

April 2021



**Bloom & Grow**  
GARDEN SOCIETY

CELEBRATING MORE THAN 20 YEARS

# CLIPPINGS

*Bloomandgrow.club*

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## President's Corner

I hope you can all join us at the showing of "The Flight of the Butterflies" at the Garden Theatre on April 10. Look for the information on the next page.

We are also selling 50 monarch waystation gardens . Monarch butterfly's habitat has decreased by over 80% in the past few years. They are currently a candidate for the endangered species list. Sadly, the only reason they are not yet on it is because there are 150 other animals ahead of them waiting to get on that list. So, we are hoping that we can do our part by providing food for the caterpillars and butterflies to help increase their numbers. We have decided that this will be an ongoing project of the club, after all, our symbol is the monarch! Next year, we hope to help schools create monarch waystations. Please join us at the monthly Zoom meeting so that you can hear how to plant your waystation garden!

Chalkin' It Up, minus Spring Fever, will be held as a part of Arts in Winter Garden day on April 17. We were happy when the city approached us to help with it. So, please come out and see the chalk art on this day.

Don't forget about the work day at Tucker Ranch on April 30. We hope that you will join us!

Happy Easter,

*Jeanne*

Bloom & Grow  
GARDEN SOCIETY  
PRESENTS

# Flight of the Butterflies

EXPERIENCE THE MOST INCREDIBLE  
MIGRATION ON EARTH AND ONE MAN'S SEARCH  
TO UNRAVEL ITS MYSTERIES

Saturday April 10, 2021

**SHOWTIMES: 3:00PM & 5:00PM**

**COST: \$16** ONLY 150 TICKETS SOLD PER SCREENING  
(PROCEEDS GO TOWARDS THE MONARCH PROJECT)

[WWW.GARDENTHEATRE.ORG/EVENTS/MORE](http://WWW.GARDENTHEATRE.ORG/EVENTS/MORE)

**TICKETS**



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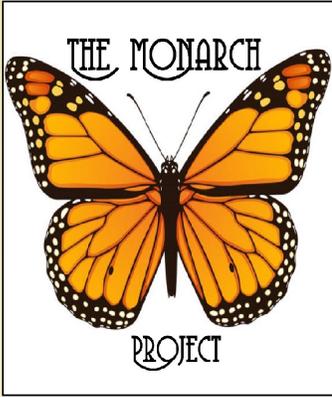
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Please join us at the movies! The Garden Theatre has taken extensive safety precautions for their guests. This includes removing seats for social distancing, temperature checks, installing specialized filters in their air conditioning system, adding an extra entrance, and mandating mask wearing. It is as safe as it can be!

# MONARCH WAYSTATION GARDEN



You can help the endangered monarch butterfly population by planting 10 plants to make your own monarch waystation garden with plants that support both caterpillars and adult monarchs. Pre-order now!



2 Native Pink Milkweed



2 Native White Milkweed



2 Tropical Milkweed



2 Coreopsis



2 Verbena Purple

Only 50 monarch waystation gardens will be sold!

10 plants, each in 1 gallon pots

Total Price: \$60 + tax

Pre-order by April 17.

We will also have extra Tropical Milkweed, 1 gallon pots, \$8 + tax

Pay by credit card or check at pick up.

Email Gretchen at [gretchenboyd@aol.com](mailto:gretchenboyd@aol.com)

Or Linda at [Lindacb47@gmail.com](mailto:Lindacb47@gmail.com)

Pick up May 7, 10 am—2 pm, 238 W Smith St., Winter Garden  
(behind Crooked Can Brewery/ Plant Street Marketplace)



# April 9 Monthly Meeting



**April 9 at 11:00 am**



You will receive a link to the Zoom meeting via email a few days before the meeting.

The Speaker for the meeting will be one of our newest members, Erin Matherne. Erin joined after seeing our Monarch Project sign on Plant Street near the site for the monarch sculpture. Erin has a monarch waystation in her yard and will speak on "Monarch Butterfly Waystations: Doing Our Part to Save a Delicate Species." Her presentation will include: facts about monarchs, threats causing their declining numbers, and ways we can help. She will also speak about milkweed and waystation gardens. If you pre-ordered a waystation garden or milkweed from us, you can find out what you need to do and ask questions, too. Please join us and welcome Erin!



