



Nominate a youth for our Wekiva Youth Camp Scholarship for this summer. Contact any board member, or visit [www.ffgc.org](http://www.ffgc.org) for a form.

We need volunteers to help plan our November event. Contact Alice if you would like to be part of the planning team. [bjjala@aol.com](mailto:bjjala@aol.com)

Hello Everyone,

Things are popping at CGC. If you can, drive by and see for yourself. The building has been painted, the grounds cleaned up, and inside, a new look in the kitchen. A lot of work has gone into this change. A big thanks to Laura Daniel who has made many trips to garden club to water the new magnolia tree and watch the changes come together.

Friday, June 6th will be our planning meeting for the new year during which we will get our new yearbook in order. Please try to come. We need your input and help. Also, this week is National Garden Club week. I hope each one that made a floral design last year for Clearwater Beach, Largo, Clearwater, and Seminole libraries, and took a planter to our Mayor, will do this again this year. It's such a nice way to get new members. We have new business cards for GCG so please take them and give to anyone that talks gardening or design while you're out and about.

This coming Wednesday evening I have a meeting with people who are working on starting a Community Garden in the Clearwater area. I will bring back a report for Friday meeting; Please let me know if you would be interested in chairing this great endeavor.

The new website is up and going nicely and we need photos; Give them to Robyn.

Lastly, I hope you will watch the USA pageant as the niece of our own treasurer, Irma Wade, is competing as Miss Vermont, and her aunt Irma has made five gowns/dresses for this event. The Pageant airs this Sunday evening at 8 P.M.

Friend in Gardening,  
Alice

**Highlighted Project:**

The Blue Star Marker Restoration campaign is progressing, but outreach continues. Please visit the website, and find a printable version of the appeal letter that can be downloaded and printed out, or attached in an e-mail. Contributors to the project will be recognized at our November event.



**Important Dates to Remember:**

- Nat'l Garden Club Week is this week!
- Friday, June 6th: planning meeting at 10 a.m.
- June 17-19: FFGC Short Course UF, Gainesville.
- Dues were due May 1st!

**Deep South Region 53rd Annual Convention**

Chaired by Cissy Richardson, this year's convention did not have a flower show, but had some beautiful designs throughout the lobby of the Bayfront Hilton in St. Petersburg in honor of board members. Alice and Hilda attended, and in addition to hosting two of the meals, they especially enjoyed the "sweet" ladies from Alabama who were dressed as cupcakes to promote next year's event in Birmingham. CGC President, Alice Jarvis, spoke at the DSR newsletter workshop which was chaired by past State President, Jan Silik. Some of the beautiful arrangements and fun pictures from the convention are featured at the CGC website, on the "HAPPENINGS" page.

**FFGC State Convention**

Held April 14-16 at the Bayfront Hilton, the theme of this year's state convention was "Florida Center Stage" and many of the arrangements were "cinematic" in nature. Pictures from the event can be found at our website, including shots of the impressive entryway. Chiarwoman Carol Lucia did a wonderful job.

