

Lombard Garden Club
Programs for 2021-2022

Unless otherwise noted online programs begin at 1:00 p.m.

Friday, April 23, 2021

Noelle Luchinski, Green Branch Florist
Spring Arrangements

Noelle has her business in Glen Ellyn and has been a presenter at the Floral Symphony for many years. Her arrangements are dazzling and delightful. She will present a variety of festive seasonal spring arrangements.

Program Chair: Jeannine Warkow

Friday, May 28, 2021

Ken Benson
Landscaping with Curb Appeal

This is an informative, interactive and descriptive program on the do's and don'ts along with the myths of curb appeal. We will explore the reality and actuality of developing visually appealing gardens while avoiding common mistakes. Photos from Florida, New Mexico and Arizona examine trends influencing our Midwest landscaping

Program Chair: Barb Madigan

Friday, June 25, 2021

Pam Otto
Jumping Worms, Stink Bugs, Viburnum Beetles and the Like

Pam will talk about the behavior and control measures of invasive species, in particular: Jumping worms, Viburnum leaf beetle & Brown marmorated stink bug. Attendees will learn to recognize these invaders and understand how they are affecting both the home and natural landscape. As an added feature, she will briefly address the "cicada forecast" for our area in 2021 and beyond.

Program Chair: Sharon Rakowski

Friday, July 23, 2021

Garden Walk

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Friday Aug. 27, 2021

Show and Tell

Garden Gear

Club members will show their favorite gardening tools, apparel, and other helpful accoutrements. They will tell why it is so fabulous, where they got it and perhaps we'll see a few demonstrations on how to use it.

Program Chair: Cher Herlache

Friday Sept. 24, 2021

Kay McKeen SCARCE - *Field Trip*

Founding Fathers, Sustainability, & Recycling

The energetic presentation by Kay McKeen will address the many aspects of sustainability and conservation, including the history and importance of composting, water, and our direct, timeless connection to nature and the environment. It will also provide tips on how to protect our resources and where to dispose of unwanted materials properly, as well as further explain multiple SCARCE programs, initiatives, and relationships. Attendees will definitely leave with valuable information pertaining to healthy living, prosperous gardens, and pollution reduction. Other related issues can be addressed based on comments and conversations that stem from this interesting, environmentally-based program. The program will be followed by a tour of the SCARCE facility in Addison, highlighting all of its ongoing collections, the individuals SCARCE helps with its resources, and the constant education it provides. - You won't believe your eyes!

Program Chair: Janet Kenny

Friday October 22, 2021

Bill Karges

More Dirt from Bill (*but he is amending his ways*)

Fall is a great time to improve your soil for next year, but how do you choose the right amendments and fertilizers for your needs? Bill will go through all the options to help you decide which ones are the best. He'll also explain the differences between all the different soils currently on the market.

Program Chair: Cher Herlache

Friday Nov. 12, 2021

**Jane Grillo – Certified nature/forest therapy guide
“What is Shinrin-yoku? The Practice of Forest Bathing/Nature Therapy”**

The term Shinrin-yoku (forest bathing) refers to the practice of taking slow walks in woodland areas with the goal of better health and well-being. It was developed in Japan in the 1980s and has become a component of their preventive healthcare. However, the many benefits of spending time in nature, no matter the setting, have been recognized by many world cultures for hundreds of years. This interactive presentation will cover some of the activities you can do while spending time outdoors in any natural setting to help awaken your senses, be mindful of your surroundings and build a deeper connection with nature. We will also take a look at the many benefits of spending time in green spaces.

Program Chair: Jeannine Warkow

Friday December 10, 2021 - Holiday Luncheon

**Shamrock Garden Florists
Linda Trevoy and Ian Castillo**

Holiday Floral Demonstration

Locations in Lombard, Winfield, Riverside and Elmhurst

Location: TBA

11:30 Friendship Time, Noon Luncheon

Program Chair: Barb Madigan

Friday January 28, 2022

Martin Bartz

“Succulents: Care, Culture and Uses”

Learn some pro tips about the do's and don'ts regarding the care of succulents. Martin will take a brief look at the different cultural traits of commonly used succulents and how to use them in containers. He loves to do a show and tell (if applicable) and may provide some giveaways of plants if we meet in person. Martin will be presenting from the point of view as a grower and educator, and would love to discuss the experiences that everyone has had with these exciting plants.

Program Chair: Jeannine Warkow

Friday February 25, 2022

Ken Benson

“Houseplants: Our Friends”

We can brighten our homes with some tried and true houseplants. We will explore their needs, best locations, disease, insects and cultures in our homes in this informative and interactive presentation.

How do you bring in your plants in the fall? How did Grandmother always grow great plants?

Program Chair: Barb Madigan

Friday March 25, 2022

Mike Nowak

That Ain't No Way to Treat a Tree!

Mike Nowak is not really an arborist. He just plays one on the radio. Actually, for the past 20-plus years on Chicago radio, people have asked him to answer their tree care questions, which means

he's gone to a lot of arborists for answers. Along the way, he's figured out that a lot of folks are clueless about how trees work. So, he walks through the basics – how to choose a tree, where to site it, how to plant it, how to water, mulch and prune it, and more. He also shows you some spectacular specimens ‘tree fails.’ And he has some advice for the kinds of trees you should – and shouldn't - be planting in your yard.

Program Chair: Rick Hennessy

Friday April 22, 2022 – Spring Luncheon

Andrew's Garden

Spring Floral Arrangements

Locations in Wheaton and coming soon to Naperville

Location: TBA

11:30 Friendship Time, Noon Luncheon

Program Chair: Jeannine Warkow