



N E W S L E T T E R

Committee Meetings

No Committee Meetings scheduled for May and June. Enjoy your time off.

Events Calendar

May 25, 2017 10:00 am—12:00 noon
Orchid Growing and Care by Vern Bloch
in the Nursery, weather permitting

June 29, 2017 1:00 pm—3:00 pm
Planting and Care of Roses in Florida
in the Nursery, weather permitting

Register at: www.bit.ly/ufbrevard or
call 321.633.1702 x0

BBG Needs your Help

The BBG is in need of the following items for re-purposing:

- Black, 1 gallon pots for the Nursery
- 1 gallon and smaller pots for the Brevard Zoo in support of their Mangrove Seedling Project
- Plastic stakes used by lawn spraying companies to post signs following a spray (these work great holding signs in pots for the plant sales)
- Empty white Almond milk jugs to hold diluted Neem Oil (they are food quality and the labels peel off 100%)

Please drop off at the Nursery (Mon, Wed or Fri mornings) or at the BBG entrance arbor.

Do not leave behind the Extension Center.



Congratulations to Norma Cross !

Norma Cross of Merritt Island, won the drawing for the beautiful succulent waterfall container garden designed and created by Beth Patterson at this year's Spring Garden Jubilee. Thanks for supporting your Brevard Botanical Garden by purchasing a drawing ticket!

Keep Brevard Beautiful Secret Garden Tour 2017

The Brevard Botanical Garden has been invited to participate in the 2017, Keep Brevard Beautiful Secret Garden Tour to be held on Saturday, May 20th from 9:00 am to 4:00 pm. Tickets are available at the Extension Center front desk. See page 2 for more details.

TICKETS ON SALE NOW!

Secret Garden Tour

May 20th, 9am - 4pm



This year KBB's Central Action Team invites you to this year's tour. Gardens north of the Pineda Causeway and south of 528 will be featured. This year we will again be featuring Lagoon Friendly (Florida native) gardens. We hope you will take home lots of ideas that may work in your yard and be motivated to get your yard featured in an upcoming tour! Tickets are \$10 and can be bought at the following locations:

- Growing Crazy Nursery; 1510 Old Dixie Hwy, Titusville
- Brevard Botanical Garden; 3695 Lake Dr, Cocoa
- Ace Hardware; 1005 N. Courtenay Pkwy, Merritt Island
- Ace Hardware; 705 N. Atlantic Blvd, Cocoa Beach
- Ace Hardware; 8300 Astronaut Blvd, Cape Canaveral
- Rockledge Gardens; 2153 US 1, Rockledge
- Maple Street Natives; 7619 Henry Ave, Melbourne
- Meehan's Office Supply; 900 E. New Haven Ave, Melbourne
- New Visions Landscaping; 590 Montreal Ave, Melbourne
- The Green Marketplace; 3910 N. Cocoa Blvd, Cocoa
- Viera Wildlife Conservancy – please call [321-338-5030](tel:321-338-5030)
- Keep Brevard Beautiful office; 1620 Adamson Rd, Cocoa

For more information contact the KBB office [321.631.0501](tel:321.631.0501)

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Congratulations to Barbara Peterson !

Barbara Peterson of Cocoa Beach won the Dancing Lady Orchid (*Oncidium*) at the Spring Garden Jubilee. The orchid was donated by Holly Pardi from her private collection. Thanks for supporting your Brevard Botanical Garden by purchasing a drawing ticket!



Did you know?

BBG recognized Earth Day by supporting events at the following corporation: Northrop Grumman, Harris & KSC.

Lukas Hallman, Summer Intern By Glen Bupp

This summer, Brevard County UF/IFAS Extension will have a horticulture intern working at the extension office and in the Brevard Botanical Garden. Lukas Hallman is a horticulture major at the University of Maryland and is a resident of Melbourne, Florida.



He has many horticultural interests but is most fascinated with seed physiology, plant propagation, and rare native plants. His summer internship is a part of a program at the University of Maryland for students to gain professional experience in their degree fields. What better opportunity for Lukas than with UF/IFAS and the Brevard Botanical Garden? We are very excited to have Lukas over the summer. During his time here, Lukas will be working on propagation experiments on native shrubs. His data will hopefully benefit the BBG in propagating their own nursery stock in the future. Additionally, Lukas will help renovate the irrigation system at the BBG nursery, reducing water usage, saving money, and making the system more efficient and easier to use for BBG volunteers. He will also be lending a hand in taking care of nursery stock and garden maintenance through the summer months. His time spent here will also include assistance to horticulture extension with site visits and a trip to Gainesville to meet with research specialists at the University of Florida. Lukas starts at the end of May and will be busy while he is here over the summer. Be sure to say hello to him and get to know some of the work he will be doing to help extension and the BBG.

Welcome Aboard Lukas !



The Red Shirts were here !

We were very fortunate this spring to have a team of volunteers from the Eastern Florida State College chapter of ROTARACT. They are the ones in the red shirts. They planted trees in the Garden for the KBB grant, pulled weeds, helped with the preparations for the Spring Garden Jubilee and with the reconstruction of the Greenhouse. We look forward to them returning in the fall when school starts up again and making a big difference in the Garden and Nursery. A Big BBG thank you to all EFSC student volunteers!

OUR MISSION STATEMENT

To inspire, support and educate the community through UF/IFAS Florida-Friendly Landscaping[®] principles that protect our environment.

BBG is a 501(c)(3) not-for-profit corporation. Donations are tax deductible. All proceeds benefit the development of the Brevard Botanical Garden.