



**2011 - 2013**  
**MANDARIN GARDEN CLUB**  
**BOOK 4 (DOGWOOD)**

# Dogwood 4





2011





## GENERAL MEETING

January 20, 2011



Mike Barwald  
Specialist in orange trees





# FEBRUARY MEETING

Victoria Freeman, Speaker  
Cherry Street B and B

GROW





**MARCH  
FIELD TRIP**

**Birding at Walter Jones Park  
with Carole Adams**



**Carole Adams, President  
Duval Audubon Society**







Photos provided by Rhonda Reese

Carole Adams (center), past president of the Duval Audubon Society, speaks with Dogwood Circle members of the Mandarin Garden Club at Walter Jones Historical Park.



Armed with binoculars and enthusiasm, members of the Dogwood Circle of the Mandarin Garden Club observe several types of birds at the Walter Jones Historical Park.

## Spring storytelling for the bird-lovers



**rhonda reese**  
neighborhood notes

Members of the Dogwood Circle of the Mandarin Garden Club recently enjoyed a morning of birdwatching at Walter Jones Historical Park under the guidance of Carole Adams, past president of the Duval Audubon Society.

Adams, a birdwatcher since age 10, has been leading field trips and owl prowls for almost a decade. A Jacksonville resident for the past 10 years, Adams is well known for her expertise, storytelling and sense of humor.

In addition to participating in Christmas bird counts, migratory bird counts, great backyard bird counts, birdathons and the Big Sit! — an annual international birding event hosted by Bird Watcher's Digest — Adams is a popular speaker.

Locating various birds with her green laser pointer, Adams told a bit about each feathered friend while club members raised their binoculars for a better look.

"That's a small bird with a big voice," she said of the Carolina wren.

Adams said the first

year is the most dangerous for any bird. Predators such as other birds, squirrels, snakes and even storms threaten the young.

In addition to birds such as blue jays, cardinals, blue birds, chickadees, titmice, sapsuckers, hummingbirds and palliated woodpeckers being intriguing to watch, Adams explained birds can warn people of situations needing attention. She told the story of a neighbor who had a woodpecker constantly tapping the eaves of her house.

"Call an exterminator," Adams told her. Sure enough, the lady's home was teeming with termites.

When someone asked about birds heading south, Adams was quick to answer.

"Not all birds go to Miami. People do that," Adams said before adding that the No. 1 reason for species of birds disappearing is loss of habitat.

"One of the saddest photos I ever saw was a hawk sitting on a downed tree," Adams said. "The bird's nest was still in the tree."

The Dogwood group was standing still listening to Adams when a turkey buzzard glided by overhead.

"Move your parts ladies, move your parts," Adams said. "We don't want that guy thinking we're dead."

THE TIMES-UNION



THURSDAY, APRIL 7, 2011





DOGWOOD CIRCLE  
MAY 17, 2011

END OF YEAR PICNIC  
AND GARDEN TOUR

HOSTED BY:  
DETA MARTIN











Susan Westermann  
giving instructions  
as Becky Bathen  
listens.



Ladies are making their choices



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Mary Forester  
and  
Becky Bathen  
are ready to  
go.





Plant Exchange  
July 2011

The plants  
start arriving



Lots of new  
plants to see



The tables  
are filled!









# Crafty Ladies

## Crafty Ladies have ambitious goal: how you can help!

By Contributing Writer Yvonne Corbett, Publicity, Mandarin Garden Club



The Crafty Ladies of the Mandarin Garden Club are making loom knitted hats each Thursday at the clubhouse at 2892 Loretto Road in Mandarin. So far a total of 190 hats have been loomed and they are working towards producing 600 hats by December. They plan to donate them to the City Rescue Mission as gifts for their clients.

Anyone interested in donating knitting yarn to this worthy project may drop it off at the clubhouse each Thursday from 12:30 p.m. to 2:30 p.m., contact Barbara Price at 287-1327 for pickup or bring it to the club's \$1.00 Clothing Sale to be held August 13, 2011 from 9:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. at the Mandarin Garden Club.



Busy as bees working  
towards our goal





**November 15, 2011**

**Speaker: Joe Stumpf**

**Bonsai**

**Joe gave a wonderful talk on  
the history of bonsai and  
some of the basics on tending  
to a bonsai**







December 8, 2011

Queen "B" ... Becky Bathen .... welcomes  
us to her Winter Wonderland  
for the Mandarin Garden  
Club Christmas Party.

