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April 2026 News From Serenoa Chapter

General Meeting: Monday, April 13, 2026

6:30 PM - 8:30 PM EDT at Marie Selby Gardens & Zoom

Speaker: General Meeting & Program: Butterfly Landscaping with JP Charisma

Spring Wildflower Festival and Native Plant Sale: Saturday, April 18, 2026
Our Annual Fundraiser too!

9:00 AM to 3:00 PM EDT

Volunteer! Help promote the beauty and benefits of native plants!

We need volunteers for our fundraiser for Friday April 17th (setup), Saturday April 18th (lots of help needed morning and afternoon), and April 19 (10am-2pm) to staff a booth at Mixon Farms Market

Just in time for Earth Day — share your knowledge and enthusiasm with others. If you're interested, please email srepens@gmail.com for more details.

Conservation Update & Alerts

Apply for a grant to plant Native Plants

You could receive up to \$1,000 a grant from our chapter to build a Native Plant Garden.

Renew your membership today!

More April Learning Opportunities

Celebrate Arbor Month with UF/IFAS Extension Sarasota County and get a Native tree.

Scroll down for links and information.



New Serenoa Chapter T-Shirts - Shop Online



General Meeting & Program: Monday, April 13, 2026

General Meeting & Program: Butterfly Landscaping with JP Charisma

Social @ 6:30 PM, Meeting @ 7:00 PM EDT

Marie Selby Botanical Gardens

Join us for a presentation on butterfly landscaping with natives by JPCharisma, a passionate advocate for native plants who has been in the industry since 2019. In this presentation, JP will explore how to create thriving butterfly habitats using native plants. You'll learn which butterflies you can attract, the best plants to support them, and strategies for maintaining a successful native landscape. From seasonal expectations to expert pro tips, this guide will help you start your very own butterfly journey.

RSVP in meetup please. Note that Serenoa Chapter does not collect any payments via Meetup and registration for events is free. Non-Members of FNPS are welcome, but we encourage you to become a **member**.

RSVP



Field Trip: Spring Wildflower Festival and Native Plant Sale

Saturday, April 18, 2026 @ 9:00 AM to 3:00 PM EST

Sweetbay Nursery, 10824 Erie Rd · Parrish, FL

It's that time of year again! Our Annual Fundraiser and Native Plant Sale at **Sweetbay Nursery!**

We will have a large selection of native trees, shrubs, wildflowers, groundcovers, and grasses. There will be lots of vendors, volunteers, and fellow plant lovers to brighten your day as well.

All Florida Native Plant Society Members receive 15% off their plant purchases. So whether you're just starting with native plants or itching to add to your collection (let's face it, there's always room for one more plant) we hope to see you there!

The sale runs from 9am-3pm. You don't have to register on **Meetup**, so feel free to invite everyone you know 😊

Anyone can come