



November-December 2022

Greetings from Our President

What a gardening, and Garden Club year it has been! It was a nice wet spring, and a good not too hot or dry summer, with an amazing warm fall! We could say the same about our Garden Club year as well. Our activities were very successful and our projects keep improving with each passing season. As a Garden Club, we owe a big “thank you” to all those who pitched in and made it happen. We could never accomplish all we do without so many wonderful volunteers showing up week after week to get the job done.

As a way to express our gratitude, your Board of Directors is planning a very special Holiday Gathering that promises some nice surprises. If you are a member, come join us for a no cost catered dinner (non-member spouses and guests are welcome with a paid fee). There will be the usual Holiday games and live music, but we are adding some touches that we have never done before. I won't spoil the surprises by giving any more details, except to add, *you will not be disappointed*. So please be sure to sign up and join us Monday evening, December 12th at St Simon's Church Hall for a delightful time at our Holiday Party! See page 3 for party details.

Jim Spannagel

Fall/Winter Meetings

- November 28
- December 12 Holiday Party
- January 23, 2023
- February 27, 2023
- March 27 2023

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November Program

November 28th @ 7 PM, St. Simon's Church

Respecting Starlings Presented by Mark Spreyer



Mark Spreyer did his graduate work in Minnesota on Great Grey Owls and then directed Chicago's peregrine falcon release program, resulting in the first nest of peregrines in Illinois in 37 years. He's worked with the Minnesota National Wildlife Refuge and other conservation organizations. In 1995 he became the Executive Director of the Stillman Nature Center in Barrington, IL. Mark co-authored the life history of the Monk Parakeet for the A. O. U.'s Birds of North America and has written articles on raptors and introduced (non-native) birds. Mark has also worked for the Brooklyn Botanic Garden, the National Audubon Society and Chicago Academy of Science and has taught at College of Lake County and Northeastern Illinois University. Currently Mark writes a nature column for the Daily Herald and has a current book of nature essays, "[Natural Digressions](#)", which covers everything from wildflowers to owls, with a heaping dose of Mark's humor!

Mark is a Cubs fan and a Starling man! Why stand up for non-native Starlings? Their energy and inquisitiveness is unsurpassed, their prying adaption is as fascinating as it is successful and they are a permanent part of our environment. Come hear the species nobody wants defended. Other introduced species, such as the Monk Parakeet and the Ring-necked Pheasant will also be addressed.



Can you name this native plant?

Answer can be found on [page 12](#)

Photo taken at the Prospect Heights Slough

Monthly Meetings

Our monthly general meetings are held on the fourth Monday of each month, September through May.

During the summer, June and July Meetings are held in Members' Gardens.

Meeting Agenda

- 7-7:30 PM Social time
- 7:30 PM Business meeting begins
- 8:00 PM Speaker program presentation begins
- 9:00 PM Presentation and questions wraps up

Meeting Location

Our meetings are held at [Saint Simon's Episcopal Church](#) in their basement meeting space.

Saint Simon's is located at 717 West Kirchoff Road, Arlington Heights, IL 60005, and is right next to NW Community Hospital. There is ample parking next to the building. Enter the large west side parking lot and proceed to the west side of the building. You will see a sign, "Parish Hall," next to the stairs. Take the stairs down to the basement entrance. For those who are "stair challenged," you will enter at the parking level entrance to the right of the stairs and take an elevator down to the basement. There is a sign outside indicating the West elevator entrance. A club member will be there to assist you with the elevator. Click on [map](#) for directions.

We look forward to seeing you at our next meeting.

REMINDER: Please remember to bring your **AHGC name badge to our meeting.**

Newsletter Tip

To enlarge the text on any page of the newsletter you can use toolbar (located at the top of screen) to magnify the page by zooming in. The toolbar is located above the newsletter. Click on the '+' to zoom in, or the '-' to zoom out.





The winter issue of *GardenGlories* will be sent to you via email and not the postal service. The emailed *GardenGlories* will be in color, contain more in-depth content, more timely information, and showcase more member photos. This decision was made due to a variety of reasons, including your responses to the recent membership survey, but certainly the rising costs of printing and postage and our strong desire to NOT raise dues was one of the main reasons for sending the winter *GardenGlories* to you via email. We listened to your concerns about receiving outdated information and now, with this emailed version, you will have more timely information at your fingertips—thanks to the shortened time frame for putting the issue together. Look for it in early January.

