

- Sept. 15 12:30 pm **Dracaena Circle** -Garden Center
Program: Who am I?
Speaker: Nancy Steinbuechler, Dracaena Member
- Sept. 16 10:00 am **Flower Arranging** -Garden Center
Program: Welcome to 2020-2021
Speaker: President Barbara Kirkconnell
- Sept. 16-17 **FFGC Fall 2020 Board Meeting**, Winter park, FL
- Sept. 17 10:00 am **Daylily Circle** -Garden Center
Program: Meet and Greet
Speaker: Alan Comeau, Daylily President
- Sept. 22 12:00 pm **Jungle Circle**-Garden Center
Program: Welcome Back. Long Time No See &
Look What I Grew!
- Sept. 24-26 **NGC Fall 2020 Board Meeting**, Fargo, NC

Remember wishing the weekend would last forever?

Happy Now?

OCTOBER 2020

- Oct. 5 10:00 am **Creative Crafts** - for all GCSP members
Garden Center
Program: Wire & Cloth Wreath by Jan Ankerberg
Cost for materials - \$4 members - \$5 for guests
- Oct. 9 **9:00 am**
10:30 am **Executive Committee Meeting-Garden Center**
Board of Directors Meeting-Garden Center
Hosts: Jill Anderson, Beth Timberlake, Carol Lucia,
Gail Carlson
- Oct. 13 12:00 pm **Jungle Circle** -Garden Center
Program: Maintaining the Bromeliad Garden
Speaker: Linda Hanson
- Oct. 13 6:30 pm **Night Bloomers Circle**-Garden Center
Program: Bromeliads
Speaker: YouTube Presentation
- Oct. 13 **District VIII Fall BOD Meeting**, Virtual Meeting
- Oct. 17 9:30 am **Daylily Circle** - Garden Center
Program: Herb Gardening
Speaker: YouTube Presentation
- Oct. 20 12:30 pm **Dracaena Circle**-Garden Center
Program: Who are We?
Speaker: Nancy Steinbuechler, Dracaena Member
- Oct. 20 **Floralia VI**, Manatee River Garden Club
- Oct. 21 10:00 am **Flower Arranging Circle**-Garden Center
Program: Table Designs
Presenter: Clair Milligan, Designer
- Oct. 12-15 9:00 am Plant Sale set-up at Garden Center
- Oct. 16-17 9:00 am **Plant Sale at Garden Center**

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NOVEMBER 2020

- Nov. 2 10:00 am **Creative Crafts**-for all GCSP members
Garden Center
Program: Christmas Clear Ornament Decorating
Guest Artist-Linda Meyers
Cost for materials - \$4 members - \$5 for guests
- Nov. 6 **9:00 am**
10:30 am **Executive Committee Meeting-Garden Center**
Board of Directors Meeting-Garden Center
Hosts: Jan Ankerberg, Barbara Kirkconnell,
- Nov. 10 1:00 pm **GCSP ALL MEMBERS' MEETING-Garden Center**
Program: Growing Vegetables
Speaker: Elise Pickett, Urban Harvest
Hosts: Flower Arranging Circle
- Nov. 10 6:30 pm **Night Bloomers Circle-Garden Center**
Program: Alocasias
Speaker: You Tube Presentations
- Nov. 15 **Grapevine Deadline**
- Nov. 17 12:30 pm **Dracaena Circle-Garden Center**
Program: Boyd Hill Nature Preserve Trip
\$5 for tram rides. \$3 for walkers
- Nov. 17 **Floralia VI, Manatee River GC**
- Nov. 18 10:00 am **Flower Arranging Circle-Garden Center**
Program: Design Challenge
Coordinating: Pat Eckert, Flower Arranging Member,
GCSP

*So many Coronavirus jokes out there,
It's a pandemic.*

- Nov. 19 10:00 am **Daylily Circle**-Garden Center
Program: Edible Plants In My Yard
Presenter: You Tube Presentation
- Nov. 21 9:00 - 3:00 pm **Recycled Christmas Sale at Garden Center**
- Nov. 23 **District VIII Judges Council**, Manatee River GC
- Nov. 10 12:00 pm **Jungle Circle**-Garden Center
Program: Beekeeping
Speaker: Jim Steele, Bee Keeper
- Nov. 24 Most Adult Awards Due FFGC Headquarters
- Nov. 30 Flower Show Awards Applications Due at FFGC

