



**President's message:**

Dear Garden Club Members:

Our 2016-2017 Garden Club Year ended on a high note with the Installation Luncheon on Friday, May 12, 2017. Agnes Gallo and her Parkinsonia team did a great job in organizing the event at the Lauderdale Yacht Club and our thanks to Jackie Schoettle for her entertaining and informative installation ceremony. Rosie Sidelko takes over as President, Florence Miner moves to Recording Secretary and Tamara Pope and Virginia McCormick remain as Treasurer and Corresponding Secretary, respectively. Kris Barlow, Parkinsonia, is our new Vice President. Our thanks to Becky Schuberth for her years of service as an Officer and she will continue on our Board of Directors as the MAL Liaison.

The Luncheon also provided an opportunity to honor two Club members for their long and dedicated service to the Fort Lauderdale Garden Club. Gene and Jillian Cain, husband and wife MAL members were each presented with Life Membership in the Florida Federation of Garden Clubs in recognition of the fact that each of them are key to our communications process both within the Club and with the public at large, Gene as the long time editor and disseminator of our bi-monthly Green Thumb and Jillian as our webmaster who maintains the website, our principal communication vehicle with the public. Each of them are also involved with the Secret Garden Tour with Gene preparing the detailed comments in the tour brochure highlighting the plantings and other unusual features found at each home on the tour. Jillian provides the pictures from which the few that end up in our postcard and tour brochure are selected. We also honored Kris Blake, Moringa, with a Hall of Fame Award for her years of sterling service to Fort Lauderdale and her great work as our Publicity Chairman. The Award was presented at Convention on April 29, 2017.

Our Treasurer, Tamara Pope, reported our financial condition is good. We had successful fund raising from the activities of our in-house Garden Shoppe operated by Marianne McDonald and Karen Hopwood, the Holiday Luncheon run by Andrea Hellman, the Secret Garden Tour Chaired by Sandy Lynch and Plant Sales directed by Sandy Harrington, all of which generated total revenues of \$37,800 or almost 70% of our total income. Hopefully, the Garden Shoppe and Plant Sales will be able to build on their efforts this year and continue to grow next year.

We have welcomed eight new members into the Club for the year beginning May 1 versus six last year. Unfortunately, new members seem to be concentrated in our larger Circles, however, so that the increased membership is occurring where it is least needed. This problem was highlighted when Pachira and Plumeria with a membership of about 15 each, decided to disband. Some of their members have moved to other Circles, some will continue as Members at Large and a few have decided not to renew their membership. When the dust settles, membership will probably be in the 150 to 160 range.

In conclusion, let me say that it has been an honor and a privilege to serve as President of the Fort Lauderdale Garden Club and I thank you all for allowing me to serve. With your help and support we actually accomplished a few things. My special thanks to Barbara Timmerman, FLGC Historian and Cordia President, for creating and assembling a two year pictorial history of my presidency. It is a wonderful record of our activities and I will bring it to a fall meeting so that everyone may see it.

Have a great summer!

Bob Lynch



*And Thanks  
from All the  
Garden Club  
Members!*

**Congratulations!**

**At the End-of-the-Year Luncheon, The FLGC Presented the Following 2016/17 Awards:**

**Bayberry Circle** won the **Membership Award** for having the greatest percentage of increase in membership during the year. Bayberry was awarded a \$25 check for this achievement.

**Cordia Circle** won the **Attendance Award** for having the highest membership attendance at the general meetings and programs of FLGC.

**Moringa Circle** won the **Exhibiting Awards** for highest participation of members entering the Flower Show.

**Parkinsonia Circle** won the **Blue Ribbon Award** for the greatest number of blue ribbons awarded in the Flower Show.

**Jillian and Gene Cain** were presented with **FFGC Life Membership Awards** from the FLGC Board of Directors for their many contributions to the Fort Lauderdale Garden Club.

**Kris Blake** received the **Hall of Fame Award** (presented at the FFGC Convention in April) for her many years of service and contributions to the Fort Lauderdale Garden Club.

The FLGC Youth Gardening Program is in need of 15 ounce empty food cans (with no inner lid) for next years plants! Bring donations to any meeting and see Sandy Lynch.

