



**PINE LILY CHAPTER**  
FLORIDA NATIVE PLANT SOCIETY

# The Lily Pad

## January Program

Our speaker this month will be Laneve Thompkins with a presentation on Forever Florida, a conservation area in east Osceola County. Learn about the rich history of this area, a visit of which will be one of the Field Trips to take place during the May 2011 Conference.

Get a hand up of what this great area has to offer. Ms. Thompkins is also a talented sand sculpturer who has her own business and teaches classes. You can learn more about her at <http://www.sandesign.net>.

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**Meeting is Thursday  
January 20<sup>th</sup> 6:30 p.m.**

First United Methodist Church  
101 W. Dakin Avenue, Kissimmee

### New/Renewing Members

None this month

**Why not ask a friend to join!**



**FLORIDA NATIVE PLANT SOCIETY**  
**31ST ANNUAL CONFERENCE**  
**MAY 19–22, 2011**

SHERATON ORLANDO NORTH HOTEL, MAITLAND, FL

**SAVE THE DATE!**  
**REGISTRATION OPENS**  
**JANUARY 1, 2011**

**Patios,**



**Preserves**



**and Public Spaces...**

Renowned speakers  
**RUTHERFORD PLATT**  
and **RICK DARKE**

- Workshops
- Guided field trips
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- Landscape designs
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- Native plant sales
- Youth program

**Making Connections**

Information available online at [www.fnps.org/pages/conference/](http://www.fnps.org/pages/conference/)  
For questions or to receive conference information by mail,  
contact FNPS at 321-271-6702 or send an email to [info@fnps.org](mailto:info@fnps.org)

**FLORIDA EXOTIC  
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SYMPOSIUM  
MAY 17 - 20, 2011  
SAME LOCATION**

"There can be no doubt that a society rooted in the soil is more stable than one rooted in pavements."

— Aldo Leopold

# Upcoming

**February** - Kevin Songer  
Subject: Green roofs and natives

**March** - TBA

**April** - Terri Peitroburgo  
Subject: Paw Paws

# Community

Pine Lily Chapter member Loret recently spoke on native plants and biodiversity to the Kiwanis Club of Kissimmee. The Kiwanians were very receptive to the idea of incorporating native plants in their landscapes and hopefully they will require their landscape maintenance companies to use natives moving forward. Also, Loret won \$9 in their 50/50 raffle, which she has put in the Pine Lily donation jar.

# Save the Date

**Tuesday, January 25, 2011**  
10 am – noon

Plant Propagation by Seed, Cuttings, and Division

Osceola County Extension Services. Registration required. Call 321-697-3000. Learn how to start & multiply your own plants through seeds, cuttings, and division propagation methods. Hands-on workshop, take home some new plants that you start yourself. \$5 supply fee

**Friday, January 28, 2011**  
9:00 am - noon

**Woods Walk – Runnymede Preserve**

Osceola County Extension Services. Registration is required. Please call 321-697-3000.

## Species Spotlight

***Lonicera sempervirens* (Coral Honeysuckle)**  
by Loret



Photo © 2010 Loret

Coral Honeysuckle is a trailing vine that attracts butterflies and ruby-throated hummingbirds with its beautiful, thin, red trumpet-shaped flowers, and songbirds with its juicy berries.

It prefers full sun, but can be grown in partial sun. It is drought tolerant and is

source: floridata.com

propagated by seed. For USDA Zone 4 - 10.

It is a great substitute for the invasive Japanese Honeysuckle since it is easily controlled and won't strangle your shrubs if you allow it trail over them and also works in containers.

On a personal note, mine is holding up quite well against this winter's freeze with flowers buds appearing. It is just beginning to "take off" in my garden since I planted it in 2009, but is proving to be well worth the wait. It was not difficult to establish and now there is an abundance of new growth evident with the recent warm-up, so I think it is happy in my garden.

**Wednesday, February 2, 2011**  
9 am – noon

**Woods Walk – Lake Lizzie North Loop**

Osceola County Extension Services. Registration is required. Please call 321-697-3000.

# Research Help Request

Aline Waguespack  
PhD Student, Biology Department  
Duke University

I'm a graduate student interested in studying the defenses of a Florida native plant, and would like to collect individuals from across Florida. *Passiflora incarnata* (commonly called maypop) grows in disturbed areas (like roadsides, forest edges, and abandoned fields) throughout the state, and is recognizable by its

distinctive purple flowers. Any tips on specific locations where I can find the plant would be much appreciated and save me valuable time. I'm interested in wild plants, not those planted in gardens --even if your garden is a great native wildflower garden! Sampling would involve taking a few plant clippings to root and collecting the insects associated with the plant. If you've seen the plant, please contact me at: amw42@duke.edu Thanks for your help---*Aline Waguespack*

# From the Editor

I'm still experiencing computer problems and apologize for this delayed and abbreviated issue and the lack of a December issue. Hopefully things will return to normal once all the software is installed and the hardware attached.  
~Loret