



September 2022

Greetings from Our President

A heart felt *welcome* to all of our members as we begin a new Garden Club year! We especially extend open arms to all the new members who have joined us in recent months. Each time I checked the membership list on our website throughout the summer, the number of members literally grew faster than the weeds in my garden!! We are now at exactly 121 members at this writing. Our Club is growing for many reasons, but I would be remiss if I didn't recognize our hard working Membership Committee Co-chairs, Renie Norkiewicz and Shelley Plischke. Thanks to both of them for their efforts at growing our Club membership.

This great blessing of new members creates what I feel is one of our greatest challenges for the coming year—making everyone feel “welcome” and helping new members play an active, productive role. To that end, I would like to make a *special request of old and new members*. During each of our regular ten upcoming meetings, please introduce yourself to at least one person you do not know and learn 2-3 facts about them. You could make ten new gardening friends! This might mean sitting next to them during a program or standing to share a cup of coffee or lemonade with them before a meeting. Learn who they are and what their gardening interests might be. Our shy sophomore granddaughter started a new high school this fall and we told her to, “stick out your hand and say, ‘Hi, I’m Layla, what is your name?’” She is having a great year and has made many new friends!!! Gardeners are friendly people. Let’s get to know each other!

Jim Spannagel

2022 Fall/Winter Meetings

- September 26
- October 24
- November 28
- December Holiday Party

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September Program

September 26th @ 7 PM, St. Simon's Church

Post-Harvest Activities for a Productive Garden Next Year

Presented by Mark Lyons



Mark Lyons has been an avid vegetable gardener ever since childhood. He got his start helping his parents grow their vegetable garden while growing up in Arlington Heights, Illinois. Mark attended the University of Illinois, Urbana-Champaign and received a BS in Agriculture. He went to graduate school at Purdue University where he received an MS degree in Agriculture. Mark worked for the Continental Grain Company and then for Technomic, Inc., the premiere consulting company for the foodservice industry. In 2003, Mark began developing vegetable gardens for friends and family. His success in these endeavors led Mark to develop his own company, [Green Thumb At Your Service](#), where he provides gardening, coaching and consulting services.

Cultivating, weeding, watering and harvesting in your garden are over and done with for the season. What do you do next? For starters, letting it lay there until the following spring is exactly the wrong thing to do! Mark Lyons, an experienced vegetable gardener and gardening coach, will discuss cleaning up the garden after the harvest is in, preparing the soil for the following spring, winterizing garden tools, Fall planting, dealing with excess from the harvest and preparing for next year's growth.

*"There are no gardening mistakes,
only experiments".*

— Janet Kilburn Phillips

The Garden Clubs of Illinois

The Arlington Heights Garden Club is part of the **Garden Clubs of Illinois (GCI)**. AHGC is in the Central Division and we are in District IX.

There are actually 140 Garden Clubs that that are part of the Garden Clubs of Illinois. GCI has 6,257 members —and you are one of those members!

Be sure to check out page 18 of the [Fall issue of Garden Glories](#) and read about the AHGC in this publication.

Garden Glories is published three times a year:
Spring/Summer,
Fall and Winter.

The Garden Clubs of Illinois has a "members only" section. To access this content you will need to provide a password.



Blue Star Memorial Project

At the September Board meeting we discussed the feasibility of our club's involvement in a [Blue Star Memorial](#) plaque for Arlington Heights.

As the next step, I offered to chair a committee to research and gather information for this project and am looking for volunteers to help me. Please contact me if you would be interested in this project.

Thank you,

Nancy Asquini Dean

Email: nasquini@gmail.com

Phone: 847-542-9061

Thank you to Our Garden Walk Homeowners



Beautiful hand painted garden stones were presented to this year's Garden Walk homeowners.

The AHGC appreciates their time, energy and willingness to be part of our community.

Thanks again to the ANSTANDIG, FALOTICO and TIBERI families!

June 27th Summer Garden Club Meeting at Cindy Kriemelmeyer's House



Amaranth

Another Excellent Summer Picnic

Joe and Marilyn Weber | Hospitality

The Garden Club's Summer picnic this year was a great success! We gathered in late afternoon on the lawn area of the Historical Museum. Approximately 80 members attended. Many new members joined with long-time members for a few hours of conversation, appetizers, side-dishes, fried chicken, and desserts. As always, members' contributions to the picnic fare were outstanding!