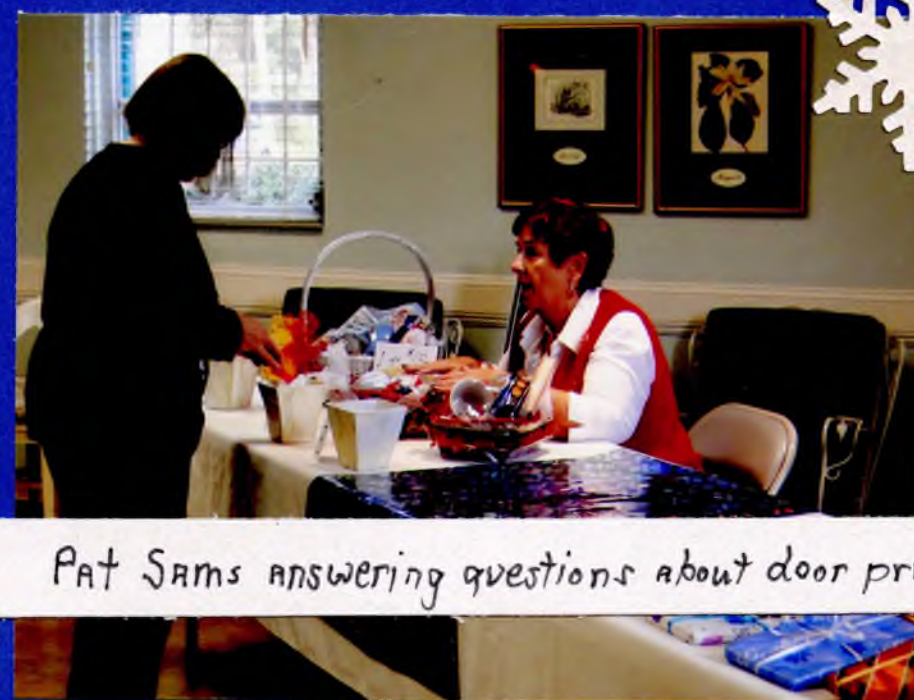




Friendship and Fellowship



Doorprizes



Pat Sams answering questions about door prizes.

Crafty Ladies' Hard Work... over 1,000 hats!





Look at the desserts!



We were entertained by the  
Douglas Andersen Chorale











2012



**February 21, 2012**

**Vic Groner – Master Gardener**

**Vic spoke to the Dogwood Circle on “How to  
Attract Hummingbirds to your Gardener”**

**We followed up his talk with a covered dish  
luncheon.**







May 2012 • *Mandarin NewsLine*



## Birding with Dogwood Circle Amateur ornithologists tour with local expert

By Contributing Writer Tess Hart-Ross, Mandarin Garden Club



Bird watching enthusiasts from the Mandarin area may have heard the rumor of a rare, exotic flock of "birds" seen stopping in their travels at our Walter Jones Park recently. It's true! On Tuesday, March 21, members of the Dogwood Circle of the Mandarin Garden Club, led by the world renowned bird watching aficionado, member and former president of the local Audubon Society, Carole

Adams, spent an enjoyable few hours viewing the local world through binocular lenses.

One does not garden in the Mandarin area without realizing that in addition to our providing beautiful surroundings for ourselves, we're providing perfect feeding and breeding grounds for our feathered residents, both permanent and temporary. Adams shared a field

*Bird watchers cont. on pg. 13*



guide of facts and figures about the many species moving back to our area from their winter homes in far off countries and the species that are just passing through, using our neighborhoods as a buffet before moving on. Her dry wit, her entertaining stories of national and international birding adventures and her tales of trials in her

own backyard made for a lively group discussion.

Adams then led the garden club members on a trek through the park armed with binoculars and plenty of sharp eyes. The park offered several sightings of our native birds—those we locals take for granted but thoroughly appreciate when viewed through binoculars as if we were tourists from the cold north. A nesting pair of ospreys took turns sitting on their nest high in a dead cypress tree. A great blue heron kept the group company on a neighboring dock and shopped for a fresh snack simultaneously. The anhingas kept watch on their individual pilings while

plenty of red wing blackbirds, cardinals, wrens, woodpeckers and blue jays went about their business unfazed. Our great St. Johns River made for a handsome backdrop.

Then what better way to top off the tour than a picnic lunch and more bird talk? Comparing backyard experiences, sharing information about what plants attract what birds and adding to our knowledge of all things ornithological finished off a glorious day!

For more information about the Mandarin Garden Club, please email [mandaringardenclub@comcast.net](mailto:mandaringardenclub@comcast.net) or call 292-1546.

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**Community Newspaper**

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**March 20, 2012**

**Walter Jones Park**

**Birding with Carole Adams**



MAY 2012  
*Spring*



KAREN ROWE  
ROSE MADE  
BETTY WALDRUP  
PAT SAMS  
DIANE FRESCO  
MARY HOWE





# Mandarin NewsLine

July 2012

## 67<sup>th</sup> year begins for Mandarin Garden Club

By Contributing Writer Susan Westermann, Mandarin Garden Club

Mandarin Garden Club members celebrated the conclusion of their club's 66th year on May 24 with installation of new officers, awards ceremony and delicious potluck luncheon. Inside the Loretto Road clubhouse, the setting was simply aglow with sunflower themed decorations.

Garden Club President McGlade Holloway proudly reported to the membership the list of this past year's club accomplishments. The garden club held a wide variety of meetings including presentations on herbs, roses, vegetable gardening, bonsai, hummingbirds and "eat your yard." Also, demonstrations with various hands-on experiences such as making seasonal containers, decorating for the holidays and making centerpieces were enjoyed by all.



Life Member Award honorees are recognized for outstanding contributions to the Mandarin Garden Club and the community: Joyce Datz, Live Oak Circle; Barbara Rose, Live Oak Circle; and Betty Harrelson, Cherokee Rose Circle.



Mandarin Garden Club New Officers 2012-2013: McGlade Holloway, President; Betty Harrelson, First Vice President; Mary Forester, Second Vice President; Shirley McCall, Treasurer; Sharon Wagand and Karen Rowe, Co-Recording Secretaries.