Marilyn Krueger
President, The Garden Clubs of Illinois, Inc.
“Plant America.... Starting at Home”

Arlington Heights Christmas Tree Collection

- Christmas trees will be collected on your collection day from January 3rd through January 13th.
- Landscape stickers are not necessary for Christmas trees. Plastic bags must be removed from them.
- Christmas Garlands and wreaths will be disposed of as refuse. No sticker required.



AHGC ANNUAL HOLIDAY PARTY

When: Monday, December 12, 2022
Time: 6 p.m.
Where: St. Simon’s Episcopal Church

It’s getting close for Santa’s arrival, and the Arlington Heights Garden Club’s Holiday Party!

Thanks to all who responded to the recent survey. It has been very helpful in planning for this event!

NOW – **Watch for an email from us to CONFIRM YOUR RESERVATION** for the party. Cutoff date for reservations is **December 1**. Thank you for responding by this date!

The cost for a **non-member** guest is \$12, payable by check to the Arlington Heights Garden Club. Payment may be made on the night of the dinner; at our November meeting; or sent to our club treasurer, Pete Landwehr.

We hope you can be part of this special event to enjoy each other’s company and celebrate the joy of the season!

Joe and Marilyn Weber
Hospitality



Member Profile

Lesley Jackson | Contributing Editor

Dee Schurman

Dee Schurman joined the Garden Club just over a year ago. She wanted to be active and help with projects in her community, and Jim Spannagel suggested that the Civics committee would be perfect for her. She has since undertaken leading the group that maintains the Post Office Garden. Daffodils have been planted around the Post Office sign, the large plant pots are changed seasonally, and flowers are donated by the village after the Memorial Day Parade. She is also very involved with the Giving Garden at St Viator. There are 25 raised vegetable beds, and our group sponsors one of them. Each bed must donate 50% of the proceeds to a food pantry. This past summer 210 lbs. of fresh produce was donated from our bed, and a total of 2800 lbs. was donated from all 25 garden beds.

Dee also helped to coordinate a project at the History Museum, clearing out the ivy that was getting out of control. She says new volunteers are always needed and, of course, very welcome! Just contact her or Mike Relaz.

Dee was born in Iowa, and raised on a small farm there. Her family grew corn, beans, hay and raised chickens and pigs. They always had a large vegetable garden, and one of her responsibilities was to take care of it. She has always loved being outside, and feels very connected to nature. She trusts that nature will always take care of things.

She married at 19 and moved to Des Plaines, where her husband had a job at Sears. They moved to Prospect Heights in 1990. They have 3 sons, one lives in IL, one in IN and one in TX, where her 3 grandchildren are – 2 boys and a girl. She always looks forward to Thanksgiving, when they come and visit.

Her first project in her new house was starting a vegetable garden. It was 10'x14', but seems to grow larger each season! She grows pumpkins in her garden and likes to make pies and pumpkin bars, which can be frozen and eaten throughout the year. They also took out large yew trees and barberries growing in the garden, and replaced them with hydrangeas. She has recently started a pollinator garden, with coreopsis, milkweed, and penstemon and was pleased to find a Monarch caterpillar this year!

She loves to take her garden inside and has many house plants. She has been very successful with orchids and her Thanksgiving cactus flowers each year – at the right time! Her grandmother always had violets growing and she has continued the tradition. Dee says she has learned so much from being a member of the Garden Club, especially from the Master Gardeners, and enjoying the companionship of like-minded people.



Dee's favorite orchid
Phalaenopsis (moth orchid)



Fall Leaf 2:1 Program

Bev Krams | Horticulture

ARLINGTON HEIGHTS Fall Leaves 2:1 Program

October 17th through December 14th residents need to only place 1 sticker for every 2 bags of leaves set out for collection. Many local stores sell landscape waste stickers. Stickers are also available at Village Hall, Arlington Heights Senior Center and 15 area merchant locations.

OR

Be an ENVIRONMENTALIST and shred your leaves and put them back into your landscape! Better for the Environment!!

Important information from the Arlington Heights Village Website:

Street sweepers collect leaves that naturally fall into the streets. Raking or blowing leaves into the street from a resident's private property or the village's parkway violates Village ordinance. It's important that residents with landscapers remind crews that they cannot place leaves into the street. Residents are responsible for the work their landscaper does. If a landscaper blows leaves into the street, it is the resident's responsibility to remove the leaves.

