



Miami Blue Chapter, NABA April 2014 E-news

Above: Elane Nuehring on a nature stroll at Lucky Hammock. Photo courtesy of Becky Smith.

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Spring NABA Shark Valley Count Saturday, March 29, 9 am - 5 pm

Meet in the Shark Valley parking lot at 9 am. After counting butterflies at Shark Valley, we will drive east on Tamiami Trail and stop at several locations on our way back.

To reach Shark Valley, go west on Tamiami Trail (SW 8th St.); the entrance will be on your left. If you pass the Miccosukee Restaurant, you have gone too far. A national park fee is charged per vehicle; bring another \$3 for the NABA fee.

Let us know if you plan to participate at miamiblue@bellsouth.net. On the day of the count, call Linda Evans at 305-979-9623.

Native Plant Day 2014 Saturday, April 5, 9 am - 1 pm

John Pennekamp Coral Reef State Park
Mile Marker 102.5 Oceanside
Entrance fee waived for event attendees

Native plant giveaway, native drought and salt-tolerant plants, plant identification, nature walks, children's activities and more!

10 am
Creating a Seaside Garden with Salt Tolerant and Drought Resistant Plants
Janice Duquesnel



White Peacock at Shark Valley
Photo by Ron Nuehring



Queen at Shark Valley
Photo by Ron Nuehring

Schaus Suveys

Schaus' Swallowtail surveys begin again in mid April and continue to mid June. Email miamiblue@bellsouth.net if you wish to join us. We will send you the dates and locations.

11 am and noon

Tropical hardwood hammock nature walks
led by Susan Matthews

Butterfly Festival Saturday-Sunday, April 12-13

Fairchild Tropical Botanic Garden
Lectures in the Science Village Classroom
Butterfly plants at the Spring Plant Sale
Butterflies and friends throughout the Garden

Join us for two days of butterfly revelry. Coastal butterflies will be the center of attention, in lectures and discussion.

Saturday, April 12

10:15 am

Welcome and Announcements

Linda Evans, President, Miami Blue Chapter, NABA

10:30 am

Butterflies and their Gardens

Georgia Tasker, FTBG

11:30 am

Attracting Butterflies to Coastal Gardens

Roger Hammer, PhD, Florida International University; naturalist and author

1:30 pm

Robert L. Kelley Keynote Lecture

Coastal Butterflies and their Habitats: A Virtual Tour

Jaret C. Daniels, PhD, University of Florida

3:30 pm

Wings of the Tropics at Fairchild: Construction, Content and Conservation

Martin Feather, FTBG

Sunday, April 13



The audience at a previous Butterfly Days lecture.



See Hank Poor work his macro-photography magic at Butterfly Days.



An Atala at Fairchild.

See the exhibit, "Butterflies of
Subtropical South Florida"



Michelle Wisniewski's Ceraunus Blue male is one of

10:30 am

Conservation of Coastal Butterflies in South Florida and Cuba
Marc Minno, PhD, University of Florida

11:30 am

Macro-photography at its Finest
Hank Poor
Demonstrations in the Science Village Laboratories

1:30 pm

Robert L. Kelley Keynote Lecture
Butterfly Conservation Initiatives: Efforts to Help Protect our
Charismatic Microfauna
Jaret C. Daniels, PhD, University of Florida

3:30 pm

How to Shoot Bugs: Natural Photography in the Field
Mark Deering



Elane Nuehring Celebration of Life Saturday, April 19, 1 - 4 pm

Fairchild Tropical Botanic Garden
Ballroom (above the gift shop)

Our former president Elane Nuehring recently passed away after a long illness. We all miss her, as a friend and as a tireless

several of her images included in the "Butterflies of Subtropical South Florida."

The photo exhibit, "Butterflies of Subtropical South Florida," presents fine quality images, professionally displayed, of butterflies known to occur in southernmost Florida. It also includes interpretive materials about butterflies. The South Florida National Parks Trust provided initial grant support for this exhibit. [Learn more.](#)

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Butterfly Walks at Fairchild Tropical Botanic Garden

Led by our MBC-NABA Chapter members

Saturdays and Sundays, 10:00 am - 11:00 am

Meet at the Visitor's Center and join an expert for a guided Butterfly and Plant Walk through beautiful Fairchild Tropical Botanic Garden. Learn about the butterflies of South Florida and the plants on which they depend. Get to know the one acre Lisa D. Anness Butterfly Garden for your personal butterfly garden inspiration. The Garden is located at: 10901 Old Cutler Road, Coral Gables Florida, 305 667-1651; www.fairchildgarden.org. Walks are free after garden admission.

If you have good, sharp images of the Miami Blue or Nickerbean (Acacia) Blue in your photo files, consider sending them to us for our masthead.

supporter of Miami Blue. Join us at one of her favorite place, in a remembrance and celebration of her life.

Beverages and light food will be served; carry-in contributions will be appreciated. A program of shared comments will commence at 3.

If you would be willing to write a few sentences about Elane, perhaps describing a shared experience or just sharing your thoughts, please send that to Ron Nuehring at reen6290@bellsouth.net. We would like to create a small booklet as a memento for those who attend the event.

Donations in Elane's memory may be made to Fairchild Tropical Botanic Garden, Tropical Audubon Society, or Best Friends Animal Sanctuary.

Elane had an enduring concern for stray pets, and did her best to find homes for as many as possible. Most of the pets who shared her home over the years were "volunteers" who came to her for food or shelter. For those of you with a similar interest, a donation in her name to Best Friends Animal Sanctuary, Angel Canyon, Kanab, Utah, would be an excellent choice.

Glancy Pineland Field Trip Saturday, April 26, 4:30 pm

The Dade Chapter of the Florida Native Plant Society and Miami Blue NABA will visit the pineland of Terry and Barbara Glancy, which is especially nice because of two prescribed burns in two years. (Both groups also visited there in August 2012, after the first of these burns. We expect to see lots of spring wildflowers, and the Glancys would like us to add to their list of butterflies and moths.

Please contact Patty Phares by April 25 for the address, directions and more information ([305-255-6404](tel:305-255-6404), pphares@mindspring.com). This will be an easy walk on firebreaks.

Terry will also present a program about their 36 years of pineland restoration on May 27 to the Florida Native Plant Society, 7:30 at Pinecrest Gardens. The meeting

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Please note that NABA has raised our dues. Due to periodic problems with our PO Box (# 141667, Coral Gables FL 33114) we recommend that renewals and new memberships be sent directly to **NABA, 4 Delaware Road, Morristown, New Jersey, 07960.**

JOIN NABA and the Miami Blue Chapter; membership information is at: www.miamiblue.org.

Check the full year calendar for the chapter at: www.miamiblue.org.

Check us out on Facebook and have your say: <http://www.facebook.com/pages/No-Amer-Butterfly-Assn-MIAMI-CHAPTER/325985851002>

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is free and open to the public. (See <http://dade.fnpschapters.org> in early May.)"

Miami Blue Quarterly Meeting Sunday, May 4, 1-3 pm

Fairchild Tropical Botanic Garden
Science Village Classroom

Hank Poor will present a lecture and slide presentation on his macro photography of butterflies. Hank is a Miami Blue member and a Fairchild volunteer. His photography will astound all who attend.

The entrance fee to the Garden will be waived for Miami Blue Chapter, NABA members.

NABA Biennial Meeting Thursday, June 12 - Sunday, June 15

Chattanooga, Tennessee

NABA's national meeting is loaded with field trips, lectures, and butterfly watchers. Details are at <http://naba.org/meeting.html>.
