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HAPPY ST. PATRICK'S DAY!

In honor of St. Patrick's Day, here are a few **interesting facts about shamrocks and clovers!**

- The word "**shamrock**" comes from the Irish word "seamróg", which means "little clover". It is Ireland's most recognized National symbol.
- The **shamrock** is a three-leaved clover. A four-leaf clover is a deviation of the white clover plant and is considered rare and lucky. It is estimated there are approximately 10,000 three-leaf clovers for every four-leaf clover.
- According to the Guinness Book of World records, the highest number of leaves found on a **clover** is 14!
- The leaves of a four-leaf **clover** represent hope, faith, love and luck. A fifth leaf represents money, but there is no meaning yet for a sixth leaf or above.

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Let's get ready for Spring, the garden is waiting for you!

First, trim off any damaged foliage on your trees and bushes. Next, weed all your beds. Now, fertilize all bushes, palms, citrus trees, and tropical fruit trees with a good palm fertilizer.

If you have a well-established vegetable garden, you should be feeding it often. I recommend a product called Tomato Maker. It's good for all vegetables and it's organic. We have this product on hand. Vegetables to plant now include tomatoes, watermelon, cantaloupe, okra, sweet potato, summer squash, and radish.

Good strong flowers to plant would be salvia vinca, begonias, torenia zinnia.

I will leave you with a good garden quote:

"More than anything, I must have flowers, always, always." – Claude Monet

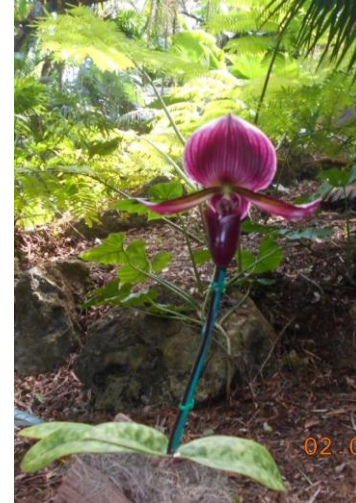
Happy Gardening,

Roxie

Special Club Events/Field Trips

Photos of some of our members on a field trip to **Bonnet House**.

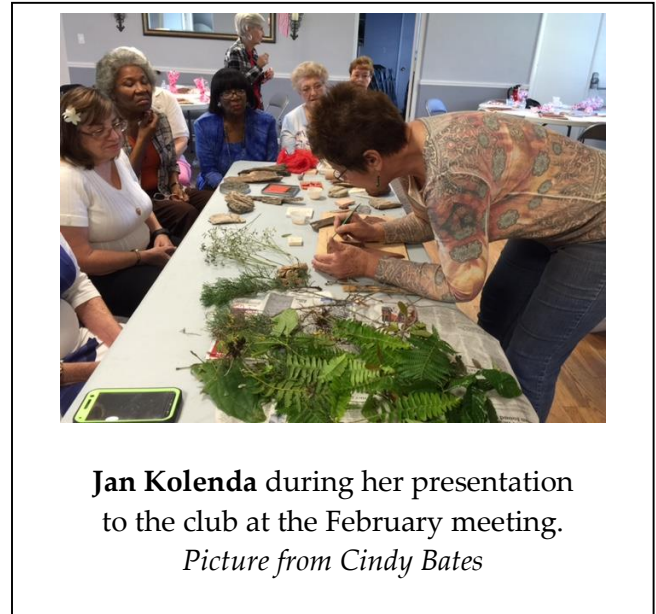
Pictures from Mimi Sakal



Mimi Sakal working the table at the **Senior Expo** in February.
Picture from Peggy Tingle



A photo of **Orpha Hirst** working in the **Butterfly Garden**.
Picture from Peggy Tingle



Jan Kolenda during her presentation to the club at the February meeting.
Picture from Cindy Bates

2015/16 Monthly Schedule

Happy Birthday!

Dorothy Straw-Ewin-Chow 3rd

Florence Patterson 6th

Eve Maige 8th

Barbara DeWitt 10th

Roxie Pelliccia 17th

Patricia Parker 25th

Sheryl Melson 28th

Mary Pavlinek 28th

Mary Ida Lamb 30th



UPCOMING EVENTS AND OTHER NEWS

- **Rummage Sale on Saturday, March 12th from 7am-1pm** at the City Wide Garage Sale at Volunteer Park, 12050 W. Sunrise Blvd., Plantation, 33324. We will need those items you would like to donate in order to sell and raise funds for the Club. **The only thing we ask if for you to start looking through your closets, garage and start pricing the items.** If you have plants that you would also like to donate for sale, it would be great. We need everyone's help to be successful.
 - **GFWC Plantation Women's Club** is sponsoring a Vintage and Vine/Antique & Garden Fest 2016 on **Saturday, March 19th (9am – 5pm) and Sunday, March 20th (9am – 4pm) at Volunteer Park.** We will be having a promotional booth.
 - **Plantation Junior Women's Club** is sponsoring a Feast of Treasures at Volunteer Park on **Saturday, March 5th and Sunday, March 6th.**
 - It is that time of the year when the Plantation Garden Club will nominate an outstanding member from our Club as our nominee for the **"Woman of the Year 2016"**. We would like to invite as many of you as possible to participate in the nomination process to select a nominee from our Club as our **"Woman of The Year"**.
- The deadline to submit the application to the GFWC Plantation Woman's Club is Thursday, March 16, 2016.**
- **From the Education Committee:** The 2016 scholarship application form has been updated online so that seniors at Plantation and South Plantation High Schools can begin to apply. **The deadline is April 15, 2016.**

All regular meetings are on the **third Wednesday of the month** from **9:30 a.m. until 12 Noon** at the **El Dorado clubhouse**, 1 El Dorado Clubhouse Parkway (1 SW 75th Ave.), Plantation, FL 33317 (954) 583-0940.

Meeting schedule is as follows:

MARCH 2, 2016 – FIELD TRIP:

South Plantation High, Tour of Nature Center, 1300 SW 54th Avenue, Plantation, FL.

MARCH 16, 2016 - MEETING:

The Art of Flower Arranging with Marcie Chacon. Learn, and create your own fresh flower arrangement to take home. If you wish, you can bring cuttings and baby's breath to be used as fillers for the arrangements. You will also need scissors, a small or medium vase, and wet foam that fits in the container you will be using.

Also, **Nomination: Woman of the Year** and **Appointing of Nomination Committee for 16-17.**

Thank You from Plantation Park Elementary!

Dear Plantation Garden Club Members,

Thank you for the grant money! We were able to purchase materials to build a raised bed to plant over **90 cabbage plants!** We've been taking great care of our plants and look forward to planting again in the spring. Thank you again for the opportunity. Please come visit when you can...we'll be happy to show you our garden.

Sincerely, **Plantation Park Elementary 3rd Grade**

Kathryn G. Ross, NBCT
3rd Grade, Plantation Park Elementary



About the Month of March

The **birth flower** for March is the **Daffodil**, which means unequalled love.

March's full Moon is a **Worm Moon**, as the ground begins to soften and earthworm casts reappear, inviting the return of the robins.

March is also **National Women's History Month, National Craft Month, National Frozen Food Month, and National Peanut Month!**