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During July most of us are visiting family, celebrating our freedom, enjoying the beach, or relaxing and recharging at home.. I hope that is exactly where this you are. I too am doing some or all of these things but am working along with the High Tea Committee to make this event our most memorable ever. **We will be needing new items for our baskets. Please bring those to Judith Lahey's house or my house.** We will also need people who are willing to get seven friends and captain a table. **Tickets will be \$45.00 (same as last year) and will be available the first of August.** You may pay for your table in advance and collect the money from your group or collect the money and then bring it to Judith or mail to Cindy Bates. We are hoping some of our school partners and community partners will be in attendance again this year.

As I have already told many of you, I regret that I will not be attending but I will be attending my grandson's wedding in Kentucky on that very same weekend. I always tell you all "family comes first" and now I must say that to myself. This is a momentous occasion for the happy couple and I want and need to be there to support them. I will be working to collect sponsors, donors, and supporters up to the very last minute I have to leave and will be thinking of each you that day while watching them confirm their vows and begin an exciting new chapter in their lives.

Work is progressing on the directory so if you have not let Georgia Brown know of new changes, please do so by August 1 and if you have not paid your dues and wish to do so, those can be sent to Sandy Terry, our new membership Chair. Her address is in the book.

Meantime, enjoy your time at home, at work, on vacation, or wherever you are but be sure to return to the "fold" in September.

Fondly,
Peggy

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



Plantation Garden Club News

Gardening Wisdom from Roxie Pelliccia

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(Reprinted from the PGC Newsletter July 2017)

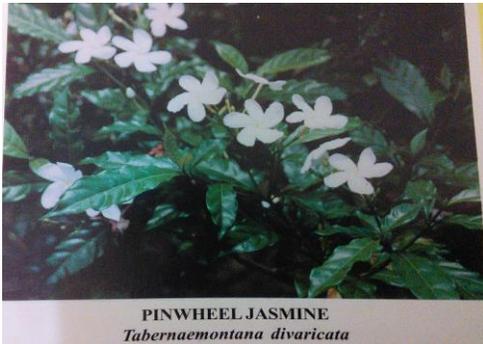
Traditionally, the season following an El Niño is ripe for hurricanes. That's what happened in 1926, the worst to hit Florida and in 1992 with Andrew.

It's very important to check your trees now to minimize possible damage from these devastating storms. When you hire a professional, use only certified arborists.

We are always going to have heavy activity of bugs such as mealybugs, scale, whitefly, mites, thrips, aphids. You can keep these under control with neem oil and organocide or any other organic product. This will be good for everyone in the long run.

