

DIX EVENTS MAGAZINE

20 Event Flyers Posted to DIX Facebook



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PINEAPPLE FEST

JOIN
THE
FUN!

SATURDAY JULY 25, 2026
10:00 AM - 2:00 PM

2
CONTESTS!

ANNUAL PINEAPPLE BAKE-OFF CONTEST

*A Sweet Celebration of
Tropical Flavor & Garden Fun!*

Calling all bakers, dessert lovers,
and pineapple fanatics!

Show off your best pineapple-inspired
creation for a chance to win
prizes and bragging rights!



PRIZES AWARDED

- Best Overall Dessert
- Most Creative Recipe
- Best Tropical Presentation

ENTRY DETAILS

- All desserts must contain pineapple
- Bring entries by 11 AM in appropriate storage container to the gift shop
- Dessert name, recipe, and ingredients required



Judging occurs
on the gift shop
pergola from
12:00 - 12:30 PM

HOME-GROWN PINEAPPLE CONTEST

*Bring your biggest and best
home-grown pineapple.*

Heaviest weight
takes the win!



Weigh-ins
will happen on
the gift shop
pergola at
12:30 PM.

District IX Fall Meeting



District IX Meeting ~ Sept 22
Sidney & Berne Davis Art Center

**Two contests:
Carved or Decorated**

Your Pumpkin or Gourd are Wanted

If you are bringing an entry for the
contests, please email Susan Lawson
slawson921@gmail.com



**Click for
video of 70+
decorated
pumpkins for
inspiration**



Plant Therapy Program Plant Sale

Sept 26, 9 to 2, 8100 Highway 64 E, Avon Park

**Garden Club of Lakeland members facilitate the plant sale.
Bring a cart. Children welcome.**

Join us Sept. 26th for the **Avon Park Correctional Institution Plant Sale**, featuring plants cultivated by inmates participating in the FNGLA Certified Horticulture Professional program. This long-standing horticulture training provides industry-recognized skills in plant care, landscape maintenance, and nursery production. Every sale helps support continued education and successful re-entry.

Largest long-running single-facility program in the USA:

- FNGLA certification offered for many years
- Deep partnership with Florida's landscape industry
- High graduate employment relevance in the state
- Partner with Florida Federation of Garden Clubs



Lunch Available

Chips, 1 drink, 1 hotdog for \$5 &
2 hotdogs for \$7 (choice of toppings)

Cash or Check Only

ALL PROCEEDS GO BACK TO THE NURSERY PROGRAM
"Therapy through Plants"

JOIN US FOR

AVPCI'S SPRING PLANT SALE

Sept. 26, 2026 9 am to 2 pm

AVPCI Nursery
8100 Highway 64 E
Avon Park, FL



For Your Calendars

Fort Myers-Lee County Garden Council (FMLCGC) general meeting are open to all club and society members and held 5 times a year with an educational program.

2166 Virginia Ave
Fort Myers.



Sept. 11, 9:30 am Social, 10:00 am, Cathy Via, Herbs and Spices, "Let's fight Inflammation"

Nov. 1,3 9:30 am Social, 10:00 am, Skye Mc Donald, Sanibel-Captiva Cons. Fdn. "Adopt A Mangrove - Mangrove Restoration"

Jan 8, 9:30 am Social, 10:00 am, Meryl O'Rourke, FMLC MG, "Edible Plants for our Landscapes"

Mar 12, 9:30 am Social, 10:00 am, Noelia Iglesias, Conservancy of SWFL

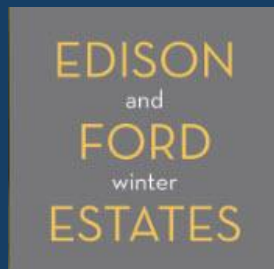
May 14, 9:30 am Social, 10 am, Nancy Colgan, Potpourri Designers, "Leaf Manipulation for Design"

ORCHID SHOW

Oct. 9, 10, 11

Edison and Ford Winter Estates
and the American Orchid Society
Sponsored by Southwest Florida Orchid Society

Judging to take
place
on Friday 10/9
1:30 pm



American Orchid Society
Education. Conservation. Research.