*Probably more pests can be controlled in an armchair
in front of a February fire with a garden notebook
and a seed catalogue than can ever be knocked out in
hand-to-hand combat in the garden.*

Neely Turner

DECEMBER 2020

- Dec. 4 **9:00 am** **Executive Committee Meeting-Garden Center**
10:30 am **Board of Directors meeting-Garden Center**
Hosts: Helen Harvey, Sally Farr
- Dec. 7 10:00 am **Creative Crafts**-for all GCSP members
Garden Center
Program: Necklace
Guest Artist– Cindy Ordes
Cost for materials - \$4 members - \$5 for guests
- Dec. 8 6:30 pm **Night Bloomers Circle**-Garden Center
Program: Annual Holiday Party
Night Bloomers Members only
- Dec. 8 12:00 pm **Jungle Circle**—Garden Center
Program: Toys for Tots collection & optional Plant
Swap at the Garden Center
- Dec. 9 11:30 am **Flower Arranging Circle**—Isla Del Sol Country Club
Holiday Luncheon
\$25 per person. Send reservations to Bea Rahter
by Thursday Dec. 3th.
- Dec. 15 11:30 am **Dracaena Circle**-Garden Center
Program: Holiday Party, gift exchange &
Charitable Gift Donation Assembly
- Dec. 15 **Floralia VI**, Manatee River GC
- Dec. 17 10:00 am **Daylily Circle**-Garden Center
Community Service for Jacaranda House
Assemble Christmas presents for the Nursing Home

*Now is not the time to surround yourself
with Positive people!*

*Love,
Covid 19*

JANUARY 2021

- Jan. 8 **9:00 am**
 10:30 am **Executive Committee Meeting-Garden Center**
 Board of Directors Meeting - Garden Center
 Hosts: Rosemary Miller, Carol Moore
- Jan. 12 1:00 pm **GCSP All Members Meeting-Garden Center**
 Program: Catch 22 of the Clean Water Act
 Speakers: Charles W. Ankerberg
 Host: Night Bloomers & Garden Club Friends
- Jan. 12 6:30 pm **Night Bloomers Circle-Garden Center**
 Program: Plant Identification
 Speaker: Bessie Morse, Terry Jordan, NB Members
- Jan 13-14 **FFGC Winter Board Meeting**, FFGC Headquarters
- Jan. 19 11:00am **Dracaena Circle-Garden Center**
 Program: Snowbird Luncheon
 Reservations: Sandy Moss
- Jan. 19 12:00 pm **Jungle Circle-Garden Center**
 Program: Field trip to Sacred Lands
- Jan. 19 **Floralia VI**, Manatee River GC
- Jan. 20 10:00 am **Flower Arranging Circle-Garden Center**
 Program: Cascade and Angular Designs
 Presenter: Janice Hamlin
- Jan. 21 10:00 am **Daylily Circle-Garden Center**
 Program: Hydroponics in St. Petersburg
 Speaker: Brick Street Farms
- Jan. 22-23 **Tropical Short Course**, West Palm Beach, FL
- Jan. 25 **District VIII Judge's Council**, Manatee River GC

FEBRUARY 2021

- Feb. 1 10:00 am **Creative Crafts**-for all GCSP members
Garden Center
Program: Button Necklace
Guest Artist-Helen Tilden
Cost for materials - \$4 for members - \$5 for guests
- Feb. 5 **9:00 am**
10:30 am **Executive Committee Meeting**-Garden Center
Board of Directors Meeting - Garden Center
Hosts: Carole Winter, Krista Kutash
- Feb. 9 6:30 pm **Night Bloomers Circle**-Garden Center
Program: Philodendrons
Speaker: YouTube Presentation
- Feb. 15 **Grapevine Deadline**
- Feb. 16 12:30 pm **Dracaena Circle**-Garden Center
Program: Make & Take, Mini Herb Garden
Speaker: Sally Dozier
Members \$10, Guests \$12
- Feb. 16 **Floralia VI**, Manatee River GC
- Feb. 17 10:00 am **Flower Arranging Circle**-Garden Center
Program: Frame Designs
Speaker: Jan Griffin
- Feb. 18 10:00 am **Daylily Circle**-Garden Center
Program: Container Gardening
Speaker: Linda Colhane, Veteran Master Gardener
- Feb. 19-21 **CFAA - Creative Flower Arranging of the Americas**, Orlando, FL www.creativefloral.org