Added to the fun of the evening, was a show performed by Bill Buchinsky and his friend who entertained us with music (guitar and bongo drums!), song and poetry. Also new this year was the presentation of a thank-you gift for each of the homeowners who graciously opened their gardens for viewing on our Garden Walk. They each received a beautifully decorated garden stone marking the occasion and date of the Garden Walk. See photo of the garden stone on page 3.

Thank you to all who helped set-up, clean-up, brought food and drinks and just generously offered time and talent in many ways to make this end of summer gathering a special and fun occasion!



Prospect Heights Slough

June Miller | Conservation



This month, the Conservation Committee is highlighting the [Prospect Heights Slough](#). The Slough, one of many natural area sites located in Prospect Heights, is one of the last remaining wetlands in the Chicagoland area and is noted in the National Wetlands Inventory. The wetland was formed by glacial retreat thousands of years ago and is seen on the original 1838 land survey maps. The Slough contains 8 acres of land that is mostly saturated throughout the year. The surrounding 4 acres of land around the Slough are important as transitional buffer zones for native vegetation and to decrease erosion. Many species of reptiles, amphibians, birds, pollinators, insects, and mammals depend on the Slough for habitat and breeding. There are over 98 bird species seen including Egrets, Great Blue Herons, Osprey, and an occasional Eagle. It is a critical stopover point along the migration route for thousands of waterfowl during the spring and fall.

The Slough is partially owned by the Prospect Heights Park District and the city of Prospect Heights. The [Prospect Heights Natural Resources Commission](#) (PHNRC) has been managing the Slough since 2014 to bring it to its natural state. Initially, the entire site was encased in invasive buckthorn and took over 2 1/2 years to remove it. Once gone, the native plants began to emerge from the seedbank. Prescribed burns, plantings, seeding, and thousands of volunteer hours make the Slough what it is today. There are two sections of a newly built boardwalk that connect the nature trails and an observation deck. Wherever you walk or run, the landscape can change dramatically thanks to all the restoration activity. Along the trails, there are trail signs and plant identification tags. The Slough actively involves the community and local school districts by providing public education and resources on the importance of natural wetlands habitats and native plants. The Slough projects are supported by grants, private donors, sponsors such as ComEd and Openlands, and garden club donations.

The PHNRC is an all-volunteer organization. All people interested in projects essential to the survival and wellbeing of natural resources are welcomed. Volunteer Work Days are every other Sunday year round from 9:00 am to 12:00 pm. In autumn, seed collection is a major task followed by processing them and getting them ready for sowing in early winter. The PHNRC provides you with water, instructions, education, tools, bug spray, comradery, and the great sense of making a difference in this community. If you have a chance to walk the trails this fall or anytime, you will be amazed by all the restoration work done since 2014. If you can volunteer, you will not only learn about different native plants but experience doing actual restoration and conservation work. Enjoy the outdoors!

Location: The Prospect Heights Slough is located in-between Elmhurst Road (on the east), Hillside Avenue (on the south and east), and Willow Road (in the north). The entrance is off Elmhurst Road with some parking spaces provided. On the [PHNRC](#) website you can [subscribe to the Resources Journal](#) and also [view past issues](#) of the Journal. **Volunteer Work Days** and special events can be found under the [calendar](#) tab. Information includes which Prospect Heights natural site the Work Day is at and where to park.



Successful Blood Drive

Lew and Sheila Coffin | Nancy Asquini-Dean Blood Drive Coordinators

The Nancy Asquini-Dean/ Arlington Heights Garden Club Blood Drive with Vitalant was held at the First Presbyterian Church parking lot in Arlington Heights on Saturday, July 30, 2022.

The blood drive was very successful and the AHGC met our goal of collecting 25 pints of blood. These donations will impact and potentially save 75 lives. The beautiful summer weather and the location of the mobile blood unit near the Arlington Heights Memorial Library and the farmers market generated several walk-in donors. Twenty-five potential donors from the AHGC, including friends and family, attended the event to offer blood donations. Nancy Asquini-Dean was present with members of her family and was an excellent ambassador for the cause.

Special thanks to the volunteers. Mona Frisbie, Connie Landwehr and Lesley Jackson who were instrumental in publicizing the event and to Mike Relaz, Juli Cicarelli, Cate Doane, Barb Franks, June Miller, Marilyn Weber, Claudia McGrath, Sue Taflinger and Beth Ligenza who assisted with the event set up, break down, and greeting/processing donors at the event.