Edison & Ford Winter Estates
DIX, FFGC & Garden Council Affiliate *

Celebrate OCTober

Orchids Cacti Tillandsias

Saturday & Sunday
October 10 & 11, 2026
9 AM – 4 PM

EDISON
and
FORD
winter
ESTATES



- **Free Workshops**
- **Growers**
- **Vendors**
- **Food Trucks**
- **Free Parking**

* Florida Federation of Garden Clubs
District IX Affiliate Member & Fort
Myers-Lee County Garden Council
Affiliate Member

The Garden Club
of Winter Haven

ESTABLISHED - 1927



Invites you to our
Fundraising Event for our 100th Anniversary gift to the City of Winter Haven

Garden Glam

~a Purse Affair~



This fundraiser luncheon will include a fun raffle to win new and gently used handbags, scarves, wallets, wine and other fine goods!

🍊 Thursday, October 15, 2026

🍊 11:00 AM to 2:00 PM

🍊 Redeemer Winter Haven
1410 Dundee Road
Winter Haven, FL 33884

100
YEARS
1927 • 2027

Tickets can be purchased
online at \$42.50 each
Tables of 8 are available.

Use the QR code to visit our
website- gcwh.org/event





Save The Date
October 28, 2026
11:30-2:00

Garden Club of Sebring PLANT SALE

Jack Stroup Civic Center
Behind the Sebring
Library



Tues Nov 10, Noon to 2 PM

Nine Floral Design Tips with Three Designers



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The Poinciana Garden Club ~ Guests Welcome

Nov 10th 2026, Noon to 2 PM, 2166 Virginia Ave., Fort Myers

Event follows club meeting.

RSVP required 239-994-8147. \$10. Guest donation appreciated.

Attendees, please bring flowers, greens, vase, floral foam, pruners to practice tips.

Agenda:

- 1. Speakers present 3 tips in 15 minutes each.**
- 2. Following the presentations attendees create their own designs using newly learned tips.**
- 3. Speakers roam, answer questions, and offer suggestions.**
- 4. Debrief & Thank-You's.**

Cathy Dunn's Hibiscus Tips



***Past President of the JEH
Chapter of the American
Hibiscus Society***

- 1. Choose, store, & condition hibiscus blooms**
- 2. Mechanics: Incorporating hibiscus in floral designs**
- 3. Fun ways to wear hibiscus**

Nancy Colgan's Design Tips



***Co-President
Potpourri Designers***

- 1. Preparation of flowers**
- 2. Pleasing placement of flowers and greens "the movement"**
- 3. Fun ways to manipulate leaves and flowers**

Connie Lowery Design Tips



***FFGC Judge
2026 Naples GC
Flower Show Chair***

- 1. Alternative mechanics**
- 2. Creative Design, Less is Best**
- 3. Wow Flower**

Open to the Public: RSVP required Sandy 239-994-8147. Coffee/tea available.

THE Arcadia Garden Club

PRESENTS:

THANKFUL

Fest IV

**PLANT SALE!!! NATIVE, RARE,
HOUSEPLANTS, SUCCULENTS &
VEGETABLE PLANTS!!!**

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 14TH, 2026

9AM - 1 PM

FREE ENTRY - KID FRIENDLY ACTIVITIES



BOUNCY HOUSE BY SPLASH N BLAST!!!



GAMES! SPECIALTY VENDORS ! FOOD!

1005 W. MAGNOLIA STREET, ARCADIA, FL 34266

CONTACT: MARIA PACE 863-354-0808

OR

EMAIL: ARCADIAGARDENCLUB2022@GMAIL.COM



THE BONSAI SOCIETY OF SOUTHWEST FLORIDA

2026 ANNUAL BONSAI SHOW & SALE

**Exhibit of Bonsai Trees, Sales,
Demonstrations and Workshops.**

November 21-22, 2026

Saturday 9:00 AM - 5:00 PM

Sunday 9:00 AM - 3:00 PM

FREE ADMISSION

FREE LUNCH

FREE PARKING

(On Larchmont Street)