Thanks to the generosity of members and successful fund raising, the Mandarin Garden Club was able to support local charitable organizations including Mandarin Food Bank, Lion's Club, 4-H, Meals on Wheels, Jacksonville Arboretum, The Betty Griffith House Thrift Store and a special Mandarin retirement home. The club's outstanding Crafty Ladies group knitted 750 caps for the City Rescue Mission's winter clients. These same ladies raised funds to provide two days of meals for all at the City Rescue Mission.

Special appreciation was extended to the Duval County Master Gardeners who volunteered on the first and third Wednesday

day of each month, tending the beautiful Demonstration Gardens on the club grounds.

President Holloway said, "We close our 66th year which had tears for the illness and loss of some of our wonderful members and joy for those of us who enjoy the beauty of nature, desire to help the community, hope of helping the environment around us and beauty of friendships formed from common interests."





# Mandarin

## NewsLine<sup>SM</sup>

August 2012

### Mandarin garden tours fun and educational

By Contributing Writer Susan Westermann, Mandarin Garden Club



Tropical storms nor blistering heat this summer could stop Mandarin Garden Club members from touring 15 of their members' home gardens. Once a week these intrepid gardeners visited three of their members' beautiful gardens followed by a group meal at some of Mandarin's best lunch spots.

Since the club's monthly gardening instructional meetings were on hiatus for the summer, these gardening enthusiasts

decided to take advantage of the down time and learn from each other's personal gardens. And learn they did! No two gardens were the same. The tour participants were amazed and inspired as they strolled through the beautiful, clever and unique gardens of their club friends.

Ramona McCormack had one of the very popular, pretty and practical solutions to growing sun loving plants in her



green, lush, faux lawn received rave reviews from all as they couldn't quite believe their eyes. Kudos to Barbara Price for organizing this fun and educational multi-week garden tour extravaganza.

In September, the Mandarin

shady Mandarin lot. McCormack planted a combination of sun loving plants all together around the lamp post in a small sunny spot in her front yard. At first glance, the beautiful display consisted of antique roses and perennial flowers. Upon closer inspection, McCormack had slyly also tucked in a couple to-mato plants and several culinary herbs. That's called smart and sneaky gardening!

Another ingenious idea was discovered in Tess Hart-Ross' amazing garden. To eliminate lawn mowing, but still have an area of lawn, Hart-Ross planted her side yard with dwarf mondo grass. The dark

Garden Club starts up monthly gardening meetings again for adults during the day and evenings and a children's group too. All gardening enthusiasts from beginner to expert are welcome. Please contact [mandaringardenclub@comcast.net](mailto:mandaringardenclub@comcast.net) for meeting dates and times.



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# RAY'S NURSERY AND GOURD FESTIVAL

## AUGUST 2012



*Gourds-n-Bloom*  
Deborah H. Edwards  
Artist/Crafter  
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St. Augustine, FL 32084  
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www.artsnurserystaugustinefl.com









**Judy Winckler  
Who's Who In The Zoo  
September 2012**

**Judy gave a very informative  
review of the information  
contained in The Mandarin Garden  
Club's Year book.**





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MASTER  
GARDNERS  
MARY AND JIM LOGANBACH  
PLANTED A BOTTLEBRUSH  
PLANT DONATED BY  
THE DOGWOOD CIRCLE  
TO  
THE MANDARIN GARDEN  
CLUB







## Craft Fair coming soon!

By Contributing Writer Susan Westermann, Mandarin Garden Club

The third annual Craft Fair will be held at the Mandarin Garden Club on November 10 from 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. at 2892 Loretto Road. The clubhouse will be completely filled with booth after booth of beautiful and unique crafts. This event has become so popular it has outgrown the building and now includes many beautiful craft booths outside too. Take advantage of this leisurely and fun way to do some of your holiday shopping.

There is something for everyone. An always appreciated and charming gift for all occasions is the 65th anniversary Mandarin

Garden Club Cookbook. These wonderful cookbooks will be available for just \$12 or two for \$20. Remember this and all Mandarin Garden Club events collect eyeglasses for the Lions Club, cell phones for the Duval County 4-H, nonperishable unexpired food items and toiletries for the Mandarin Food Bank and used ink cartridges for the Garden Club.

For information about this event or attending a garden club meeting for adults or children contact [mandaringardenclub@comcast.net](mailto:mandaringardenclub@comcast.net), call 268-1192 or check the website <http://home.comcast.net/~harper113>.

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BETTY WALDRE



CAROL WALKER



GAIL COOK  
PAT SAMS  
DOOR PRIZES

The Dogwood Circle of the Mandarin Garden Club will meet on November 13, 2012 at 10:00 a.m. at the Mandarin Garden Club, located at 2892 Loretto Road. The November program will be a presentation on flower and wreath arrangements for the holidays. Our circle would love to have anyone interested in this topic join us a guest on November 13. Refreshments will be served. Please call 571-6765 for information. You can access the club website at <http://home.comcast.net/~harper113>