If street sweeper crews reasonably identify leaves as having been intentionally placed in the street, they are instructed to go around those piles of leaves. Notices may be delivered to residents asking them to remove leaves they may have placed into the street. Raking or blowing leaves into the street creates a hazard for the entire neighborhood. Leaves can possibly clog street drains during a rain storm and a leaf-covered street can create a slippery road surface.



Illinois Extension
UNIVERSITY OF ILLINOIS URBANA-CHAMPAIGN

Useful Information from the University of Illinois Extension

Bev Krams | Horticulture

DO I REALLY need to disconnect my outside water sources? [Answer](#)

Can I bring my herbs indoors for the winter? [Answer](#)

What's the BEST recommendation for using firewood this winter? [Answer](#)

How do those insects we deal with all summer survive the winter? [Answer](#)



BRASSICA OLERACEA.....What's that?

Bev Krams | Horticulture

This is your **ORNAMENTAL KALE** that every fall garden should have! It is one of the few fall /early winter plants that adds a **SPLASH** of color with foliage rather than flowers and it does a great job! Leaves are produced in a tight rosette which can be feathery, curly or ruffled. There can be a very wide range of color from creamy white, reddish, pink, purple, yellow, green and speckles! There's a lot to choose from! The leaf colors will actually intensify when the temperatures drop below 60 degrees for a few weeks. They can also remain colorful even if the temps drop below 20 degrees. This is a hardy plant!

Ornamental kale is genetically the same as the culinary kale, however it does not taste as good and is best left in the landscape! While considered an annual it is botanically a biennial. It produces foliage the first year and flowers the second but it is valued for its leaves.

It is a great plant to replace your annuals, blending well with your sedum, grasses, asters and mums in full sun. Think about adding Ornamental Kale seeds to your shopping list to plant up late July 2023 for a great show of color next fall!



Holiday Light Recycling

Do you have broken or unwanted holiday lights? **Recycle them!** Place your lights in the recycling bin in front of Public Works (222 N. Ridge Ave.) at any time, or bring them to the Arlington Heights Health Department, at Village Hall (33 S. Arlington Heights Rd.), Mon - Fri, 8 a.m. - 5 p.m., through February 24, 2023.



Visitor on June's porch

AH Garden Club Annual Holiday Tree Trimming

Barb Franks | Artistic

It is a tradition for our garden club to decorate the holiday tree at the Senior Center, Village Hall, and Library. Come spread the magic of the season by helping us decorate the holiday trees at the following locations:

- SENIOR CENTER—Tuesday, November 22 at 2pm
- VILLAGE HALL – Wednesday, November 30 at 10am
- LIBRARY – Wednesday, November 30 at 1pm

It will take an hour or two to decorate and many hands will make it faster and festive. Please come to any of the locations at the appointed time if you are able to participate in this fun activity bringing joy and beauty of the holiday to our community. Please contact [Jim Spannagel](#) if you have any questions.





Early Snowfall

Shelley's Garden | photo taken on 11-15-22

SUPPORT OUR SPONSOR
The Holiday Greens are in!



[Hawthorn Gardens](#)

24481 N Old McHenry Rd.
Hawthorn Woods, IL 60047
(847) 726-0627

Holiday Food Drive

This year the Garden Club is initiating a special end-of-year project collecting items that will be donated to the Wheeling Township Food Pantry.

The November 28 Garden Club meeting, and the December 12 holiday party, are the two collection dates to bring your donations. There will be boxes at these two events at St. Simons to receive your donations.

All food donations are welcome as well as items such as cleaning products, toiletries, and diapers. The most needed items for November are:

- Quart Size Juice
- Jelly
- Cereal
- Pasta Sauce
- Tuna or Salmon

Thank you for whatever donation you can make. Your generosity is appreciated!