## "BROADWAY IN THE PARK" OPENS TO RAVE REVIEWS AT THE GARDEN CENTER!

Congratulations to all of you who participated in this year's flower show! We had 316 horticulture entries, 36 design entries, 12 photographs and 4 educational exhibits.

I am so proud of the members of our Club for creating such a beautiful show! The thought that kept popping into my mind as we planned and orchestrated the show was that there is such joy in teamwork - in collaborating to create a special event which enabled us to learn together, to be creative together and to celebrate each other's talents.

A standing ovation to each of our Committee Chairs and Circles for your incredible contributions to the show:

Staging: Cindy Rieger & Becky Schuberth

Horticulture Entries Classification:

Gene Cain & Gus Vaughn

Horticulture & Photography Placement:

Jillian Cain

Design Entries: Jane Lusk-Smith

Awards: Sandy Lynch

Judges & Schedule design: Kris Blake

Judges Breakfast: Plumeria Circle

Judges Lunch: Cordia Circle

Clerks: Karen Hagedorn &

Parkinsonia Circle

Preview Party: Bayberry & Pachira Circles

Thanks also to those of you who came out to help with staging and placement the week of the show, hosting visitors during the show, and to all of you who stayed to help with dismantling and clean-up on Sunday. With all our helpers, the Club was spic and span, ready for the next meeting, before 6 p.m. on Sunday (Becky has confirmed that this is a record for our Club)!

Bravo to All!!!

Maggie

*Editors Note: See a list of all Flower Show winners on Page 3*



## End of the Year Youth Gardening Report: Great News!

Our Youth Flower Shows, "Give Our Regards to Broadway", were held in three elementary schools, Harbordale, Floranada and Virginia Shuman Young, on March 22, 2017 and judged by our District XI and some District X judges. The Little Schoolhouse, 4H and the BFF's held their show at the FLGC General meeting in March. The inhouse school shows excited the student population in the schools as well as the staff and parents.

We had 171 students enter the shows with 590 entries. Points were accumulated from all entries of the show and camperships plus transportation have been awarded to 39 students.

Special thanks go to Jackie Schoettle for being the registrar for the camping session again this year. She also rides the bus to the camp, volunteers for the week and returns with our campers at the end of the week. We are so thankful for her continued commitment to our youth.

The John Schandelmayer Award for \$25. for the best plant grown from supplies provided by the garden club, the Elsie Allison Award (a book award) for the best poster, journal or notebook were awarded in each school as well as an NGC Youth Award which is an automatic campership award.

Our BFF Intermediate Students (grades 6 to High School) entered the National Garden Club's Youth Poetry and Youth Sculpture Contests and five of our BFF's have won on the State and Deep South region level so far. We await the results from the National Garden Club at the end of May.

The Nan Knox Unit of the Boys & Girls Club students have had programs presented this year by Parkinsonia Garden Circle. A recent beautification of the garden there has been accomplished thanks to Teri Goldsmith and all the volunteers and donors.

We are very proud of all of our youth gardeners and we appreciate all members who have helped us with the youth program.

Sandy Lynch and Becky Schuberth  
FLGC Youth Gardening Chairmen



## Yearbook Updates!

Circle Presidents and FLGC Board Members! Please remember to submit all Yearbook information to Gene Cain and Tamara Pope for the updating of the 2017-18 Yearbook. Please include all contact information for your members including changes to continuing members information, meeting/program schedule information, committee and officer lists, and any updates to FLGC programs, awards, or special projects! Email to Tamara Pope at [Popetkay@aol.com](mailto:Popetkay@aol.com) and Gene Cain at [auxcain@bellsouth.net](mailto:auxcain@bellsouth.net)

DEADLINE AUGUST 15<sup>ST</sup>!

