THE GARDEN CLUB

of

ST. PETERSBURG, FL INC.

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INCORPORATED NON-PROFIT 1971

GARDEN CLUB CENTER

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General Membership
200 members

Affiliated With
National Garden Clubs, Inc.
Deep South Region
Florida Federation of Garden Clubs, Inc.
District VIII

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2022-2023

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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Let's Grow our Garden

Dear Members,

To all returning and new members of the Garden Club of St. Petersburg, welcome to year two of the "one club format." It has been a bit of an adventure this first year, but we are beginning to define our identity and assimilate the roles that are necessary for the upkeep and vitality of the club.

I constantly hear the voice of one of our active senior members who rightfully declared, "The biggest challenge to the club is to have members be active volunteers."

In regard to that, we have had many members answer the call to volunteerism. However, we realize that there are still many more needs at the club. Whether you donate as little as 10 hours a year to the club or many hours monthly, we are determining where we could use help. It is comforting to see all the members who volunteered at some of our bigger events like the plant sale, flower show, Holiday luncheon and flea market. We still have some smaller needs and defined roles that will greatly benefit the club and at the same time, not be burdensome to any members.

Our executive committee cannot thank enough the dedicated hard work of the standing chairs and all their sub-committee members who work so hard to organize all the wonderful events and programs that the club offers.

We realize that we still have a need to fill in those volunteering gaps. Enter our volunteer organizer, Robin Piper. Yes, we have online volunteer forms. And yes, we have signup sheets, but with the management of our volunteer organizer, roles will be more defined and robust.

So, I ask all members, when Robin calls be gracious and sincere as she has become a vital life source to the club. We cannot thank her enough for her taking on this position.

Here's to "growing the club" as we now enter our sophomore "one club" year.

Alan Comeau, President

MISSION STATEMENT

The Mission of the Garden Club of St. Petersburg is to promote an interest and appreciation for horticulture, floral and landscape design, by mentoring youth and promoting conservation of our natural resources for our members and community through educational, charitable and social activities in an atmosphere of camaraderie and respect.

State Bird	Mockingbird
State Butterfly	Zebra Longwing
State Flower	Orange Blossom
State Animal	Panther
State Tree	Cabbage Palmetto
State Wildflower	Coreopsis

St. Petersburg Gardening Facts

Hardiness Zone	10a
Average last frost	March
When to prune	March
Start your winter garden	August
Rainy season	August, most frequent
Hurricane season	June-November

National Garden Clubs, Inc.

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National Garden Clubs, Inc.

History

Organized May 1, 1929 in Washington D.C. with 13 Charter Member States - including Florida.

NGC Mission

National Garden Clubs, Inc. provides education, resources, and national networking opportunities for its members to promote the love of gardening, floral design, and civic and environmental responsibility.

Purpose

To co-ordinate the interests and activities of the State Garden Clubs with similar organizations in the United States and abroad.

To aid in the protection and conservation of natural resources, to promote civic beautification and encourage the improvement of roadsides and parks.

To encourage the establishment and maintenance of botanical gar dens,
arboreta and horticultural centers for the advancement of science, enjoyment and education of the public.

To advance the study of gardening, landscape design, environmental issues, floral design and horticulture and assist deserving students through college scholarships in these fields of endeavor.

To cooperate with other organizations furthering the interests of horticulture, conservation, environmental protection and beautification.

LIFE MEMBERS
NATIONAL GARDEN CLUBS, INC.

Jane Camp
Carol Lucia *
* 5 Star Member

portion of your G.C.S.P. dues pays for your NGC Membership and therefore entitles you to receive on-line education in Environmental Studies, Flower Shows, Landscape Design and International Studies.

The free printable “Play Outside” workbook and the “Pollinator Power Book” are perfect for all children in your life, and those young at heart.

Don’t forget to visit the “Our Store” tab on their website (www.gardenclub.org) for purchase of Flower Show and Design books and a host of environmentally themed children's books, flags & pins.

“After all, playing outside is what gardeners do best!”

Mary Warshauer, President NGC

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The Deep South Garden Clubs website features the current projects and information of the Federated Garden Clubs for the states of Alabama, Florida, Georgia, Louisiana, Mississippi and Tennessee that comprise the Deep South Garden Clubs and are members of the **National Garden Clubs, Inc.**

Deep South Annual Convention
March 8-10, 2023
Hilton Airport
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THE MINDFUL GARDENER

A JOURNEY THROUGH THE SENSES

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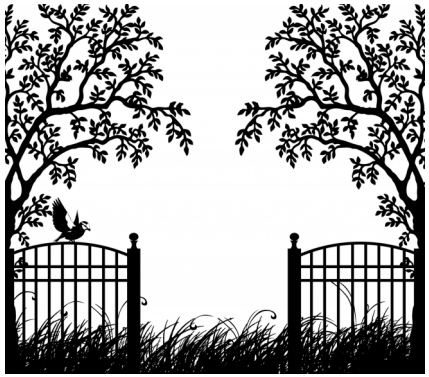

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Florida Federation of Garden Clubs, Inc..
2022-2023

BOARD OF DIRECTORS
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"F.F.G.C. Mission Statement"

To further the education of the members and the public in the fields of gardening, horticulture, botany, floral design, landscape design, environmental awareness through the conservation of natural resources, civic beautification, nature studies, and to instill in our youth the love of gardening and the respect and protection of the environment.

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F.F.G.C. is divided into 12 districts. Of the 12 districts, St. Petersburg is served by District VIII. District VIII has 22 Clubs. The Counties included in District VIII are: Hernando, Pasco, Hillsborough, Pinellas, Manatee and Sarasota.

2022-2023 District VIII Officers & Chairman

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2022-2023 District VIII Officers & Chairman

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2022-2023 District VIII Officers & Chairman

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2022 - 2023

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District VI	Suzi Bailey
District VII	Charlotte White
District VIII	Kitty Wallace
District IX	Dale W. DeFeo
District X	Michelle A. Maguire
District XI	Sharon Bogard
District XII	Leticia Gunn

F.F.G.C. and District VIII Events
2022 - 2023

Sep	7-8	F.F.G.C. Fall 2022 Board Meeting, F.F.G.C. Headquarters
Sep	20	NGC, Inc. Fall Board Meeting, Marriott St. Louis Airport
Oct		Floralia VI, Manatee River GC...a group of Judges that meet to study design and horticulture.
Oct.	24	District VIII Fall Meeting, Clearwater Garden Club
Oct.	28	District VIII Horticulture Extravaganza, Garden Club of St. Petersburg
Nov	1	F.F.G.C. Yearbook Awards Due, send to 3rd VP
Nov	6-8	NGC, Inc. Flower Show School Symposium, Day Spring Conference Center, Parrish, FL hosted by Florida Flower Show Judges District VIII
Nov		Floralia VI, Manatee River GC
Nov	24	Most F.F.G.C. Adult Awards Due, e-mail to F.F.G.C. Head quarters (see Awards Rules & Procedures for all info)
Nov	22	District VIII Judges Council, Manatee River GC All judges in District VIII also review point scoring, handbook and schedule writing.
		2023
Jan	4,11,18,25	Floral Design Units, Garden Club of St. Petersburg
Feb	1,8	Floral Design Units, Garden Club of St. Petersburg
Jan	9-12	F.F.G.C. Winter Board Meeting, F.F.G.C. Headquarters
Jan	17-18	NGC Environmental School-course 1, Tampa Garden Club
Jan	24	District VIII Judges Council, Manatee River GC
Feb	16-19	CFAA - Creative Flower Arranging of the Americas, Orlando Airport Marriott Lakeside, Orlando, FL
Feb		Floralia VI, Manatee River GC
Feb	28	District VIII Judges Council, Manatee River GC
Feb	10-12	Wekiva Youth Camp Volunteer Training
Mar		Floralia VI, Manatee River GC
Mar	28	District VIII Judges Council, Manatee River GC
Apr	11-12	NGC Environmental School-course 2, Tampa Garden Club Course 3 & 4 will be the following year.
Apr	18-20	F.F.G.C. Annual Convention, Lake Buena Vista Embassy Suites, Kissimmee, FL
May	10	District VIII Spring Meeting, Lakewood Ranch GC
	2-5	NGC Annual Convention, White Sulphur Springs, WV
Sep	7-8	F.F.G.C. Fall Board Meeting, F.F.G.C. Headquarters
Sep	22-24	NGC, Inc. Fall Board Meeting, location TBA
		2024
Jan	11-12	2023 F.F.G.C. Winter Board Meeting
Apr		F.F.G.C. Annual Convention & Installation Lake Buena Vista Embassy Suites, Kissimmee, FL

LIFE MEMBERS

FLORIDA FEDERATION OF GARDEN CLUBS, INC.

Jill Anderson	Floral Design
Jan Ankerberg	Floral Design
Alice Beasor-Jackson	Garden Club Friends
Mary Jane Fisher	Garden Variety
JoAnn Henderson	Garden Buds
*Alice Keator	Floral Design
Krista Kutash	Floral Design
Carol Lucia	Floral Design
Carol Moore	Garden Variety
Alice Mullen	Garden Club Friends
Sue Myers	Garden Variety
Pat Strawn	Floral Design
Pat Lynch	Garden Club Friends
Cindy Ordes	Garden Buds

*Emeritus

Knowledge is knowing a tomato is a fruit,
wisdom is knowing not to put it in a fruit salad.

FLORIDA COUNCIL OF NATIONALLY ACCREDITED FLOWER SHOW JUDGES

GARDEN CLUB OF ST. PETERSBURG

MASTER JUDGES

Carol Lucia	Floral Design

ACCREDITED JUDGES

Jill Anderson	Floral Design
Elizabeth Morse	Floral Design
Pat Strawn	Floral Design
Krista Kutash	Floral Design

EARTH STEWARD AWARD

Barbara “Bobbi” Jones	Floral Design

HALL OF FAME AWARD

Carol Lucia	Floral Design

PILLAR OF PRIDE AWARD

Barbara “Bobbi” Jones	Floral Design
Mary Frances Lawrie*	Daylily
Carol Lucia	Floral Design
Pat Strawn	Floral Design
Jan Ankerberg	Floral Design

* deceased

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COUNCIL LIAISON, NGC

MASTER LANDSCAPE DESIGN CONSULTANTS

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Carol Lucia	Floral Design

LANDSCAPE DESIGN CONSULTANTS

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Maureen Twombly	Garden Buds

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MASTER GARDENING CONSULTANTS

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NGC GARDENING CONSULTANTS

Elizabeth Morse	Floral Design
Pat Strawn	Floral Design

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OF FLORIDA

GARDEN CLUB OF ST. PETERSBURG

Carol Lucia

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MASTER GARDENERS

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Marsha Colin

Helen Harvey

Trish Jarrell

Terry Jordon

Elizabeth Morse

Natalie Oliver

Caterina Stillwagon

Mary Pat Troy

Donna Zacharczyk

PAST PRESIDENTS G.C.S.P.