Gardening Knowledge

Bev Krams | Horticulture

UPCOMING EDUCATIONAL OPPORTUNITIES

ARLINGTON HEIGHTS TREE LIGHTING EVENT

Friday, November 25th @ 4:30-7pm

Click [here](#) for more information



MARGARET ROACH—WINTER SOWING WEBINAR

Thursday, December 1st @ 5 PM CT

Click [here](#) to register for this free webinar



CANTIGNY PARK HOLIDAY FESTIVAL

Saturday, December 3rd @ 1-7pm

Click [here](#) for more information



FRIENDS OF BOERNER BOTANICAL GARDENS—HOLIDAY GIFT FAIR

Sunday, December 4 @ 10-2pm

Boerner Botanical Gardens Education Center, Hales Corners, WI

Click [here](#) for more information



ARTISIAN MARKETS IN LAKE BARRINGTON

Sunday, December 4th @ 12-5pm

The market hosts an array of local artists, crafters, bakers and chefs.

Location: Wild Onion Brewery, 22221 N. Pepper Rd, Lake Barrington

Click [here](#) for more information



CHICAGO BOTANIC GARDEN LIGHTSCAPE

Runs now through January 8th, 2023

Click [here](#) to register



CHICAGO BOTANIC GARDEN HORTICULTURE COURSES

Native Evergreens | December 6

Staghorn Fern Workshop | December 13

Juniper Bonsai Workshop | December 14

Click [here](#) to register



Gardening Knowledge

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UPCOMING EDUCATIONAL OPPORTUNITIES

MORTON ARBORETUM: ILLUMINATION

Now through January 7, 2023
Join in celebrating the tenth annual Illumination: Tree Lights at The Morton Arboretum during the Arboretum's 100th anniversary year. One-of-a-kind spectacle of color, light, and sound. Click [here](#) for more information



FERNWOOD BOTANICAL LIGHTS in Niles, Michigan

Friday, November 25 through January 1, 2023
Click [here](#) for more information



LURVEY EDUCATION CLASSES

Winter Outdoor Container Garden Demo
Saturday, November 26th @ 11-11:30am
Click [here](#) to register

Indoor Dish Garden Demo
Saturday, December 3rd @ 11am-12:30pm
Click [here](#) to register



PLATT HILL NURSERY HOLIDAY WORKSHOPS

December 8—11 Holiday Planter Workshops
Click [here](#) to register



SCHWEIKHER HOUSE TOUR

Looking for something to enjoy and learn from this fall/winter season? Take a tour of the Schweikher House, on the National Historic Register in Schaumburg. It will provide you with history, architectural design and a tranquil landscape all hidden off a wooded stretch on Meacham Road in Schaumburg. It is a gem! Click [here](#) for more information.



MCHENRY COUNTY CONSERVATION PROGRAMS

Click [here](#) for more information



McHenry County
CONSERVATION DISTRICT

Winterizing Outdoor Equipment

Bev Krams | Horticulture Mike Rellaz | Civics

How Do You Take Care of Your Outdoor Watering Equipment?

A GARDEN HOSE left outdoors in freezing temperatures is susceptible to damage, such as cracking. A frozen garden hose can burst, because water inside the hose expands as it freezes, causing damage. If you winterize garden hoses and faucets it will extend their life so you can use them again next season. Leaving a hose outdoors all winter is ok, however, you will need to drain off the water inside of it. The best idea is to drain, roll it up and store it for the winter.



SHUT OFF your water to the OUTDOOR FAUCET. BUT what kind of faucet do you have for your outdoor gardening? There are basically two types of faucets.

1. A regular exterior faucet has an internal shut off valve located outside the walls of your house. Freezing temps can cause the water remaining in the lines to freeze, expand and can rupture. Oh, that sounds like an expensive repair!
2. Frost Free Model. This faucet has a hose bib with a longer rear connection into the walls of your house. When you turn the water off the remaining water in the pipe drains out so no water is left in the pipe to freeze. Also, it's warmer there and unlikely to freeze.

HOW DO YOU SHUT OFF YOUR OUTDOOR WATER SUPPLY on a REGULAR FAUCET?

Remove your hose and any splitter you may have on your outside faucet.

1. Locate your water shut off valve usually found on the ceiling in the basement of the inside wall where the external outside faucet is that you want to shut off.
2. Close the inside water shut off valve. Usually rotating the handle all the way to the right (right is tight).
3. Now go to the outside faucet and OPEN it to let out the remaining water. Leave it open for a minute or two to be sure all the water drains. This usually is easier to do with two people, one in the house and one outside.
4. Close the faucet, NOW the water between the water shut off valve AND the faucet is drained,



Your external water source should be good until Spring and remember to turn it back on after we no longer have freezing temps.



