



**CONRADINA
CHAPTER**

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Conradina NEWS

Conradina Chapter Meeting Monday, September 9, 2019

5:30 P.M. Refreshments & 6:00 P.M. Meeting
Melbourne Fee Avenue Public Library

'Native Plants That Birds Love' by Dee and David Simpson.

Dee and David Simpson will be presenting a slideshow on native plants that birds love.

David Simpson has over 25 years of experience leading birding tours. He is an expert with all aspects of Florida wildlife and has extensive knowledge of native plants, snakes, frogs, and many other critters you encounter in Florida.

<http://birdingwithdavidsimpson.blogspot.com/>

Please join us!



Next Chapter Meeting

September 9, 2019

Carol's Corner: It can start in your own yard!

By Carol Hebert

Those hot purple berries are sure beautiful! Beautyberry (*Callicarpa americana*) is well a beautiful plant. It is a perfect shrub size, about 5-7 feet tall. It can be used for a back "fence" with a wonderful show of leaves, blooms and fruit. Beautyberry is deciduous so it starts in spring developing their large leaves on the stems of this multi-stem plant. Then in spring flowers starts developing from the bottom of each branch and work their way up to the top. That is such a treat to see them with buds on the top, flowers further down and berries turning pink near the base. The big grand finale is when all the branches are loaded with beautiful purple berries.



Beautyberry then drops it's leaves. Stunning to see branches with clumps of the berries. Beautyberry is drought tolerant, takes full sun to part sun and grows in zones 8-11. The berries also attracts birds. I love to have a Catbird come and munch on the berries. In late winter trim back the branches so the branches aren't sprawling and looking untidy. Great one for your yard.

Plant native!

Native Plant Nurseries and Service Providers

Hey everybody! Have you planned on, or have you already started planting new native plants in your garden and yard? Have you had trouble finding the native plants and wildflowers you want? Well here are a few links to help you locate what you are looking for.

Company / Web link	Name / email	Telephone	Comments
Maple Street Natives / NatScape LLC Native Landscapes	Sharon / Brent Dolan Drew Dolan	321-729-6857 321-223-6147	Native plants Landscape design, installation, consultation and Tree Service
Go Native Landscaping	Nichole Perma	321-795-3111	Native landscape design, installation, consultation and maintenance
Native Butterfly Flowers, LLC	Tim / Anna	321-626-7386	Native plants and landscape design
Change of Greenery	Brendan Healy	321-536-0655	Lagoon friendly landscape designs and installations
Florida Native Wildflowers			Purchase seeds on-line

Ask about gift certificates! Happy gardening.

Upcoming Events & Meetings

2019	
<u>Monday Sept 9, 2019</u>	Conradina Chapter FNPS General Meeting. ‘Native Plants That Birds Love’ by Dee and David Simpson. Melbourne Fee Avenue Public Library. 5:30 P.M. refreshments, 6:00 P.M. meeting.
Wednesday Sept 11, 2019	Health Fair at Florida Tech Florida Tech annual health fair from 9am-2pm. Clemente Gym. 3011 Panther Pl, Melbourne, FL 32901
<u>Monday Oct 14, 2019</u>	Conradina Chapter FNPS General Meeting. ‘Lawns to Wildflowers’ by Nash Turley Ph.D., Univ of Central Florida. NOTE CHANGE OF MEETING LOCATION -Meeting will be at Melbourne Village AHF Building 555 Hammock Rd., Melbourne Village, Florida 32904
Saturday Oct 19, 2019	Landscaping with Native Plants Tour: 10th Annual "Landscaping With Native Plants" tour. Six wonderful homes and public spaces ready to be toured showing off native plants in their landscape! 10am-4pm We will need volunteers!
<u>Monday Nov 11, 2019</u>	Conradina Chapter FNPS General Meeting. ‘Grasses, Rushes and Sedges’ by Nancy Bissett, The Native Inc. native plant nursery and landscaping company. NOTE CHANGE OF MEETING LOCATION -Meeting will be at Melbourne Village AHF Building 555 Hammock Rd., Melbourne Village, Florida 32904
<u>Monday Dec 9, 2019</u>	Conradina Chapter FNPS General Meeting. “Create A Wreath With Native Plant Cuttings’ Martha Steuart and helpers provide a wonderful amount of native plant cuttings for decorating a wreath to take home and display in your home for the holidays. Wreaths made from native grape vines are provided or bring your own. Melbourne Fee Avenue Public Library. 5:30 P.M. refreshments, 6:00 P.M. meeting.
January 25, 2020	3rd Transforming Landscapes for a Sustainable Future Register online at www.PelicanIslandAudubon.org . 8 am—4:30 pm Emerson Center 1590 27th Avenue Vero Beach, FL 32960
Hyperlinks go to Conradina web calendar. You can share the calendar events with your calendar by clicking on then and selecting Share and the calendar type.	

