



## **Programs for 2020-2021**

**Friday, May 22, 2020**  
**Adding Public Gardens to your Travel Plans**  
**Brock and Ruth Ann Seney**

During this program, you will crisscross the United States as you view the beautiful possibilities each of the featured public gardens has to offer. The program focuses on 10 spectacular gardens in the United States, one in Canada, and one in the Netherlands.

**Friday, June 26, 2020**  
**“That Ain’t No Way to Treat a Tree”**  
**Mike Nowak**

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.

Luncheon Location: Reserve 22

**Friday, July 24, 2020**  
**Garden Walk**

Schedule to be announced

**Friday, August 28, 2020 – Field Trip**  
**Jane Burke – Lombard Park District**  
**Tour at Terrace View Pollinator Garden**

Jane will discuss the plants, the process and the planning of the new pollinator garden at Terrace View Park in Lombard.

**Friday, September 25, 2020**  
**Michael Bradaric, PhD**  
**Plants and Medications**

This program will be a talk to discuss the plant sources of commonly used medications and examine the history of plants in clinical medicine. Emphasis will be placed on native species, exotic tropicals, and an appreciation for the natural world as inspiration for modern medicine.

**Friday, October 23, 2020**  
**Bill Karges**  
**Homemade Remedies**

Vinegar, Borax, Soap and cornmeal (and so many more). Do home remedies really work, and are they safe? In this program, we will investigate what homemade remedies are most effective for yard and garden use looking at ingredients from your pantry or under your sink. They could be safe, simple and effective, or are they? Come find out what to try and what to avoid.

**Friday, November 13, 2020**  
**Carol Cichorski**  
**Winter Interest**

Our garden is wonderful to look at all year long, as are the others in this presentation from the 2014 Chicago Flower and Garden Show. Your winter garden can be interesting, too. Really!

**\* Friday, December 11, 2020**  
**Christopher Bozym, Christopher Mark Flowers**  
**Winter Wonderland**

Christopher will design five arrangements at our luncheon to create a winter wonderland  
Holiday Luncheon Location: TBA  
11:30 Friendship Time, Noon Luncheon

**Friday, January 22, 2021**  
**Cindy Crosby**  
**Tallgrass Prairie: Grocery Store, Apothecary, and Love Shop**

Cindy dazzled us with her talk on Dragonflies and Damselflies in 2019. She is sure to once again enjoyably enlighten us in 2021. Throughout Illinois' history, people have thought of the tallgrass prairie—our original landscape of Illinois—as their grocery store, pharmacy, art supply shop and even a place to find love potions! Discover the charming stories behind these rugged native plants as you enjoy beautiful color photography. Then, learn more about their beauty and utility in the home garden today.

**Friday, February 26, 2021**  
**Deborah Marqui**  
**How to Create a Healing Garden**

A passionate gardener and cancer survivor, Deborah will share how to create a healing garden at your own home. A healing garden can be planted in a special area in the yard or it can be as small as a container for your deck or balcony. Her presentation will show how each of her gardens has a different theme, and every garden has a story. Come and learn how to create your own sanctuary.

**Friday, March 26, 2021**  
**Richard Hentschel**  
**GMOs in Our Lives**

University Of Illinois Extension Education Richard Hentschel speaks on GMOs. Now called Biologically Engineered, they are plants bred for improved characteristics and abilities as plant breeders have done since Mendel crossed those peas for the very first time. What is different is how that is being done. Breeding techniques have shortened the start to finish times by years. Ultimately consumers will decide if these plants are acceptable for themselves and family.

**\* Friday, April 23, 2021 – Luncheon**  
**Spring Luncheon**  
**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.

Location: TBA, 11:30 Friendship Time, Noon Luncheon

**\* Indicates a members only event**