Each year, nearly 5 million Americans need blood transfusions. Blood helps trauma and burn patients, premature infants, heart surgery patients, organ transplant recipients and those fighting cancer, among others. In emergencies, it is the blood already on hospital shelves that saves lives. Your participation helped to ensure a ready blood supply for patients who need it.

For anyone who currently is, or is planning to become, a repeat donor you can use our AHGC event code 3182079 at any Vitalant site. You can donate every 56 days and by using this event code, you will help to accrue pints and recognition for the Nancy Asquini-Dean Blood Drive.



Mobile Blood Unit Setup Near the AHML



Sheila Coffin, Cate Doane, June Miller



Cate Doane, June Miller

Book Review: Attracting Beneficial Bugs to Your Garden by Jessica Walliser

Bev Krams | Horticulture

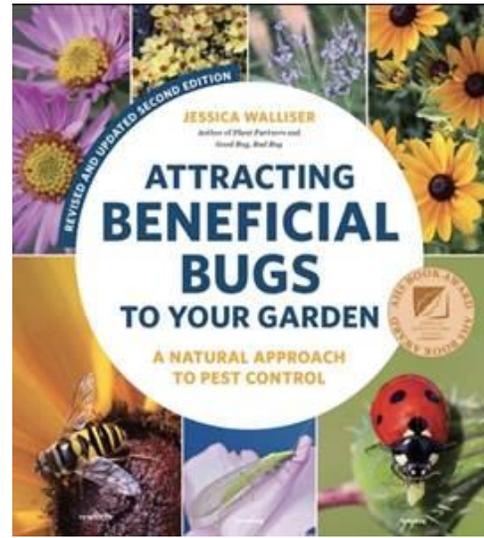
ATTRACTING BENEFICIAL BUGS TO YOUR GARDEN...isn't this something we *all* want to do! Jessica Walliser has gathered all the information you need and put it together in her new book published this spring: [Attracting Beneficial Bugs To Your Garden: A Natural Approach to Pest Control](#). She is also the author of 'Good Bug, Bad Bug' which helps you to quickly identify the most common insects in your garden in addition to giving organic advice on attracting the good guys and managing those 'bad' guys!

Walliser has been acclaimed as one of the best garden writers in explaining complex interactions between plants and insects. She has a deep understanding of how the ecosystem works and communicates her knowledge to you, the gardener.

She is a deep believer in 'letting nature do its thing' so bring in the beneficial BUGS! How? Plant those POLLINATOR ATTRACTERS. Walliser explains the relationship between the RIGHT plants, plant-eating critters and the insects that eat plant-eating critters, controlling their populations and saving our gardens. Planting those nectar and pollen plants that serve the needs of certain insects for food, shelter and their larval host is the key.

Her concept is to plant an INSECTARY GARDEN. Do you have one? Design a garden with companion plants that deter pests and attract natural predators. Do you have problems with aphids, potato beetles? Your solution is to plant bone-set, cosmos, dill or yellow coneflowers to attract the ladybugs that eat them!

Her book goes into bug profiles for beneficial bugs. There are in-depth plant lists for supporting those beneficial bugs and she has even provided interviews from entomologists bringing insight into this study and its benefit to the world. Gardening for bugs is just as important to the world as a whole as it is to your garden....BRING ON THOSE BUGS!



Do Your Garden Tools Need Sharpening?

Dave sharpens a wide range of knives and garden tools, including shears, loppers, shovels and mower blades.

Dave is an experienced knife sharpener who travels throughout the Chicagoland offering on-site and off-site sharpening, as well as specialty sharpening and expert tips and tricks.

Dave will be at the Arlington Heights Historical Museum 2:00-4:00pm on the second Sunday of each month. The next few dates are:

- October 9
- November 13
- December 11

No reservations needed. Cash, check, and credit accepted.

To view a complete list of services and for contact information, visit [Sharpening By Dave](#).

WANTED: Pictures of your garden. We are always looking for photos from our members gardens to display in our newsletters.

If you have photos you would like to share, please email your pictures to [Bev Krams](#) or [Mona Frisbie](#). If you would like to identify any of the plants in your photos—that would be an added bonus.