You can also **purchase a foam insulation cover to place over the outdoor faucet for extra piece of mind.** This foam piece has insulation on the inside that will surround and protect your outdoor faucet from the frigid temperatures of winter



WINTERIZING A RAIN BARREL

Empty or drain your rain barrel and remove the spigot to store for winter. When possible, store your rain barrel in a protected indoor area. If the rain barrel must remain outside, either turn it upside down and secure it, or weight it down by storing garden equipment inside the barrel.

QUESTIONS

Mike Relaz is our garden expert on equipment. If you have questions about your outdoor faucet or rain barrel he can be reached at 847-322-8591. Feel free to say hello to Mike at our next garden meeting. He will be happy to answer your questions.

Jerusalem Artichoke

(Helianthus tuberosus)

This beautiful native plant is also called sunroot, sunchoke, or wild sunflower and is a species of the sunflower. It is native to central North America and it is widely cultivated for its tuber, which is used as a root vegetable. The tubers have a nutty flavor and are eaten raw, cooked, or baked. The Jerusalem Artichoke grows 4 to 10 feet in height and blooms in the late summer and fall. The daisy-like yellow flowers have yellow, brownish, or purplish disk flower centers. If you sniff the center of the flower it actually smells like chocolate which helps distinguish it from other sunflowers!



Photo taken at the Air Station Prairie in Glenview



Jerusalem Artichoke Tubers

This plant is typically grown in the spring (zones 3 to 8) from tubers found at garden centers or online.

Board of Directors

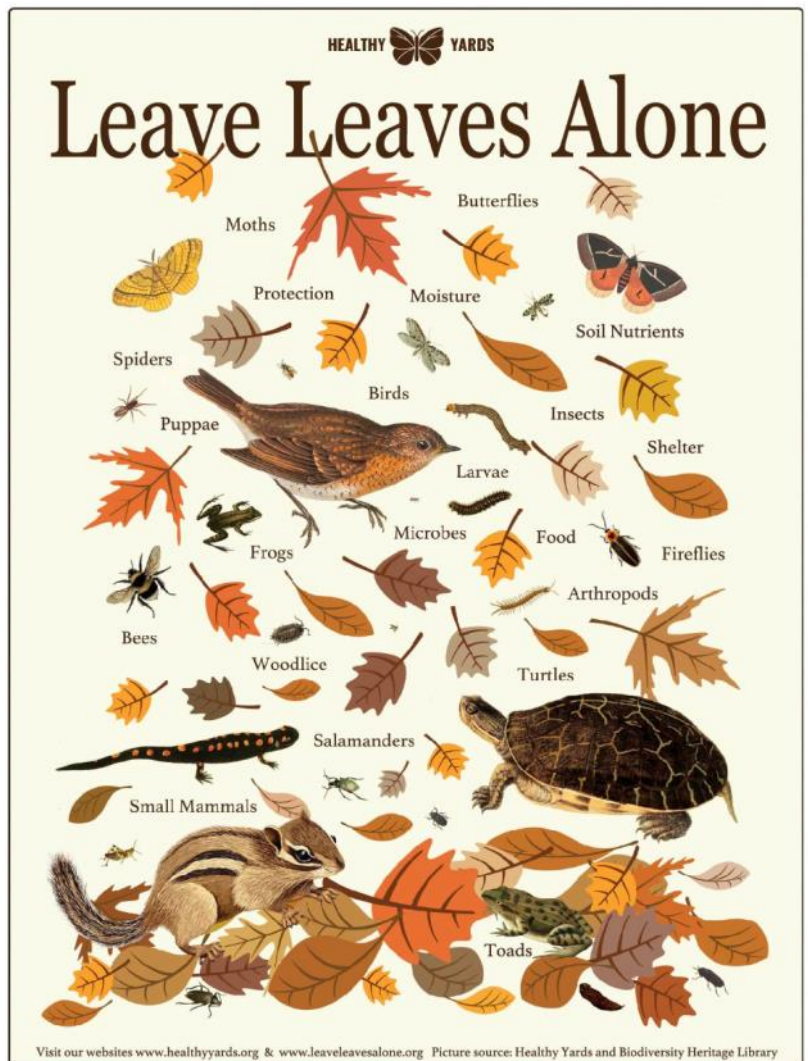
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Blood Drive, Lew Coffin
 Emma Visee, Garden Club Awards
 Claudette Norwell-Philipp, Student Partnership