- Feb. 21-27 **FLEA MARKET AND PLANT & GARDEN SALE**
 At the Garden Center
 Chair: Sandi Fox and Kathy Garner
- Feb. 21 9 -12 pm **Set up Tables only** for Flea Market
 12 - 3 pm Members bring in items for Flea Market
- Feb. 22-24 9 - 3 pm Members bring in items for the Flea Market
- Feb. 25 5 - 7 pm **Wine & Cheese Opening Night Pre-Sales**
- Feb. 26 9 -3 pm **FLEA MARKET AND PLANT & GARDEN SALE**
 At the Garden Center
- Feb. 27 9 - 1 pm **FLEA MARKET AND PLANT & GARDEN SALE**
 At Garden Center
 Kitchen: all proceeds to GCSP
 Clothes: 75% of profit from clothing, shoes, & hand
 bags on the patio will go to the GCSP.
 All circles are asked to support this with donations
 and workers
- Feb. 25 **Sarasota GC Flower Show** “Garden To Table”
- Feb. 28 **Youth Group** at Garden Center

*Gardening can become a kind disease.
 It infects you; you cannot escape it.
 When you go visiting, your eyes rove about the garden;
 You interrupt the serious cocktail drinking
 because of an irresistible impulse to get up & pull a weed.
 Lewis Gannit*

- Mar. 16 **Floralia VI**, Manatee River GC
- Mar. 17 10:00 am **Flower Arranging Circle**-Garden Center
 Program: Demonstrations & Discussion on what Judges look for when Judging
 Presenter: Barb Jacobson
- Mar. 18 10:00 am **Daylily Circle**-Garden Center
 Program: Make & Take Fairy Gardens
 Speaker: Sandee Doherty
- Mar. 21-23 **Deep South Convention**, Huntsville, Al
- Mar. 23 12:00 pm **Jungle Circle**-Garden Center
 Program: Show & Tell, Entering Plants & Completing Green Thumb Flower Show Entry Forms
 Facilitators: Linda Fox, Marcia Bradwick, MG.
- Mar. 25 **District VIII Judges Council**, Manatee River Garden Club
- Mar. 26-27 **Tampa GC Flower Show** “The Sporting Life” at Tampa Garden Center
- Mar. 27 **Dade City GC Flower Show** “The Fair” at Dade City
- Mar. 26-31 **Art In Bloom - Museum of Fine Art, St. Petersburg, FL**
- Mar. 28 **Youth Group** at Garden Center

*Paranoia has reached absurd stages...
 I sneezed in front of my laptop and
 the anti-virus scan started on it's own.*

APRIL 2021

- Apr. 5 10:00 am **Creative Crafts** - for all GCSP members
Garden Center
Program: Sun Catchers Garden Art
Guest Artist—Helen Tilden
Cost of materials \$4 for members, \$5 for guests
- Apr. 9 **9:00 am**
10:30 am **Executive Committee Meeting at Garden Center**
Board of Directors Meeting - Garden Center
Hosts: Nancy Bandy, Sandee Doherty,
- Apr. 12-14 **FFGC 2021 Convention**, Hilton Daytona Beach,
FL
- Apr. 13 7:00 pm **Night Bloomers Circle**-Garden Center
Program: Succulents
Speaker: Michelle Pugh, Night Bloomers Member
- Apr. 15 **Grapevine Deadline**
- Apr. 15 **Horticulture Entry Forms** due to Cathy Holzwart
- Apr. 15- 10:00 am **Daylily Circle**-Garden Center
Program: Flower Show Preparation
Speaker: Cindy Ordes
- Apr. 18 **Youth Group** at Garden Center
- Apr. 20 12:30 pm **Dracaena Circle**-Garden Center
Program: Backyard Birds
Speaker: Laura Witt-Packard, St. Petersburg
Audubon Society