*1928-1930	Mrs. Walter L. Wylie	North Shore
*1930-1932	Mrs. John J. O' Donohue	Jungle
*1932-1934	Mrs. William P. Powell	North Shore
*1934-1936	Mrs. Walter L. Wylie	North Shore
*1936-1938	Mrs. Charles G. Blake	Heights
*1938-1940	Mrs. Milton R. Joy	Jungle
*1940-1942	Mrs. Rogers G. Young	General
*1942-1944	Mrs. Edwin B. Frost	North Shore
*1944-1946	Mrs. William S. Long Necker	Heights
*1946-1948	Mrs. John W. Cummings	Hibiscus
*1950-1952	Miss A. Grace Hamilton	Magnolia
*1952-1954	Mrs. John A. Mennell	Dracaena
*1954-1955	Mrs. Edwin G. Peters	Jacaranda
*1955-1956	Mrs. Walter B. Parsons	North Shore
*1956-1958	Mrs. John W. Cummings	Hibiscus
*1958-1960	Mrs. George E. Sweer	Bayside
*1960-1962	Mrs. Louis C. Oakley	Town and Country
*1962-1964	Mrs. Clifton D. Camp, Jr.	Dracaena
*1964-1966	Mrs. Eugene May	Hibiscus
*1966-1968	Mrs. Alexander Pavlak	Green Fingers
*1968-1969	Mrs. J. Walker Knop	Lakewood
*1969-1970	Mrs. Edward W. Hale	Anthurium
1970-1972	Mrs. O. F. Walker	Jungle

* 1972-1974	Joy H. Hammond	Green Fingers
* 1974-1976	Vivian C. Robinson	Flower Arranging
* 1976-1978	Ruby Sharpe	Green Fingers
* 1978-1980	Wilma A. Campbell	Corsage
* 1980-1982	Bea Johnson	Snell Shores
* 1982-1984	Genevieve Gassner	Flower Arranging
* 1984-1986	Lois A. Murrok	Flower Arranging
* 1986-1988	Pat Pryor	Jungle
* 1988-1989	Mrs. Eric A. Murro	Flower Arranging
* 1989-1990	Millie Chipman	Jungle
1990-1992	Alice C. Keator	Flower Arranging
* 1992-1994	Lucky Morgan	General
1994-1996	Carol Lucia	Flower Arranging
1996-1997	Faye K. Smith	Flower Arranging
* 1997-1999	Joanne Bollard	Jungle
1999-2000	Bea Rahter	Flower Arranging
* 2000-2001	Verda Stull	Flower Arranging
2001-2003	Alice Mullen	Jungle
2003-2005	Jackie Post	Jungle
2005-2007	Jan Ankerberg	Flower Arranging
2007-2009	JoAnn Henderson	Dracaena
2009-2011	Pat Strawn	Dracaena
* 2011-2013	Mary Frances Lawrie	Dracaena
2013-2015	Carol Moore	Dracaena
* 2015-2017	Mary Frances Lawrie	Daylily
2017-2019	Jan Ankerberg	Flower Arranging
2019-2021	Cindy Ordes	Daylily

* Deceased

The GARDEN CLUB of ST. PETERSBURG
ARTICLE II: PURPOSES / OBJECTIVES

The general objectives and purposes for which the corporation is organized shall be:
to promote an interest in gardens;
to stimulate the study of wildflowers and native plants;
to work for the preservation and conservation of our natural beauty and resources;
to encourage the study of the art of landscape and floral design;
to cooperate in all efforts for civic beautification;
to establish, care for and maintain a park or area in St. Petersburg known as "The Garden Club of St. Petersburg", the said Center to be maintained and preserved as a model exhibit or park by reason of the planting of flowers, shrubs, trees, and the preservation of natural beauty thereon.

This is a non-profit association for the purpose of engaging in activities which are charitable, educational and scientific within the meaning of Section 501 (c) (3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1954 (or the corresponding provision of any future United States Internal Revenue Law).

The above is from our Bylaws, Article II and Article II of our Articles of Incorporation.

While fulfilling our purpose and objectives, members grow their own lives by sowing seeds of kindness, cultivating life-long friendships and nurturing these friendships by supporting one another as we plant compassion for others while weeding out the stresses in our daily lives.

THE GARDEN CLUB OF ST. PETERSBURG, INC.

The Garden Club of St. Petersburg began in 1928 with 47 Charter Members. In the first year there were two circles, North Shore and Heights. The Club was federated in 1930 with seven circles. The Club has become one independent club as of June 1, 2022. All information regarding G.C.S.P. can be found on the website and in the Yearbook. A general meeting for all members is held at least five (5) times each year at the Garden Center. Each featured program follows the purpose of the National Garden Clubs, Inc. as well as our Mission Statement. Interest groups meet as often as members elect.

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2022-2023

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By it's bark.

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- SEEK
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- Wekiva Nancy Steinbuechler
- Youth Gardening

A weed is a plant that has mastered every survival skill except for learning how to grow in rows.

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In gardening, one's staunchest ally
is the natural lust for life each plant has,
that strong current which surges through
everything that grows.
Jean Hersey

G.C.S.P.

CALENDAR

2022-2023

Garden Club Calendar 2022- 2023

The Garden Club of St. Petersburg, Inc.

General Meetings this year will be held during the months of
September, November, January, March and May

SEPTEMBER 2022

Sept.5 10:00 am	**Creative Crafts**– for all G.C.S.P. members at the Garden Center Program: workshop for plant sale Speaker: Helen Tilden, Linda Myers, Jan Anker-berg. No Cost unless you want to take it home.
Sept. 7-8 9 am	FFGC Fall Board of Directors Meeting, FFGC
Sept. 7 12:30-4 pm 14, 21, 28	Game Day at Garden Center; every Wednesday. Games begin at 1. $5 charge for non- members Players furnish the game or cards. Asian Mah Jong lessons upon request, minimum 3 players & one time $5 materials fee.
Sept. 9 **9:00 am** Sept. 9 **10:30 am**	**Executive Board of Directors Meeting** **Board of Directors Meeting-**Garden Center Host: Nancy Steinbuechler
Sept.13 12:00 pm	**Social Hour** before meeting, bring a bag lunch, pick up yearbooks.
Sept 13 1:00 pm	**G.C.S.P. GENERAL MEETING**-Garden Center Program: The Perils of Plastic Speaker: Waste Management Education in current plastic decomposition and usage rates and affects on Wildlife. Host: Helen Tilden & Cathy Holzwart
Sept. 13 6:30 pm	**Night Gardeners** Meeting-Garden Center Program: Plant Bling Speaker: Helen Tilden
Sept. 14 12:30 pm	**Garden Variety Meeting**-Garden Center Program: Birds & Bees go hand in hand. We can't survive without them. Speaker: Mr. Natural's Garden & Bee Rescue
Sept. 15	**October Grapevine Deadline**

OCTOBER 2022

Oct. 3	10:00am	**Creative Crafts** - for all G.C.S.P. members Garden Center. All Adults welcome. Program: Upcycled Corks for giving Instructor: Helen Tilden & Jan Ankerberg Cost for materials - $4 members - $5 for guests
Oct. 5, 12, 19, 26	12:30-4 pm	Game Day at Garden Center; every Wednesday. Games begin at 1. $5 charge for non- members Players furnish the game or cards. Asian Mah Jong lessons upon request, minimum 3 players & one time $5 materials fee.
Oct. 7	9:00 am	Executive Board of Directors Meeting
Oct 7	**10:30am**	**Board of Directors Meeting-**Garden Center Host: Helen Harvey
Oct. 13	10:30am	**Garden Buds Meeting** - Garden Center Program: Make & Take Speaker: Rebecca Wellborn
Oct. 15	6:30pm	**Night Gardeners Meeting-**Garden Center Mariposa Nursery & Tropiflora Nursery led by Cathy Holswort
Oct. 15		**November Grapevine Deadline**
Oct. 18	12:30pm	**Garden Variety Meeting-**Garden Center Program: Repotting & mounting orchids Speaker: Michael Polin from Art Stone Orchids
Oct. 19	10:00am	**Floral Design Meeting-**Garden Center Program: “Fake it ’Til You Make It” Presenter: Bessie Morse of GCSP demonstrates how to use silk or artificial flowers & foliage to practice making a design.
Oct. 24		District VIII Fall Meeting at Clearwater Garden Club
Oct. 22	9am-2pm	**Plant Sale at Garden Center**
Oct. 28		District VIII Horticulture Extravaganza Garden Club of St. Petersburg

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NOVEMBER 2022

Nov. 1	**Deadline** for Yearbook Awards to F.F.G.C.
Nov. 2 12:30-4 pm 19, 16, 30	Game Day at Garden Center; every Wednesday. Games begin at 1. $5 charge for non- members Players furnish the game or cards. Asian Mah Jong lessons upon request, minimum 3 players & one time $5 materials fee.
Nov. 6-8	NGC, Inc. Flower Show School Symposium, Day Spring Conference Center, Parrish, FL hosted by Florida Flower Show Judges District VIII
Nov. 7 10:00 am	**Creative Crafts-**for all G.C.S.P. members Garden Center. All Adults welcome. Program: Bow making techniques Instructor: Nance Francisco Cost for materials - $4 members - $5 for guests
Nov. 8 12:00 pm Nov. 8 1:00 pm	Social Hour; Bring a bag lunch **G.C.S.P. GENERAL MEETING-**Garden Center Program: ECO Vets Speaker: Camille VanSant Learn how veterans are helping and healing through gardening. Hosts: Cathy Holzwart & Helen Tilden
Nov. 8 6:30 pm	**Night Gardeners Meeting**-Garden Center Program: Daisey Renee Law “Butterflies” Speaker: Daisey Renee Law
Nov. 11 9:00 am Nov. 11 **10:30 am**	Executive Board of Directors Meeting **Board of Directors Meeting-**Garden Center Host: Liz Coerver
Nov. 15	**December Grapevine Deadline**

NOVEMBER

Nov. 15	**Deadline:** District VIII Matching Grant application
Nov. 15 12:30 pm	**Garden Variety Meeting-**Garden Center Program: Historic Driftwood Neighborhood tour
Nov. 16 10:00 am	**Floral Design Meeting**-Garden Center Program: Traditional vs. Creative Designs Elaine Sweitzer & Barb Jacobson from Lemon Grass Garden Club.
Nov. 19 9 am-3 pm	**Christmas Recycle Plus, Plus Sale** Set up 7 - 9 am
Nov. 24	Award Applications Due F.F.G.C. Headquarters
Nov. 30	Flower Show Achievement Awards Applications Due at F.F.G.C. Headquarters

