

# THE COONTIE CRIER

Newsletter of The Broward Chapter of the Florida Native Plant Society  
*Dedicated to the promotion and preservation of Native Plants!*

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## ANNUAL COONTIE CHAPTER MEETING

**Wednesday, June 13<sup>th</sup>** (2<sup>nd</sup> Wed.)

Agriculture Extension Service, 3245  
College Av, Davie

7:00p – 7:30p Meet and Greet

7:30p – 8:30p **POTLUCK &  
ELECTION OF BOARD DIRECTORS**

*Current Board Officers & Directors*

President: Kay Taylor

Vice Pres: Martha Martinez

Secretary:

Treasurer:

Director & Program Coordinator:

Eddie Yi

Director & Webmaster: Pete Taylor

Newsletter: Richard Brownscombe

## LOOKING FORWARD

The Broward Chapter of the Florida Native Plant Society takes a summer hiatus during July and August. We will return with a full program at our first meeting after summer on September 12<sup>th</sup>.

Please bring a dish for the annual Potluck. This Election of Board Directors is an important vote of the membership to choose the leadership for next year. It's also an opportunity to talk to with other members, enjoy a few light activities together, tell the Board what you want in the year to come, and enjoy the food of others.

The Secret Woods Nature Center is one of our closest partners. We encourage you to visit their website for a list of current activities: <http://www.broward.org/Parks/SecretWoodsNatureCenter/Pages/Default.aspx> Summer is a great time to visit the Broward County parks, city parks, and our State Parks. This map of Protected Lands in Broward: <http://gis.broward.org/flex/ProtectedNaturalLands/> & Google maps will help you find the parks you didn't know existed.



## NEW Florida Native Plant Society Website

On June 1<sup>st</sup>, FNPS launched a new website, <http://FNPS.org>. If you were lucky enough to attend the recent annual conference, you know that the new Executive Director, Kellie Westervelt, Board, staff, and volunteers are working hard to bring many improvements to the state organization to strengthen its ability to fulfill our mission for native plants. Please visit at FNPS.org and join a blog conversation (if that's what you enjoy) or send an email with support, or a contribution. If you have let your membership expire, help our Chapter and the state organization by joining now (on the [FNPS.org](http://FNPS.org) website) and naming Coontie as your home chapter. FNPS received a \$20,000 grant for strategic planning to expand these improvements.