

LONGBOAT KEY GARDEN CLUB, a social, philanthropic, eco-friendly organization

OCTOBER 2014 NEWSLETTER

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The Board of the LBK Garden Club has made some changes to the Club's bylaws. We will be asking our members to vote on these changes at our first general meeting on Tuesday, October 21, 2014. Below are the changes which are in italic letters and the deletion are in the color yellow:

ARTICLE VI – OFFICERS – Section 1 - “They shall be elected.....to serve for ***up to*** two years.....”

ARTICLE VIII – STANDING COMMITTEES: Parliamentarian – Section 1: “There may be the following Standing committees: Awards, Budget, ***Camps***, Civic Beautification.....”

ARTICLE X, Section 5 – Delete the whole Section 5 pertaining to Florida Federation of Garden Club

### **Volunteers Needed**

The new season for our Longboat Key Garden Club is about to begin. We have an exciting line-up of presentations for our monthly meetings. What we don't have is enough volunteers to serve as hostesses at these meetings. The hosting responsibilities aren't onerous: you come to the meetings about 15 minutes early to help set up, bringing something to drink or eat with you. Clean up is easy as members generally assist the hostesses.

Please contact Pat Loy, Chair of the Hospitality Committee, at kenpatloy@aol.com to let her know you're willing to volunteer and to get more details. We thank you and look forward to seeing you in a few short weeks. The budget of \$25 is used for punch/cookies/ cheese/ cracker as you choose.

### **Dates to look forward to:**

Friday, November 14th; 10:30 a.m.

We have scheduled a docent led tour of the State College of Florida Fine Art Gallery, 5840 26th St., Bradenton, in partnership with the Theatre Program, of an exhibit, "Art of the Wedding Costume: Ritual and Romance".

The exhibit is a retrospective look at wedding attire through the decades, and includes a display of men's and women's traditional, nontraditional and cultural wedding clothing from the 19th, 20th and 21st centuries.

We will have our "wedding luncheon", with separate checks, at a venue to be announced.

No gifts, please. Informal attire.

RSVP TO Barb Kerwin, johnandbarbk@gmail.com; 383-0772

By Wednesday, November 13th.

Your guests are welcome on all trips for a \$10 fee. Please let Barb know who you'll bring.

#### FLOWER ARRANGING FOR YOUR THANKSGIVING TABLE

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 25TH AT 10 A.M. we'll meet at the home of Jane Boehme,

580 Neptune, 383-0326. Bring a container, all materials will be provided for a \$10 fee.

Sign up sheet at October meeting.

Also scheduled thus far is a luncheon at THE UPSCALE DINER ON MTI'S CAMPUS at The Whetstone Restaurant located at their campus at : 6305 SR 70, Bradenton.

This will be on February 10, 2015 AT 11:30 A.M.

We will tour the facility and then be served a delicious lunch. Many of our popular young chefs are graduating from this facility. We get to know them before they become famous! More information to follow.

WE'RE ONLINE!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!

TECH SAVVY!

Your LBK Garden Club has a website thanks to John Newman. John, Tory Newman, and President Madelyn Spoll have worked diligently this summer to get it up and running.

Go to [lbgardenclub.com](http://lbgardenclub.com) or [lbgardenclub.org](http://lbgardenclub.org) for information on grants, scholarships, meetings, events, dates to mark on your calendar, and newsletters.

Check it out today!!

**"Welcome Back" Luncheon:**

Date. Tuesday, November 11, 2014

Time 12 Noon

Place Café l'Europe, Gallery Room; St.Armand's Circle

Time to catch up on summer news, meet new friends, bring someone interested in joining

Delightful menu with separate checks

Just let Judy Blair or Vicki Anderson know.

The details of the **Holiday Trolley Tour of Lights** are as follows:

A tour of the best holiday light displays in Sarasota!

December 9, 2014; 6:30 PM - 8 PM

Meet at 6:15 PM outside Regions Bank (Burlington Coat Factory Lot) at

6:15 PM.,4041 Cattleman Road.Sarasota

Meet at The corner of Cattleman Road and Bee Ridge Road

39 Passenger Trolley

Festive music, too!!!