Treasurer's Report

Pete Landwehr | Treasurer

ARLINGTON HEIGHTS GARDEN CLUB TREASURER'S REPORT October, 2022				
Checking Account Balance 9/30/22		Stmt Date	\$ 20,882.03	
Receipts:				
AHGC shirt sale		10/3/22	22.00	
membership dues - check		10/14/22	25.00	Sandy Schmitt
7 winter workshop fees - cc			210.00	
less: Credit Card Fees			\$ (8.19)	
Total			248.81	
Disbursements (cleared):				
	Check #	Ck Date		
Mark Lyons	1536	9/26/22	200.00	Sept Program
Joe Weber	1538	10/4/22	6.22	hospitality
Garden Clubs of Illinois	1539	10/11/22	3.00	new member
Total			209.22	
Checking Account Balance 10/31/22			\$ 20,921.62	
Receipts to be deposited				
Total undeposited receipts			\$ -	
Open invoices and checks written but not cleared				
	Check #	Ck Date		
Rich Lisy	1535	9/19/22	100.00	Thank You
Renie Norkiewicz	1537	9/29/22	7.68	flowers for raffle
BSA Troop 37	1540	10/16/22	150.00	Zac Nesvacil Eagle Project
Amy Greenamyer	1541	10/24/22	250.00	October program
Total outstanding checks and invoices			\$ 507.68	
ADJUSTED CASH POSITION 10/31/22			\$ 20,413.94	

AHGC 2022-23 Approved Budget [as of 11/14/2022]

Pete Landwehr | Treasurer

	9/21-8/22 ACTUAL	9/22-8/23 APPROVED BUDGET	NOTES
INCOME			
MEMBERSHIP DUES FROM MEMBERS	\$2,532.50	\$2,700.00	INCREASED MEMBERSHIP
HEARTS OF GOLD			
PLANT SALE	6,489.50	6,000.00	
GARDEN WALK TICKETS	6,160.38	6,000.00	
RAFFLE	1,909.00	-	NO RAFFLE UNLESS 501(C)3
UNIQUE BOUTIQUE VENDOR FEES	1,535.00	1,600.00	
SPONSORSHIPS & ADS	3,675.00	2,500.00	
DONATIONS RECEIVED			
TOURS			
SCHOLARSHIPS	2,000.00	4,000.00	WENDY LANDWEHR SCHOLARSHIP
GENERAL MEETING SALES (MAGS, ETC.)			
POLO SHIRTS & APRONS			
WORKSHOPS	30.00		
INTEREST & CREDIT CARD FEES	(367.27)	(400.00)	
MISC OTHER INCOME	403.00		
TOTAL INCOME	\$24,367.11	\$22,400.00	
EXPENSES			
GARDEN WALK	\$626.50	\$750.00	
GARDEN WALK MEETING DINNERS			
UNIQUE BOUTIQUE	527.12	500.00	
SPONSORSHIPS & ADS	1,366.48	1,400.00	GW BOOKLET
RAFFLE		-	NO RAFFLE UNLESS 501(C)3
PLANT SALES	302.14	300.00	
HORTICULTURE			
ARTISTIC			
HOUDAY TREE AT LIBRARY			
WORKSHOPS	160.00	200.00	
CIVICS	643.04	750.00	PO, AHM ETC
CONSERVATION (INCL. TREES)	1,175.00	700.00	SCHOOL TREE
GCI FEES & EXPENSES	628.00	650.00	INCREASED MEMBERSHIP
WENDY LANDWEHR MAGNOLIA TREE			
INSURANCE	358.00	375.00	
CHICAGO BOTANICAL GARDEN DUES	50.00	50.00	
TOURS			
DISTRICT IX LUNCH			
NEWSLETTER			
WEBSITE	639.42	100.00	
PROGRAM PRESENTATIONS	1,602.07	1,500.00	INCLUDES \$594 FOR PROJECTOR IN 21/22
POLO SHIRTS & APRONS			
PUBLICITY			
ZOOM SUBSCRIPTION	149.90	150.00	
DISCRETIONARY DONATIONS	8,150.00	10,000.00	
SCHOLARSHIPS - CURRENT YEAR		6,000.00	
SCHOLARSHIP CARRYFORWARD - PRIOR YEAR	4,000.00	6,000.00	
GC MEMBER SCHOLARSHIPS	197.50	400.00	
HOSPITALITY	29.09	100.00	
HEARTS OF GOLD			
HOUDAY PARTY	715.63	1,000.00	
AUGUST BBQ	369.87	400.00	
MEMBERSHIP	19.60	100.00	
GENERAL EXPENSE	241.26	300.00	
BANK FEES & TREASURY EXPENSE	137.97	150.00	
TOTAL EXPENSES	\$22,088.59	\$31,875.00	
NET INCOME (EXPENSE)	\$ 2,278.52	\$ (9,475.00)	
ADJUSTED CASH BALANCE 8/31/22		\$ 20,867.60	
PROJECTED BANK BALANCE 8/31/23		\$ 11,392.60	
Note: Approved at the 11/14/22 Board Meeting			