KAREN WILKINSON  
WREATH DECORATING



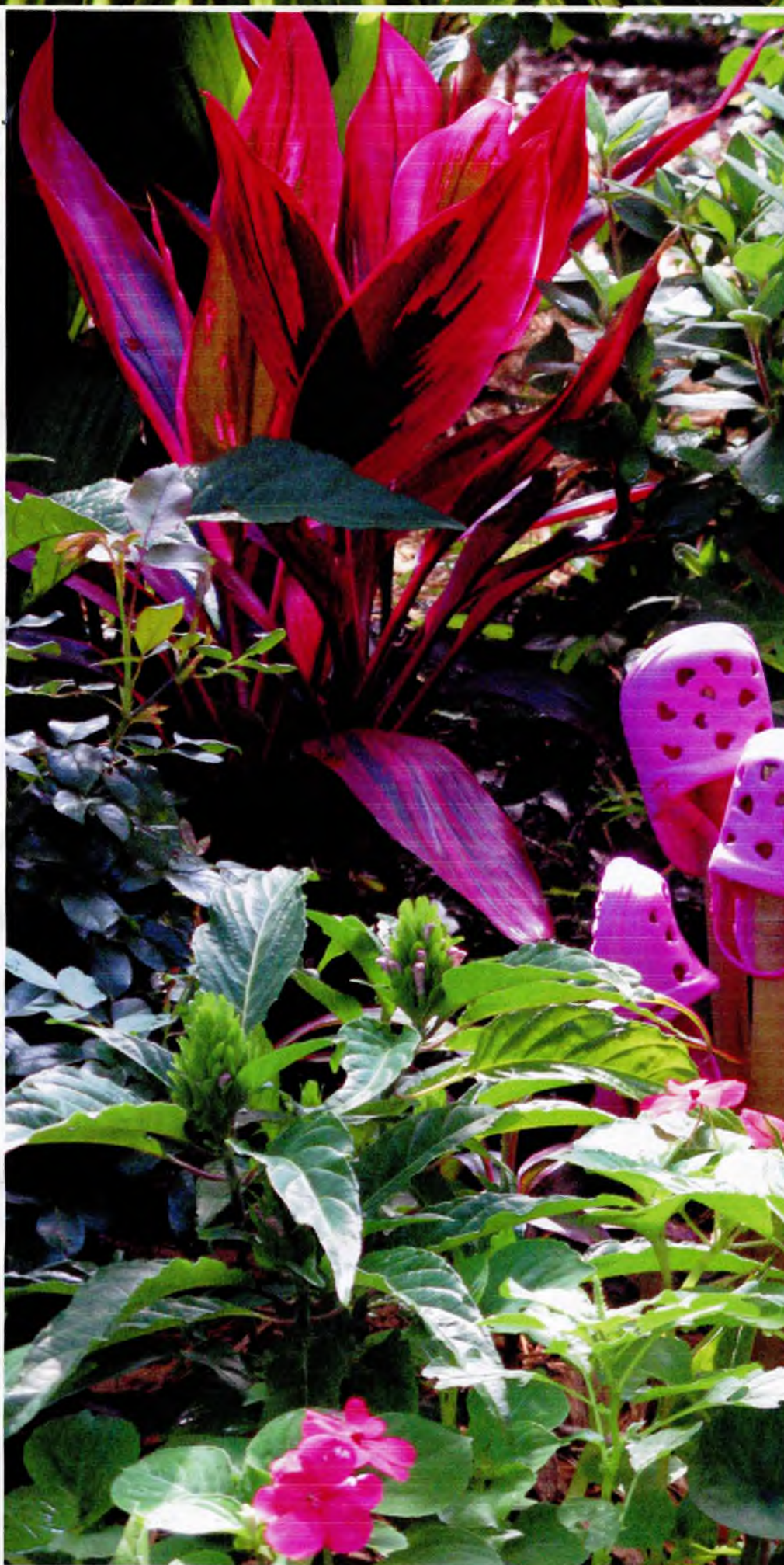
YUMMY FOOD





2013





**TESS HART-ROSS**  
**THE SHADY SIDE OF GREEN (FEBRUARY 2013)**

**TESS COVERED ALL PLANTS, TREES, AND GROUND-COVER SUITABLE FOR SHADY AREAS. SHE EVEN GROUPED THEM TOGETHER ACCORDING TO COLOR.**

## *What's New*

Community Happenings

The Dogwood Circle of the Mandarin Garden Club will have their monthly meeting on February 19 at 10:00 a.m. The meeting will be held at the Mandarin Garden Club, located at 2892 Loretto Road. Tess Hart-Ross will present a program on "The Shady Side of Green." Hart-Ross is known for her beautiful gardens and from time to time writes articles for Mandarin NewsLine about happenings at the Mandarin Garden Club. If you would like to learn about gardening in the shade, we hope you will join us for our February meeting. Refreshments will be served for our members and guests. Please call 571-6765 for additional information about the meeting or joining the Mandarin Garden Club.



# IN MEMORY



**MAY 2012**

*Louise*



*Hill*



Louise Hill was the President of the Mandarin Garden Club when the building was built back in 1965. She and another Dogwood member, Bess Perminter signed the loan papers for the construction of the building. This was without the knowledge of Mr. Hill or Mr. Permenter. She was the President (that was what it was called originally) of the Dogwood Circle many times.

Louise was a person who likes to get as much knowledge as possible about anything that interested her. She went to The Florida Federation School of Design for Judging. This was not because she desired to be a judge but so that she would have the inside on what a flower show was about and what the judges would be looking for when judging. Louise was quick to share this information with all members of the Mandarin Garden Club. She was not worried about anyone out ribboning her at our yearly flowers shows, just that we had a great flower show.

