

Join *Gardening Friends of the Big Bend!*

Help support the Gardens of the Big Bend and the mission of the University of Florida/IFAS North Florida Research and Education Center - Quincy.

"I just love coming to this place! There is so much research and information here I never leave without learning something new!"

- Sally Waxgiser, Jackson County Master Gardener



GFBB members plant some new additions to the Discovery Garden in *Gardens of the Big Bend* at NFREC.

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Gardening Friends
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Upcoming Events

"Art, Garden & Farm Family Festival," First Saturday in October, 9:00 a.m.

Discover creative ways to explore visual art and the art of gardening through demonstrations and fun activities for the whole family. Vendors feature fabulous plants and wonderful arts and crafts!

2nd Tuesday of each month, 6:30 p.m. ET

Our monthly meeting usually features a garden- or plant-oriented program, door prizes and a business meeting. Come join us!

All events take place at the University of Florida/IFAS North Florida Research and Education Center - Quincy

Directions

- ◆ FROM I-10, take Exit 181, "Quincy - State Road (S.R.) 267", (about 20 miles west of Tallahassee)
- ◆ Turn north towards Quincy on S.R. 267.
- ◆ Immediately look for signs at the entrance drive, about 1/4 mile on the left (west) side of the road.

Previous Events

- ◆ Magnificent Magnolias
- ◆ Hypertufa Workshop
- ◆ Bees, Bats and Butterflies

Become a Friend!

c/o Ben White
155 Research Rd.
Quincy, FL 32351



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***Gardens of the Big Bend at the
UF/IFAS North Florida
Research and Education Center***

Gardens of the Big Bend is a new botanical and teaching garden located on the grounds of the University of Florida/IFAS North Florida Research and Education Center in Quincy (NFREC). The Gardens are being developed jointly by NFREC and Gardening Friends of the Big Bend. NFREC is a 1,000-acre facility with staffing and laboratory facilities involved in all aspects of agricultural research, including ornamental plants and gardening. *Gardens of the Big Bend:*

- ◆ Discovery Garden, featuring new, improved and underutilized plants
- ◆ Magnolia Garden, part of the PCN National Collection of Magnolia with more than 100 selections
- ◆ Jurassic Conifer Garden, an official "Reference Garden" of the American Conifer Society
- ◆ Dry Garden, a boulder-and-gravel berm planted with more than 170 kinds of drought-defying, low water-requiring plants
- ◆ Crapemyrtle Garden, with 100+ types
- ◆ Shade Garden, and more!



Goals

Goals of Gardening Friends of the Big Bend are:

- ◆ To expand outreach by fostering research and providing educational programs through partnerships with community organizations, schools and the horticulture industry
- ◆ To organize and participate in:
 - ◇ Special events in support of the Center
 - ◇ Routine garden maintenance and operation
 - ◇ Development of new and expanded public gardens
- ◆ To generate additional resources to enhance the mission and goals adopted by this organization including:
 - ◇ Soliciting donations and grants and holding fund raising activities
 - ◇ Volunteering time, material, and equipment

Member Benefits

- ◆ Early notification of special events.
- ◆ Discounts on tickets to sponsored events.
- ◆ Early purchasing or discounts on purchases at plant sales.
- ◆ Additional learning opportunities at NFREC.

"The love of gardening is a seed once sown that never dies." - Gertrude Jekyll

Membership Form

Please select membership type:

- Student \$10.00
- Individual Friend \$25.00
- Senior (age 62+) \$15.00
- Senior Family (age 62+) \$25.00
- Family \$35.00
- Business \$100.00
- Lifetime 10 × your rate above

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Return Membership Form to:**

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