



# ZAMIA

The Naples Chapter Newsletter  
Florida Native Plant Society

September 2016

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## Upcoming Zamia Events:

**Tuesday, October 11, 7 P.M. PRESENTATION:** Nature Awareness, Tips to Get Acquainted with Plants.

**Location:** Naples Botanical Garden Kapnick Center. 4820 Bayshore Drive.

**Presenter:** Andee Naccarado, Sr. Program Specialist, Six Mile Cypress Slough Preserve.  
Join us for snacks at 6:30pm!

**Saturday October 22, 10 AM -12 PM. FIELD TRIP –** Six Mile Cypress Slough Preserve.

**Location:** Meet at the parking lot of Six Mile Cypress Slough, 7751 Penzance Blvd, Fort Myers.

**RSVP:** Call 239-218-0802 by Monday, October 17th

**Cost:** Free for Naples Chapter members/\$35 for non-members\*

Additional parking fee \$1/hour/vehicle (carpooling recommended)

\*Tell your friends they can also become a member of FNPS for \$35

**Saturday, October, 29, 9:30 AM -10:30 AM. SPECIAL EVENT:** Native Plant Workshop

- 10% of all native plant sales will be donated to the Naples Chapter.

**Location:** Green Door Nursery 3700 Bayshore Drive, Naples.

**Cost:** \$8 (Registration recommended – please call Greendoor at 239-403-4736)

- Followed by our annual picnic at noon at Sugden Park! Sugden Park is located at 4284 Avalon Dr., Naples. Bring a dish to share!

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*Our mission: To promote the preservation, conservation, and restoration of the native plants and native plant communities of Florida.*

**For more info visit our website:**

[naples.fnpschapters.org](http://naples.fnpschapters.org)

**Follow us on Facebook!**

<https://www.facebook.com/FNPSNaples/>

## A Message from the President

To All Members:

Welcome to the Naples Chapter of FNPS Season 2016 - 2017. The Board has been working hard all summer to plan a full lecture series for October - April. The schedule of lectures, field trips and events are described later in this newsletter and on our Webpage, <http://www.naples.fnpschapters.org/> . Please follow us on our Facebook Page <https://www.facebook.com/FNPSNaples/> for up to date information. We plan to post "pop up" events on Facebook which will give you additional opportunities to get involved in our programs.

I look forward to meeting all of you. October is an especially busy month as Andee Naccarato (our Conservation Chair) is giving a lecture on Nature Awareness and leading a field trip to Six Mile Cypress Slough Preserve. There is also the opportunity to participate in a native plant workshop at Green Door Nurseries on October 29<sup>th</sup>. In conjunction with the workshop, there will be native plants available for purchase. Following that program we are meeting at Sugden Park for a pot luck picnic.

I am pleased to serve as the newly elected president of the Naples Chapter of the Florida Native Plant Society. It is an honor to be president of an organization with such an important mission. It is humbling to follow in the footsteps of Jean Roche given all of her hard work, knowledge and commitment to the Naples Chapter FNPS. I am very excited for the Chapter's future and know that I have much to learn.

By way of background. I moved to Collier County as a full time resident in Fall 2012. I received a J. & a Master of Regional Planning from UNC Chapel Hill in 1979. For the past thirty years, I was involved with a variety of environmental groups in Maryland ranging from the Irvine Nature Center, the Maryland Zoo, Valleys Planning Council to Greenspring Hounds. Since moving here, on behalf of FNPS, I have served on Land Management Teams for Rookery Bay, Okaloacoochee Slough State Forest and Spirit of the Wild Wildlife Management Area. I am intimately familiar with the Picayune Strand State Forest and its plant communities because I either walk my dog or ride my horse there on a daily basis.

As President I would like to introduce and thank the new Board.