She had many other interests such as the Tillandsia Garden Circle which was made up of individuals from both Mandarin and St John's County. They made up one of the first Wildflower study groups in the area.

She along with Jane Crosby and Elnida Ponder kept the Dogwood Circle hopping for many years and all the other circles. They headed up the Crafty Ladies of their day by organizing a Harvest Fair the weekend after the Florida/Georgia game in the fall. And were these ladies talented. This was the BIG MONEY maker of the year for the club. They also participated with the Game Day every month and when something needed fixing they were the original "Tool Diva,s" with hammer and nail or whatever in hand to "try" to fix whatever was in need.

Up until July of 2012 Louise Hill was a very active member of Dogwood Circle and the Mandarin Garden Club and she left us with a very lasting memory of caring and giving and sharing.





# Family

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## Louise Hill memorialized at Mandarin Garden Club

By Susan Westermann, Mandarin Garden Club

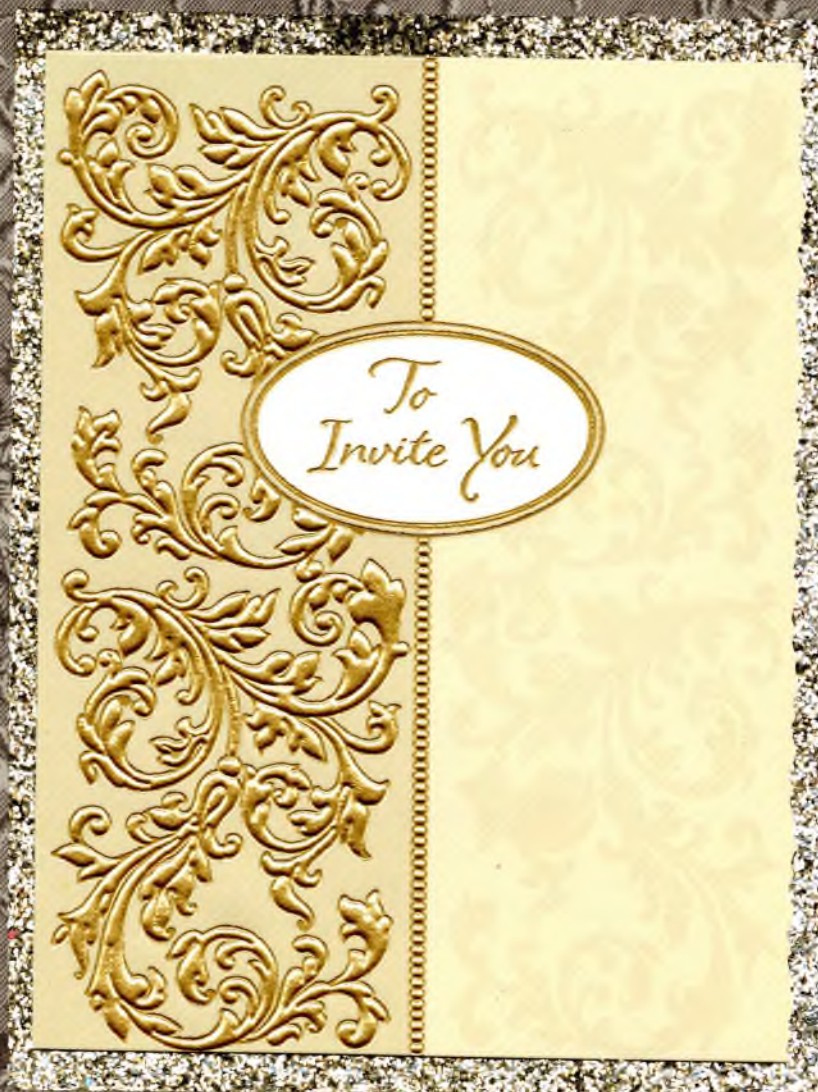
On an especially beautiful January day the Mandarin Garden Club celebrated and memorialized the life and accomplishments of long time member Louise Hill. Hill's family was in attendance along with many

club members as they dedicated a lovely engraved butterfly garden bench on the club grounds in her memory. This was no somber event and that's just the way Hill would have wanted it. She was known for her fantastic sense of humor. Mary Howe and Alice Stanley shared heartfelt stories of admiration and respect from their decades of friendship and volunteerism with Hill. Their personal stories combined with wonderful stories from Hill's family had the packed clubhouse beaming with smiles and lots of joyful laughter. One of the great stories Hill is most famous for is the fact that she and the late Bess Permenter signed the mortgage for the Mandarin Garden Club's Loretto Road clubhouse, unbeknownst to their husbands. Back then that was something that ladies just did not do.

Hill was a Mandarin Garden Club member for 55 years.