**Ft. Myers-Lee County Garden
Council ---- Berne Davis Gardens**

**Just North of
Edison-Ford Estates**

2166 Virginia Ave. Ft. Myers, FL

www.bonsaiswfl.org

239-935-6850

SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

Saturday, Nov 21, 2026

9:00 - 5:00

EXHIBITS, VENDORS AND RAFFLES OPEN

9:00 - 12:00

MULTI-CLUB STYLING COMPETITION

9:00 - 12:00

**WORKSHOP with Adam Lavigne
"Green Island Ficus", 10 Spots, \$50 ea.**

12:00

RAFFLE of Plants and Bonsai Items

1:00

**Demonstration by Adam Lavigne
"Buttonwood"
(Will be on Sunday's Raffle Table)**

1:00 - 4:00

**Free workshop with Phil Krieg
10 Slots available. The workshop is free, but if
you wish to purchase the tree, the cost is \$25**

4:30

RAFFLE of Plants and Bonsai Items

Sunday, Nov 22, 2026

9:00 - 3:00

EXHIBITS, VENDORS AND RAFFLES OPEN

9:00 - 12:00

**Bring your own Tree Workshop
With Adam Lavigne**

The cost is \$25

12:00

RAFFLE of Trees and Bonsai items

1:00 - 3:00

**Joe Mayhew, Potter
Pot-Throwing Demonstration**

Bonsai Help Table, Ask Questions!

2:30

**Final Raffle of Trees, Bonsai Items,
and Styling Competition Trees.**

Free Concerts by the SWFL Fiddlers

Berne Davis Gardens

2166 Virginia Ave., Fort Myers



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**Four
Concerts
10 AM to Noon**

Dec 15, 2026

**2027
Jan 19
Feb 16
Mar 16**

Diane S. is a member of SWFL Fiddlers and The Poinciana Garden Club

- **Across the street from Edison Ford Winter Estates**
- **Free Admission & Free Parking**
- **Free Garden Tours by volunteer Master Gardeners**
- **Bring lunch. Sit in the shade. Take photos.**
- **Handicap parking near the fountain. Restroom available.**
- **Waterfront restaurants nearby.**
- **501(c)(3) nonprofit botanical garden**
- **Member of American Public Gardens Association, FFGC, District IX FFGC.**



Punta Gorda Garden Club
Presents

2026 Holly Days Tour

"Christmas Memories"

December 4 & 5, 2026

10 AM to 4 PM



\$25 Donation

www.PGCC.org



Lake Placid Garden Club

presents the

16th Annual

Holiday Home & Garden Tour

Featuring 6 Beautifully Decorated Homes & Gardens

**~Saturday, December 5, 2026~ Tour Hours ~
11am - 3pm**



Tickets available from Garden Club Members ~ Donation \$20
To reserve tickets call Sally @ 863-243-3576 (order early as tickets sell out)



Holiday Café opens at 10:30 am
located at Sun 'N Lake Community Center • 440 S. Sun 'N Lake Blvd • Lake Placid
****Complimentary Refreshments • Christmas Boutique offering Handmade Items***