## Chalkin' It Up!

Come and see the Chalkin' It Up contest on Saturday, April 17 in front of city hall as part of the Winter Garden Arts in April. Although we could not have Spring Fever this year, the city asked us to hold this event as a part of the art walk.





# BirthDay Wishes

- Annette Spigener 2
- Glenda Acton 3
- Erin Matherne 5
- Karen Jones 8
- Sharon Forney 10
- Sue Chicone 14
- Nancy Sines 17
- Elise Bradford 18
- Connie King 18
- Linda Fewell 22
- Diana Bontempo 25



THE MONARCH



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## April is **Monarch Beer Month** at the **Crooked Can Brewery** !

April is Monarch Beer Month at the Crooked Can Brewery at the Marketplace on Plant Street. Ask for a monarch beer and a portion of the proceeds will go to The Monarch Project!

In conjunction with Monarch Beer Month, Bloom and Grow will be having a monarch happy hour each Monday in April, from 4 pm - 6 pm at the Crooked Can Brewery. On April 5, 12, 19, and 26, please join us for a drink at the Crooked Can. Let's get together outside, because it has been WAY too long since we have done that! If you do not like beer, they offer wine as well.

# HERITAGE TREE PROJECT

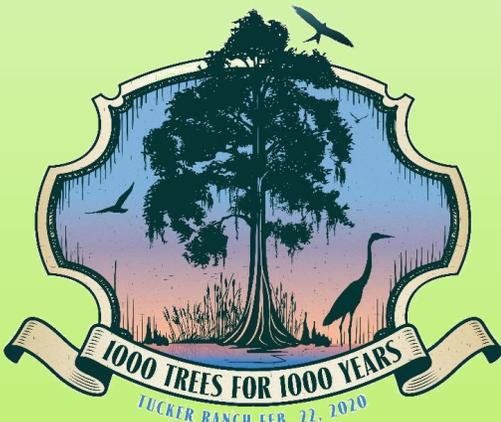
Our current focus is on encouraging members to sponsor the trees we have identified for the Heritage Tree Walking Tour in downtown Winter Garden. Our goal is to have 100% participation of club members by the end of May, so that we will be ready for the launch of the walking tour in October.

If you have questions about how to proceed, please get in touch with any of the committee members to ask for help with the process: Mary Zahl, Katy Moss Warner, Ann Blastic, Jeanne Yazinski, Vickie Parrish, Brenda Knowles, Sandra Wilt or Joyce Carcara.

Here is the attractive T-shirt that Andy Crabtree and Ann Blastic have designed for those who participate in the October event, including those who agree to have their tree named a 'Heritage Tree.'



## National Arbor Day Celebration



**Join us at Tucker Ranch**

**Friday April 30 from 8:30-11:30am**

Once again, we're bringing together a team of volunteers – not so many as last year but a good number just the same – to check on the 1000 Bald Cypress Trees we planted last year. The team leaders will be returning – Wes and Vickie Parrish, Robert Bowden,

Billy Butterfield, Meg Whitmer, Cindy Christmas, Van Donnan. These are all highly respected plant professionals who are joining in our celebration. If you haven't signed up, please do! Ann Blastic would love to know you are coming and is happy to get a shirt for you if you let her know your size. Text her at 407-539-4693 or email at [annblastic@msn.com](mailto:annblastic@msn.com). If you have been missing your friends in Bloom & Grow, this is a great way to get together again. We'll be planting a ceremonial tree for Brenda!!



# Membership Renewal: Final Reminder



Bloom & Grow Membership Dues of \$35 are due by April 1, 2021.

Pay online in the “Members Only” section at [BloomandGrow.club](http://BloomandGrow.club)

Password: bandg1997

OR

Mail check of \$35.00 payable to the order of “Bloom and Grow” to:

Lorraine Burch, PO Box 277, Oakland, FL 34760

Your dues are required in order to submit payment to Florida Federation of Garden Clubs (FFGC) before the upcoming deadline. We need and appreciate your support.

Thank you!

