

project was approved by the garden club. A core team performed education and outreach activities to encourage and inform homeowners how to certify their own yards. Lists of site-specific native plant species are available at each garden club meeting and on the garden club's website and Facebook page. Lists of birds, how to attract them, and bird nesting boxes are available at many garden club meetings.

Information pages showing which native plants attract specific types of butterflies are available on Keowee Key's National Wildlife Federation homepage. Clean up activities within Keowee Key have kept the community attractive and earned points towards our certification.

In addition to the education and outreach activities, certifications of individual backyards and garden spaces are required. Keowee Key has nearly 100 individual homes and 4 common spaces certified. The certified common spaces are: Chestnut Point, Laurel Park, Leisure Trail, and Marina Villas. Be sure to visit these sites and see our newly installed National Wildlife Federation signs recognizing these spaces as wildlife-friendly.

Through a combination of registration, administration, education, outreach points, as well as certification points of garden spaces, Keowee Key attained the requisite 250 total points for our population. On August 10, we were officially certified! Please view our certificate on the garden club website listed below. The certificate will also be proudly displayed in the newly renovated Clubhouse.

If you would like to certify your own yard, visit [www.nwf.org/certify](http://www.nwf.org/certify).

Cost is a one-time fee of \$20, payable online, at the web link above.

Keowee Key's webpage on the National Wildlife Federation website offers resources mentioned in this article about native plants, deer resistant plants, attracting Eastern Bluebirds, attracting butterflies and

much more. View these resources and the many beautiful photographs at <https://www.nwf.org/CommunityWildlifeHabitat/Communities/Community/349>.

To connect with other people interested in gardening with wildlife in mind, please join the Lake and Hills Garden Club. Meetings are held the second Friday of each month. For details, visit [www.lakeandhills-gardenclub.com](http://www.lakeandhills-gardenclub.com).

**Native Plants for Butterfly Garden – South Marina**

Bought by Alice Guzick, South Carolina Native Plant Society Greenhouses in Greenville:

- 4 *Asclepias tuberosa* (Milkweed, Orange) 4" pots, mature height 24 inches
- 6 *Echinacea purpurea* (Coneflower, Purple) 4" pots, mature height 24 inches
- 2 *Lobelia cardinalis* (Cardinal Flower, Red) one-gallon pots, mature height 24-36 inches
- 2 *Eupatorium fistulosum* (Joe Pye Weed, Pink-ish) one-gallon pots, mature height 6 feet
- 2 *Vernonia noveboracensis* (New York Ironweed) one-gallon pots, mature height 6 feet

Donated by Donna Buchanan:

- *Liatris* "Microcephala,"
- *Salvia* "Lyrical Blues,"
- *Penstemon* "Husker Red," *Eupatorium*
- Joe Pye Weed "Pink Frost,"
- Dill and Italian parsley

Planted by Mark Dahill and Kendall

- American Beautyberry
- *Solidago* (Goldenrod)
- *Hosta*
- Joe Pye Weed
- Variegated *Sedum*
- *Clinopodium georgianum* (Georgia Savory).



Joe Pye Weed "Pink Frost"    Liatris    Milkweed    New York Ironweed    Purple Coneflower    Salvia "Lyrical Blues"    Sedum    American Beautyberry    Penstemon "Husker Red"