AHGC 2022-23 Discretionary Donations

Pete Landwehr | Treasurer

Name	Paid	Approved	Description
	2021-22	2022-23	
Arlington Heights Historical Museum	\$ 2,000	\$ 2,000	Support for Historical Society
AH Park District	1,000	1,000	help establish gardens in public places in AH
Village of AH	1,000	1,000	help establish gardens in public places in AH
Wheeling Township Food Pantry	400	750	feeds local families
WINGS	500	-	Women's support group
Arlington Cares	500	500	Fund to aid distressed in AH
Brewing Opportunities - Gerry's Café	500	-	Café to employ disabled
St Simon Episcopal Church	500	500	AHGC meeting site
District 25 School Gardens	150	450	encourage school gardens
Missouri Botanical Garden	100	100	great plant database
			supports garden clubs in times of national
NGC - Natural Disaster USA Fund	100	100	disasters
Lincoln Memorial Gardens	100	100	support garden restoration
Citizens for Conservation	300	300	Conservation group
Save Our Monarchs Foundation	100	100	Conservation group
Garfield Farm Museum	200	200	conservation education
Tour de Trees - Tree Fund	200	200	plants replacement trees
Forest Preserve Foundation - Busse Woods	100	100	conservation initiatives
International Crane Foundation	100	100	supports crane habitat
New Salem Lincoln League	100	100	support garden restoration
City of Prospect Heights - slough	200	-	Prospect Heights Slough
Volo Bog	-	200	Conservation group
The Grove	-	300	Conservation group
			AH group supporting low income families
Family Forward	-	200	obtain financial stability
Journey - The Road Home		200	New building on NW Highway near racetrack
			501(c)3 rescues & trains mustangs to use in
Operation Wild Horse, Veterans R & R in Bull Valley,IL	-	200	R&R for veterans
Clearbrook		200	support local charity
Eagle Scout project at Centennial Park		150	Conservation group
Northwest Compass Inc		200	feeds local families
Open Lands		100	Conservation group
Alliance For Great Lakes		100	Conservation group
Archeological Conservancy		100	Conservation group
Midewin Tall Grass Prairie Alliance		100	Conservation group
Elk Grove Village Township food pantry		200	feeds local families
AH Historical Society bench	-		outdoor bench in garden
Plaques for AHHM bench & Krohn's Rock	-		Actual cost = \$113.64
Buddy Foundation brick	-		in honor of Marolyn Bina
Windy City Harvest Youth Farm	-		teaches farming to low income youth
Garfield Park Conservatory	-		
Tour de Trees - Tree Fund	-		replaces Penny Pines
Penny Pines			returned and voided
Buffalo Grove Garden Cub - 50th anniversary	-		
Starved Rock Country Community Foundation	-		
Miscellaneous Projects		150	
	\$ 8,150	\$ 10,000	
Note:			
(A) Funded in part by a \$5,000 donation from the Krohn family and \$250 from Barbara Yost			
9/3/22 meeting attendees: Jim, Marty, Dee, Kathy H, Nancy, Joe, Beth & Pete			
Approved at the 10/10/22 board meeting			

AHGC Board Meeting Summary - November 14th, 2022

Halina Zbilski / Recording Secretary

President - Jim Spannagel

Vice-President – Beth Ligenza

Secretary – Halina Zbilski

- The Oct 10th board meeting minutes were approved by Beth, seconded by Pete.