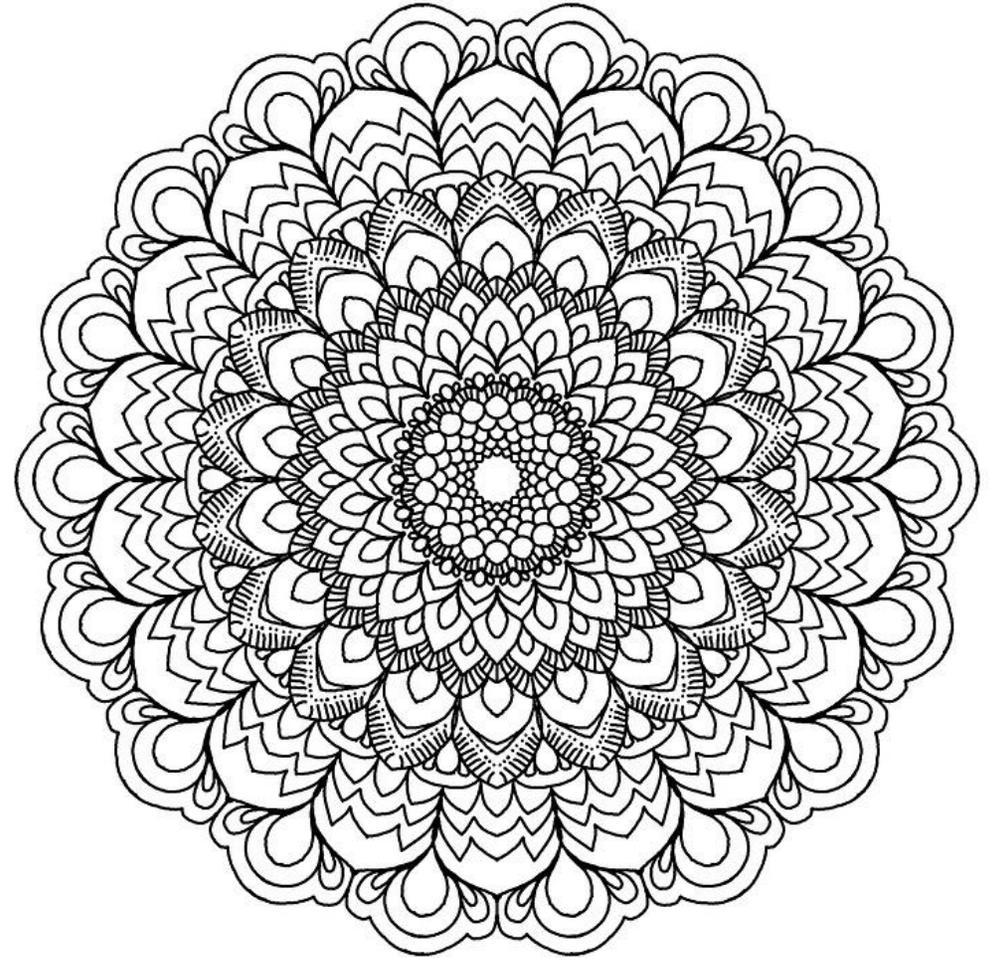
If you want to plant annuals for hot summer days, marigolds and zinnias are good, but if you plant perennials like crossandra, tall pentas, caladiums, and pursulane, vinca, you save money and time and they can last 2-5 years.

I'd like to talk about a plant of the month, pinwheel jasmine (*Tabernaemontana divaricata*)



This is one of the most reliable as the shrub blooms with a good display of flowers every day of the year. It can grow 4-6 feet in height but is a low grower. The pinwheel jasmine does well in sun or shade. The white flowers make a nice specimen for an oriental garden and also excellent for lighting up a shady corner or located near an area used for night entertaining. It is an acid loving plant, so you need to fertilize with Ixora/gardenia fertilizer in March, June, October.

To celebrate the 4th, plant a pinwheel jasmine and in front plant red pentas and blue salvia. Have a nice holiday!



Roxie

2019/20 Monthly Schedule



Reminder: There are no member meetings scheduled for June, July and August 😊



Happy Birthday!

Nadyne Farnes 1st
Sandy Fernandes 6th
Elaine Kirk 14th
Sandy Terry 17th
Karen Marsh 22nd

Thanks to Addie Travers for sending the information below about the upcoming series at Secret Woods!

SUMMER HOME LANDSCAPE SERIES AT SECRET WOODS NATURE CENTER

FREE presentations for homeowners and backyard gardeners (ages 13 and up)
Time: 7:00 pm - 8:30 pm in Julia Hall, [2701 W. State Rd 84, Dania Beach 33312](#)
Phone: 954-357-8884
Email: SecretWoods@broward.org

Schedule:

August 1, 2019 "Enjoyable Native Plants for You & Wildlife" presented by Richard Brownscombe, [Broward Chapter of the Florida Native Plant Society](#)

August 8, 2019 "Composting for the Backyard Gardener and Learn How to Grow Microgreens in One Week" presented by Vivian Landix and Peggy DeMars, [Broward County Master Gardeners](#)

August 15, 2019 "Landscaping for Birds" presented by Paddy Cunningham, [Birding Adventures](#)

August 22, 2019 "Considerations for Improving the Wind Resistance of our Urban Forest" presented by Michael Orfanedes, Extension Agent IV, [UF/IFAS Broward County](#)

August 29, 2019 "Pollinators in the Garden" presented by Aaron Mullins, Biological Scientist III, [UF Fort Lauderdale Research and Education Center](#)