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- Apr. 21 **Flower Arranging**-Walter Fuller Park
Program: Flower Show
- Apr. 22 Set up for Flower Show at Walter Fuller Park
Horticulture Entries 10-2pm; Design Entries 1-5pm
- Apr. 23 Judges Luncheon -Garden Center of St. Petersburg
- Apr. 23 9-10 am Cut Specimens, Dish Garden Entries
- Apr. 23 1:30 pm Judging of the Flower Show "Let's Go!" at Walter
Fuller Park
- Apr. 24-25 **GREEN THUMB FESTIVAL** at Walter Fuller Park
This year we are asking members to get a plant this
fall, nurture it, take care of it and enter it into the
horticulture section of the Flower Show in April. The
Circle with the highest percentage of participation in
the Flower Show with a design, horticulture entry or
artistic craft will get an award.
- Apr. 25 3:00 pm **FLOWER SHOW AWARDS CEREMONY**
At Walter Fuller Park
- Apr. 26 **Judges Council**, Manatee River GC
- Apr. 27 12:00 pm **Jungle Circle**-Garden Center
Program: Bromeliads
Speaker: Mary Baxter

Due to Quarantine, I'll only be telling inside jokes.

Anyone else getting 3 weeks to the gallon?

MAY 2021

- May 3 10.00 am **Creative Crafts**-for all GCSP members
Garden Center.
Program: T-Shirt Necklace
Guest Artist—Jan Ankerberg
Cost for materials - \$4 for members - \$5 for guests
- May 5 **District VIII** meeting - Gardener's Out East, Lake-
wood Ranch, FL
- May 7 **9:00 am** **Executive Committee Meeting - Garden Center**
10:30 am **Board of Directors Meeting - Garden Center**
Host: Sandy Fox, Kathy Garner
- May 11 12:00 pm **Jungle Circle**-Garden Center
Program: Installation of Officers & End of Year
Potluck
- May 11 1:00 pm **GCSP ALL MEMBERS MEETING**-Garden Center
Program: Installation of Officers
Hosted by Jungle & Daylily Circle
- May 11 6:30 pm **Night Bloomers Circle**-Garden Center
Program: Ferns
Speaker: Cathy Holzwart, NB Member
- May 12 11:00 am **Flower Arranging Circle**-Garden Center
Program: End of Year Luncheon &
Officer Installation
- May 16 **Youth Group** at Garden Center
- May 17-20 **NGC 2021 Convention**, East Rutherford, N.J.
- May 18 12:30 pm **Dracaena Circle**-Garden Center
Program: Installation of Officers & Luncheon
- May 19 **Floralia VI** at Manatee River Garden Club
- May 20 10:00 am **Daylily Circle**-Garden Center
Program: Installation of Officers

June, July, August Activities 2021

- June 2 1:30 pm **Executive Committee Meeting (Calendar/Budget)**
At Garden Center
- June 5 1:00 pm **Calendar Meeting For 2020-2021**
At Garden Center
- June 3 1:30 pm **Board of Directors meeting**-Garden Center
Hosts: Diane Smith, Joanne Keohane, Cindy Ordes
Calendar/Budget
- June 8 6:30 pm **Night Bloomers Circle**-Garden Center
Program: Plant Propagations/Plant Swap
Speaker: Ashley Graham, Member of Night
Bloomers
- June 13
Set up for Camp at Garden Center
- June 14-18 **GCSP Summer Youth Camp** at Garden Center
- July 13 6:30 pm **Night Bloomers Circle**-Garden Center
Program: Dracaenas
Speaker: Bessie Morse, Member of Night Bloomer
- Aug. 10 6:30 pm **Night Bloomers Circle**-Garden Center
Program: Caladiums
Speaker: Cathy Holzward, Night Bloomers Member