



“Peaceful”

## Upfront

Welcomed cooler weather is on the way in the next month or so, reminding us of the reason we choose to live in this beautiful place known as Florida, “the land of flowers.” With the cooler weather returning so do our seasonal residents. Hopefully everyone had a great summer and a safe trip back to paradise.

Although we had the coldest winter on record in recent years, the plant material is now in full growth force. The heat and rain of summer is just what we needed to get things growing again. This last quarter of 2010 should be a spectacular show of flowering plant material, abundant foliage growth creating the habitats needed for our birds and butterflies.

Thank you for allowing us to provide you services during the past year, from design work to full blown installation, Gardening maintenance or a trip to our Garden Center we do appreciate you being our customer.

We thank you and wish you and your families a Happy and Healthy Holiday Season and a Tremendous New Year.

With sincere appreciation,

*Stephen and Michelle Hazeltine*

# Design Time

*"Landscape Architects and Garden Designers create, and continually re-imagine, earthly paradise"*

## Maxine Barritt Park



**D**edication and ground opening ceremonies of the new waterfront Maxine Barritt Park occurred on Friday, September 17<sup>th</sup>. The park was renamed in honor of the visionary who promoted use of the land from the old water treatment plant for the waterfront park. I was fortunate enough to be part of the design team led by Magnum Builders who was selected for the park design.

Maxine Barritt Park is located south of Sharky's On The Pier and north of the dog park on Harbor Drive in Venice. The park is approximately nineteen acres in size with a large pond at its center. A multi use trail circumvents the pond and is the main connection for park amenities. Four viewing decks, one consisting of a beach walkover, were designed along the edge of the coastal dune. Removal of exotics and restoration of the coastal dune has greatly improved the view to the gulf and will improve the health of the dune system.

Amenities to this park include two bathroom facilities, an eighty foot octagonal pavilion, multiple picnic shelters throughout the park and a playground area. Walkway connections to Sharky's and the dog beach are also provided.

To minimize water use in the park, the planting design uses all native or indigenous species of the area. Turf parking was used in much of the parking area to reduce the amount of impervious surface within the park.

Make sure you take the opportunity to visit the newest addition to the wonderful park system we have in Venice, Florida.

*Dennis A. Barth  
Landscape Architect  
FL RLA #0001613*



*We all live under the same sky, but we don't all have the same horizon.*

*—Konrad Adenauer*

# Maintenance Matters



The summer of 2010 is finally coming to a close. The rains have been unpredictable and very sporadic. The lack of steady rainfall in late afternoons that we rely on to supplement our properties has made landscape management quite challenging. Some of the palms affected by the cold winter are showing signs of recovery. Proposals will be provided for any palms in need of being replaced due to frost or freeze damage. We are in the process of pruning palms, mulching your planter beds and installing fall annuals. We would like to establish meetings with you this fall and winter to review your landscape and make any recommendations for upgrades or new plant selections. We thrive to be stewards of the environment and encourage our clients to enjoy their outdoor surroundings. It is a continued pleasure to serve you in the beautification of your landscape. Thank you and have a happy & healthy holiday season.

Hazeltine Nurseries would also like to invite our clients to take advantage of a Christmas/Holiday lighting design. Please contact us for more information.

*Taren Sufferling*  
Director of Sales/Gardening Division

*Nature does not hurry, yet everything is accomplished.*

—Lao Tzu

## Greenhouse Gossip



The Garden Center is currently working on our 6th Annual Fall Festival. The official dates are October 14th, 15th and 16th from 9 am – 5 pm. We are so excited to have Lou's Bonsai returning as well as our own brilliant & creative Designers and a help desk from the University of Florida with its Garden Masters to answer all your gardening questions. In addition, there will be production walks of the cold hardy material we grow at our nursery. We have ninety acres under production. Some of our specialties are tropical cold hardy palms and gorgeous Ligustrum trees that we have been growing for up to eighteen years. We also will be having a couple of different speakers from different services. Our Irrigation department will have two complete displays set up: the conventional irrigation system and a low water management system. Each will have meters and valves to switch the two systems so you can actually see the difference in gallon usage. Also, our Gardening Maintenance division has the Retail Garden Center as a client to show off! Here comes Christmas right around the palm tree! We have ordered our Fraser Firs directly from our personal growers out of Northwest North Carolina and Southwest Virginia in the heart of the Blue Ridge Mountains. The Fraser Fir has continued to edge out all other species by major retailers and wholesalers because of its endurance, marketability and functionality. The Fraser Fir is known as the "Cadillac of all Christmas Trees." It has soft, pleasant-to-touch needles, incomparable needle retention, long lasting aroma, and more pliable yet stronger branches for even the heaviest ornaments. For our end of year event we will continue our tradition of the Holiday Spectacular. If you have



missed it before, be sure to pay us a visit this year. As you drive along River Road you'll see lights in the distant trees. That is the entrance to our Garden Center. As you enter and come up our driveway lined with lights you pass through our scenic displays created by each of our company's seven divisions; Pavers, Maintenance, Landscape, Irrigation, Design, Accounting and finally the Garden Center where all the magic happens. We will have Fraser Firs all decked out in our 20,000 square foot greenhouse. All the fresh cut trees will be sitting in water with overhead irrigation operating at night to help preserve them for as long as possible. Poinsettias will be everywhere; wreaths hanging here and there; large gifts covered with lights, some reindeer and of course holiday music that brings out the child in everyone and memories that will last a lifetime.