The family of Louise Hill: Terry and Rick Hill (daughter-in-law and son), Jan Mills (daughter) and Ronnie Hill (son)





# TACKY CLOTHES FASHION SHOW AND DINNER

smile



MARCH 8, 2013

laugh together

friendship





giggle

## TACKY CLOTHES FASHION SHOW AND DINNER

MEMORIES



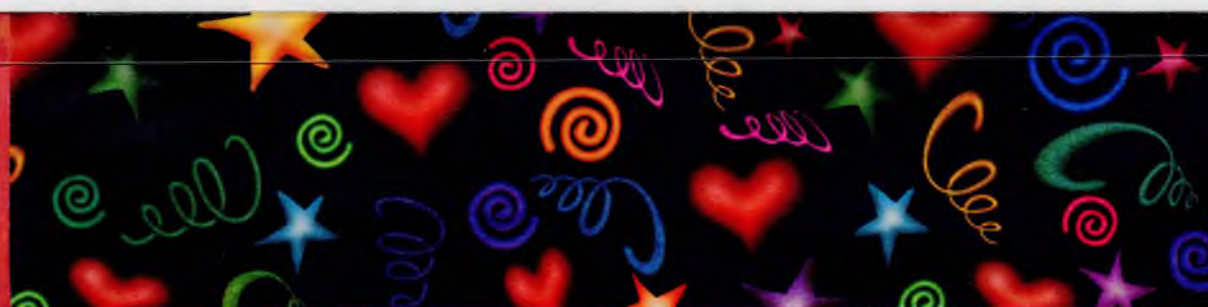


● One Big Happy ●



**SENSATIONAL SEXY SIX**

-centerfold-







## Almost Ancient Pots



Melanie Palmrose  
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[www.AlmostAncientPots.com](http://www.AlmostAncientPots.com)



**The April 2013 Dogwood meeting was an exciting trip to Melanie Palmrose's Quiet Garden. The garden was extraordinary and it gave us so many ideas to go home and try in our own garden.**

**Melanie also makes planters out of Hypertufa.**





**Judy Strassenberg and Karen Rowe**



**Elly Willis and Marvine Thompson**

## **Almost Ancient Pots**



**After the visit to Melanie's Quiet Garden, we met at O'Charley's for our meeting/luncheon.**



# Tea Party



**Pat Sams - Official greeter @  
end of the year Dogwood meeting.**



May



**Judy Strassenberg and Marvine  
Thompson welcome visitors and  
Guest.**



**HATS!**

**HATS!**



**HATS!**







**Carol Taylor**  
In place of a prayer, Carol did a unique demonstration on life lessons.

Betty Waldrep presented her co-chairpersons; Karen Rowe, Marvinne Thompson and Mary Howe, with a thank you gift.



A Loving Recipe for a  
Perfect Cup of Tea

1 Willing friend who loves to sit and share  
1 Grateful heart to have a friend that cares  
1 Beautiful garden to show us God is near  
Many wonderful memories of times shared  
throughout the years  
Lots of smiles and laughter to brighten  
up our days  
Many prayers that we prayed for each other  
along the way.

I'm so blessed to have a friend like you  
to share in everything I do.  
For one special friend sharing A special  
cup of tea truly makes this a perfect recipe.



**Mary Howe**

Mary gave an informative talk on where to plant and what plants are ideal for a "Moonlight Garden".







The Howe family: David from Virginia, Michael from Jacksonville, Mary and Bill, Patricia from North Carolina.

#### Mandarin Garden Club

#### The Butterfly Garden

on the club grounds was officially named The Mary K. Howe Butterfly Garden. Howe has developed the demonstration butterfly garden over the past 25 years. As a Dogwood Circle garden club member and Master Gardener, Howe has and still does toil long and hard in the heat, cold and rain to get her beloved butterfly garden just right. During this same 25 years, Howe has taught butterfly gardening classes to thousands of adults and children all over Jacksonville. Howe was tearfully surprised as this special honor was announced, but you should have seen her reaction just then when her daughter from North Carolina surprisingly entered the building bearing a beautiful bouquet of flowers. Good job, Martha Dysart for coordinating this covert operation so that Howe's husband and all her children were in attendance for her special honor!

# MARY K. HOWE GARDEN







### McGlade Holloway

Sincere appreciation and admiration was extended to McGlade Holloway as outgoing garden club president. Holloway has served in this leadership role for five years. Holloway's dedicated volunteerism to carry on the 68 years of garden club service and tradition has been an inspiration for all to follow.

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ANNUAL MEETING  
MAY 23, 2013



### NEW OFFICERS

PRESIDENT.....KAREN ROWE

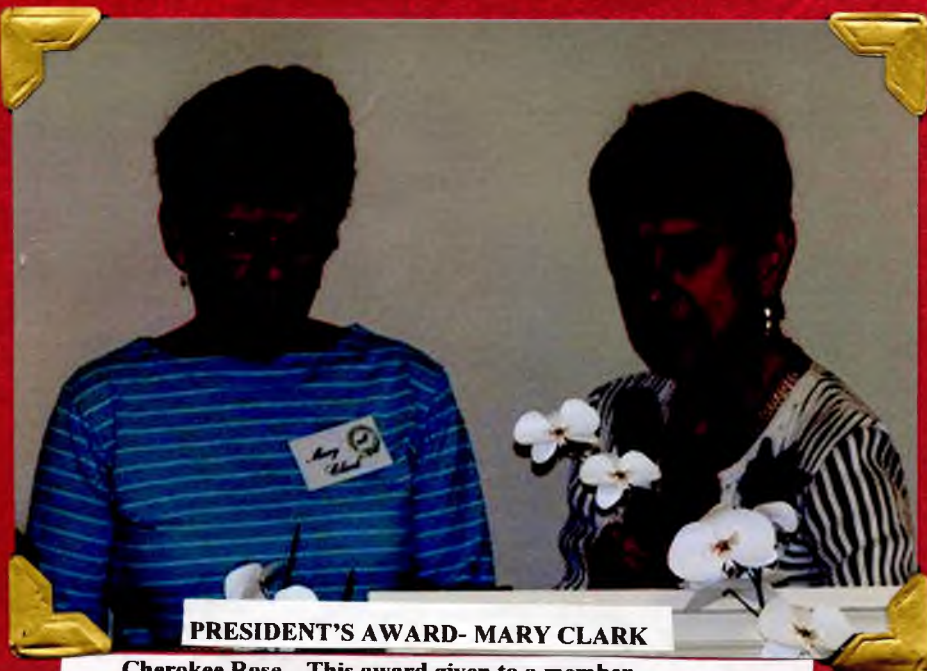
1<sup>ST</sup>. V-PRESIDENT...BETTY WALDREP

