



**CONRADINA
CHAPTER**

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Conradina NEWS

Conradina Chapter Meeting Sunday, June 14, 2020

Erna Nixon Park Casual Meeting on Sunday June 14th, 2020

Hope everyone is healthy and safe under these trying times. Usually the Conradina Chapter has a brunch at Erna Nixon Park each June. A wonderful gathering socializing and sharing foods. This year situations have greatly changed. We will not be having brunch and sharing food.

However everyone is welcome to bring your own lunch and beverages and sit at distance tables and socialize. At 1pm we will do a casual walk on the boardwalk again with distance from each other. Your choice to wear a mask.

Carol will lead the casual tour on the boardwalk. It is fine if you choose not to attend but please try to go to Erna Nixon Park and Turkey Creek Sanctuary and enjoy native habitat.

Plant Native!

Next Chapter Meeting

Sep 14, 2020



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Carol's Corner: What's In Your Yard?

By Carol Hebert

I hope your answer is native plants! We are hoping for a clear and healthy situation to do our Native Plant Tour of native gardens on October 17th 2020. I am taking this time away from people to do some native plant landscaping at my home. Hope you are too! You can contact Maple Street Natives and Native Butterfly Gardens to get native plants. Check our website for contact <http://conradina.fnpschapters.org/>.

I have a picture of my garden close to my front door. There is verbena (*Verbena tampanensis*) with pretty purple flowers, yellow chrysanthemum in a pot in the front right corner, new green on my coontie (*Zamia pumila*), tall on the far left is Ironweed (*Vernonia gigantea*) that is about to produce purple flowers. Just behind Ironweed is Black-eyed Susan (*Rudbeckia hirta*) with pretty yellow flowers and to the right is Stokes Aster (*Stokesia laevis*) which also produces beautiful purple flowers. In the gray container is Micromeria (*Micromeria brownei*) with small blue flowers and a wonderful mint smell. The brown container in the back has one of the native Hibiscus that has the huge red flower (*Hibiscus coccineus*).



is Butterfly Orchid (*Encyclia tampensis*). It is wonderfully in bloom now and it has 64 flowers. I was graciously given the Butterfly Orchid from Weona Cleveland about 8 years ago. Weona is a noted historical writer and has received a Society reward from South Brevard Historical Society. She is also a knowledgeable and wonderful member of Conradina Chapter FNPS.

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

2020	
Sunday June 14, 2020	Erna Nixon Park Casual Meeting (Noon) Bring your own food and beverages and socialize. A boardwalk tour of Erna Nixon Park after brunch.
Monday Sep 14, 2020	Conradina Chapter FNPS General Meeting. ‘Attracting Birds with Native Plants’ by Kate Wells, SC Audubon Society Melbourne Fee Avenue Public Library. 5:30 P.M. refreshments, 6:00 P.M. meeting.
Monday Oct 12, 2020	Conradina Chapter FNPS General Meeting. ‘TBD’ Melbourne Fee Avenue Public Library. 5:30 P.M. refreshments, 6:00 P.M. meeting.
Saturday October 17, 2020	Landscaping with Native Plants Tour: 11th Annual "Landscaping With Native Plants" tour.
Monday Nov 9, 2020	Conradina Chapter FNPS General Meeting. ‘Turf replacement’ by Brendan “Skip” Healy. Melbourne Fee Avenue Public Library. 5:30 P.M. refreshments, 6:00 P.M. meeting.
Monday Dec 14, 2020	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.
2021	
Monday Jan 11, 2021	Conradina Chapter FNPS General Meeting. ‘Landscaping for the IRL’ by Robin Pelensky Melbourne Fee Avenue Public Library. 5:30 P.M. refreshments, 6:00 P.M. meeting.
Monday Feb 8, 2021	Conradina Chapter FNPS General Meeting. ‘Native plants’ by Jennifer Mitchell Ph.D. SJRWM Melbourne Fee Avenue Public Library. 5:30 P.M. refreshments, 6:00 P.M. meeting.
Monday Mar 8, 2021	Conradina Chapter FNPS General Meeting. ‘How To Create A Native Garden’ by Marjorie Shropshire, Editor Palmetto FNPS Melbourne Fee Avenue Public Library. 5:30 P.M. refreshments, 6:00 P.M. meeting.
Monday Apr 12, 2021	Conradina Chapter FNPS General Meeting. ‘Declare an Invasive and Eradicate’ by Carey Minter, EPPEC Melbourne Fee Avenue Public Library. 5:30 P.M. refreshments, 6:00 P.M. meeting.
Monday May 10, 2021	Conradina Chapter FNPS General Meeting. Tim and Anna, Native Butterfly Nursery Melbourne Fee Avenue Public Library. 5:30 P.M. refreshments, 6:00 P.M. meeting.
May 13-16, 2021	40th Annual FNPS Conference at the University of North Florida in Jacksonville Florida.
Monday Jun 13, 2021	Conradina Board meeting (11:00) and Member Potluck Brunch (Noon) at Erna Nixon Park

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.

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!





October 17, 2020
10 am – 4 pm

Landscaping with Florida Natives Tour

Tickets on Eventbrite or Visit conradina.fnpschapters.org



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Chapter News



Keep Brevard Beautiful (KBB) has provided Conradina with 2 grants this year to add native plants to several areas across Brevard County. See below some photos and the project leads / volunteers that helped use implement these grants so far.

Barrier Island Center planting in May - [more photos](#)

Project Lead: Kathryn Merry

BIC Property Lead: Nichole Perna, Assistant Land Manager, EELs Program

Volunteers: Lea Morris; Jane Rollins; Terry Burch; Julia and Carson Hill; Kathryn, Ty, and Evan Merry and Savanna Zhang.