DECEMBER 2022

Dec. 5	10:00 am	**Creative Crafts-**for all G.C.S.P. members Garden Center. All Adults welcome. Program: 6 pointed Star Guest Artist– Tina Martell Cost for materials - $4 members - $5 for guests
Dec. 7, 14	12:30-4 pm	Game Day at Garden Center; every Wednesday. Games begin at 1. $5 charge for non- members Players furnish the game or cards. Asian Mah Jong lessons upon request, minimum 3 players & one time $5 materials fee.
Dec. 9	**10:30 am**	**Board of Directors meeting**-Garden Center Host: Suzanne Bareham
Dec. 13	6:30 pm	**Night Gardeners** Holiday party
Dec. 14	12:30 pm	**Holiday Potluck Luncheon by Floral Design** **At the Garden Center** Anyone wishing to participate must sign up in advance to bring a dish to share. Sign ups will be online or at monthly General meetings. All members of the GCSP and guests are invited to bring a dish. Gifts for the Brookwood girls are optional, more details on this later. Any money raised will be donated to the scholarship fund. Beverages will be provided.
Dec. 15		**January Grapevine Deadline**

Gardening can become a kind of 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 Gannet

JANUARY 2023

Jan 2	10:00 am	**Creative Crafts-**for all G.C.S.P. members Garden Center. All Adults welcome. Program: Fairy lights in bottles for table or patio. Instructor: Tina Martell Cost for materials - $4 members - $5 for guests
Jan. 5, 12, 19, 26	12:30-4pm	**Game Day** at Garden Center; every **Thursday**. Games begin at 1. $5 charge for non- members Players furnish the game or cards. Asian Mah Jong lessons upon request, minimum 3 players & one time $5 materials fee.
Jan.4	10am-2pm	Floral Design Unit I. Prepaid registration required.
Jan. 6	**9:00 am**	**Executive Board of Directors Meeting**
Jan. 6	**10:30 am**	**Board of Directors Meeting** - Garden Center Host: Helen Tilden
Jan. 9-12	9:00 am	FFGC Board of Directors meeting, FFGC HQ
Jan. 10 Jan. 10	12:00 1:00 pm	**Social Hour**; bring a bag lunch **G.C.S.P. GENERAL MEETING:** Garden Center Program: Desert Rose Speaker: Michael Rose, Rose Florist In depth look at the Desert Rose Hosts: Cathy Holzwart & Helen Tilden
Jan. 10	6:30 pm	**Night Gardeners Meeting**-Garden Center Program: repurposing flowers for nursing homes Speaker: Karen McKenna
Jan. 11	10am-2 pm	Floral Design Unit II. Prepaid registration required
Jan. 15		**February Grapevine Deadline**
Jan. 17	12:30 am	**Garden Variety Meeting**-Garden Center Program: Snowbird Luncheon
Jan. 17-18		**NGC** Environmental School-Course 1 Tampa Bay Garden Club
Jan. 18	10am-2pm	Floral Design Unit III.
Jan. 25	10am-2pm	Floral Design Unit IV

FEBRUARY 2023

Feb. 2 9, 16, 22 (Wednesday)	12:30-4 pm	Game Day at Garden Center; every **Thursday**. Back to Wednesdays on the 22nd. Games begin at 1 pm. $5 charge for non- members Players furnish the game or cards. Asian Mah Jong lessons upon request, minimum 3 players & one time $5 materials fee.
Feb. 4	10am-2 pm	**Floral Unit V**; Accessories, Features & Bases.
Feb. 6	10:00 am	**Creative Crafts**-for all G.C.S.P. members Garden Center. All Adults welcome. Program: Woven Hearts Instructor: Tina Martell Cost for materials - $4 for members - $5 for guests
Feb. 8	10am-2 pm	**Floral Unit VI**; Expressive Designs & Transport.
Feb. 9	10:30 am	**Garden Buds Meeting–** Garden Center Program: Native plants with plants to sell Speaker: Tom Heitzman of Sweet Bay Nursery
Feb. 10 Feb. 10	9:00 am **10:30 am**	Executive Board Meeting **Board of Directors Meeting -** Garden Center Host: Joyce Drew.
Feb. 10-12		**Wekiva Volunteer Training**
Feb. 12-26	1:30-3:30 pm	**Winter Gardening Camp for Youth** meets in Butterfly Garden Grades 1 through 5. Cost $30, sibling $25 Bring a drink, we provide snacks.
Feb. 14	6:30 pm	**Night Gardeners Meeting**-Garden Center Program: Garden Hacks Speaker: Nancy Steinbuechler
Feb. 14	12:30 pm	**Garden Variety Meeting-**Garden Center Program: Antique Appraisal Guild of America Speaker: George Higby, “Antique Nomad”
Feb. 15	10:00 am	**Floral Design Meeting-**Garden Center Program: “It’s a Small World”. Petite Designs Speaker: Park Rita Mixer, Manatee River Garden Club. Learn how to make petite designs & containers.

FEBRUARY

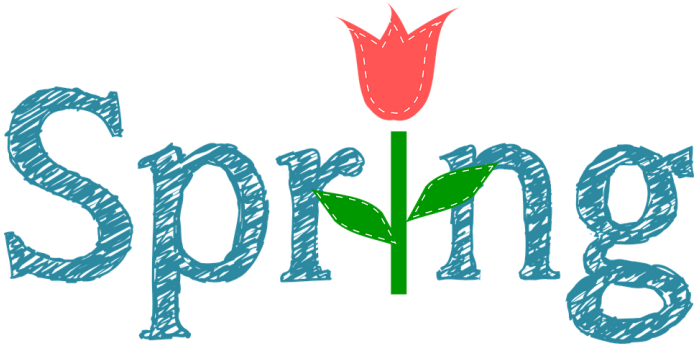
Feb. 15	**March Grapevine Deadline**
Feb. 16-19	CFAA Seminar Orlando Airport Marriott Lakeside, Orlando, FL
Feb. 19 9 -12 pm	**Set up** for Flea Market
Feb. 20-22	Members bring in items for the Flea Market
Feb. 24-25	**FLEA MARKET, PLANT & GARDEN SALE** Chairmen: Sandi Fox and Kathy Garner
Feb. 23 5 - 7 pm	Wine & Cheese **Opening Night Sales**
Feb. 24 9 - 3 pm	Sale Day - **FLEA MARKET/PLANT SALE**
Feb. 25 9 - 1 pm	Sale Day - **FLEA MARKET/PLANT SALE** Kitchen: all proceeds to GCSP All profit from clothing, shoes, & handbags on the patio will go to the GCSP. All members are asked to support this with donations and workers.

MARCH 2023

March 1 2023	**Dues collection starts**
Mar. 1 12:30-4 pm 12, 19, 26	**Game Day** at Garden Center; every **Wednesday**. Games begin at 1. $5 charge for non– members. Players furnish the game or cards. Asian Mah Jong lessons upon request, minimum 3 players one time $5 materials fee.
Mar. 5-26 1:00 pm	**Winter Gardening Camp for Youth** meet in the Butterfly Garden. Grades 1 through 5. Cost $30, sibling $25. Bring a drink, we provide snacks.
Mar. 6 10:00 am	**Creative Crafts-**for all G.C.S.P. members at Garden Center. All adults welcome. Program: Better than Origami paper folding Guest Instructor: Linda McCurdy Cost for materials - $4 for members - $5 for guests.
Mar. **10 9:00 am** Mar. 10 **10:30 am**	Executive Board of Directors Meeting **Board of Directors Meeting-**Garden Center Host: Beth Timberlake
Mar. 10-11	Manatee River Garden Club Flower Show
Mar. 14 12:00 pm Mar. 14 1:00 pm	Social Hour; bring a bag lunch **G.C.S.P. General Meeting**-Garden Center Program: Vermiculture Speaker: Laica, laicaworms@gmail.com Worming for all ages. Host: Cathy Holzwart & Helen Tilden
Mar. 14 6:30 pm	**Night Gardeners Meeting-** Garden Center Program: Focus on Landscaping Speaker: Bessie Morse

MARCH 2023

Mar. 15		**April Grapevine Deadline**
Mar. 15	10:00 am	**Floral Design Meeting-**Garden Center Program: From the Garden Presenter: Lori Richie & Brenda Johnson Manatee River Garden Club All foliage Arrangements. Bring foliage & container to make a complete design.
Mar. 16-19		**Art in Bloom** - Museum of Fine Arts, St. Pete, FL
Mar. 21	12:30 am	**Garden Variety Meeting**–Garden Center Program: Monarch Brush Footed Butterflies Butterfly "Whisperer" Anita Camacho TB Butterfly Foundation & Chapter of North American Butterfly Assoc. Hosts: Helen Tilden & Cathy Holzwart
Mar. 25-26		Tampa Garden Club Flower Show and Tampa Green Fest
Mar.		**District VIII Judges Council,** Manatee River Garden Club



APRIL 2023

Apr. 1, 2023	**Dues should be paid**.
Apr. 2 1- 3:30 pm	**Winter Gardening Camp for Youth** meet in the Butterfly Garden. Grades 1 through 5. Cost $30, siblings $25. Bring a drink, we provide snacks.
Apr. 3 10:00 am	**Creative Crafts -** for all G.C.S.P. members Garden Center. All adults welcome. Program: Plant Bling Instructor: Pat Doyle Cost of materials $4 for members, $5 for guests
Apr. 5 12:30-4 pm 12, 19, 20	Game Day at Garden Center; every **Wednesday**. Games begin at 1. $5 charge for non- members Players furnish the game or cards. Asian Mah Jong lessons upon request, minimum 3 players & one time $5 materials fee.
Apr. 7 **9:00 am** Apr. 7 **10:30 am**	Executive Board of Directors Meeting **Board of Directors Meeting** - Garden Center Host: Cindy Ordes
Apr. 11 6:30 pm	**Night Gardeners-**Garden Center Program: Backyard Habitat for Birds Speaker: Steven Johnson
Apr. 11-12	**NGC** Environmental- Course 2 Tampa Garden Club. Course 3 & 4 will be the following year.
Apr. 13 10:30 am	**Garden Buds –** field trip to Recycle Center. Meet at Club to car pool.
Apr. 18 12:30 pm	**Garden Variety**-Garden Center Caladium Festival at the Garden Club SP from Happiness Farms, Lake Placid, FL Bulbs to be sold
Apr. 18-20	**F.F.G.C. 2023 Convention**, Lake Buena Vista, FL