2<sup>ND</sup> V-PRESIDENT....MARY FORESTER

SECRETARY..... SANDY INGRAM

TREASURER.....ANN DUMIRE





#### **PRESIDENT'S AWARD- MARY CLARK**

**Cherokee Rose** – This award given to a member by the Club President for consistent and exceptional contributions to the garden club reflecting the member's commitment to the membership as well as the Mandarin Community.



#### **LIFE MEMBERSHIP**

Pat Sams of the Dogwood Circle and Kelley Swain, Cherokee Rose Circle and Bumblebee Children's Circle co-leader were awarded the Life Membership honor for Garden Club members' outstanding contributions to the Mandarin Garden Club.

*Thank You*



#### **HONORARY MEMBERSHIP**

**DAVE WESTERMANN & DOUG CLARK**  
Recognizing non-members for outstanding volunteer service to help the MGC. They Have volunteered innumerable hours over Many years with any help needed. They are The husbands of Susan Westermann and Mary Clark.



#### **COMMUNITY BEAUTIFICATION AWARD**

**The Riverplace Shopping Center** on San Jose Boulevard was honored with the Mandarin Garden Club Community Beautification Award. This award is presented to a local business or organization whose property reflects an effort to maintain natural beauty in Mandarin.



**EAT**

**Krispy Kreme**

**DOUGHNUTS**



### Attention Dogwood Ladies

Do you know that Coffee and a doughnut will optimize your brainpower? It's true, see attached...

We want all of our ladies to be optimized!

Judy and I would like to treat  
you to coffee and a doughnut!

Hope you can join us for this casual get together.

When: Wednesday, July 17th  
Anytime between  
9:30-10:30 am

Where: Krispy Kreme  
1117 San Jose Blvd.

Looking forward to seeing you.

Marvine







# Mandarin Newsline

## September 2013

### Mandarin Garden Club news

By Contributing Writer Susan Westermann, Mandarin Garden Club



The Mandarin Garden Club's third annual Plant Exchange on July 20 was a great success. Members from all circles participated in 10 rounds of swapping wonderful plants and miscellaneous garden stuff. Also invited were the Mandarin Demonstration Garden Master Gardeners and Jacksonville V.I.G.s (very important gardeners). The V.I.G.s were: Linda O. Cunningham, local herb expert featured on Facebook; Linda Jones, local garden blogger <http://southernruralroute.wordpress.com>; Janese Warner, local expert gardener; and Tatyana Vaynberg, retired from Trad's Garden Center. This event was a fantastic way to get new and interesting plants for free. Garden books, magazines, tools, garden art and ceramic pots were also swapped. Attendees enjoyed refreshments made with ingredients from the garden and recipes to take home. Even better than all the new plants and garden stuff was the great fun all participants had talking about the plants they brought, sharing gardening knowledge and catching up on the latest in everyone's gardens. See more pictures from the event and get recipes that were served at [www.mandaringardenclub.org](http://www.mandaringardenclub.org) then click Blog and Gallery.







## MGC Plant Swap

2013/07/24/

Southern Rural Route



## Rural Route Living & Gardening in NE Florida

The "auctioneer" on duty was Susan Westermann using a new sound system that had recently been installed. She did a great job of "sounding the gong" to let us know when to make a grab for the plants we favored. They had rules for that, too that went along the lines of no pushing, fighting, making comments about plants that were brought, etc. I can't remember exactly how it was worded but it was cute.

I was talking to Linda Cunningham, Jacksonville's herbal expert, who has a *wonderful* sense of humor, when the games began and I literally walked away from her when she was in mid-sentence. I felt so bad about that but I was standing with her across the room from the pencil cactus I wanted to claim in Round 1. I saw it come in on a truck and mentally put my name on it before it ever came off the truck. My Round 2 choice would have been a copper "yard art" sprinkler – the kind that sprays water from different holes – but one of the members had *both* her hands on it starting at 9:45 so I instructed her to enjoy my sprinkler. Even if the sprinkler didn't work, it would have made great yard art.

Cunningham had a Lemon Eucalyptus plant (it smelled wonderful when touched and I think she said it repelled mosquitos) but it was gone by the third round. Ditto for her red bee balm.

