

A monthly publication of the Plantation Garden Club

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Spring is in the Air!

With the exception of the High Tea this is probably our busiest time of the year. With spring comes the beginning of a new season for planting and planning. I hope that each of you will be planting seeds of love and kindness everywhere you go. There are many people in our country and across the world that are hurting right now, and it is up to us to do whatever we can during the time we have to help others while being our best possible selves.

I hope that our Club's Nominating Committee will find members who are willing to help by joining the Board or Committee. Many have already volunteered and for that I thank you.

Each of us has a gift and it is how we use that gift that determines our usefulness. We will be looking for new thoughts and ideas for fund raising as well as new directions for our awards and scholarships programs. I am hoping that the 2019-20 year will be the year of new growth and new beginnings. I think our attendance at the last meeting was a great way to start!

As we announced we will be taking membership dues for the 2019-2020 year at the next meeting. I am asking each of you to re-join and bring in one other friend (or two or three).

We will also be taking reservations for our end of year buffet lunch on May 15, 11:30, at the Plantation Preserve. Bring your check or cash as Diane Little will be taking reservations at this meeting and the April meeting.

We would like to have a group at the Friends of the Library Luncheon on **March 23**. If you would like to attend, please call or email me for more information. Woman of the Year is **April 13** at Jacaranda and we want to have one or maybe two tables there to support our **WOY, Mimi Sakal**. I will be asking for those names at the next meeting as the deadline for turning in the reservation form is April 1.

Start now saving those slightly used treasures for our rummage sale **April 27**. You can bring items to me if you have no place to store them. I would like to have 4 or 5 volunteers to come one day the week before to price the items. If you bring them directly to the sale, please have them pre-priced. We will have stickers available at the next meeting.

May 4-5 in Heritage Park will be the annual PHS/Broward County Plant Affair. A sign-up sheet will be available at the March meeting for working our raffle/information booth.

Looking forward to a fun spring and a relaxing and enjoyable summer and I wish the same for each of you.

If you have any comments about this newsletter, please contact Liane at: 33violet@comcast.net. Be sure to put "Newsletter" in the subject line.

Plantation Garden Club News

Gardening Wisdom from Roxie Pelliccia

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So far it's been a mild winter, warmer than normal.

Now we can fertilize all our plants. If you have citrus trees, try to buy fertilizer specifically for citrus.

Since this is the first feeding of the New Year, plants might be deficient in one way or another. This also applies to your Palm trees. For all other plants, you can use palm, it's good for flowering plants too. Make sure you water real well after each application.

At the end of March, you can start pruning all your bushes and trees. Before it gets too hot, you can start seedlings of string beans, corn, squash, and all herbs. This is also a good time to plant nectar plants for butterflies. I would start with pentas mostly red, and all colors of Lantana, milkweed, beach sunflower. You will need a passion vine or two. Maypops is good, it's native. This is for larva.

Plant of the Month

Blanket Flower (*Gailardia pulchella*)



This plant is so easy to care for, does well in poor soil and flowers all year. Butterflies love it.

Have fun in your butterfly garden!

Roxie

Thanks so much to LauraJean Niesel for her February presentation on orchids!



Plantation Garden Club News and Other News

PGC WOMAN OF THE YEAR 2019

MIMI SAKAL!

Congratulations to **Mimi Sakal** for being chosen Plantation Garden Club's 2019 Woman of the Year! 😊



If you are planning to attend the Woman of the Year lunch honoring Mimi Sakal, our WOY, on April 13 2019, we need to have your check made payable to: **GFWC Plantation Woman's Club** for \$45.00 and your menu choice by **March 30, 2019**.

Bring both to the next meeting and we will add you to the reservation form then.

