



☞ Smoke Signals ☜

The Calusa Garden Club Newsletter

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October has flown by – and November promises to go just as fast. Maybe even faster, because we Calusa Garden Club members will have a Plant and Thanksgiving Floral Arrangements Sale on Tuesday, November 24, only two days before Thanksgiving. Then from Thanksgiving on, as we traditionally say – it's the "Holiday Season!" Thanksgiving, Christmas, Hannukah, New Year's Eve and New Year's Day.

Let's take a few minutes out of our busy holiday schedules to celebrate Calusa Garden Club friendships on Monday, December 7 when we are having an in-person holiday celebration at Sarazen Park. Check the rest of this edition of *Smoke Signals* for all the details. Hope to see you there! We will wear masks and practice social distancing. The Club will provide box lunches and water to drink. Bring any other beverage of your choice -BUT NOT IN GLASS!—in a non-glass container and bring a lawn or beach chair so that we may safely spread out on the lawn.

A Few Housekeeping Details:

(1) Only 40 CGC members have registered on the Members section of our website calusa.org. Our Club has 57 active members and 10 associate members – where have the other 27 of you been getting your information? Go to calusa.org, click on "REGISTER," and enter your username. Pick a username Linda Colombo, our webmaster, will recognize, such as your own name. The website will send you an email response and you will be prompted to enter a password. Very simple. We look forward to seeing all of us there!

(2) I have made a mistake on the Calusa Garden Club Meeting and Event Calendar. I listed the Butterfly Garden work session on the first Saturday of each month, but the correct monthly work session is the LAST Saturday of each month. A corrected Meeting and Event Calendar has been sent to Linda Colombo and will be posted on the website.

Let's all look forward to our November Plant and Thanksgiving Centerpiece Sale. More information will be given to members about the sale in our November 9 member meeting.

I would like to emphasize that we are still in the throes of a global pandemic of coronavirus, although I had hoped when we planned this November 24 event that the rate of infections would have slowed by November. Please, be safe. Only attend as a worker if you are not immuno-

compromised. We certainly do not want to be a "super spreader event." Only volunteer for one work shift; prolonged exposure is riskier. We will WEAR MASKS and our work assignments will be 6 feet from each other. We will require our customers to WEAR MASKS and we will furnish paper masks to persons who want to attend but who are not wearing masks.

Please, stay safe. Enjoy our beautiful island and the new energy that returning snow-birders bring to our community. And Happy Thanksgiving! ... Sara Wolf

Upcoming Events...

11/4	2:00	Library Design Class on Zoom Register now at the Library
11/9	10:00	Member Meeting & Floral Design Workshop on Zoom Tonia L. Selmeski Environmental Planner, City of Marco Island
11:16	10:00	Floral Design Workshop on Zoom
11/24	7:30	Plant Sale, St. Mark's Episcopal Church Parking Lot Set-up
	8:00	Drop Off Items
	9:00	Public Sale
	3:00	Clean up
12/2	10:00	Board Meeting on Zoom
12/5	8:30	Calusa Park Butterfly Garden Work Group
12/7	11:30	CGC Member Holiday Party Outdoors at Sarazen Park, South Beach

New Members...



Please welcome two new members to our club who were inducted on October 12, 2020:

Maria Bachich is a year-round resident of Marco Island since 2017. Originally from Upstate New York, she was President of the Southern Cayuga Garden Club for three years. She, like all of us, loves to garden but is still on a learning curve since gardening here in Zone 10A is quite different from what she was used to. She has indicated an interest in our Butterfly Garden, Environment, and Memorial Markers Committees. She misses her gardening friends and looks forward to making new ones here. Please give her a warm welcome when you see her.

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Laura Furlong and her husband Steve are year-round residents of Marco Island, originally from Illinois. She is a Master Garden with the Illinois Extension and was on the Board of Directors for Illinois Partners for Human Services. Prior to her retirement she served as the CEO for March First which supports children, families, and adults with developmental disabilities. She saw firsthand how learning about gardening helped people to grow personally and engage in their communities. She is very active with her hobbies of gardening, walking, golfing, reading, crocheting, traveling, music and spending time with family and friends. She is interested in our Field Trips, Finance, Hospitality, Junior Gardeners, Member Lunches, and Special Events Committees. Please welcome her when you see her!