\$20.00 per person includes driver gratuity.

Those that wish to make dinner arrangements after the tour can make plans individually.

Reservations can be made with payment by check to the LBK Garden Club at the October 21st meeting or mailed to Vicki or Judy.

For Welcome Back Luncheon and Holiday Party, please send your reservations to:

(add check made out to LBKGC for holiday trolley tour, please, to secure your place)

Vicki Anderson

7012 Palm Drive LBK 34228

vcabahrain@gmail.com

941-685-4909

or

Judy Blair

4420 Exeter Drive, L-204 LBK 34228

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Please mark your calendar for the General Meetings listed below.

1. Oct. 21, 2014 Tuesday 7 PM ; WINDWARD BAY CLUBHOUSE

FLORIDA BUTTERFLIES AND WILDFLOWERS

Marla Frankford, extraordinary nature photographer, uses her skills to document the life cycle of these fascinating creatures.

2. Nov. 18, 2014 Tuesday 7 PM, WINDWARD BAY CLUBHOUSE

"Classical Feng Shui in the Garden"

Kathy Keh, a Master Practitioner of Classical Feng Shui, Instructor of the Wu Ji Academy in Switzerland, and local feng shui consultant will explain to us what true feng shui is, and is not, and how it can be applied to the landscapes that surround us to generate greater health, harmony and joy in our lives.

3. Jan. 27, 2015 Tuesday 7 PM, WINDWARD BAY CLUBHOUSE

FLOWER ARRANGING

Sherry Linhart, back by popular demand, will give an encore performance of teaching us to mix flora from our gardens with flowers we purchase into lovely arrangements.

4. Feb, 24, 2015 1 PM; WINDWARD BAY CLUBHOUSE

**PLEASE NOTE THIS IS AN AFTERNOON EVENT**

EVOLUTION OF THE WINE GLASS

Georges Muller for more than 30 years has taught at colleges and culinary schools on the history of wine and glassware. He will share his expertise with us.

**TWO EVENTS NOT TO BE MISSED:**

**TASTE OF THE KEYS AND FASHION SHOW** WILL BE HELD ON TUESDAY,  
JANUARY 21ST. GREAT FOOD AND FASHIONS!!

An exceptional group of models and restaurants have been secured.

We're excited to have sponsor the Fashion Show this year!!!

SATURDAY, MARCH 7TH WILL BE THE **39TH ANNUAL HOME TOUR**. WE'RE STARTING TO FIND SOME WONDERFUL HOMES AND PHILANTHROPIC HOMEOWNERS!

Do you have neighbors and friends with exceptional homes that they would share with our community to raise funds for scholarships, grants, camp and other educational opportunities for young people??

What about your home?

NEW THIS YEAR:

A Boutique featuring our talented, artistic LBKGC members.

Jewelry artists, painters, authors, photographers, stationery makers, and all of our creative members are invited to participate. Let's show off our wonderful members!!

Please contact Shannon Gault for further information: [shannongault@comcast.net](mailto:shannongault@comcast.net)

Tour info, please contact: Jackie Salvino, [jandjsalvino@gmail.com](mailto:jandjsalvino@gmail.com) or 345-4300.

YOU are invited to join the Home Tour Committee. It's a great opportunity to meet club members and get involved in LBK. Our next meeting will be Wednesday, November 5th , 11a.m. on the 2nd floor of the Sun Trust Building across from Town Hall. You're most welcome to join us.

And, time to start selling ads for Tour Book to benefit Scholarships and Grants. That information is attached to this newsletter. Thank you for your support!

Please download the letter below and take to your favorite hairdresser, plumber, landscape company, restaurant, and more.

Dear Friend,

We are requesting your support for sponsorship of our 39th Annual LONGBOAT KEY GARDEN CLUB Home& Garden Club Tour, Saturday, March 7, 2015. Recently, this successful Tour drew over 500 participants to our Key.

This year, our ticket for all attendees is a 5 ½ in. x 8 ½ in. book featuring sponsor ads. In addition, all sponsors will be recognized in a full page ad in THE LONGBOAT OBSERVER close to the Tour date. The Garden Club's 2015-2016 Yearbook will list all sponsors of the 2015 Home Tour to encourage member support of the sponsors.