Menu Choices are:

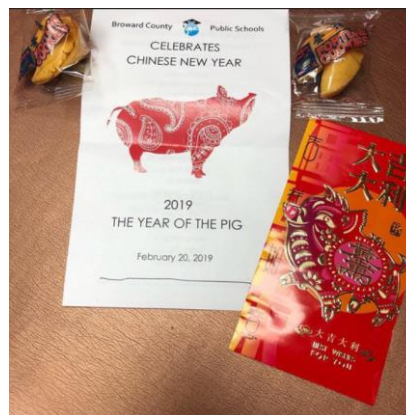
- Chipotle **Chicken** with Julienne vegetables and light orange sauce
- Grilled **Flounder** with leeks, tomatoes, and light vinaigrette
- Jumbo ricotta **ravioli** on bed of garlic spinach, tomato parmesan, and pine nuts.

Any other questions, call me or Mimi for details or ask at the next meeting.
Thank you. Peggy

Plantation Middle School has been named a 2019 National Magnet School of Distinction by Magnet Schools of America for the third year in a row. These schools are judged and scored on their demonstrated ability to raise student academic achievement, promote socioeconomic diversity, provide integrated curricula and instruction, and create strong family and community partnerships that enhance the schools magnet theme.

Plantation Middle School has also been selected, by the Bureau of Educational and Cultural Affairs at the State Department, to host a fully funded exchange teacher of Mandarin Chinese as part of the 2018-2019 Teachers of Critical Languages Program.

PLMS was also recognized at the BCPS School Board meeting for their Chinese Program (photos below)



amazon smile

<https://smile.amazon.com>

The Plantation Garden Club has currently raised **\$37.44** as of the end of February through purchases on Amazon Smile. 😊

2018/19 Monthly Schedule

WELCOME

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 20, 2019- "Flower Arranging Class", PRESENTED BY MARCIE CHACON

Other Events (from the Sun-Sentinel online)

Chair Yoga with Leigh Ann: Noon-1 p.m., March 7. These classes benefit people of all ages. West Regional Library, 8601 W. Broward Blvd., Plantation. 954-765-1560. Free.

Blues Therapy & Jazz: 11 a.m.-2:30 p.m., March 10. Bring lawn chairs, blankets and picnic baskets for this outdoor concert, part of the monthly Jazz Picnic in the Park series. Lieberman Botanical Gardens, 3801 Inverrary Blvd., Lauderhill. 954-777-2042. lauderhilljazz.com. Free.

West Regional Classic Films Program: 2-4 p.m., March 28. Classic film program. West Regional Library, 8601 W. Broward Blvd., Plantation. Call for titles: 954-765-1612. Free.



Happy Birthday!

Barbara Maturse 1st
Eve Maige 8th
Barbara Dewitt 10th
Roxie Pelliccia 17th
Patricia Parker 25th
Sheryl Melson 28th
Mary Pavlinek 28th



GFWC Plantation Woman's Club & City of Plantation

Present

Garden Fest Plant Extravaganza

March 16th & 17th, 2019
Saturday - 9am to 5pm
Sunday - 9am to 4pm

Nature Seminars
Great Food & Music
Free Entry & Free Parking

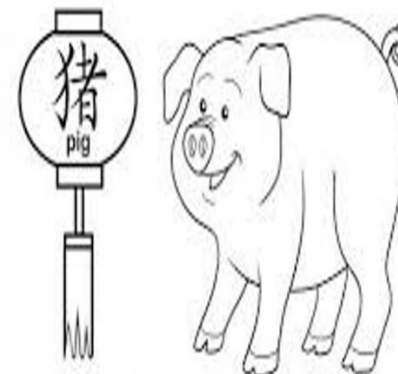
FOR MORE INFO CALL 954.530.0076

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12050 W. Sunrise Blvd.
Plantation, FL 33323

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Happy New Year!



Xin Nián Kuài Lè!

新年快乐

Friday, March 8th, 2019
2:30 - 3:45 p.m.
@Plantation Middle School's
International Baccalaureate MYP

We invite the 5th grade students and their families at Peters and Mirror Lake Elementary Schools and our community.

Let's enjoy lion dancing, dragon dancing, fan dancing, singing songs, interactive Chinese Culture fun activities for all!

6600 W. Sunrise Blvd., Plantation, FL
Parking in the extra lot next to front of the school.