Calusa.org...

CALUSA.ORG REGISTERED USERS -- LET'S GET REGISTERED!

Are you registered to use *calusa.org*? We post the Smoke Signals newsletters, bulletins, news, and photos in addition to Club Member and Board meeting minutes. In addition, the website is the **ONLY** place to find the Club's Bylaws and Standing Rules. Check below!

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CALUSA GARDEN CLUB

of Marco Island

Plant and Flower Sale

Tuesday, November 24, 2020

9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.

St. Mark's Episcopal Church Parking Lot

1101 N. Collier Boulevard

Please wear masks & observe social distancing.

*Thanksgiving Centerpieces

*Garden Plants

*House Plants

*Succulent Dish Gardens

*Calusa Garden Club Gardening Guide

*Plus, advice from experienced gardeners

Proceeds of the sale support the Calusa Garden Club college scholarships & community projects such as Junior Gardeners, Blue Star Memorial Marker at Veterans Park, the MIHS Pioneer Garden
And the Calusa Park Butterfly Garden.



Calusa Garden Club 2020 Presentations

November 9, 2020

11 am

Tonia L. Selmeski

Environmental Planner, City of Marco Island

“City of Marco Island Environmental Services”

Members presentations will take place via Zoom

Pres. Sara Wolf will send a link prior to the meeting

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www.Calusa.org www.Facebook.com/CalusaGardenClub

HOLIDAY PICNIC

DECEMBER 7, 2020

11:30 AM – 2:00 PM

SARAZEN PARK: 930 SWALLOW AVE.

Sandwiches

Your Choice of Whole wheat, White or Rye
Bread

Your Choice of Cheese, Lettuce, Tomato,
Onion

Roast Beef	7.85
BLT	6.40
Bologna	6.40
Turkey Breast	6.40
Ham	6.40
Genoa Salami	6.40
Chicken Salad	6.40
Krab Salad	6.40
Tuna – Albacore	6.40
Egg Salad	6.40
Corned Beef (hot or cold)	7.85
Pastrami (hot or cold)	7.85
Liverwurst	6.40

Cold Hoagies & Wraps

Served with Lettuce, Tomato, Onion,
Banana Peppers, Sweet Peppers, Pickles,
Blended Oil & Vinegar, Salt, Pepper,
Oregano

Classic Italian	6.40
Ham, Capicola, Genoa Salami	
Combo	6.40
Ham, Turkey, Roast Beef	
Genoa Salami	6.40
Ham & Turkey Breast	6.40
Ham	6.40
Turkey Breast	6.40
Roast Beef	7.85
Bologna	6.40
Tuna – Albacore	6.40
Chicken Salad	6.40
Krab Salad	6.40
Egg Salad	6.40
Cheese Combo	6.40

Water Bottles Will Be Provided

RSVP by December 1 to Janice Engel
239-316-0074 or Jengel13@aol.com

MICA members can park at Sarazen lot.
CC Beach Pass members in lot next door.

Please carpool, wear a mask,
and social distance.



Calusa Garden Club gives our special thanks to Gary Grisko, owner of Sandcastle Landscape Management, LLC for his donation of plants and planting services for the Pioneer Garden at Marco Island Historical Society. Thank you, Gary!



THANK YOU!!
Mike Kirby, Subtropical Trees, for donating a tree to Leigh Plummer Park for Arbor Day.

Subtropical Trees
CEP and Certified Arborist
3241 German Woods court, Naples FL 34116.
Mobile 239-271-0081

THANK YOU!!
Eric Jadazewski, Everglades Native Designs, LLC for planting the tree in Leigh Plummer Park for Arbor Day.

Everglades Native Designs, LLC
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THANK YOU to Cache Cleaners for storing our 6 bins of archives. Cache Cleaners is offering Calusa Garden Club members a 10% discount on cleaning services, which you can obtain by showing your CGC Name Badge.
Thank you, Bruce, and Susan Neustadt!

