

District V Meeting ~ Spring 2006
Floral City Garden Club
President's Report

The Floral City Garden Club had a good year.

Membership: 11 new members joined our club this year bringing our total membership 72. Since we added a space on our membership application for the spouse to join for only \$1 more, we now have 12 men in our membership and one is even a committee chairman. This year an email version of the membership application was developed for use by all members on the internet.

Fund Raisers: Our annual plant sale, held in April, netted just over \$1700, and the Secret Garden Tour, held last October, netted almost \$1500 for a total of \$3200 added to our account.

Arbor Day: FCGC celebrated Arbor Day by planting two additional 15-18 ft. Live Oaks valued in excess of \$600 on our beautiful "Avenue of Oaks" aka E. Orange Avenue. One of the oaks was donated by a Floral City Resident on whose property we placed both trees and the other was donated by the club.

Horticulture: FCGC implemented a monthly Q&A period one half hour before the start of each meeting give members an opportunity to ask their gardening or plant related questions and let them know about near-by horticulture or flower show event. In addition our club implemented home garden tours after the meeting adjourns to give members, who wish to participate, opportunities to tour each other's homes to find out what's growing there, share plants and information about them.

Civic Beautification: FCGC volunteers maintains five gardens in town year-round ... our Gateway Garden, the Rose Garden, a Butterfly / Hummingbird garden on the Withlacoochee State Trail, the School Butterfly Garden and our Memorial Gardens.

Junior Gardeners: FCGC had 8 enthusiastic Junior Gardeners participating in monthly meetings, and awarded our newly named Dorothy Clark Camp Wekiva Scholarship Award to two of our best Junior Gardeners. Plus we provided \$100 for a third Junior Gardener to attend Camp Wekiva.

Scholarship: FCGC named our scholarship fund the Marie Jones Scholarship Award. This year we presented two Marie Jones Scholarship Awards in the amount of \$500 each at our 3rd annual May Awards Banquet to Summer Wyllie, a student from the Academy of Environmental Sciences and Rex Wilson, a student from Citrus High School and resident of Floral City. The scholarship winners and members of their families were guest attendees at the Banquet.

Respectfully submitted,
Jo Ann Quackenbush, President
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