Upcoming Events

Native Plants for sale at Audubon House

- Plants are on sale at Audubon House 195 9th Street SE (Oslo Road), Vero Beach
- Hours: Monday - Friday <> 9AM - 1PM
- Cash, check, or credit card (MasterCard, Visa, American Express) accepted
- Sale price includes tax

Contact Pelican Island Audubon: Email piaudubon@yahoo.com Phone 772-567-3520

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plant](#)

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about the
sale.](#)

Pelican Island Audubon Society Native Plants for Sale

PRICE	COMMON NAME	SCIENTIFIC NAME	DESCRIPTION
\$12/3gal	Beauty Berry	<i>Callicarpa americana</i>	Berries for migratory birds in Fall; good nectar source
\$6/1gal	Blue Curl	<i>Tricostema dichotomum</i>	Excellent butterfly attractor
\$6/1gal	Blue-Eyed Grass	<i>Sisyrinchium augustifolium</i>	Great nectar source for butterflies
\$5/1gal	Coreopsis	<i>Coreopsis leavenworthii</i>	Excellent native bee attractor
\$15/3gal	Dahoon Holly	<i>Ilex cassine</i>	Berries for birds in Winter
\$6/1gal	Elephant's Foot	<i>Elephantopus elatus</i>	Amazing pollinator attractor
\$12/3gal	Firebush	<i>Hamelia patens</i>	Excellent butterfly & hummingbird attractor
\$12/3gal	Florida Privet	<i>Forestiera segregata</i>	Great shrubs for nesting birds & berries in summer
\$6/1gal	Horsemint	<i>Monarda punctata</i>	Amazing butterfly & pollinator attractor
\$12/3gal	Jamaican Caper	<i>Capparis cynophallophora</i>	General butterfly & hummingbird attractor; berries for birds
\$15/3gal	Lantana	<i>Lantana involucrata</i>	Great butterfly attractor, berries for birds year round
\$12/3gal	Muhly Grass	<i>Muhlenbergia capillaris</i>	Seeds for small song birds; soil stabilization for erosion problems
\$6/1gal	Brown's Savory	<i>Clinopodium brownei</i>	Great for pollinators; edible for tea
\$12/3gal	Privet Cassia	<i>Senna ligustrina</i>	Host to Sulphur Butterflies; native bee attractor
\$6/1gal	Rosin Flower	<i>Silphium asteriscus</i>	Great pollinator attractor; seeds for birds
\$5/1gal	Sunshine Mimosa	<i>Mimosa strigillosa</i>	Lawn replacement groundcover; host to Little Sulphur Butterfly
\$5/1gal	Tropical Salvia	<i>Salvia coccinea</i>	Butterfly & hummingbird attractor
\$6/1gal	Yellowtop	<i>Flaveria linearis</i>	Amazing pollinator nectar source
\$12/3gal	Wild Coffee	<i>Psychotria nervosa</i>	Nectar for butterflies; berries for birds
\$12/3gal	Wild Lime	<i>Zanthoxylum fagara</i>	Host to Giant Swallowtail Butterfly; berries for birds

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Upcoming Events

LEARN TO ENHANCE YOUR YARD WITH NATIVE PLANTS 3RD TRANSFORMING LANDSCAPES FOR A SUSTAINABLE FUTURE

JANUARY 25, 2020
AT THE EMERSON CENTER

UNITARIAN UNIVERSALIST FELLOWSHIP OF VERO BEACH
1590 27TH AVENUE
VERO BEACH, FL 32960



CONFERENCE SCHEDULE

8:00	Registration (Tickets: \$25 in advance/\$35 after January 15th. Includes a box lunch. Ask about our HOA Board President Ticket Deal.
8:00	Native plants for sale from native plant nurseries
9:00-9:45AM	Dr. Craig N. Huegel , <i>Joy of Native Gardening</i> , Adjunct faculty, St. Petersburg College
9:45-10:30AM	Steve Turnipseed , <i>Native Landscaping in an HOA</i> , President of the Villages Chapter of the Native Plant Society, The Villages, FL
10:30-10:45AM	Break to visit vendors and booths
10:45-11:30AM	Carol Spears , <i>Spiritual Connections in Bringing Native Plant Landscaping to Managed Communities for Wildlife</i> , Chapter Representative, Villages Chapter of the Native Plant Society, The Villages, FL
11:30-12:00PM	Robin Pelensky , <i>Lagoon Gardens to save the Lagoon</i> , Landscape Architect, Surlatterre Landscape Architecture
12:00-12:45PM	Box Lunch, Breakout "subject ideas" tables to network and ask more in-depth questions from speakers, Native plants for sale from native plant nurseries
12:45-1:30PM	Jacqui Sulek , <i>Plants for Birds</i> , Audubon Florida
1:30-2:15PM	Scott Davis , <i>Building Native Backyard Habitats to Bring Butterflies and Connections to our Preserved Lands</i> , Botanist, St. Marks National Wildlife Refuge
2:15-2:30PM	Break to visit vendors and booths
2:30-3:15PM	Marjorie Shropshire , <i>A Step-by-step Guide to a Florida Native Yard</i> , Author, Sebastian, FL
3:15-4:00PM	Stephanie Dunn , <i>Professional Native Landscapes</i> , Cadence Landscape Architect
4:00-4:30PM	Dr. Richard Baker , <i>Summary & Discussion: Let's replace St. Augustine turf grass with native plants and trees for a healthy Lagoon and our precious waters</i> , President, Pelican Island Audubon Society

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Chapter News

Ballard Park Weeding Party - August 18th

Conradina hosted a "weeding party" at Ballard Park on Sunday August 18th starting at 8am.

Thanks to the volunteers for removing weeds from our pretty native landscape we created at Ballard Park.

From what I can tell from the photographs, there was plenty of standing around, socializing and plenty of fun.



So we had to send in the dogs to get the volunteers back to work.

Help Recycle & Reuse Nursery Pots

Members participating in providing native plants for the plant drawing for our monthly meetings are in need of small pots (1 gal or less). Please bring your extra pots to the meeting, we will collect and distribute. Please rinse pots before bringing to the Library. All members are encouraged

- to bring native plants to share and
- to bring empty pots to pass along

Thanks!