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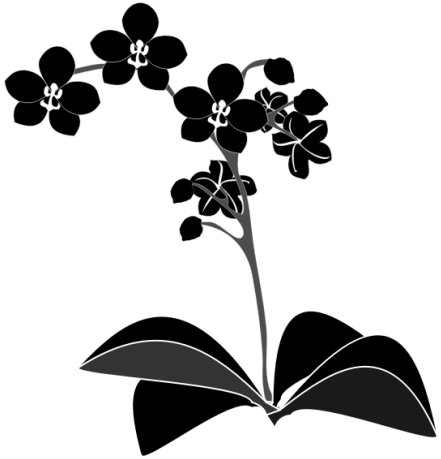
APRIL 2023

Apr. 27	8:00 am	Set up for Flower Show at Walter Fuller Park Horticulture Entries 10:00 am-2:00 pm; Design Entries 1:00-5:00 pm
Apr. 28	9 -10:00 am	Cut Specimens, Dish Garden Entries
Apr. 28	11:30 am	Judges Luncheon -Garden Center of St. Petersburg
Apr. 28	1:00 pm	Judging of the Flower Show at Walter Fuller Park
Apr. 29 - Apr 30		**GREEN THUMB FESTIVAL** at Walter Fuller Park 7901 30th Ave N St. Petersburg, 33710 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.
Apr. 30	3:00 pm	**FLOWER SHOW AWARDS CEREMONY** At Walter Fuller Park



MAY 2023

May 1, 2023	Dues are now delinquent
May 1 10:00 am	**Creative Crafts -** for all G.C.S.P. members Garden Center. All adults welcome. Program: Cork Recycling Instructor: Helen Tilden Cost of materials $4 for members, $5 for guests
May 2-5	**NGC** Annual Convention, White Springs, WV.
May 3, 12:30-4pm 10, 17, 24, 31	Game Day at Garden Center; every **Wednesday**. Games begin at 1. $5 charge for non- members Players furnish the game or cards. Asian Mah Jong lessons upon request, minimum 3 players & one time $5 materials fee.
May 5 9:00 am May 5 **10:30 am**	Executive Board of Directors Meeting **Board of Directors Meeting** - Garden Center Host: Alan Comeau
May 9 2:00 pm May 9 1:00 pm	Social Hour; bring a bag lunch. **G.C.S.P. General Meeting** at Garden Center Program: Installation of Officers New Executive Board Installation and Memorial Service for members who passed. Host: Cathy Holzwart & Helen Tilden
May 9 6:30 pm	**Night Gardeners -**Garden Center Program: Coconut Park Tour Speaker: Cathy Holzwart
May 10	District VIII Spring Meeting, Lakewood Ranch, FL
May 16 12:30 pm	**Garden Variety-**Garden Center Program: Bromeliads Galore Speaker; Dave Johnston Bromeliads to be sold Pot Luck Luncheon
May 17 10:00 am	**Floral Design**– Garden Center Program: “Alcohol Ink” Presenter: Barb Jacobson Learn how to use alcohol ink in Creative Designs. Hands on workshop. Members free. Guests $5.

June, July, August Activities 2023

June 2	9:00 am	**Executive Board of Directors Meeting**
June 2	10:30 pm	**Board of Directors meeting-**Garden Center
June 2	12:30 pm	**Calendar Planning Meeting For 2023-2024** follows Board of Directors meeting
June 4		Set up for Camp at Garden Center
June 5-9	9:00 am-noon	**G.C.S.P. Summer Youth Camp** at Garden Center Grades 1 through 5. Cost $30, siblings $25. Bring a drink, we provide snacks.
June 13	6:30 pm	**Night Gardeners Meeting**-Garden Center Program: Garden bugs, good, bad & ugly Speaker: Monica Gray, Michelle Pugh
July 11	10:00 am	Creative Crafts for all G.C.S.P. members at Garden Center. All adults welcome. Program: Workshop for plant sale Instructors: Helen Tilden, Jan Ankerberg, Linda Myers. No cost unless you want to take it home.
July 11	6:30 pm	**Night Gardeners Meeting**-Garden Center Program: Propagation Speaker: Ashley Graham
July 13 20, 20, 27	12:30-4 pm	Game Day at Garden Center; every **Wednesday**. Games begin at 1. $5 charge for non- members Players furnish the game or cards. Asian Mah Jong lessons upon request, minimum 3 players & one time $5 materials fee.
Aug 1	10:00 am	**Creative Crafts -** for all G.C.S.P. members Garden Center. All adults welcome. Program: Workshop for plant sale Instructor: Helen Tilden, Jan Ankerberg, Linda Myers. No cost unless you want to take it home.
Aug. 8	6:30 pm	**Night Gardeners Meeting-**Garden Center Program: Sugar Scrubs Speaker: Robin Piper

G.C.S.P.

ACTIVITIES

FOR

MEMBERS

ACTIVITIES FOR ALL MEMBERS OF THE GARDEN CLUB OF ST. PETERSBURG

G.C.S.P. GENERAL MEETINGS

Chairs: Cathy Holzwart & Helen Tilden

Horticulture is incorporated in the programs of our General Meetings and many programs of the various interest groups. Gardening in Florida offers challenges. These seminars are designed to help you grow everything to look their best from landscape plants to rare species and to make you proud of your efforts.
All are welcome; bring friends, members and even “new” friends who love to garden!

G.C.S.P. BOARD OF DIRECTORS

The Board of Directors will meet monthly and are comprised of the Executive Board, Committee Chairs and the Delegates from each Interest Group. They typically meet on the first Friday of each month at **10:30 am** barring any conflicts. Check the calendar for dates and times. All Garden Club members are welcome to attend, especially if they are unable to attend their interest group meeting for that month. Questions and comments from non-voting attendees will be addressed as time permits at the conclusion of each Board meeting.

WEKIVA VOLUNTEER TRAINING

Spend the weekend in the woods at F.F.G.C.’s Youth Camp at Wekiwa Springs State park in Apopka, FL. February 10-12, 2023. Space in limited. Registration forms available at www.wekivayouthcamp.org

COMMUNITY

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COMMUNITY OUTREACH PROJECTS

supported by all members
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ART IN BLOOM

Garden Club Tour Chairman: Karen McKenna

Garden Club of St. Petersburg participates in Art in Bloom at the Museum of Fine Arts at 255 Beach Drive NE on March 16-19 with several Floral Design members doing floral designs to compliment art pieces at the museum. This is an honor for our members.

BLUE STAR MARKER

Blue Star Chairman: Judy Zimmerman

The Blue Star Marker Program originated with the New Jersey Garden Club in 1945 to honor the men and women serving in the Armed Forces during World War II and was soon adopted by National Garden Clubs, Inc., taking it nationwide. Its mission was enlarged in 1951 to include men and women who have served, currently serve or would someday serve in the Armed Forces of the United States.

In 2013, a Blue Star Marker was installed in the grassy area in front of the G.C.S.P. building near the flag pole. On Nov. 11, 2014 it was dedicated. Bricks have been placed beneath the marker and flag pole in honor or in memory of those who have served in the military. Names are inscribed on the bricks.

COCONUT PARK

A park of the City of St. Petersburg
Grounds Chairman: Cathy Holzwart

The Garden Club Center is located in Coconut Park. The membership supports the park financially and physically. Plants and mulch are purchased for the gardens. Members work in the gardens each month in the morning to maintain the park. All members are encouraged to help with this project. (budget 5015)

CITY BEAUTIFUL COMMISSION

Chairman: Barbara Kirkconnell

To work and cooperate with organizations in St. Petersburg to formulate programs and correlate beautification work carried out in the city.

The fifteen City Beautiful Commission members are appointed by the City Council.

CORAL REEF RESTORATION

Chairman: Beth Timberlake

We can be a part of an Underwater Garden. Florida Federation of Garden Clubs, F.F.G.C. is spearheading a new "Underwater Garden" with the Coral Reef Restoration Foundation based in Key Largo, off the Florida Keys. It involves the relatively new idea of propagating coral which can be planted to restore dying reefs. A new reef off Key Largo, and named for the Florida Federation of Garden Clubs is being planted with "adopted" coral. Garden Clubs from all over the state sent in donations and the initial goal of $10,000 was reached to begin the project. F.F.G.C. members and clubs are able to adopt a coral rooting for $100 and sponsor the transplanting of the coral by the Foundation. When these reefs grow, they will be part of reversing the endangered status of the elk horn and stag horn coral. This will provide a habitat for all sorts of tropical fish for our South Florida Reef, the 3rd largest reef in the world, behind only the Great Barrier Reef and the Belize Reef. Michael Echevarria, Chair of the Board of Directors of the Coral Reef Restoration Foundation, was the speaker for our May 2015 All Members Meeting and updated us on the exciting work being done in the Florida Keys. The Foundation is a non-profit company focused on developing a simple, effective, and inexpensive coral nursery and coral restoration techniques that can be duplicated anywhere in the world where coral grows. (budget 5107)

Daystar Life

Daystar depends on in-kind donations of good used clothing, household items, personal care products and non-perishable food, in addition to monetary contributions to fulfill its mission of helping our neighbors in need.

The Daystar Life Center located at 1055 28th St. S in St. Petersburg has a food pantry and supplies of basic clothing and personal care items. We always need canned tuna or chicken, dry pasta and jars of sauce, all varieties of chunky soups, peanut butter and mac and cheese to send home with clients. We supplement with frozen meat, fresh produce and baked goods we receive from local supermarkets and food banks. We can even re-use your plastic grocery bags.

The clothes closet at the Life Center stocks many sizes of basics such as shirts, pants and shoes. Blankets, gloves, hats and sleeping bags are in demand in the winter. We have an ongoing need for men's jeans in small waist sizes, ladies pants in large waist sizes and sturdy backpacks.

We welcome your donations of personal care items. We need infant and adult diapers, razors and shaving cream, toothpaste and toothbrushes, soap, shampoo and conditioner, deodorant, tampons and pads, in both individual & family sizes. Products purchased at dollar stores or provide in hotel rooms are ideal for our use. Drop off your donations at the Daystar Life Center.

Daystar now accepts donations of your old vehicle that is still running and in reasonably good condition. Call Tony Bond, a licensed wholesale car dealer and Daystar volunteer at a 727-692-8919. He will determine if your vehicle will sell at auction and arrange for it to be towed. Daystar receives the auction proceeds, less a small fee and the donor receives a receipt that determines the fair market value of the vehicle for federal income tax purposes. (in-kind)

Daystar Life Center has earned Charity Navigator's Highest Rating.