*Lorraine Burch*



**Voting for Officers will be held at our April 9 meeting.**

The following slate of officers was presented at the March meeting:

- President - Jeanne Yazinski
- 1st Vice-President - Jan Penrose
- 2nd Vice-President - Rochelle Rupp
- Recording Secretary- Carole Engle
- Corresponding Secretary- Brenda Knowles
- Treasurer- Laura Radius

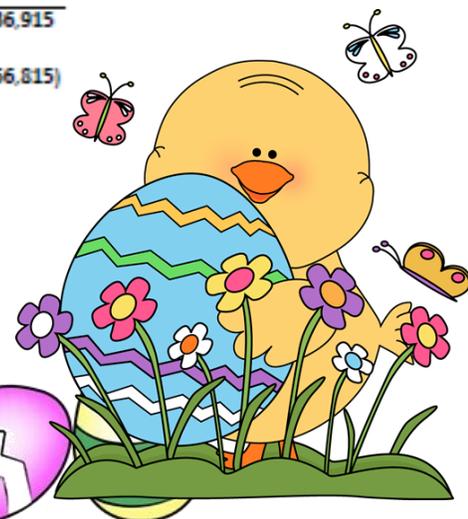


# TREASURER'S REPORT



## Bloom and Grow Garden Society Monthly Report - Feb 2021

	Feb '21	Jun - May '21	Annual Budget
Starting Balance	\$64,018	\$64,420	\$ 64,420
<b>Income</b>			
Grants			3000
May Luncheon			6000
Membership Dues	595	945	4200
Miscellaneous Contributions/Income	13	3624	
Online Auction		2941	1000
Path of Life Income	200	1100	1200
Plant of the Month		5314	500
Special Project Income	225	14,144	31700
Spring Fever Income	-3750	-4500	30000
Steppin Out			2500
<b>Total Income</b>	\$ (2,717)	\$ 23,568	\$ 80,100
<b>Expense</b>			
Accounting & Legal	70	1880	2000
Awards			15000
City of Winter Garden			3000
Dues and Subscriptions	109	449	400
FFGC Dues		1500	1500
Garden Books			2000
Garden Therapy		80	500
Insurance		875	875
May Luncheon			750
Meeting Expenses			100
Miscellaneous	-40	60	
Office Supplies	84	149	400
Path of Life Expenses	535	1616	2770
Plant of the Month Expense		2802	
Postage & Printing		189	400
President's Gift		40	100
Publicity		4040	6000
Scholarships			15000
Socials		-4	500
Speakers for Meeting			300
Special Projects Expenses	1150	1441	30000
Spring Fever Expenses		7685	45200
Square Fees	28	212	
Storage Unit		1608	1620
Summer Luncheon			500
Tree Funds - 1000 Trees		300	1000
Vibrant Communities			500
Website		5142	5500
Winter Garden Rotary			1000
<b>Total Expense</b>	\$ 1,936	\$ 30,064	\$ 136,915
<b>Income less Expenses</b>	\$ (4,653)	\$ (6,496)	\$ (56,815)
<b>Ending Cash Balance</b>	<u><u>\$59,365</u></u>		
Checking Account	\$ 53,305		
Money Market Account	\$ 6,076		



March 12, 2021 Meeting of the Bloom and Grow Garden Society Minutes

The zoom meeting was called to order by President, Jeanne Yazinski at 11:02 am.

The devotion was given by Nancy Sines. She read a poem about miracles and she wished us all a day of miracles.

The photos on the slide show were of flowers in Winter Garden.

March birthdays were announced.

The minutes of the February meeting were approved. A motion to approve them was made by Joyce Carcara and seconded by Sandra Wilt.

The Treasurer's report from February showed \$53,305 in our checking account and \$6,076 in our money market fund.

Ann Blastic presented the slate of officers for the next year.

President	Jeanne Yazinski
First Vice President	Jan Penrose
Second Vice President	Rochelle Rupp
Treasurer	Laura Radius
Recording Secretary	Carole Engle
Corresponding Secretary	Brenda Knowles

We will be voting on this slate at the April meeting. A quorum of those in attendance on line for the zoom meeting is required to elect this slate.

