



GARDEN CLUB OF CAPE CORAL

NEWSLETTER – FEBRUARY 2018

Our meeting this month is on Valentine's Day so join us as we celebrate that special day. Our program will be presented by Pascha Donaldson, from Cape Coral Friends of Wildlife who will talk to us about unique burrowing owls of Cape Coral.

Greeters: Charlene Anderson and Lynne Viacava

Hosts are: Nancy Kuyoth Paula Novander
Martha Howard Linda Bauschek
Elsa Schutzman Debbie Haggett
Janetta Fox Andrea Garlanger
Linda Powers Dolly Ross

If you are unable to fulfil this commitment, please arrange a substitute or, failing that, contact Hosting Chair, Debbie Cooper at 239-541-3263.

February Club Outing

17th Feb - Bus trip to Marie Selby Botanical Gardens, 811 S. Palm Ave., Sarasota, FL. Docent-led private walking tour, time to enjoy the gardens, the home and the Andy Warhol exhibit and gift shop.

These bus trips are always fun! **There is still space available.** Cost is \$53 so sign up at the club meeting if you want to go. The bus will leave the Coralwood Mall at 7 am. Near the date, you will get a call to remind you and to confirm that you are still intending to go.

Proposed By-Law Change

This month we will be voting on the following by-law change.

ARTICLE III – MEMBERSHIP

Section 1B *(proposed change marked in red)*

A sustaining member is not required to take part in the Club's activities unless they so desire. They may not hold office or be a chairperson of a Standing Committee. *No person shall be admitted initially to the Club as a sustaining member. A member wishing to change to Sustaining Membership shall submit an annual written request for consideration to the Board. Such change will be considered only after 10 years of regular membership and each case shall be judged on its merits.*

March 10 – our annual fundraiser March in the Park.

If you haven't already done so, sign-up for the job you will do on that day. Everyone needs to participate. Also, please turn in chance-drawing ticket money to Charlene Anderson at the club meeting. Donna Baliotis needs to know from members what plants they plan to bring to MIP so tags can be made. If you're on a well-travelled road, take a sign from Kathy Rabassi to place in your yard, the Sunday or Monday before MIP.

Upcoming Events:

February 8 FFGC District IX Judges Council flower show is this today, Thursday, 8th Feb. from 1 - 3 pm. at the Garden Council, Virginia Ave., Ft. Myers

February 17 – 9 am to 2 pm, Pine Island Garden Club Gala – corner of Pine Island Road and Stringfellow Rd., Pine Island. Plant Vendors, Arts and Crafts and baked goods.

March 4, Fort Myers-Lee County Garden Council and Edison Ford Winter Estates present “Art in Bloom”, 1:00 pm – 4:00 pm Edison Ford Winter Estate Caretaker’s Cottage 2350 McGregor Blvd, Fort Myers \$5 admission

March 13, Punta Gorda Garden Club Standard Flower Show – *Our Favorite Days*, noon–4:00 PM, First United Methodist Church, Fellowship Hall, 507 W. Marion Ave., Punta Gorda

March 23 – 24, Naples Garden Club Flower Show Naples Botanical Garden

If you have items for inclusion in next months newsletters, please contact Sylvia Swartz

This month’s photos follow – with thanks to Photography Chair, Cheryl Byrd:



Kathy Woodlock discusses the Travelling Design-of-the-month, at our January meeting



At the Sugar Cane Tour in January



Thanks to our Tour Guides!