

LGC Programs for 2019-2020

Friday, May 24, 2019

Nancy Carroll

Hummingbirds - Our Flying Jewels

Nancy, who is a member of The Hummingbird Society and Illinois and National Audubon Society, will share many interesting and amazing facts about Hummers. Learn how to identify different species, what to plant in a yard to attract them as well as information about feeders. Find out how anyone of all ages from young kids to 100 years old can have a Hummingbird zoom into their yard! For fun, the speaker will also provide ideas about making Hummingbird art, other whimsical ideas and terrific informative handouts and give-away items.

Program Chair: Rick Hennessy

*** Friday, June 28, 2019**

Field Trip 10:00 a.m.

Cantigny House and Gardens

We will be touring the Robert McCormick House followed by a tour of the newly renovated gardens. A tour guide will take us through the house followed by a tour around the gardens by a Master Gardener Docent. Lunch is on our own in any one of the restaurants or a bag lunch, if preferred, will follow our tour.

Parking is \$10 per car, so carpooling is suggested.

Please arrive by 9:30 to be at the house entrance for the tour by 9:55 a.m.

Program Chair: Diana Fries

***Friday, July 19, 2019**

Garden Walk

Program Chair: Sharon Rakowski

Details to be announced

Friday, August 23, 2019

Cindy Tyley

Tips for the Lazy Gardener

Discover useful ways to save time, energy and money while gardening. This show-and-tell presentation demonstrates tips for both indoor and outdoor gardening throughout the year.

Program Chair: Rick Hennessy

Friday, September 27, 2019

Marcy Lautenen-Raleigh
Become an Herbal Gourmet

Learn simple techniques to include herbs in your everyday cooking. From infusing herbs into butter, salt, sugar, and vinegar, she will discuss blending herbs and techniques for using items created.

Program Chair: Barb Muzzey

Friday, October 25, 2019

Glenn Grosch
Growing Hydrangeas in the Chicago Area

Glenn will give a colorful and fact-filled presentation on successfully growing hydrangeas in the Chicago area. Each of 5 species will be covered as to hardiness, light requirements and moisture needs. The issues of how to prune for flower display and how to manage the blue/pink will be discussed in clear detail.

Program Chair: Sharon Rakowski

Friday, November 8, 2019

Maggie Smith
For the Love of Lavender

An introduction to the history, different varieties, growing, care and the vast uses of lavender from culinary to aromatherapy.

Program Chair: Jeannine Warkow

*** Friday, December 13, 2019 - Luncheon**

Andrew Parravano owner of Andrew's Garden will present many extremely creative floral designs for us to enjoy. Holiday Luncheon, Allegra Banquets, Villa Park, 11:30 Friendship Time, Noon Luncheon

Program Chair: Jeannine Warkow

Friday, January 24, 2020

Edward Max
Spring Ephemerals

Edward will bring a description along with slides of native florals, bulbs, and blooming shrubs in the spring.

Program Chair: Sharon Rakowski

Friday, February 28, 2020
Wild Ones of Greater DuPage
Native Plants

An experienced and engaging member of Wild Ones of Greater DuPage will speak on the benefits of native plants. The focus of the talk will be to show specific species of native plants that are easy to grow in your garden.

Program Chair: Sharon Rakowski

Friday, March 27, 2020
Kay McKeen – SCARCE

Kay will give an informative presentation where we will learn about our Founding Fathers' commitment to sustainability and today's efforts to sustain soil, water and air.

Program Chairs: Lisa Mertz/Marion Martin

*** Friday, April 24, 2020 – Luncheon**
Mike Nowak

“That Ain't No Way to Treat a Tree”

Mike is not an arborist – he just plays one on the radio. He examines some science, offers practical advice and tells some funny stories about trees and the people who seem to misunderstand them no matter how many times you tell them not to bump into the trunk with their lawn mowers.

Program Chair: Barb Muzzey

Spring Luncheon

Location: TBA

*** Indicates a members only event**