

Institute for Regional Conservation

# August 2018 Newsletter

## George Gann will present at the 2018 Pine Rockland and Tropical Botany Conference

George Gann, IRC's Chief Conservation Strategist, will be giving a keynote presentation during the 2018 Pine Rockland and Tropical Botany conference at Fairchild Tropical Botanic Garden in Miami.

The conference will take place from October 30th to November 4th. For more information, <u>click here.</u>



## **New & Extended IRC Projects**



- IRC's collaboration with EEL and private pine rockland landowners has proved to be of great importance to the restoration of pine rockland habitats. Our work thus far on these areas has just been approved for additional funding in the amount of \$95,000 on the Pine Rockland Restoration project in Miami-Dade and Monroe county from U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service.
- IRC has just signed a contract with NatureServe to receive funding to develop a list of trees native to Puerto Rico and the U.S. Virgin Islands which will be added to the Plantas de la Isla de Puerto Plants / Plants of the Islands of Puerto Rico website and other resources. IRC's Senior Botanist, Carlos Trejo-Torres will be spearheading this project.
- IRC will be starting a new campaign with the goal to raise \$25,000 to launch The Floristic Inventory of the Bahamas Archipelagos website. Raymond Jungles, Inc. has donated support towards the final development and launch of this floristic inventory.

He will be one of the many links to moving this exciting project forward.

### **Exciting IRC Features**

IRC's George Gann and our Natives for Your Neighborhood website were featured in the Palm Beach Post last month from a native plant photo exhibit! <u>Link to</u> <u>feature.</u>

George Gann was a contributor to the Renewal: Going Native photo exhibit event at the Palm Beach Photographic Centre. This event was hosted by the Palm Beach County Chapter of The Native Plant Society. IRC's restoration work at Lake Ida Parcel in Delray Beach was featured in the Sun Sentinel last month! <u>Link</u> <u>to feature.</u>

If you're interested in being a part of this, please join us at our next volunteer event on September 15th! More information on this event can be found on our website or Facebook page. Allison Turner's recent appointment to IRC's Board of Directors has been mentioned on both the Palm Beach Post and the Sun-Sentinel this month! <u>Link to SS feature.</u> Link to PBP feature.

Check out Natives for Your Neighborhood!

#### **Volunteer Day Announcements**

- Lake Ida Parcel Volunteer Day #4 Just a reminder that we will have our 4th volunteer day at Lake Ida Parcel on Saturday, September 15th from 9:00am to 12:00pm. Like our most recent volunteer day, the main focus will be on planting native plants. For more information, click here.
- Lummus Park Volunteer Day #2 The August 24th Lummus Park Volunteer day has been postponed until Friday, October 5th from 9:00am to 12:00pm. More information as the day gets closer.
- Atlantic Dunes Park Volunteer Day A new volunteer day at Atlantic Dunes Park in Delray Beach is coming up on Saturday, October 6th from 9:00am to 12:00pm. This event is made possible thanks to a grant from The Conduent Foundation. More information as the day gets closer. <u>Click here</u> for a link to The Conduent Foundation website.

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