GREEN THUMB FESTIVAL

April 29-April 30

Walter Fuller Park
7901 30th Avenue North in St. Petersburg

Chairman: Jan Ankerberg

The largest community project of the Garden Club is the Green Thumb Festival, always held the last weekend of April. All members are encouraged to both volunteer and attend the Festival. Volunteers are needed in multiple
areas such as the Flower Show, Membership Booth, Children's Plant Fair, Children's activities area and hospitality.
This is our opportunity to present the Garden Club at it's best to the community. The Flower Show is a spectacular event that attracts over 1000 visitors. The show is filled with creative designs, artistic crafts and top quality plants grown by our members. Those contributing to the show work very hard to win awards each year. To do this, we must have at least 200 horticulture entries and every class must be filled in design and artistic crafts to qualify for an award.

BROOKWOOD FLORIDA, INC.

Members donate once a year during the holidays to Brookwood Florida, Inc. Located in St. Petersburg, the non - profit residential facility for at-risk girls between 13 and 20 years of age, provide programs allowing teens to attend area schools, work in local businesses, and participates in the recreational offerings of the city. The teens work with case workers on independent living skills acquisition, while receiving mental health counseling from Brookwood's clinicians. The teams of youth care workers cover 24 hours of supervision and behavioral redirection. Their residents are nurtured and guided toward improved function on all levels.
Brookwood celebrates over 90 years of service & strives to maintain quality programming. (in-kind)

OPERATION ECO

Helping Veterans Grow

Operation ECO Vets started as a project "Green Path Veterans for Common Sense Fund. This Farm" under Florida Veterans partnership was key to OEV emerging as its own 501 (c)3 organization. A farm with a mission to help veterans grow food and attract nature to help them heal from wounds of war and life. Easter seals of Southwest Florida is our landed partner, and we are so grateful for their support and collaboration. Through ecological design, we joined forces to create a certified organic farm at Easter seals Happiness House, a regenerative Food Forest (link) and the Healing Sensory garden for veterans and Easter seals VIP Academy for children with disabilities.

Our mission: Provide veterans training, employment and healing through agriculture and landscaping.

(budget 5110)

PINELLAS HOPE

Members of the Garden Club make a difference by donating basic toiletries to the Pinellas Hope. This organization offers a safe living environment for homeless individuals and provides them with support to become self sufficient through their own personal efforts. Background checks are done on all residents and case managers meet with them on a regular basis to set goals. Assistance with job placement, permanent housing and follow up is provided. Members donate items such as: toothpaste, toothbrushes, soap, deodorant, shampoo, etc. A jug labeled Pinellas Hope is in the back room of the Garden Club throughout the year for anyone wishing to donate. (in-kind)

PENNY PINES

Just your pennies will help reforestation in Florida's most damaged National and State Forests. For just $68, your club can help to purchase and plant trees in Osceola National and John Bethea State Forest which had over 11,000 acres destroyed by the Okefenokee fires in 2010 and 2011. The US Forest Service is trying to reforest 250-500 acres per year to replace trees destroyed in these fires. What better way to show F.F.G.C. and G.C.S.P.'s commitment to improving and preserving our environment. The Garden Club has a jug with the words PENNY PINES on it. Drop your pennies or loose change into the jug at each meeting. When the money accumulates to $68 the treasurer mails a check to F.F.G.C.. Trees planted will be those native to the forest and area including the endangered long leaf pine. (coin jar)

SCHOLARSHIPS

Chairman: Joanne Keohane

The G.C.S.P. has an agreement with the University of Florida to provide one scholarship annually to one undergraduate majoring in Horticulture/Environmental Studies. This year the GC Board of Directors increased the amount to $2000.00 The student is chosen by the College of Agriculture and Life Sciences (CALS). The student's name is provided to the GC in October of the academic year. This will be the sixth year the GC has provided this scholarship. (budget 5105)

SEED CATALOG AT PUBLIC LIBRARIES

Chairman: Juanita Motsinger

People visiting Child's Park and the James Weldon Johnson Community Libraries can use their library card to get free seeds to plant in their vegetable gardens. This is available to individuals and community
gardeners. The St. Petersburg Library system sends out letters to many companies requesting vegetable seed donations and receives free packages and bags of seeds. Florida Gardeners members open the packages and divide up the seeds into small envelopes to be given away and label the envelopes with the vegetable name. Florida Gardeners works with the libraries to make sure the seed catalog has a variety of seeds and is well stocked. (budget 5110)

WORLD GARDENING/ECHO

Chairman: Nancy Steinbuechler

The Garden Club makes financial contributions to ECHO which is a not-for-profit 501c3 Christian organization headquartered in Fort Myers. The mission of ECHO is to network with community leaders in developing countries to seek hunger solutions for families growing food under difficult conditions. They are making a difference in thousands of poor farming communities helping them to produce both more and better food crops. Echo has a Global Farm in Fort Myers where they develop plants, products and farming practices which can be used around the world. Tours of the farm in Fort Myers are available.

Contributions are due to the Club Treasurer in January of each year. (budget 5108)

Garden Club Volunteer Hours/Donation Record June 1, 2022- May 31, 2023

Member Name:_____

Submit this page to the Treasurer by May 31st, 2022

Category of Volunteerism	Date(s) completed	Hours or $ value of
Coconut Park		
Green Thumb Committee		
Green Thumb Volunteer		
Flower Show		
Art in Bloom		
Garden Therapy		
City Beautification		
Junior Gardener		
GCSP Summer Nature		
Kitchen help		
Wekiva/SEEK		
In-Kind Donations		
Plants for Club Gardens		
Plant Sale Education		
Other-specify		
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ACTIVITIES

FOR

YOUTH

YOUTH PROJECTS

Mentoring youth towards environmental conservation and horticultural education is critical to our planet's future and fundamental to our mission as a Garden club. Our youth gardening program meets on various Sunday afternoon's from 1:00 pm-3:30 pm on the grounds of our club to learn, experience and study the soil, plants and wildlife that abound. (check calendar for dates) or e-mail Sally Farr at 68Mustangsal@gmail.com.

G.C.S.P. SUMMER NATURE CAMP

Chairman: Sally Farr and Sandee Doherty

In June of 2013, G.C.S.P. held it's first Summer Nature Camp for kids-Fun in the Garden and it has become an annual event. The camp is for 1 week, 5 days, Monday-Friday in early June, first through 5th grades. The first year we had 20 children and in 2017, 41 children registered. Each day an environmental or gardening topic is explored with activities, crafts and a speaker. A snack time and game period is also part of the day.
Garden Club members plan, teach and supervise all activities. The Garden Club is fortunate to have many retired teachers who spearhead this project. If you would like to be involved or know of a speaker for the program, please contact Sally Farr. Registration forms and scholarship applications for children will be available in the spring. (budget 5080)

MFL Youth Scholarship

Mary Frances Lawrie was president of the Garden Club of St. Petersburg for two terms. She was a devoted garden club member and worked tirelessly to make it what it is today. While president, the club grew in membership, outreach and a focus on youth. This was the result of Mary Frances having been a public school teacher for her entire career with a deep love for children. She had a mother's heart even though she had no children of her own. Her legacy lives on in the generous donation she made to the garden club upon her passing. Details and applications for the MFL Scholarship can be found on our website. www.gardenclubstpetersburg.org

Children's Plant Fair

In conjunction with the annual Green Thumb Festival, youth are encouraged to attend the children's craft and plant fair areas sponsored by the city of St. Petersburg.
Coordinator: Sally Farr

S.E.E.K. - Save the Earth's Environment through Knowledge

Nancy Steinbuechler, Chairman

S.E.E.K. is an annual environmental conference for teens sponsored by F.F.G.C.. Students selected are in 9th, 10th and 11th grades who are interested in the environment and may be considering careers in environmental science and conservation. The Garden Club supports this program with donations and scholarships. This event is held annually typically in June at Silver Springs State Park near Ocala, FL. If you would like more information or know any interested youth, email Nancy Steinbuechler at nce4nanc37@cox.net.

(budget 5101)

It is noble to teach oneself,
but it is nobler to teach
others.
Mark Twain

WEKIVA YOUTH CAMP
Chairman: Nancy Steinbuechler

"Conservation Pledge"

I give my pledge as an American to save and faithfully defend from waste the natural resources of my country - it's air, soil and minerals, it's forests, waters and wildlife.

Camp Wekiva is an environmental camp in Apopka, FL for boys and girls in elementary school and middle school that is owned and operated by the Florida Federation of Garden Clubs. The Garden Club supports the camp with donations and camper scholarships. Deserving students from our sponsored Junior Gardener groups and children/ grandchildren of members are awarded camperships. Several members have enjoyed volunteering at the camp. (budget 5100)

One special need is that of volunteer Registered Nurses.

I wanted to tell you about the woman who only ate plants, but you have probably heard of herbivore.

HOSPITALITY

GUIDELINES

HOSPITALITY GUIDELINES

General Meetings - Board of Directors Meetings - Interest Groups - Special Events

The re-introduction of un-packaged food at Garden Club events will be determined by a Board of Directors vote after careful consideration of the CDC guidelines and a consensus of member's requests. The Hospitality Sub-Committee Chair under Programs will determine the number of hosts needed for a particular meeting or event involving the general membership and the board of directors. Interest Group hosts are not assigned by the hospitality chair but are required to follow all stated guidelines if food or beverages are served during their meetings. Delegated hosts will coordinate the purchase and presentation of appropriate edibles, as well as provide utensils, plates, napkins and cups for service.
The assigned hosts of the Board of Directors meeting will not be reimbursed but donations from recipients are always welcome. Hosts of General Meetings and Special events are given an expense budget from the program chair to purchase necessary food and beverages as well as tableware necessary to serve.
It is the responsibility of each host listed, if unable to serve, to notify the Hospitality Chairman as soon as possible so that a replacement may be found.
The host committee is no longer responsible for setting up the room with tables, chairs and equipment required for the meeting or event.

ARRIVAL TIME: It is recommended to arrive at least **one hour** prior to the meeting time to prepare the room, decorate and prepare the coffee (a full urn of coffee requires 40-60 minutes). Making coffee in the pressure pots requires 25-30 minutes. It is sometimes necessary to prepare the room and decorate on the day before the meeting or event. This is determined by the attendance expected, the number of tables needed and the extent of the decorations.
Set up time should be coordinated with the Chair of the Board of Managers, if planning to set up the day before an event.

DECORATIONS: Decorations for the tables and room are provided by the host committee for the activity. All decorations must be removed at the conclusion of the function, and taken off premises.

FOOD HANDLING:
* Always use a cutting board or mat on the Formica table and counter tops.
They are stored in the cabinet under the microwave by the refrigerator.
Clean the cutting boards and mats with bleach after using.
* Perishable items should be refrigerated until use and unused portions removed from the building after the event, unless arrangements have been made.
* A sugar-free choice and decaffeinated drinks are appreciated.

* Packets of sweeteners and sugar may be used from G.C.S.P. supplies and must be returned to the appropriate storage containers when cleaning up.