Vice President: Karyn Allman  
Treasurer: Jonathan Jensen  
Secretary: Daniel Cox  
Newsletter Editor: Karyn Allman  
Director/Conservation Chair: Andee Naccarato  
Director at Large: Chad Washburn  
Director at Large: Brian Bovard  
Chapter Representative/State Organization:  
Aimee Lateux  
Past President: Jean Roche

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Photo by Andee Naccarato

### Join in a Sensory Walk at Six Mile Cypress Slough Preserve

Nature awareness is at the core of educational programs at Six Mile Cypress Slough Preserve. On Saturday, October 22<sup>nd</sup>, join Andrea Naccarato (Sr. Program Specialist) and a Volunteer Interpretive Naturalist for a unique sensory walk under the shade of the cypress canopy. While remaining on the raised boardwalk, up to 20 participants will use their senses of sight, hearing, smell, and touch to gain a deeper understanding of this wetland ecosystem. Of course, the guides will cover the natural history of the signature bald cypress trees, introduce other wetland plants, and explain the ecosystem functions of the Preserve. If you are interested in exploring this natural area from a new perspective, contact Andrea Naccarato at 239-218-0802. To learn more about the Slough or other Lee County Parks and Preserves, visit [www.LeeParks.org](http://www.LeeParks.org). Check out the field trip details above.

### Learn About Native Plants and Support the Naples Chapter FNPS

Greendoor Nursery will be holding a Native Plant Workshop on Saturday, October 29<sup>th</sup> at 9:30am. The fee is \$8 per person. Although walk-ins the day of the class are welcome, pre-registering for the class is recommended (Call 239-403-4736). The class will be 45 minutes to an hour long. Ten percent of the native plant sales that morning will be donated to the FNPS Naples Chapter! In addition, there will be a table set up to talk to the workshop attendees, and entice new members. Any new members that sign up during the workshop will get a \$25 gift certificate to Greendoor! Visit [greendoornursery.com](http://greendoornursery.com) for more information.

Once everyone has enjoyed the workshop, and picked out some beautiful native plants, we hope everyone will come to Sugden Park for our annual potluck picnic to celebrate the beginning of the new season.

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## VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES!

### Volunteer Opportunity at North Collier Regional Park

Collier County Parks and Recreation reached out to the Naples Chapter for assistance with updating an existing butterfly garden at North Collier Regional Park (15000 Livingston Rd). Jeffery Bell, Field Supervisor with Collier County Parks and Recreation, is looking to increase the diversity of native plants that compose their butterfly garden. Two Naples Chapter Board Members, Daniel Cox and Andrea Naccarato, visited the site and agreed to provide a list of native butterfly host plants and nectar plants that would be compatible with the layout of the garden. Additionally, Jeffery has invited Naples Chapter members to volunteer to help maintain the butterfly garden. If you are interested in volunteering for this

project, contact Andrea Naccarato (239-218-0802) for further details.

Photos by Danny Cox:



## Volunteer at the South West Florida Yard and Garden Show!

The Naples Chapter has volunteered at this event for several years in a row – please help us to continue to promote planting with natives and find new members! Please email [naplesnativeplants@gmail.com](mailto:naplesnativeplants@gmail.com) if you are available to help.

**When:** Saturday October 22 – 9am-4pm  
Sunday October 23 – 10am-3pm

**Location:** 14700 Immokalee Road, Naples  
(10 miles East of I-75)

**FREE ADMISSION TO THE EVENT AS A VOLUNTEER!!**



For more details please go to:

<http://collier.ifas.ufl.edu/HomeGarden/SWFlaYardGardenShow.shtml>

## New Membership Form

**Renewals should be made via notices sent out by FNPS. This is done automatically. This membership blank is for new members only. Mail to FNPS/PO Box 278/ Melbourne FL 32902-0278, or go to [www.fnps.org/](http://www.fnps.org/)**

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## Membership Types

Student\_\_\_\_\_ \$15

Individual\_\_\_\_\_ \$35

Family/Household\_\_\_\_\_ \$50

Contributing\_\_\_\_\_ \$75  
(\$25 to Endowment)

Business\_\_\_\_\_ \$125

Non-Profit\_\_\_\_\_ \$50

Supporting\_\_\_\_\_ \$100

Donor\_\_\_\_\_ \$250

Lifetime\_\_\_\_\_ \$1000

Library (public/non-profit; subscription  
to *Palmetto* only)\_\_\_\_\_ \$15

FNPS is a 501(c)(3) non-profit organization. Your dues payment is tax deductible. To provide funds that will enable us to protect Florida's native plant heritage, please consider joining or renewing at the highest level you can afford.

The Florida Native Plant Society is registered as a charitable organization in Florida (Reg No. CH3021).