Treasurer – Pete Landwehr

- Pete presented the Treasurer's Report, which was approved. Three of the Discretionary Donations have been paid out so far. The full list of Discretionary Donations will be published in the newsletter.
- The final draft of the 2022-23 budget was approved by Karen, and seconded by Bob. The main changes to this year's budget were increasing the allotment for the Holiday Party and the summer barbecue.

Artistic – Barb Franks

- Christmas tree decorating at the Senior Center will take place on Tuesday, Nov. 22nd at 2:00 pm. Village Hall and Library Christmas tree decorating will take place sometime after Thanksgiving...dates forthcoming.
- There is a good response for the winter container workshop...so far 21 have signed up.

Civics – Mike Relaz and Dee Schurman

- 210 lbs. of vegetables were harvested from the Viatorian Garden and donated to the Wheeling Township Food Pantry.

Conservation – June Miller

- A potential field trip to Stevenson High School will be on the agenda in the fall this year, because fall is the best time to take this tour. Stevenson High School conducts 60-90 minute tours of their Horticultural Club gardens. Of significance is their Hydroponic Wall.

Garden Walk – Karen Reeb and Linda Heller

- The person who painted the garden stones for the households who had garden walks this past year is going to be asked by Bev to paint stones for active Garden Club members who had their gardens in past walks. There are 5 stones to be painted @ \$25 apiece. This motion was approved by the board members.
- There are 5-8 gardens as potential Garden Walk gardens this year, but some will have to be postponed until next year.

Horticulture – Bev Krams

Hospitality – Marilyn and Joe Weber

- 70 members have responded to the Holiday Party Survey, and they indicated that there will be 7 potential guests. Registration for the Holiday Party will be forthcoming and there will be a deadline date for registration.
- Members will be asked to bring a food item to the November meeting as well as to the Holiday Party for donation to the Wheeling Township Food Pantry. They publish their food needs each month, so they may be different for November vs. December.
- The Prospect High School Madrigal singers will be performing live at our Holiday Party. It was decided to donate \$300 to them to help pay expenses in their music department, and will be given to them that night. Shelley approved this motion, and it was seconded by Bev.

Membership – Renie Norkiewicz and Shelley Plischke

- Current membership is 122 members.
- We are encouraged to wear our badges to meetings and parties. A great suggestion was made to keep the badge in your car.
- Dale Sturm has volunteered to coordinate Garden Walk sign ups.

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Halina Zbilski / Recording Secretary

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Newsletter – Mona Frisbie

- Newsletter items are due in by midnight Saturday after our Board meeting each month.
- Summary of board meeting notes for the GC newsletter will also be sent to Jim for review.

Plant Sale – Bob Bruett No report.

Programs – Nancy Asquini Dean

- October program “Garden Tools Maintenance 101” by Any Greenamyer was well received. November 28th program “Respecting Starlings” will be in person at St. Simon’s.

Publicity – Lesley Jackson and Connie Landwehr

Scholarship – Emma Visee

- One scholarship has been paid and Jennifer will be receiving her scholarship in the next few weeks.

Website – Denise Nowak

- To better handle treat volunteers for each month’s meeting, there will potentially be a website link to a spreadsheet where 6 spots are allotted per month.
- The Garden Club registration sheet was discussed to add a new line indicating “Member Since”.
- Suggestion was made to automatically notify the committee chair when signing up to be on a committee, but this may not be possible via our website.

Business/Old Business/Announcement

- Beth and Mike are continuing the job of updating the Bylaws and will bring recommendations to the Board.
- A candidate has been selected for “Honorary Lifetime Member” and will be recognized at the Holiday Party. In addition, an Honorary list has been drafted for future years.
- Nancy issued a report regarding the Blue Star Memorial marker proposal. The commanders of the VFW and American Legion have both received approval for funding, and together have offered total funding of \$1000. Public works offered to receive delivery and will store the marker until setup. Board members presented their reasons for approval and disapproval of the marker, and a show of hands in favor or not in favor was conducted. Location of the marker is still up in the air. A dedication ceremony is required along with a District IX member present.
- Pete will be representing our garden club with the AH Park District as they update their Comprehensive Master Plan. They asked for a representative from our Club.

Next Board Meeting: January 9, 2023