

**Minutes of the Florida Native Plant Society  
Annual Meeting  
April 22, 2007**

Approximately 100 people present.

Motion, which passed to accept the 2006 Annual Meeting Minutes.

Motion, which passed to accept the proposed bylaw changes.

5.04 Elections: All officers shall be elected by a plurality vote of members at the annual FNPS meeting. Those elected shall serve for two-year terms. They shall take office as soon as possible, and shall serve until duly replaced.

The President and Vice Presidents shall be limited to one two-year term, and the Secretary and Treasurer shall be limited to two consecutive two-year terms. Retiring officers are immediately eligible to be nominated for a different office. Retired officers are eligible for appointment to an un-expired term or nomination to the same office after one year.

In even calendar years, the President, Vice President of Finance, Secretary and three At Large Directors shall be elected to a two-year term.

In odd calendar years, the Vice President of Administration, Treasurer, and three At Large Directors shall be elected to a two-year term.

Nomination Committee consisted of Bob Egolf Past President, Kim Zarillo, Ray Miller, and Nia Welendorf. The slate as presented:

- VP of Administration – Ann Redmond, Magnolia Chapter
- Treasurer – Sue Thompson, Eugenia Chapter
- Director at large – Sue Dingwell, Palm Beach Chapter
- Director at Large – Ray Jarrett, Paw Paw Chapter
- Director at Large – Anne Birch, Conradina Chapter

Motion by Joan Bausch, which passed to accept the slate of nominations as presented.

Karen Fraley advised everyone to watch for Action Alerts during the legislative session.

Motion to Adjourn at 10:40 am

## **Conservation Grants**

1) A Strap Fern Reintroduction: This 2-phase project will reintroduce two species of endangered strap fern – the narrow strap fern (*C. angustifolium*) and tailed strap fern (*C. costatum*) - to Timms Hammock in Miami-Dade County. Neither species has been observed there since the 30s, and both are now known from only a couple of sites. This project is especially exciting because it represents a partnership between Marie Selby Botanical Gardens and the Institute for Regional Conservation. Spores collected from Fakahatchee Strand will be cultured at Marie Selby to produce a genetically diverse collection of new sporophyte plants. The second phase of the project will reintroduce sporophyte plants to Timms Hammock.

2) Restoring Hooded Pitcherplant Habitat Within the Wekiva River Basin State Parks: The hooded pitcherplant (*Sarracenia minor*) is the only pitcher plant species native to central Florida. This project was proposed by Melanie Brodhead and will also receive \$2,000 in financial support from the State of Florida. Several different approaches for restoring vitality to existing pitcher plant sites in the Lower Wekiva River State Preserve and Rock Springs Run State Reserve will be investigated .

3) Propagation of Florida Mayten: This proposal was submitted by the Sanibel-Captiva Conservation Foundation's Native Plant Nursery. The project seeks to identify methods for effectively propagating the Florida Mayten (*Maytenus phyllanthoides*). This threatened species, which is native to a restricted range within Florida's mangrove community, would then be included in restoration and mitigation projects, and ultimately be made available for use in home landscapes. Initial plants produced by the project will be used at the Ding Darling National Wildlife Refuge and on other conservation lands within the area. Native seed collected on Sanibel Island will be used.

## **Endowment Research Awards**

1) Alan Franck, University of South Florida

"Conservation genetics of three endangered Florida endemic *Harrisia cacti*"

2) Dr. John Pascarella, Valdosta State University, with Dr. Joyce Maschinski, Fairchild Tropical Botanical Garden

"Population structure and dynamics of restored and natural populations of the federally endangered Florida endemic *Jacquemontia reclinata* (Convolvulaceae)"

3) Jennifer Schafer, University of Florida

"Effects of time since fire on nutrient limitation of plant productivity in Florida scrub ecosystems: Does disturbance shift nitrogen vs. phosphorus limitation?"

**FNPS Awards**

Green Palmetto Award  
Martha Stewart

Green Palmetto Award  
Charles Holmes  
Peggy Gretchen  
Joann Trebatoski

Green Palmetto  
Chapter Award  
Hernando Chapter  
Dade Chapter

Mentor Award  
Mike Kenton

Silver Palmetto Award  
Paul Rebmann

**Landscape Awards**

Commercial

1st Place

Ugarte & Associates, Inc.

Allen Garner & Assoc. – Designer, Charlie & Patsy Ugarte – Owner

Tom Heitzman, Sweetbay Nursery – Contractor

Homeowner Design

1st Place

Eugene & Catherine Stoccardo

331 Roswell Avenue, Orlando, FL

Eugene Stoccardo, Catherine Stoccardo – Designer, Owner & Contractor

Homeowner Design

2nd Place

Marilyn Smullen

11010 Island Pine Drive, Port Richey, FL

Marilyn Smullen – Designer, Owner

Homeowner Design

3rd Place

Sharon Holding

7337 Carlton Arms Drive, Apt. B, New Port Richey, FL

Sharon Holding – Designer, Owner

Professional Residential Design  
1st Place  
Ticknor Project  
Santa Rosa Beach, Walton County  
David A. Ilfrey, Jr., NativeDave.com – Designer  
Angie & Steve Ticknor - Owner

Wildflower & Butterfly Garden  
1st Place  
The Enchanted Forest Sanctuary  
Butterfly / Pollinator Garden  
The Friends of The Enchanted Forest – Designer  
Keep Brevard Beautiful / The Friends of The Enchanted Forest – Contractor  
The Enchanted Forest Sanctuary – Owner  
“Deadheaders” Garden Volunteers – Maintenance

Ecosystem Restoration  
1st Place  
Coe Visitor Center, Everglades National Park  
Dade Chapter of the Florida Native Plant Society – Designer, Contractor & Maintenance  
Everglades National Park - Owner

Ecosystem Restoration  
2nd Place  
Felts Audubon Preserve Restoration  
Manatee County Audubon Society  
And  
Florida Department of Environmental Protection – Designer, Contractor & Maintenance  
Manatee County Audubon Society - Owner

Ecosystem Restoration  
3rd Place  
Restoration and Landscape Design for Polk County  
Environmental Lands Program – Circle B-Bar Reserve  
Laura Namm NeSmith, Water & Air Research, Inc. – Designer  
Water & Air Research – Contractor  
Polk County Board of County Commissioners – Owner  
Polk County Environmental Lands Program - Maintenance