



Native Plant Raid *by Peg Lindsay, Lake Beautyberry Chapter*

Those of you who regularly follow the FNPS news know that Barbara Grigg of the Lake Beautyberry Chapter received a Green Palmetto Award at this past year's conference. One of the reasons the members of our chapter so enthusiastically nominated her for this honor is that she grows plants for donation to our chapter, for public gardens around Lake County and for our members' gardens. When we receive a plant from Barbara, it comes with detailed care instructions. And we learn.

But with the coming of the summer heat and hurricanes, Barbara and husband Tony have a liability around their home. Barbara literally has hundreds of containers of Florida native plants in pots on their small lot. Tending these becomes tedious in the heat. And the multitude of small containers may pose a real threat in the event of high winds from a hurricane. So on June 26, a few of the Lake Beautyberry members raided Barbara's private nursery.



Mary Remer, Peg Urban, Barbara Grigg

Between us, we took over 100 Florida native plants to be installed in public and private gardens around Lake County. Thank you, again, Barbara.



Lake Beautyberry Completes FNPS Chapter Grant

Ron Plakke

Lake Beautyberry Chapter completed its Chapter Grant project and formally transferred a Native Plant Garden to the Discovery Gardens of the Lake County Horticultural Learning Center.

The roles of these gardens are to educate, lend assistance to the horticultural industry, stimulate public interest in gardening, create an outstanding visitor attraction and promote conservation by demonstrating environmentally friendly practices for gardening and landscaping.

Under the leadership of Barbara Grigg, Project Coordinator, the Chapter developed a 45 x 75 foot garden of native plants suitable for yard and landscaping purposes. An information container with plant and FNPS information was erected. Fifty plants were established with signs and stepping stones through the garden.

The chapter will continue to expand the plant numbers and help the staff of Discovery Gardens maintain the site. An open house will be held for the public when the plants are at their best this summer.



In Memory: Barbara Grigg, Lake Beautyberry Chapter | *Lavon Silvernell, Chapter Conservation Chair*



Barbara Grigg, Botanist and long-time member of Florida Native Plant Society, passed away on March 13, 2023 while in hospice. She had been an FNPS member for nearly 32 years and. In 2000, Barbara joined the founders of the newly formed Lake Beautyberry Chapter in Lake County, leaving the Tarflower Chapter in Orange County. In 2012 received the Green Palmetto Award for Education in 2012

They say no one is truly gone until there is no one left who remembers them; I remember Barb whenever I weed around her favorite highbush blueberry at the Lake UF/IFAS Discovery Gardens, the garden she planted and tended for years. Or, when my Indigo bush blooms in the Spring, I remember I fell in love with that plant at the Grigg's during a Chapter picnic.

Barb grew many natives and brought them to Lake Beautyberry Chapter meetings to share. Now, these plants are adding diversity to other landscapes. I often find myself passing on her words of wisdom, with an "as our Beautyberry Botanist Barb said".

The knowledge she shared, the plants she grew, and the memory of Barb will survive for a long, long time.

Over the many years, she raised native plants to share with our Beautyberry members, with the public at plant sales, and for groups that were restoring areas on public lands. She was always willing to share her knowledge and was our mentor on field trips as we explored the native plant communities of Lake County and beyond"

Barbara, and her husband Tony, were also faithful volunteers at Lake County's P.E.A.R. Park. For many years, rain or shine, they traveled one hour each way from their home in Sorrento to participate in their weekly volunteer work morning, restoring native habitats and creating and then maintaining a native plant demonstration garden. Because Barbara was such an incredible source of plant knowledge, and loved to share that with us, we were so fortunate to work with her, Barb also grew and donated many native plants for the restoration efforts and gardens at P.E.A.R. which added so much to the species diversity. She also kept us entertained at break time with her stories of growing up in "old Florida"

They always came prepared with their thermos of coffee, and pbj sandwich, Tony's favorite snack. He would serenade us with bagpipes as we worked, which was pretty cool. If we ever thought that maybe we should cancel work morning, when cold temperatures were predicted, she would scold us and say "but it's only going to be in the 30's!" And so, we would work.

Barb earned her Liberal Arts degree in Lakeland and then was offered a job at the Herbarium in Gainesville where she was given a free course in taxonomy. She then earned her Masters in Botany at the University of Tennessee, and when on to Duke for her PHD. Her thesis? "The Lichens of Florida" and some of her samples are stored in their herbarium.

Barb would laughingly tell us that it was her mother's (and that of others of her generation) mission to "subdue the wilderness" by removing natives and planting exotics. It was Barb's mission to restore it and add to native plant diversity. And did she ever!



Barbara in the Garberia (Garberia heterophylla) at PEAR Park, Lake County

Barbara Jo Moore

Barbara Jo Moore (born 1938), U.S. lichenologist (published on lichens of Florida).

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Thank you Barbara for all your contributions to native plant conservation!