* No leftover items should be left at the Club with the exception of containers of coffee and tea. These may be donated to the club to replace what is used.

* All food handlers are required by the Board of Health to wash their hands and use disposable gloves provided by the Club. Gloves are found on pantry door.

Anyone with symptoms of any illness should refrain from working in the kitchen.

LAUNDRY: All tablecloths, dish towels, etc. used for an event must be taken home by the host committee to be laundered with reasonable attempts to remove stains. **All linens taken from the premises must be logged out in the Laundry Log Book in the kitchen and logged in upon return. All items are to be returned to the Club no later than one week after the event.**

STOVE USE: In compliance with County law, the ovens of the stoves may be used**; Stovetop burners may NOT be used.** Each stove must be checked prior to leaving the building to insure that the ovens are turned **OFF** and left clean.

COFFEEMAKER:
* The coffeemaker in the pantry is used with the pressure pots stored in the pantry. Instructions for its use are on the wall above the coffee maker. It must be turned on 20 minutes before use, to heat the water.
* After using, the pressure pots should be rinsed well and drained. * The grounds should be removed from the basket, rinsed well and returned to the coffeemaker.
* Make sure the coffee maker is turned off before leaving the building.

OTHER EQUIPMENT USE:
* The microwaves in the kitchen may be used.
* “Crock Pots” may be used as needed.
* The sound system and speakers may be used by a trained member.

The computer is not to be used by anyone not authorized to use it.
* Other electronic equipment must be set up and put away by a trained member.

CLEAN-UP:
* Carts and plastic dishpans are available for clearing tables and collecting the silverware and dishes in the main room.
* The kitchen is to be left clean and sanitary. Detergents and all purpose cleaners are provided by the club as well as brooms, mops, buckets, towels, cloths, brushes, scouring pads, etc.
* Stove tops, ovens, refrigerators, counter tops and tables are to be wiped down and left clean. Kitchen floor is to be left clean.
* Main room tables and floors are to be left clean.
* Silverware and serving pieces are to be washed and dried and returned to the drawers where found.
* Dishes to be washed in the dishwasher are to be scraped, rinsed and stacked. A person trained on the use of the dishwasher should operate the dishwasher. Dishes must be dried and put away.
* Electric tea kettle is to be emptied and put away.
* Sinks are to be rinsed and left clean.

TRASH: All trash is to be removed from the building and placed in the outside dumpster before leaving the building. Can liners (trash bags) are to be replaced in each receptacle. Can liners are supplied by the club and may be found on the pantry door.

BUILDING & GROUNDS:
* The entire building must be left in good order. This includes bathrooms, patio, conference room/library or any other part of the building or grounds used for the activity.
* Immediately report any problems found in the building or on the premises to the Chairman of the Board of Managers.
* In warm weather, leave the A/C set at 80 degrees. In cool weather, leave the heat set at 68 degrees.
* Turn off the **sound system** and speakers at each end of the stage. Put the microphones away.
* Turn off all lights.
* Check all doors and lock the building upon leaving.

GARDEN CLUB OF

ST. PETERSBURG

INTEREST

GROUPS

CREATIVE CRAFTS

Chair: Liz Coerver and Helen Tilden

The Crafts Interest Group was formed to create a “small group” where members and potential members could make some new friends and enjoy the comradery of the group. The projects are usually easy to do or detailed instructions are given. When we have excess materials, we make the items to sell in the Boutique or at the Plant Sale.

Creative Craft Programs are offered at the Garden Club on the first Monday of the month, (or second Monday if the first is a holiday,) from September through May from 10:00 am to noon.

Cost is $4 for G.C.S.P. members and $5 for guests for the materials. A sense of enthusiasm and a wish to meet fun and creative people is all that is necessary, though your own scissors and a pencil are always helpful.

See the Garden Club Calendar for the date for each class. See the Grapevine or website for updates.

For questions call Liz Coerver 727-865-0341

Garden Buds

Garden Buds is an active group always learning the best practices with plants. How to prune trees correctly or why we should plant native plants when possible. As well as what plants do well in pots and which ones will do better in the ground or on a balcony. We are able to have beautiful, healthy plants because of our horticultural speakers, our field trips to parks with plants, like the Botannical Gardens and because of our very knowledgeable members.

It is the Garden Buds responsibility to maintain the Butterfly garden on club grounds at Coconut Park.

Meetings: Second Thursday of the month at 10:30 am at the Garden Center. Please check the calendar for dates & events in the Yearbook.

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Garden Variety

Once known as the Dracaena circle, founded in 1955, Garden Variety Interest group meets on the third Tuesday of the month at 12:30 pm. At the Garden Center unless noted differently in the calendar The variety of interests within this group is evidenced by the programs and activities planned monthly from September to May. Refer to the calendar for dates and programs.

The focus of this group is horticulture and related subjects. The members actively engage in all phases of gardening and participate in all Garden Club events. Meetings are the third Tuesday of the month, September through May.

Meetings: Third Tuesday at 12:30 pm at the Garden Center, unless otherwise noted.

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Floral Design Group

Founded: 1969

Floral Design (Flower Arranging) is primarily interested in the promotion of the art of creative floral design, particularly for competition in a Flower Show. The meetings focus on instructions, demonstrations and workshops by various program presenters, with the ultimate goal of participation in Flower Shows, as well as personal enjoyment.

Check the yearbook for months and dates of meetings. Members also exhibit floral designs at the Museum of Fine Arts as part of "Art in Bloom", which is a successful annual fund-raising event for the Museum of Fine Arts. We welcome new members with an interest in floral design.

Meetings: Third Wednesday at 10:00 am at the Garden Center

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Night Gardeners

A dynamic group of both working and retired individuals meets on the second Tuesday of each month (year round) at 6:30 pm. The group was founded in 2008 in response to a community need for evening horticultural programs. The Night Gardeners focus on providing horticulture programs. All members are welcome at all regular meetings. The Night Gardeners participate in all Garden Club Activities with the emphasis on the Plant Sale & Flower Show.

Following positive feedback from last year's members, Night Gardeners will no longer require a host at meetings. Special events may require a hosting team. Members are asked to donate pre-packaged individually wrapped food items, preferably non-perishable food.

Meetings: Second Tuesday of each month at the Garden Center. Business meetings start at 6:30 pm & the program at 7:00 pm.

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Garden Club Friends

Some members of the Garden Club of St. Petersburg participate as a group in all Garden Club activities including the Flea Market and Plant Sale, Green Thumb Festival, Plant Sale and Horticulture Seminars.

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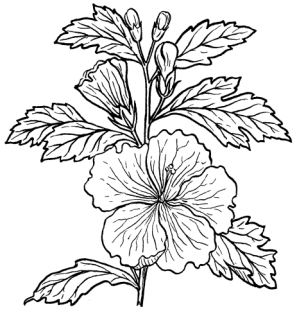

Sadly missed along life's way,

quietly remembered every day.

No longer in our life to share,

but in our hearts, you're always there.

"GARDENING IS THE PATH TO SERENITY"

Recycle and Waste Disposal Resources

Recyclable material may be taken to any of the five Recycling/Brush sites located in St. Petersburg, Florida. More information at www.stpete.org/recycling.

2453 20th Ave. N.
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For general information on all waste and county office phone numbers, plus free mulch locations visit
www.pinellascounty.org/wheredoesitgo

An interactive site for the closest recycling/refuse center based on your zip code
www.wm.com/drop-off-locations

Need to dispose of electronics, paint, batteries or toxic chemicals?
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The
Garden Club of
St. Petersburg,Inc.
Bylaws

THE GARDEN CLUB OF ST. PETERSBURG, INC.

BYLAWS - REVISED 2021

ARTICLE I: NAME

The name of the organization: The Garden Club of St. Petersburg, Inc., (hereinafter may be referred to as G.C.S.P.), located in a city park known as Coconut Park at 500 Sunset Drive South, St. Petersburg, Pinellas County, Florida 33707-1136. It is organized as an 'Independent Club' under the authorization of the Florida Federation of Garden Clubs, Inc., (hereinafter may be referred to as F.F.G.C.) in District VIII. It is also a member of the Deep South Garden Clubs, Inc., and the National Garden Clubs, Inc.

ARTICLE II: PURPOSE / OBJECTIVES

The general objects and purposes for which the corporation is organized shall be: (a) promote an interest in gardens; (b) stimulate the study of wild flowers and native plants; (c) work for preservation and conservation of our natural beauty and resources; (d) to encourage the study of the art of landscape and floral design; (e) mentor & educate youth; (f) to cooperate in all efforts for civic beautification; (g) establish, care for, and maintain a park or area in St. Petersburg known as "The Garden Club of St. Petersburg", the said Center to be maintained and preserved as a model exhibit or park by reason of the planting of flowers, shrubs, trees and the preservation of natural beauty thereon. (Articles of Incorporation, Article II).

This is a non-profit association for the purpose of engaging in activities which are charitable, educational, and scientific within the meaning of Section 501 (c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1954 (or the corresponding provision of any future United States Internal Revenue Law).

ARTICLE III: MEMBERSHIP AND PRIVILEGES

Section 1. Membership in the Garden Club of St. Petersburg, Inc., and the Florida Federation of Garden Clubs, Inc., is open to all, regardless of gender, age, race, ethnicity or religious affiliation. Membership shall consist of those who are interested in the promotion and study of gardening, horticulture, floral design, and ecology in general, as well as camaraderie with fellow members.

Section 2. A Membership Information form shall be presented to the Club Membership Chairman (Second Vice President) with the designated membership fee (Club, F.F.G.C. and District VIII dues) to become a member. Memberships are accepted throughout the year, but membership should be renewed for the following year before May 1st.

Section 3. A spouse or partner of a member may be added for an additional fee that is determined by the Board of Directors, with all membership privileges.

Section 4. Life Membership in the Garden Club of St. Petersburg

a. Life Membership in the G.C.S..P. shall be awarded on an Honorary basis ONLY.
b. A G.C.S.P. President who has completed a full term in office (2 years), may be presented a Life Membership in the G.C.S.P., upon retirement from office. A Past Presidents' Pin may also be presented.
c. A Life Member of the G.C.S.P. shall enjoy all the rights and privileges of membership without paying annual dues, except State and District dues, if applicable.

Section 5. Honorary Membership in the G.C.S.P. may be presented to a person who is not a member, but who has displayed prolonged dedication or extraordinary service to the G.C.S.P., with a recommendation of the Executive Committee and approval of the Board of Directors. Honorary Members may be listed in the Yearbook, but pay no dues and do not have membership privileges.

Section 6. Membership cards are issued every other year by F.F.G.C. G.C.S.P. cards are issued annually, and are distributed by the Club Membership Chairman. The cards may be Presented for special privileges at designated retail outlets.