We can have our luncheon in May at Dillard's. It will be either May 14<sup>th</sup> or June 11<sup>th</sup>. This would also be our summer luncheon. The seating will be spread out more. A June luncheon might attract more members as more of us become vaccinated for COVID. At this time we plan to resume our monthly luncheons/meetings at West Orange Country Club in September.

Membership Dues are due by April 1<sup>st</sup>. It is \$35. You may pay on line by credit card on our web site or mail a check to Lorraine Burch. 31 people have renewed so far.

Monarch Project Joyce Carcara

The movie "Flight of the Butterflies" will be presented at the Garden Theatre on April 10<sup>th</sup>. There will be 2 showings at 3 pm and 5 pm. Tickets are \$16 and can be purchased on the Garden Theatre web site or at the ticket office.

Ticket office opens at noon most days. Please share this information. Flyers for the movie will be passed out March 16<sup>th</sup>. See Joyce Carcara or Gretchen Boyd if you wish to help with the flyers. The movie is emotional and will be very educational.

Chalk Art Contest April 17<sup>th</sup>

The city of Winter Garden asked us to sponsor this contest as we won't be having Spring Fever. It will be part of the city's Arts in April program. It will be the same format as in Spring Fever. The city has a fund for prizes. Applications will be due by April 5<sup>th</sup>. Only 45 spaces are available. The theme is "Garden Walk--Bright Colorful Flowers." Judging will be at 4 pm that day. See Brenda Knowles or the City of Winter Garden for applications.