****Please bring a Christmas Ornament to Decorate a Tree for a Family in Need***

Proceeds support our Scholarships, Camperships & Local Charities

Lake Placid Garden Club is a 501(c) (3) non-profit organization



Lakeland Camellia Society
PRESENTS THE

43rd ANNUAL
CAMELLIA SHOW
& PLANT SALE

Saturday January 9. 2027
Open to the Public

Free
Admission
Parking

First Presbyterian Church
175 Lake Hollingsworth Dr.
Lakeland Fl. 33801

Camellia Plant Sale: 9 am to 3 pm
Camellia Bloom Show: 1:00 pm



NAPLES GARDEN CLUB



HOUSE & GARDEN TOUR™



LA BELLA
Vista

JANUARY 30, 2027

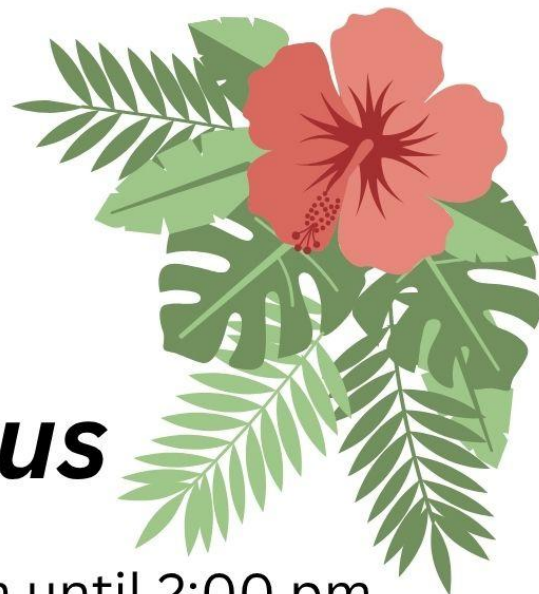
COASTAL ARCHITECTURE & BOTANICAL BEAUTY

Tickets go on sale October 16, 2026.

See www.naplesgardenclub.org after this date.



Florida Federation of Garden Clubs
Horticulture Program



Digging It: All About Hibiscus

Tuesday, February 2, 2027, 9:30 am until 2:00 pm
Berne Davis Botanical Gardens Center
2166 Virginia Avenue, Fort Myers, FL 33901

***Presented by Cathy Dunn, Past President,
James E. Hendry Chapter, American Hibiscus Society***

\$30 includes instructor fees, materials, and handouts. Bring your own lunch and beverage.

**REGISTER ONLINE AT [PGGC.ORG](https://pggc.org)
OR USE THE QR CODE BELOW
OR SEND A CHECK TO P.O.BOX 511167,
PUNTA GORDA, FL. 33951-1167
PLEASE INCLUDE YOUR EMAIL ADDRESS.**

Punta Gorda Garden
Club is a
501(c)3 nonprofit
organization.



Marie Selby Botanical Gardens Bus Trip

The Poinciana Garden Club

MARIE SELBY
BOTANICAL
GARDENS



Thursday Feb 25, 2027

Members \$25. Guests Fee \$106.

Includes: Bus trip, admission & lunch.

This is not a fundraising event.

Register & Pay by Dec 9th Nonrefundable

RSVP with Martha to reserve a seat and obtain a registration form. Martha 207-331-4664

Limited seating 40

**Park 7:45 am. Board by 8 am at Euclid & Larchmont Dr.
Leaves Marie Selby at 4 PM**

GARDEN CLUB OF CAPE CORAL

presents its 19TH annual
juried plant & garden art sale

March in the Park

Saturday, March 6, 2027

9:00 AM – 3:00 PM

Rotary Park

5505 Rose Garden Road, Cape Coral



**Join us for a fun-filled day of
plants and gardening inspiration!**

Large selection of locally grown, beautiful plants

Local plant & landscape vendors featuring native and non-native Florida plants

Master Gardeners on site – Expert Speaker Lineup

Local artist created garden art

Garden Treasures Thrift Booth

Fun children's activities

Opportunity Drawings – grand prize is a painted rain barrel!



last year's rain barrel

For more info:

Ginny Huffer 239-257-2654

March 25, 2027

TROPICSTAR of PINE ISLAND Boat Trip Two Hour Nature Boat Tour

The Poinciana Garden Club Boat Trip Guests Welcome

Register/Pay by Feb 9th, 2027

RSVP to Marilyn 1-339-936-6540 dollmarilyn56@gmail.com

Submit registration form with check.

Make check out to The Poinciana Garden Club.



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TWO HOUR NATURE TOUR

Members \$25. Guests \$30.

Parking \$11 per car, IF you state you are with TropicStar.

Park by 8:30 am. Board Boat 8:30 to 8:45 am

Address: Safe Harbor Pineland
13921 Waterfront Rd., Bokeelia, FL.

- Water, handheld snacks ok. Camera. Hat
- Optional Lunch afterward: Yucatan Restaurant at 4875 Pine Island Rd, Matlacha

For Carpool Map contact Sandy 239-994-8147



Punta Gorda Garden Club

presents

**THE ROARING
20's**

AN NGC Standard Flower Show

At

**Isles Yacht Club
1780 West Marion
Punta Gorda, FL 33950**

FREE ADMISSION

OPEN TO THE PUBLIC

1:00 ~ 3:00 PM

Tuesday April 20, 2027