SPONSORSHIP LEVELS for advertisements:

|                       |                          |
|-----------------------|--------------------------|
| ¼ PAGE (2 ¼x 3 ¾)     | \$ 50.00                 |
| ½ page (4 ¾ x 3 ¾)    | 100.00                   |
| Full page (4 ¾ x 7 ¾) | 200.00 (+2 comp tickets) |

The Deadline for your check and ad copy is January 25, 2015. Please mail your check to: Longboat Key Garden Club, P.O. Box 8375, LBK, FL 34228. The ad copy goes to:

Dave Magee, store6152@theupsstore.com. Please identify your ad in the header as "LBKGC ad".

We thank you for your support and sponsorship. The proceeds from our Home & Garden Tour are returned to our local community through various projects and youth scholarships. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact the persons listed below.

Sincerely,

Jackie Salvino, 39th Annual Home Tour Chairperson

jandjsalvino@gmail.com; 345-4300

Sarah Tate, Tour Book Ads Chairperson, 383-0117

Madelyn Spoll, LBK Garden Club President 383-4818

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Gardeners, Mark Your Calendars!

The Plant Place Fall Natural & Edibles Festival – Saturday October 11th.

Tropiflora's Fall Festival - October 3rd, 4th & 5th. If you love plants, this is a must attend event with plant vendors, food and music. Admission is free.

Palma Sola Botanical Park - 17th Annual Fall Plant, Antique & Craft Sale is going to be Saturday, October 11th from 8 am till 3 pm. This is a big festival-style event, open to the public.

Manatee County Extension Master Gardener's Annual Plant Sale - October 4th, 8 am to 1 pm. Selections of plants include natives, fruit trees, vegetables and herbs, ornamentals, perennials, annuals, and ornamental grasses.

### **YOU KNOW THERE'S MORE TO COME.....**

We have secured the Longboat Key Club Island side Driving Range for Our "Dinner& A Movie" joint Club event on April 24, 2015!

Arrive in your grown-up car and trade up to a golf cart for an island-style drive-in movie.

Longboat Key Club will serve an elegant buffet dinner before the movie begins.

Our concession stand will feature all the traditional movie treats, popcorn machine, wine & beer!!

Prizes, raffles, and lots of surprises!

All profits go toward helping LBKGC and KIWANIS SCHOLARSHIPS!!

It is our first ever LBKGC AND KIWANIS jointly sponsored event.

This is limited availability. More info to follow.

Remember:

What happens in your cart on Longboat stays in your cart on Longboat!!

There is an opportunity for volunteers at the "Dinner and a Movie" event.

Please contact: Susan Phillips at [hurricane007@me.com](mailto:hurricane007@me.com)

Watch Out for Venomous Caterpillars, especially around citrus and oak trees! - First Coast News reports:

At first glance it may look harmless. A fat, furry caterpillar that likes to make its homes in several types of trees in Florida. But a warning: all that fur is covered in venom. "It's the pain. It is instant and immediate and it's very intense," said Dr. Glenn Hardesty, Emergency Room physician. Dr. Hardesty describes the pain from a puss caterpillar from first hand experience as worse than that from a sting from a bee, a jellyfish, even a scorpion. And it can also cause vomiting, convulsions and a drop in blood pressure...

And, just as important, talk to your children who may be tempted to pick one up.

According to the Florida Poison Information Center, some people experience severe reactions to the poison released by the spines and require medical attention. Others experience only an itching or burning sensation. The center recommends placing scotch tape over the affected area and strip off repeatedly to remove spines or applying ice packs to reduce the stinging sensation, and follow with a paste of baking soda and water.

Reports of people getting stung-- who end up at the E.R. -- are on the rise. Doctors say try to look around for them when you're working outdoors. Though they are known to fall out of trees.

Please make these changes in Yearbook:

John and Barbara Kerwin, email address is now: [johnandbarbk@gmail.com](mailto:johnandbarbk@gmail.com)

**Welcome new members:**

Antoinette and Jack Brill  
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Patty Sileo (family)  
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