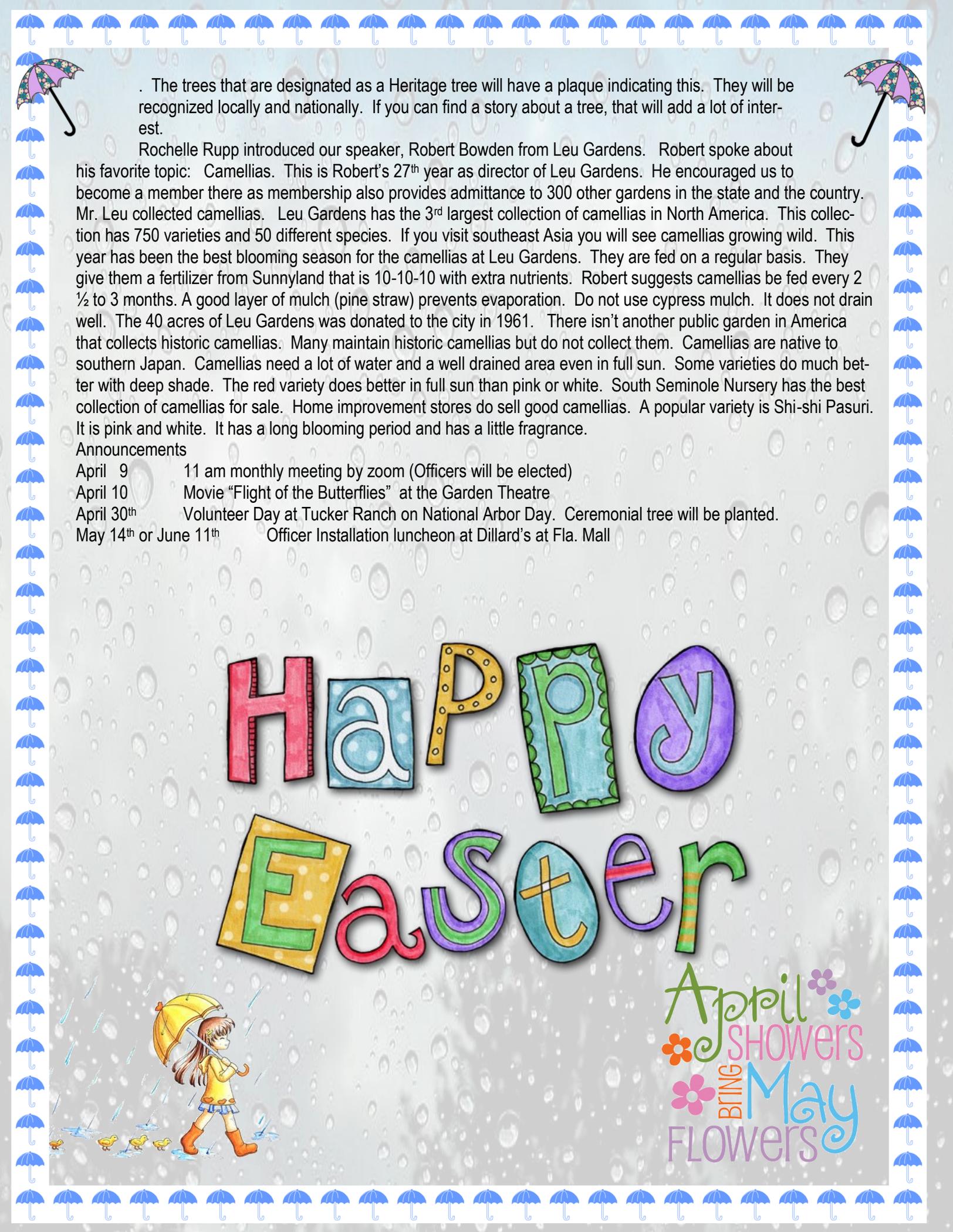
Monarch Way Stations

50 Way stations will be available for sale. The cost is \$60.00. It will include 10 plants in one gallon pots. They will be available to Bloom and Grow members first. If you want one, you will need to pre-order by April 1<sup>st</sup>. Extra milkweed plants will be sold for \$8 each. E-mail Gretchen Boyd at [gretchenboyd@aol.com](mailto:gretchenboyd@aol.com) or text her at 407-808-4758 or contact Linda Bouton at [lindacb47@gmail.com](mailto:lindacb47@gmail.com) or text her at 321-276-4287 if you want to purchase a Way Station. They require a spot with full sun. You can pick these up on May 7<sup>th</sup> 10 am to 2 pm at 238 Smith Street in Winter Garden. There will be a Way Station in the park where our statue will be placed.

Winter Garden Heritage Tree Project Katy Moss Warner and Mary Zahl

Katy and Mary spoke to the Rotary Club about this project. The tour is set. It will be a walking tour starting at Winter Garden City Hall and going to Lake Apopka and ending at the Heritage Museum. The purpose is to create an appreciation of trees. We need more people to get on board and locate a tree.





. The trees that are designated as a Heritage tree will have a plaque indicating this. They will be recognized locally and nationally. If you can find a story about a tree, that will add a lot of interest.

Rochelle Rupp introduced our speaker, Robert Bowden from Leu Gardens. Robert spoke about his favorite topic: Camellias. This is Robert's 27<sup>th</sup> year as director of Leu Gardens. He encouraged us to become a member there as membership also provides admittance to 300 other gardens in the state and the country. Mr. Leu collected camellias. Leu Gardens has the 3<sup>rd</sup> largest collection of camellias in North America. This collection has 750 varieties and 50 different species. If you visit southeast Asia you will see camellias growing wild. This year has been the best blooming season for the camellias at Leu Gardens. They are fed on a regular basis. They give them a fertilizer from Sunnyland that is 10-10-10 with extra nutrients. Robert suggests camellias be fed every 2 ½ to 3 months. A good layer of mulch (pine straw) prevents evaporation. Do not use cypress mulch. It does not drain well. The 40 acres of Leu Gardens was donated to the city in 1961. There isn't another public garden in America that collects historic camellias. Many maintain historic camellias but do not collect them. Camellias are native to southern Japan. Camellias need a lot of water and a well drained area even in full sun. Some varieties do much better with deep shade. The red variety does better in full sun than pink or white. South Seminole Nursery has the best collection of camellias for sale. Home improvement stores do sell good camellias. A popular variety is Shi-shi Pasuri. It is pink and white. It has a long blooming period and has a little fragrance.

#### Announcements

- April 9 11 am monthly meeting by zoom (Officers will be elected)
- April 10 Movie "Flight of the Butterflies" at the Garden Theatre
- April 30<sup>th</sup> Volunteer Day at Tucker Ranch on National Arbor Day. Ceremonial tree will be planted.
- May 14<sup>th</sup> or June 11<sup>th</sup> Officer Installation luncheon at Dillard's at Fla. Mall

# HAPPY EASTER



April  
SHOWERS  
BRING  
May  
FLOWERS