Section 7. Guests may attend up to three General meetings and/or Interest Group programs in one year. A guest may be charged a fee to attend a meeting or special function at the discretion of the Club or Interest Group with prior notice.

Section 8. The membership data base or Yearbook, including e-mail addresses, shall not be made available to non-members or be used for solicitation.

Section 9. A Grievance Committee may be called by the current President, consisting of available former Presidents, to review any concerns or grievances that are filed in writing by any member. The recommendations of this committee will be submitted to the Executive Committee for review or action, if necessary.

ARTICLE IV: DUES AND FINANCES

Section 1. The fiscal year shall be from June 1 through May 31.

Section 2. Annual G.C.S.P. dues shall be an amount including Club, F.F.G.C. and District VIII dues, recommended by the Board of Directors and approved by a majority of the members present at a General Meeting, following a written (or electronic) presentation of the proposed dues at least four weeks before the vote. G.C.S.P. and/or F.F.G.C. Life Members' dues will be adjusted.

Section 3. Dues for the next fiscal year are payable on or before April 1 and shall be delinquent after May 1. Names of delinquent members shall be dropped, after notification, by the Membership Chairman and shall not appear in the next Yearbook.

Section 4. Members joining after January 1 may pay an amount determined by the Board of Directors, for the privileges of full membership. Names of new members will be listed in the "*Grapevine*". Dues for the next fiscal year will be collected as listed in Section 3.

ARTICLE V: OFFICERS

Section 1. The elected officers shall be the: President, First Vice-President, Second Vice President, Third Vice President, Recording Secretary, Corresponding Secretary, Treasurer, and Assistant Treasurer.

Section 2. The Executive Committee shall be the elected Officers, plus the Advisor (the immediate Past President) and the Parliamentarian. The Advisor and Parliamentarian serve in non-voting advisory capacities. All Officers shall attend the Executive Committee meetings, unless excused by the President.

Section 3. The Board of Directors shall consist of the Executive Committee, designated Standing Committee Chairmen and representatives from each of the Interest Groups.

Section 4. Eligibility for, and Tenure in Office:

a. Terms of office shall be two years, or officers shall serve until successors are elected or appointed, with the exception of the Treasurer and the Third Vice-President, who may be re-elected with an 8-year limit (if qualified).

b. Officers shall assume their duties at the close of the General meeting in May, with the exception of the financial officers (the Third Vice President, the Treasurer, and the Assistant Treasurer). They shall assume duties at the end of the fiscal year, after the records are examined as required by the Florida Statutes.

c. Second Vice President, who is the Membership Chairman, also assumes office on the first of June after the end of year membership registration is complete.

d. Officers, having served a full two year term, may succeed in that office for one more term, with the exception of the Treasurer, and the Third Vice-President, who may be re-elected with a limit of serving for 8 years (if qualified).

Section 5. A vacancy during any term of office, except that of President, shall be filled for the unexpired term by an appointment by the President, with confirmation by the Board of Directors. In the event of a vacancy in the office of President, the First Vice President shall succeed to the presidency and the office of First Vice-President declared vacant.

ARTICLE VI: NOMINATIONS AND ELECTIONS

Section 1. A Nominating Committee shall be selected every two years, composed of seven members: the Chairman appointed by the President, three members of the Board of Directors elected in January and three members who are not members of Board of Directors elected from membership at the January General Meeting.

Section 2. The Chairman and the members of the Nominating Committee should be furnished with a copy of the G.C.S.P. "Bylaws and Guidelines" for prospective candidates to be aware and agree to perform the duties expected of the office.

Section 3. In March, the Nominating Committee shall present to the Board of Directors a slate of candidates for the offices to be elected for the Executive Committee, who are qualified and agreed to serve. Then they are presented to the members at the General Meeting in March. Additional nominations may be made from the floor at the General Meeting with the consent of the nominee.

Section 4. The election shall be held at the General Meeting in March. If there is only one nominee for an office, the Chair shall declare the candidate elected, if there is no objection. If there is more than one candidate for an office, the election shall be by ballot. A majority shall elect. The Nominating Committee Chairman shall appoint a teller committee of three members prior to the election to count ballots if necessary.

Section 5. The Installation of Officers will be at the General Meeting in May after the election.

ARTICLE VII: MEETINGS

Section 1. General Meetings of the members of the G.C.S.P. will be held on the second Tuesday of the month, or the schedule may vary to accommodate programs or attendance, with the approval of the Executive Committee and/or the Board of Directors. There must be at least five (5) General Meetings during the corporate year. (Articles of Incorporation, Article VI, Meetings).

Section 2. Twenty-five percent of the total current Club membership shall constitute a quorum at the General Meetings.

Section 3. Executive Committee meetings are held prior to the Board of Directors' Meetings, at the call of the President.

Section 4. Board of Directors meetings are held on the first Friday after the first Tuesday of the months between September and June. If necessary, dates of meetings may be changed by the Executive Committee to fit the club calendar.

Section 5. Meetings of the Interest Groups will be scheduled at the groups' preferred time to fit in the G.C.S.P. calendar and the availability of the Club, with the approval of the Board of Directors.

Section 6. Special meetings may be called by the President or upon the written requests of ten (10) members, with the object of the meeting stated in the call.

ARTICLE VIII: DUTIES OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Section 1. The Board of Directors shall:

a. be empowered to transact any and all business of the corporation when a quorum of a majority of the members is present;
b. control the funds of the corporation;
c. determine all questions of policy;
d. approve any major civic project before it is undertaken;
e. approve, at the June meeting, the calendar of activities for the Club, the proposed budget including the budgets of the Interest Groups for the fiscal year, and planned expenditures for the summer months (June through August) which may exceed 25% of any committee budget;
f. submit written reports (each Officer, Standing and Sub-Committee Chairman and Interest Group Leader) of the year's activities no later than the May Board of Directors' Meeting, retaining a copy for the records of their office;

g. turn over to their successors all books and records per taining to their offices no later than the June Board of Directors Meeting;
h. be empowered to remove an officer(s) or member(s) by a 2/3 vote, when it is determined such action is in the best interests of the G.C.S.P., with the recommendation of a Grievance Committee review.

Section 2. The President shall:

a. preside at the General Meetings, the Board of Directors' meetings, the Executive Committee Meetings and special called meetings of the G.C.S.P.;
b. be the official representative of the G.C.S.P. and the custodian of the corporate seal and the Charter;
c. appoint the Parliamentarian and the chairmen of all Standing and Sub-Committees;
d. be authorized to co-sign checks with the: Treasurer, Assistant Treasurer or the First Vice President (two authorized signatures required on all checks);
e. call meetings of the Executive Committee;
f. be an ex-officio member, with voting privileges, of all committees except the Nominating Committee. May chair any Standing Committee except the Executive Committee, a Special Committee, or the Grievance Committee.

Section 3. The First Vice President shall:

a. in the absence of the President, perform the duties of that office;
b. serve as Program Committee Chairman, including mem bers of each of the Interest Groups;
c. be responsible for programs of the General Meetings of the G.C.S.P., coordinating the topics and scheduling of programs with the Interest Groups, focusing on education and the purposes of the G.C.S.P.;
d. be authorized to co-sign checks with the President, Treasurer, or Assistant Treasurer (two authorized signatures required on all checks);
e. assist the President and perform such duties as requested.

Section 4. The Second Vice President shall:

a. serve as Membership Committee Chairman for the Club who is responsible for keeping an accurate and complete membership data base, furnishing copies to F.F.G.C., the Yearbook Chairman, the "*Grapevine"* Editor and the Internet Chairman;
b. collect appropriate dues from all members, keep an accurate account of dues received and turn over all monies to the Treasurer;
c. include a member of each Interest Group on the Committee, if possible.

Section 5. The Third Vice President shall:

a. serve as the Chairman of the Budget and Finance Committee;
b. oversee the inspection of Clubs' financial records regularly, conducting an internal review twice a year. Findings reported in writing to the Board of Directors;
c. monitor the financial activities of the Club, including all investments and the rental activity;
d. present a proposed annual budget to the Board of Directors for approval in June, which includes the budgets of the Interest Groups, prepared by the Budget & Finance Committee;
e. be responsible for procuring and maintaining adequate insurance coverage for all G.C.S.P. activities, properties and bonding for the G.C.S.P. President, First Vice President, Treasurer, Assistant Treasurer, appointed bookkeeper, and the rental agent, with the approval of the Executive Committee. This must include an annual review of all insurance coverage that is presented to the Executive Committee.

Section 6. The Recording Secretary shall record the proceedings of the G.C.S.P. General Meetings, the Board of Directors Meetings, the Executive Committee Meetings and special meetings that may be called by the President. Approved Minutes shall be filed as a permanent record of these meetings.

Section 7. The Corresponding Secretary shall:

a. conduct the general correspondence of the Club as directed by the President;
b. send notices as required;
c. maintain an attendance list of the members of the Board of Directors, call the roll to establish a quorum and read the correspondence at each meeting of the Board of Directors.

Section 8. The Treasurer shall:

a. be responsible and accountable for all funds and financial records belonging to the G.C.S.P.;
b. record all monies received, with the source of the receipts, the account designations and make deposits in a timely manner, in financial institutions approved by the Executive Committee;
c. be authorized to pay all approved bills by check, cosigned by the President, First Vice President, or the Assistant Treasurer (two authorized signatures required), or automated electronic withdrawal;
d. keep all accounts and records current and available for inspection, upon reasonable notice, by the Executive Committee and/or the Board of Directors, and submit the books for review by the Budget and Finance Committee twice a year;
e. closely supervise and work with a contracted bookkeeper, if one is necessary, who may be appointed by the President, would have signatory access to the Club's financial accounts, is covered by the bond insurance and may be a Sub-Committee member of the Board of Directors (if a G.C.S.P. member), with the approval of the Executive Committee;

f. present a financial statement at each meeting of the Executive Committee and the Board of Directors and an annual report at the end of the fiscal year;

g. assure that all the necessary Federal and State tax forms and permits are prepared, filed and paid when due, and that all G.C.S.P. Officers sign an acknowledgement of the "Conflict of Interest Policy" anually (Article XII, Section 5);

h. be a member of the Budget and Finance Committee and assist in preparing the annual budget for the G.C.S.P. including the requests of the Interest Groups;

i. record all donations, both monetary and "in kind", for IRS credit to maintain 501 ©(3) status, including information from the Volunteer Hours Forms;

j. not honor any request for funds from a committee or Interest Group which is over budget, without authorization from the Executive Committee;

k. upon leaving office, transfer to the successor all checkbooks, financial information (including passwords), and records in the Treasurer's possession, after a review is completed. Ensure that all the proper signatures and updated information be transferred to the incoming Officers who are authorized access by this document to all of the G.C.S.P. accounts.

