONAL OPPORTUNITIES

**Flower Show Schools and Symposia
(NGC/FFSJ))**

Environmental Schools (NGC/Tri-Council)

Gardening Schools (NGC/Tri-Council)

**Landscape Design Schools (NGC/
Tri-Council)**



FFGC EDUCATIONAL OPPORTUNITIES

Floral Design Study Series (FFGC)

“Digging It” Horticulture Study Series (FFGC)

“Fun with Flowers” (FFGC)

Short Courses (FFGC):

- ❑ **Tropical Short Course: Wellington, 25-26 January 2024**
- ❑ **UF/FFGC Short Course: Gainesville, 3-4 June 2024**
- ❑ **Short Course North: Milton**
 - ❑ **8-9 August 2024**
- ❑ **Wekiva Volunteer Training:**
 - ❑ **Apopka, 10-12 February 2024**



Garden Club

UPCOMING TRAVEL

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Chelsea Flower Show in London & Paris

Inclusions:

- 4-Night accommodations in London
- 3-Night accommodations in Paris
- Admission to Chelsea Flower Show
- Half-day tour of London
- Half-day excursion to Kew Gardens
- Rail from London to Paris
- Half-day excursion to Giverny
- Access to Monet House & Gardens
- Seine River Dinner Cruise
- Transfers to and from the airport



Starting From
\$2959 pp*
single rate of \$4398

FFGC SAILING ON THE HIGH SEAS

We are holding our board meeting at sea. All family and friends are welcome. This is a great way to meet fellow Garden Club Members.

Aboard Voyager of the Seas

Sailing January 6, 2025

ITINERARY

Mon, Jan 6	Port Canaveral, Florida
Tue, Jan 7	At Sea
Wed, Jan 8	Cozumel, Mexico
Thu, Jan 9	At Sea
Fri, Jan 10	Perfect Day at Coco Cay
Sat, Jan 11	Port Canaveral, Florida

Rates Starting
From \$368 pp*

*Pricing is per person based on double occupancy.
Government fees and taxes are extra.
The deposit is \$100 per person.
Final payment is due on or before October 2, 2024



Christmas Markets on the Rhine

AmaWaterways AmaPrima • December 3 - 10, 2025

Prices Starting From:
~~\$3889~~ \$3389 pp*
If booked in 2023



*Join us for the World Association of Floral
Artists International Show and
Australia/New Zealand trip.*



FEBRUARY 2027

Sign up to learn more later on.

Garden Club

Upcoming Travel



(850) 386-7327
ext. 208



Satkinson@FunSeas.com



www.FunSeas.com/FFGC

Shelley Atkinson

Your Garden Club Travel Advisor



CENTENNIAL CELEBRATION



Contributions to the Centennial
Celebration? [FFGC.org/donate](https://ffgc.org/donate)

Quilt Block kits due NOW!

So many planned events...

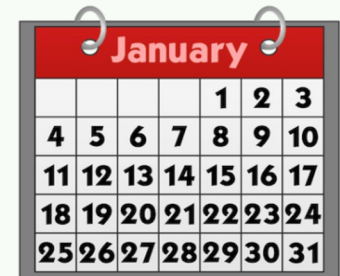
January 19, 2024 Arbor Day Planting

April 24, 2024 Brunch and Dinner

January 6-11, 2025 Cruise

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Contact our Corresponding Secretary, **Linda Johnson**, to ensure your date doesn't overlap with another FFGC event. She will enter your event on the website.



Complete the Calendar Submission Form (FORMS) Form to Submit a Calendar Entry with Event Name, Date, Time, & Location

WAYS & MEANS

These items and more are available from the FFGC Gift Shop at HQ.
Order online.

- ❖ Bars & Pins: \$7/\$12 each
- ❖ *2024 Commemorative Calendars*, 100th logo pins, 100th and state logo ornaments: \$10 each
- ❖ T-shirts and more!



OUR SINCERE THANKS TO ALL

- ❖ Thanks to all who serve on the FFGC Board of Directors and various committees.
- ❖ Thanks to all who submitted Awards/Grants.
- ❖ Thanks to all who volunteered at or donated to Wekiva Youth Camp, SEEK and our scholarships.
- ❖ Thanks to all who serve at the District level.
- ❖ Thanks to all who serve in your clubs and circles.
- ❖ Thank you everyone for your continued participation, membership and support of FFGC!

Thanks!

