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Thursday, October 13, 2022—10:00am White Fences Equestrian Center 3978 Hanover Circle Loxahatchee, FL 33470

Cost: Free Meet at the Carpool Locations at 9:30AM. Leave no later than 9:40AM.

White Fences Equestrian Center began as the original home of the Palm Beach Dressage Derby in the 1980s- once the highest purse dressage show in the country. After reorganization and a lull of shows, Ingred Lin restarted the Welcome Back to White Fences show series in 2006. After her passing in 2009, her son, Adam Pollak, took over and greatly expanded both the horse boarding and series of horse shows. The 26-acre property at that time consisted mostly of open fields, an old growth Pond Cypress stand, and a number of invasives planted as landscape shade trees. Even more so after removing many of the invasive Bischofia, the property was an empty slate for planting. What initially started as a haphazard planting of flowering trees evolved into an arboretum of flowering trees with hybridization and breeding projects to create new and superior flowering tree cultivars. White Fences Arboretum was created as an overlay of the existing White Fences Equestrian Center with plantings extending into neighboring properties as well.

There are many different flowering trees, tropical palms, and forestry trees, but by far, the largest collection of trees represented are the Floss Silk Trees. Native to South America, they are one of the showiest flowering trees that can be grown in South Florida. One of the easiest ways to spot them is by the highly spiked trunks. While many other great flowering trees have a limited palette of colors, many different species within the Floss Silk group easily hybridize, which allows for the creation of new flowers of all different shapes, colors, and sizes. The main bloom season is Sept-Nov. We hope that you will come visit and see many of them in their blooming glory!

Address/directions: 3978 Hanover Cir. Loxahatchee, FL 33470 Visitors must use Seminole Pratt Whitney Rd to Sycamore Dr. **Do not use Lion Country Safari Rd.**

Lunch will follow at Wellington National Golf Club, 400 Binks Forest Dr., Wellington, FL. (at the individual's expense).

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