We hope to see you soon!

*Brian Chuchro*  
Retail Garden Center Manager

# Recipe

## Deb's Green Beans with Bacon

- 2 lbs. fresh green beans trimmed
- 3 slices bacon
- 2 tablespoons finely chopped shallots
- ¼ cup red wine vinegar
- 1 tablespoon honey
- 1 tablespoon Dijon mustard
- ½ tsp fresh ground black pepper
- ¼ tsp kosher salt

Cook beans in boiling water for 5 minutes. Drain and plunge into ice water, drain and place in a large bowl.

Cook bacon in skillet over medium heat until crisp. Remove bacon from pan (keeping 1 teaspoon of drippings in pan). Crumble bacon and set aside.

Add shallots to drippings in pan and cook 1-½ minutes. Add vinegar and cook another 30 seconds, scrapping pan to loosen browned bits.

Drizzle mixture over beans.

Combine honey, mustard and salt and pepper. Stir with a whisk.

Pour over green beans, toss to coat. Sprinkle with crumbled bacon.

*We hope you enjoy the recipes we put in each issue of our newsletter. If you would like to share any "tried and true" recipes with our other readers please email them to [choffmann@hazeltinenurseries.com](mailto:choffmann@hazeltinenurseries.com) or fax them to 941-488-6236, attention Carla Hoffmann.*

## Earth Words

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# Upcoming Events

**The Garden Center at HazelTine Nurseries**  
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**Garden Center hours:**  
Monday-Friday: 8:00 am-5:00 pm  
Saturday: 9:00 am-5:00 pm

**6th Annual Fall Harvest Festival**  
October 14th, 15th and 16th, 2010  
9am - 5pm

- Design tours
- Make your own Bonsai tree
- Kids pumpkin Painting

**Holiday Spectacular**  
November 26th - December 23rd, 2010  
*Note Garden Center Hours changed:*  
Monday thru Saturday 8am - 8pm  
Sunday 12pm - 5pm

**Spring Fling Extravaganza**  
April 7th, 8th and 9th, 2011

*Look for other dates for future special events and classes to be announced*

**Marie Selby Botanical Gardens**  
900 South Palm Avenue  
Sarasota, FL 34236  
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**Women Contemporary Artists Members  
Juried Fall Exhibition**  
**Date:** October 7-December 5, 2010  
**Time:** 10:00 am-4:30 pm  
**Location:** Museum of Botany and the Arts  
**Contact:** Marilyn Shelley  
**Email:** [mshelley@selby.org](mailto:mshelley@selby.org)

**World Generiad Research Conference**  
**Date:** October 13-15, 2010  
**Contact:** John R. Clark  
**Phone:** 941-366-5731 ext 256  
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**Gesneriad Society Show and Sale**  
**Date:** October 16-17, 2010  
**Time:** 10:00 am-5:00 pm  
**Location:** Great Room by the Bay  
**Contact:** John R. Clark  
**Phone:** 941-366-5731 ext 256  
**Email:** [jrclark@selby.org](mailto:jrclark@selby.org)

**Orchid Society Show and Sale**  
**Date:** October 23 - 24, 2010  
**Time:** 10:00 am - 5:00 pm  
**Contact:** Monroe Kokin  
**Email:** [orchidpix@comcast.net](mailto:orchidpix@comcast.net)

Entrance is included with admission to the Gardens

**8th Annual Watercolor Classes Exhibition**  
**Date:** November 12, 2010-January 26, 2011  
**Time:** 10:00 am - 4:00 pm  
**Email:** [contactus@selby.org](mailto:contactus@selby.org)

### Selby Lights in Bloom

**Date:** December 17, 2010  
**Time:** 6:00 pm - 9:00 pm

You won't want to miss this festive, colorful celebration! Stroll through magical gardens decked with brilliant light displays. Enjoy live holiday music, children's activities, garden trains, and a visit to Santa. Festive food and drink available for purchase.

Not open on December 24th or 25th. You can purchase tickets in the Selby Gardens Welcome Center beginning December 1, 2010.

You may want to visit our website and click on the link to see our YouTube site! [www.hazeltinenurseries.com](http://www.hazeltinenurseries.com)

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