On the second round, I got my *third* angel wing begonia. I think they bloom but who cares? The leaves are spectacular. Someone pointed out a porter weed, and mentioned that butterflies loved it. Naturally, I parked myself beside it for the next round. *I love butterflies, what can I say?*





# • GENERAL Mtg. 10/13 •



SPOOKTACULAR DECORATIONS



**Karen Rowe**  
**President**

**General Meeting  
called to order.**

**BOO**

**TO YOU!**



**Master Gardener's  
Were honorary  
Guests.**





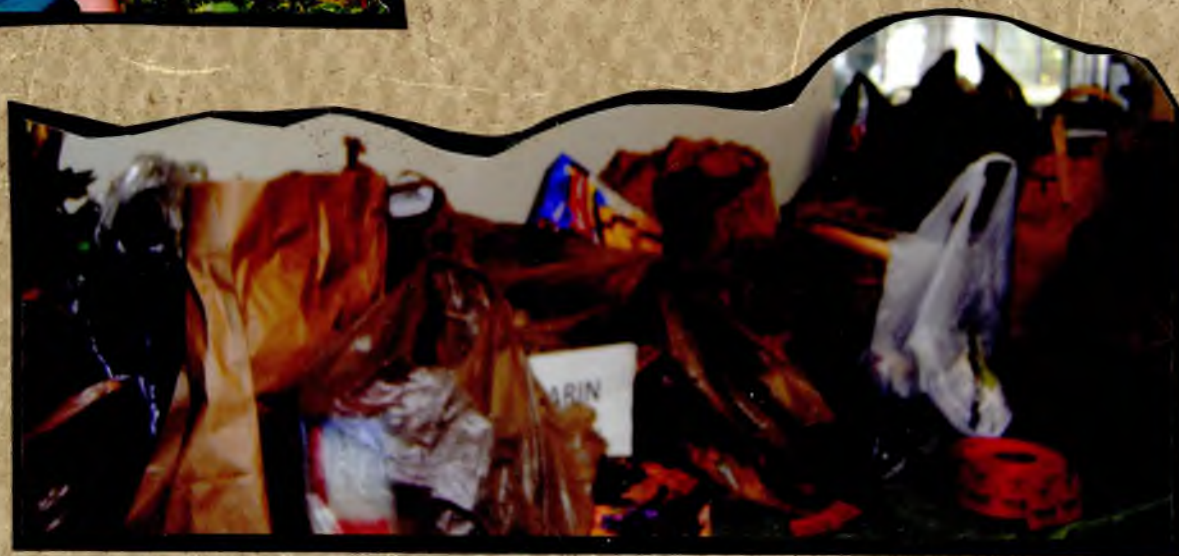
**GUEST SPEAKERS**

**Randy Lassiat, Publix**

**Anica Elia, Fresh Market**



*Thank You*



**Lots of food collected for Food Bank at meeting.**





# CRAFT FAIR

11-9



THANKS TO ALL THE CRAFTY LADIES FOR YOUR SUPPORT OF OUR 2013 CRAFT FAIR. BECAUSE OF YOU WE EXCEEDED OUR \$5,000 GOAL FOR OUR DRIVEWAY PAVING FUND. PERHAPS WE SHOULD SET OUR GOAL AT \$10,000 SINCE WE ARE WELL ON THE WAY AND HAVE UNTIL MAY 2014!

HUGS TO EACH AND EVERYONE ONE OF YOU,

BARBARA, JOYCE, SONIA AND MARVINE

CLUB PARTICIPATION WAS FANTASTIC, AS WELL AS THE LADIES WHO CONTRIBUTED AND WORKED THE KITCHEN SELLING OUR CAFÉ GOODIES.



HERE ARE TWO OF OUR CRAFTY LADIES SHOWING OFF SOME CRAFTS!



Fourth annual Craft Fair at the Mandarin Garden Club, November 9 from 9:00 a.m. until 4:00 p.m. The clubhouse will be filled with booths offering beautiful and unique crafts. This event has become so popular it has outgrown the clubhouse and now includes many wonderful craft booths outside too. Copies of the 65th anniversary Mandarin Garden Club Cookbook will be available for just \$12

or two for \$20. This is just the place to pick up reasonably priced and unique gifts for the holiday season. The garden club cookbook is a perfect item to keep on hand for those last minute needed gifts. Delicious homemade baked goods will be available to purchase along with free coffee inside the clubhouse. Back by popular demand barbecue lunch will be available to purchase outside. After shopping and eating, enjoy strolling the beautiful garden club property.



**DOGWOOD CIRCLES  
NOVEMBER 19 MEETING**



**TAMER BRITTON, A UNIVERSITY  
OF FLORIDA AND DUVAL EXTENSION  
AGENT FOR 35 YEARS SHOWED ATTENDEES  
HOW TO MAKE HOLIDAY CENTERPIECES.**



No turkeys were harmed in the  
making of this product!





**A SPECIAL ACKNOWLEDGMENT WAS GIVEN TO GINNY BRUNZEL FOR HER 90<sup>TH</sup> BIRTHDAY AT THE NOVEMBER 19<sup>TH</sup> MEETING. SHE WAS GIVEN A DOZEN YELLOW ROSES AND LOTS OF WARM WISHES.**



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# Remembering Our 2013 Christmas Party

*Good Food • Good Friends • Good Times*



Gail and Pat



Judy Till







Betty Waldrep reading  
"Twas The Night Before  
Christmas" with Dogwood  
Cast.







Sonia Jacobson  
"Hanukkah"



Darlene Gant  
Traditions of the Christmas Tree





