



## Call to District XII Spring Meeting

**To: State and District Board Members, Club Presidents, Members, Former State Presidents, and Former District Directors, of District XII** *I changed the order – no offense to the 'formers' – just thought the 'currents' might be addressed first.*

**From: District XII Director, Marylou Ruiz**

**Date: Monday, October 21, 2013**

**Holiday Inn Key Largo, 99701 Overseas Highway Key Largo, FL 33037**

**Hosted by: Garden Club of the Upper Keys**

**\$35 per person, including tax and tip**

**Guest Speaker: Ken Nedimyer, Coral Restoration Foundation**

**Menu: Entrée: Choice of Island Mahi-Mahi Sandwich , Grilled Chicken Sandwich or Chicken Cobb Salad. Island Dessert Bar with Coffee and Tea.**

*Vegan or special diet by request*

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| <b>Agenda:</b> | <b>9:30 a.m.</b>  | <b>Reception and Registration<br/>(Coffee and assorted pastries)</b> |
|                | <b>10 a.m.</b>    | <b>Meeting Call to Order</b>   |
|                | <b>10:15</b>      | <b>Invocation and Introductions</b>                                  |
|                | <b>10:30</b>      | <b>District Business</b>   |
|                | <b>11:00</b>      | <b>State Officers</b>  |
|                | <b>11:45</b>      | <b>Break &amp; Raffle Ticket Purchase</b>                            |
|                | <b>12:00 a.m.</b> | <b>Luncheon</b>  |
|                | <b>1:00 p.m.</b>  | <b>Guest Lecture – Ken Nedimyer</b>                                  |
|                | <b>1:30p.m.</b>   | <b>Club and Committee Reports</b>                                    |
|                | <b>2:00 p.m.</b>  | <b>Announcements and Other Business</b>                              |
|                | <b>2:15p.m</b>    | <b>Raffle</b>  |
|                | <b>2:30p.m</b>    | <b>Meeting to be adjourned</b>                                       |

**RSVP: No later than Thursday, October 10, 2013.**

**Details:**

***We are also asking each club to bring ONE filled basket with a plant or other items to be used for the raffle instead of individual items.***

***Note: Club Treasurers are responsible for completing the registration forms and collecting registration fees. Forms and checks made payable to FFGC District XII and are to be mailed to:***

***Margo Hofeldt, 314 West San Marino Drive, Miami Beach, FL 33139  
Mark envelopes "District Meeting" and get them to Margo by October 10<sup>th</sup>.***

***Please encourage your Garden Club Members to attend! This is no average District Meeting. In fact, make this a Garden Club Weekend in the Keys. On a separate sheet, I have included all the details for booking your reservation at the Holiday Inn Key Largo. Also included is a list of things to do. If you want a leisurely weekend, look no further. I can attest to the fact that the hotel pool is great and you can enjoy a laid back day in the sun, on a chaise, reading your favorite book and sipping a margarita.***

***Please join us for a fun filled weekend and a great meeting! Remember, you do not want to be sitting in the meeting wishing you were at the beach!!***

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**DRIVING DIRECTIONS FROM MIAMI:**

Take 836 West to Florida Turnpike South. Go south until Turnpike merges into US 1. Remain south on US 1 for 25 miles until mile marker 100. We are located on the Oceanside.

**DRIVING DIRECTIONS FROM KEY WEST:**

US1 North to Mile Marker 100

***Hotel Front Desk Telephone: 305-451-2121***

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***Hotel Reservations Information:***

Rate: \$119.00+tax per night (Oct 19-Oct22)

You can reserve a room for one night, two nights or longer, if you so desire. When making your reservations, call this number: 305-453-7149 and mention you would like the room rate offered to the Garden Club of the Upper Keys. Michelle or Diane will be the ones answering this number.

Docked at the hotel is the "African Queen" ship which was used in the Humphrey Bogart movie. We will be offered a special rate of \$35 Sunday and Monday afternoons to take a cruise on this totally refurbished vessel of Hollywood history. You can check at the hotel for the booking information. **Judy, I may have the details**

confirmed to list in the letter/sheet: I think they book directly w/AQ, not through hotel