



Ixia Chapter of Florida Native Plant Society
General Meeting Agenda October 1, 2019
Willowbranch Library, 2875 Park St, Jacksonville, FL 32205
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6:30 CALL THE MEETING TO ORDER- Cate Hurlbut

BUSINESS MEETING

- Approval of Minutes – Cate
- Announcements
 - 2020 FNPS statewide conference planning
 - Ixia Annual Plant Sale at Native Park in April
- Field trips - Walter

PROGRAM

Pete Johnson will give an overview of the diversity of native plants and birds protected in the Crosby Sanctuary. This 560-acre Duval Audubon owned property contains bottomland swamp connected to the Ortega River, McGirts Creek, and Black Creek Riparian systems. It also contains mixed pine hardwood forest and live oak hammock habitats.

The entrance has been planted with native plants recently with the help of an Ixia grant and in the past with help by Jake Ingram and others. Later in the month there will be a field trip to the Crosby Sanctuary to visit and explore this area. This presentation will focus on the latest native planting project and provide photographs of the process.

Pete Johnson is a biologist and certified Professional Wetland Scientist. He currently works as an environmental consultant on projects for public and private sector clients throughout the south east United States. He graduated from UCF in 1995 with a B.S. in Limnology. Pete feels lucky to have had Dr. Walter Kingsley Taylor (author of many native plant field guides) as a professor. He has been a member of Ixia since 2007 and Duval Audubon since 2000. His outdoor passions are birding, bicycling and native plant walks.

ADJOURNMENT

Save the Date

TLC Saturdays at Native Park Monthly maintenance at Native Park from 8:30-11:30am. Come and join the group working in the park for an hour or two and learn about native plants and envision what ones will work best in your yard.

Oct. 5

Nov. 9

Dec. 7

Field Trip Oct. 26 Crosby Sanctuary. Check Ixia website for details.

General Meetings

Tue Nov. 9 6-8pm. Terry Zinn, chair of Florida Wildflower Foundation - "Easy Wildflowers to Grow."
See <https://flawildflowers.org/planting/>

No meeting in December

Jan. 7th, 2020 Scott Davis, Monarch Milkweed Initiative at St. Marks National Wildlife Refuge. Read about Scott and the project at <https://www.fws.gov/nwrs/threecolumn.aspx?id=2147588789> Short video of project. <https://wfsu.org/local-routes/2019-03-14/st-marks-refuge-monarch-milkweed-initiative/>