*The Fort Lauderdale Garden Club, Inc., Adult Standard Flower Show*  
*"Broadway in the Park" April 8-9, 2017*

**Horticulture Division Awards**

**Silver Awards**

Ruth Patton Silver Award	Diane Casserly	Bayberry	<i>Chamaearous sylvestri</i>
Plumeria Silver Award	Jillian Cain	MAL	<i>Begonia "Lynola"</i>
Cordia Silver Award	Jillian Cain	MAL	<i>Peperomia hoffmannii</i>
Pachira Silver Award	Virginia Garver	MAL	<i>Asplenium "Austrian Gem"</i>
Doris H. Gordon Silver Award	Allison Mackel	Moringa	<i>Anthurium hybrid</i>
Ida Powers Silver Award	Jillian Cain	MAL	<i>Primulina dryas "Hisako"</i>
Acacia Silver Award	Janice Johnson	Moringa	<i>Nepenthes alata</i>
Cassia/Jacaranda Silver	Sharon Bogard	Moringa	<i>Sansevieria trifasciata "Moonlight"</i>
Clusia Silver Award	Dana Warder	Bayberry	<i>Aechmea "Blue Tango"</i>
Moringa Silver Award	Gene Cain	MAL	<i>Bulbophyllum sumatranum</i>

**National Horticulture Awards**

Arboreal Award	Jillian Cain	MAL	<i>Cassia senna polyphylla</i>
Arboreal Award	Sandy Harrington	Parkinsonia	<i>Croton hybrid</i>
Award of Merit	Maureen Frazel	Moringa	<i>Hohenbergia stellate</i>
Award of Merit	Alliean Roberts	Moringa	<i>Vinca pink hybrid</i>
Grower's Choice	Ann Schandelmayer	Cordia	<i>Tillandsia ionantha</i>
Grower's Choice	Shirley Wiggin	Bayberry	<i>Euphorbia mili "Good Fortune"</i>
Grower's Choice	Laney Drath	Parkinsonia	<i>Phalaenopsis hybrid</i>
Elfin Award	Mary Brower	Bayberry	<i>Portulacaria afra</i>
			Variegated mini

**Marie Lamb Memorial Award**

Winner	Shirley Wiggin	Bayberry	<i>Euphorbia mili "Good Fortune"</i>
Runner-up	Laney Drath	Parkinsonia	<i>Phalaenopsis hybrid</i>

**Design Division**

**National Design Awards**

Petite Award	Susan Hillson	Wellington Garden Club	"Motown"
Table Artistry Award	Andrea Hellman	Parkinsonia	"Teahouse of the August Moon"
Designer's Choice	Lise Baklid	Wellington Garden Club	"Lion King"

**Special Exhibits Division Award**

Educational Award	Joy Litton	Parkinsonia	"The Producers"
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**Award of Design Excellence**

Lise Baklid	Wellington Garden Club
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**Sweepstakes Awards**

Jillian Cain	Horticultural Sweepstakes	MAL
Andrea Hellman	Design Sweepstakes	Parkinsonia



GARDEN CLUB MEMBERS "AROUND TOWN"!



Arbor Day Tree Planting and Dedication of Park Bench at Hort Park sponsored by Moringa Garden Circle and the City of Fort Lauderdale



Jackie Schoettle (Parkinsonia) at the Little Schoolhouse getting kids to "dry their wings" during a butterfly lesson



"Are your plants angels or devils in the garden?" Virginia McCormick on the right (Cordia) and Rosie Sidelko (Parkinsonia) on the left gave garden club members a good laugh (and good information) at the April General Meeting with their horticulture lesson!



Members of Parkinsonia Garden Circle at the yearend Installation Luncheon at Lauderdale Yacht Club... Good food and good company!

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The following FLGC officers for 2017-2018 were elected at the April General Meeting:

- President – Roswitha Sidelko
- Vice-President – Kristin Barlow
- Recording Secretary – Florence Miner
- Corresponding Secretary - Virginia McCormick
- Treasurer – Tamara Pope

Dates to Remember

- May 24 Wed Board of Directors Reorganization Meeting, 10 am, Garden Center
- Jun 4-10 National Garden Week
- Aug 1 Deadline for 2016-17 Yearbook Information
- Oct 13 Fri First FLGC General Meeting for 2017-18, 10 am, Garden Center

<i>Sensory Garden Volunteer Schedule</i>	
<i>May/June</i>	<i>Plumeria</i>
<i>July/August</i>	<i>Parkinsonia</i>
<i>Sep/Oct</i>	<i>Moringa</i>