Section 9. The Assistant Treasurer shall:

a. assist the Treasurer with agreed upon shared responsebilities, with the approval of the Budget and Finance Committee and the Executive Committee;

b. be authorized to co-sign with the Treasurer, President, or First Vice President (two authorized signatures required), and perform all other duties of the Treasurer in the event of the Treasurer's absence or inability to perform the duties of that office;

c. be a member of the Budget and Finance Committee;

Section 10. The Parliamentarian shall advise the presiding officer on points of parliamentary procedure.

Section 11. The Immediate Past President shall act as Advisor.

ARTICLE IX: COMMITTEES

Section 1. The Executive Committee shall:

a. be empowered to make decisions and to act for the Board of Directors in intervals between meetings of the Board of Directors, as needed, on matters of urgent nature or requiring immediate consideration, and to suspend meetings in the event of emergencies;
b. be authorized to communicate, conduct business, or call for a vote electronically (internet or teleconference). If a face-to-face meeting of the Executive Committee is not possible, or with the Board of Directors or the entire membership when deemed necessary, with specific in structions for the action provided;
c. report on their actions and present recommendations to the Board of Directors at the next scheduled meeting of the Board of Directors for ratification;
d. approve Minutes of the General Meetings;
e. meet at the call of the President (Five {5} shall constitute a quorum).
f. no person on the Executive Committee may hold more than one position on the Executive Committee simultaneously.

Section 2. The Program Committee shall:

a. be composed of the First Vice President, who shall be the Chairman, plus a representative of each Interest Groups;
b. coordinate the programs of the General Meetings and the programs of the Interest Groups at the beginning of the Club year to offer educational and interesting programs for all members;
c. arrange the programs with a focus on the purposes of the G.C.S.P.;
d. provide proposed program information to the Communication Committee Chairman to be included in the Year book and to arrange for publicity.

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Section 3. The Membership Committee shall:

a. be composed of the Second Vice President, who shall be the Chairman and a representative of each Interest Group to assist on matters pertaining to membership and organization and may help the Membership Chairman with the collection of dues;
b. stimulate interest in membership, encourage welcoming of new members, promote an inviting atmosphere and support the activities of the G.C.S.P.;
c be available to offer membership information and joining opportunities at all events.

Section 4. The Budget and Finance Committee:

a. be composed of nine members including: the Third Vice President as Chairman, immediate past President, immediate past Treasurer, immediate past Third Vice President, current President as an ex-officio member, current Treasurer and Assistant Treasurer and two members that are appointed by the President with the recommendation of the Chairman. TheTreasurer and the Assistant Treasurer are not permitted to vote on the review of the financial records;

b. supervise the conduct of the financial affairs of the Garden Club, including insurance coverage, lease agreements with the city, and rental information;
c. prepare a budget, including the budget requests of the Interest Groups, for the ensuing year and present it for approval to the Executive Committee and the Board of Directors at their June meetings;
d recommend amendments to the budget during the year, if necessary;
e. review the corporation's financial records twice during the fiscal year: once during the middle of the year, usually November and again by the close of the fiscal year, as required by Florida State Statutes.

Section 5. The Standing Committees shall:

a be established by the President and/or the Board of Directors to oversee or manage on-going specified ac tivities of the G.C.S.P. throughout the year, which may conform to those of the F.F.G.C.;

b be composed of a Chairman, appointed by the President, and other members recruited and interested in serving on the designated Committee. The Chairman is a member of the Board of Directors, is expected to attend the meetings, present written reports of active ties, and retain copies their records;

c have responsibilities of the Committee listed in the Bylaws and Guidelines;

d submit any planned expenditures for summer months (June through August) which may exceed 25% of the Committee's budget for approval by the Executive Committees at the June meeting. Designated or donated funds must be used before budgeted funds;

e turn over all records and instructions to the incoming Chairman no later than the Board of Directors meeting in June;

f have a quorum of the majority of its Committee mem bers to conduct business, unless otherwise specified.

Section 6. The Building and Grounds shall:

a. be composed of the Chairman, appointed by the President, and at least five members appointed by the Committee Chairman;

b. be responsible for the maintenance and appearance of the building, and equipment, and for the purchase of all equipment and supplies, staying within the allocate ed budget. Major projects of building maintenance or renovation, other than emergency situations, both interior and exterior, must be approved by the Executive Committee and/or the Board of Directors;

c. employ and supervise any contracted work;

d. work with the Rental Agent pertaining to the rental Activities of the Club and facilities

e. present a written prioritized list of proposed projects pertaining to the building and/or grounds, with an estimated cost, if possible, to the Executive Committee and the Board of Directors at least once a year, for information and planning purposes;

f. submit any planned expenditures which will exceed 25% of the committees' budget for approval by the Board of Directors. Designated or donated funds must be used before budgeted funds.

Section 7. The Sub-Committees shall:

a. be non-voting members of the Board of Directors under the responsibility of a designated Standing Committee Chairman;

b. be established by the President or the Board of Directors for a special limited activity (responsibility or event), and may have reports presented by the Standing Committee Chairman designated to oversee that active ty; or may require attending Board of Directors meetings to report on the upcoming activity, and/or to report on the results of the activity;

c. retain a copy of their reports in their files;

d. have their duties included in the Bylaws and Guidelines;

e. turn over all records and instructions to the incoming Chairman no later than the Board of Directors meeting in June, if applicable.

ARTICLE X: DELEGATES AND ALTERNATES

Section 1. The G.C.S.P. shall be represented at all District VIII meetings and at the Annual Convention of the F.F.G.C. by the President or an alternate.

Section 2. The Club shall defray the expenses of registration and housing (double occupancy) for the President or the alternate attending the State Convention, and registration fees for District VIII meetings. If the President can not at tend, the alternate will be selected from the Vice Presidents in order of their rank, if possible. Other members may attend at their own expense.

ARTICLE XI: INTEREST GROUPS

Section 1. General Structure

a. Interest Groups shall be self-organized groups with a focus on a designated topic or activity, scheduled meeting time and a selected leader.

b. Programs will be coordinated with the Club Program Chairman (1st Vice President).

c. A proposed budget for anticipated expenses for programs and activities for each Interest Group for the upcoming year should be submitted to the Budget and Finance Committee in May to be included in the annual proposed budget for the Club. Any unbudgeted expenses during the year must be approved by the Executive Committee and/or the Board of Directors.

d Members may join any group, and/or may attend any group meeting with a program of interest to them. Special programs may require prior notice or reserva tions.

e. Interest Groups are subject to all approved regulations regarding the G.C.S.P. and respecting the purposes of the Club as stated in this document.

f. Interest Groups will have voting representation at meetings of the Board of Directors, and are expected to participate in all activities of the Club.

g. Information about planned programs should be provided in June to be included on the Yearbook calendar, and to the Communication Committee Chairman for appropriate publicity.

h. All finances will be handled by the Club Treasurer or Assistant Treasurer.

i. Interest Groups may undertake special projects which conform to the objectives of the G.C.S.P. with the approval of the Board of Directors.

j. An Interest Group may be organized at any time, under the direction of this Section of the Bylaws, with the approval of the Board of Directors, or any Group may become inactive at any time.

ARTICLE XII: MEMBERS BENEFITING/CONFLICT OF INTEREST:

Section 1. None of the net earnings of the G.C.S.P. shall monetarily benefit or be distributable to its members, Officers, or other private persons, except that the corporation is authorized and empowered to pay reasonable compensation for services rendered, and make payments and distributions to further the purposes set forth in Article II of this document. (Articles of Incorporation, Article XI.)

Section 2. Officers shall receive no compensation for carrying out their duties as Officers, however, the Board of Directors may adopt policies providing for reasonable reimbursement of Officers for expenses incurred in conjunction with carrying out their responsibilities, including registration fees and travel expenses to attend required District and State meetings.

Section 3. Officers and members are not restricted from being remunerated for professional services provided to the corporation. Such remuneration shall be reasonable and not exceed fair market value, and must be reviewed and approved by the Executive Committee in accordance with the "Conflict of Interest" policy and State law.

Section 4. If an Officer or member has a financial or personal interest in any matter coming before the Executive Committee or Board of Directors, that person shall: a) fully disclose the nature of the interest, and b) withdraw from discussion, lobbying, and voting on the matter. Any transaction or vote involving a potential conflict of interest shall be approved only when a majority of disinterested officers determine that it is in the best interest of the organization to do so. The minutes of meetings at which such votes are taken shall record such disclosure, abstention and rationale for approval.

Section 5. All Officers are required to sign an acknowledgement of the "Conflict of Interest" policy annually which is submitted to the CPA by the Treasurer to maintain the 501 © (3) status of the Club.

Section 6. No substantial part of the activities of the Club shall be the carrying on of propaganda, or otherwise attempting to influence legislation, and the corporation shall not participate in, or intervene in (including the publishing or distribution of statements) any political campaign on behalf of any candidate for public office. Not withstanding any other provision of these articles, the corporation shall not carry on any other activities not permitted to be carried on: a) by a corporation exempt from Federal Income Tax under Section 501 ©(3) of the most up to date Internal Revenue Code or b) by a corporation, contributions to which are deductible under Section 170 © (2) or the provision of the current United States Internal Revenue Law.

ARTICLE XIII: RULES

These minimum rules stated herein constitute the Bylaws of the Garden Club of St. Petersburg, Inc. that have been approved by the membership as required on the date listed on this document.

ARTICLE XIV: DISSOLUTION

Upon termination or dissolution of The Garden Club of St. Petersburg, Inc., any assets lawfully available for distribution shall be distributed to one or more qualifying organizations described in Section 501 (c)(3) of the current Internal Revenue Code, which organization or organizations have a charitable purpose which, at least generally, includes a purpose similar to the terminating or dissolving corporation. (Articles of Incorporation, Article XII.)

ARTICLE XV: PARLIAMENTARY AUTHORITY

"Robert's Rules of Order Newly Revised" (New Edition) shall govern on all matters of procedure not covered by the Charter, Articles of Incorporation, Bylaws and standing rules of the Garden Club of St. Petersburg, Inc.

ARTICLE XVI: AMENDMENTS

These Bylaws may be amended at any regular meeting by a 2/3 vote of members present, provided written notice (including electronic notice) of the proposed amendment(s) are given to the Board of Directors for one month's consideration prior to their vote of recommendation and provided notice is then given to the membership at least four weeks prior to the General Meeting at which it will be voted upon.

Amended (Date)_____BY MEMBERSHIP VOTE

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(Duly Elected Recording Secretary)

The lotus flower has had many meanings throughout history. Many depicting it as a symbol of creation, rebirth, strength, and power. As we are reborn into one club let the lotus symbolize 2021-2022 our year of transformation and new beginnings.

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