Thank you,
Bev and Mona

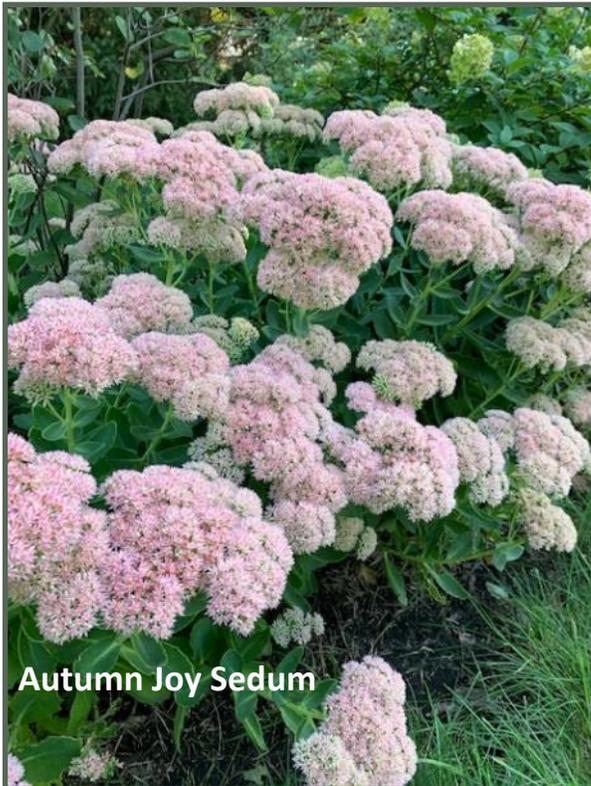
September Lawn Care Tips

Bev Krams | Horticulture

It's September already! Don't miss out on these four easy steps that will help you create that perfect lawn in the spring.

- The beginning of September is the optimum time to OVERSEED your current lawn or establish that new lawn you wanted to put in. If you want that thick, lush green carpet you have got to give it a boost. The ground is still warm and probably still moist from all that rain we have had. Introducing new grass seeds strengthens the lawn, makes the lawn more resistant to disease, and most important allows less weed seeds to penetrate. i.e. less weeding!
- If you are going to fertilize only once a year, this is the time. Fall lawn FERTILIZATION the first two weeks of September is essential. Just use a regular lawn fertilizer with a 3:1:2 or 4:1:2 NPK ratio. Don't be tempted to use a 'winterizer' fertilizer until late October into early November. Fall fertilization protects the roots for winter dormancy.
- CORE AERATION should be done while the grass is actively growing. Pulling plugs of grass out of the soil loosens the soil and allows nutrients to reach the grass roots. In addition aeration allows air to move freely and increases growth. Aeration also allows thatch to break down rather than allowing thatch to sit on top of the grass making it difficult for sun and water to reach the roots. DON'T rake those plugs up! They will soon break down and put additional nutrients into the soil.
- The optimum time to control weeds is when they are actively growing and September is the best month to control your dandelion and clover broadleaf weeds. The weeds are preparing for winter by drawing nutrients and starches into their leaves and roots so they will subsequently pull in the herbicides you apply. Your fertilized growing grass will fill in the bare spots of the dying weeds. If needed, apply your POSTEMERGENT WEED CONTROL.

For more information please check out the [University of Illinois Extension Lawn Care](#) website.



Autumn Joy Sedum



Hydrangeas

The Viatorian Giving Garden

Dee Schurman | Civics

The 2022 Giving Garden has been a big success. As of September 9th, we have harvested, weighed and taken about 200 lbs. of produce from our 4 foot by 20 foot plot to the Wheeling Food Pantry. A special thanks to Heike Holm for helping plant all the seeds and transplants into the garden (donated by Dee Schurman.) We planted lettuce, radishes, green beans, cucumbers, yellow squash, zucchini, onions, green peppers, cayenne peppers and three varieties of tomatoes (Sun Sugar cherry tomatoes, Beefsteak and Super Beefsteak.) Tomato cages were donated by Dee, June and Beth Lingenza. Thanks to June Miller and Mike Relaz for the staking needed for the tomato plants. June planted basil and Lew and Sheila Coffin added garlic after the lettuce and radishes were finished. Thanks to the many other volunteers, Dilyanka Chardaklieva, Emma Visee, Claudette Nowell-Philipp, Beverly Krams, Karen Commons who helped water, weed, prune and care for the garden.

This garden is one of 21 beds located at The Cleric of Viator at the rear of the property. It's such a peaceful place to be and knowing that these gardens help so many people in need is very gratifying work. To see all the beds filled with plants is so awesome. It is amazing to see the variety of plants that were grown. A few of the many plants were watermelon, cantaloupe, pumpkins, swiss chard, broccoli, Brussel sprouts squash, zucchini, peppers, tomatoes, carrots and so many marigolds, zinnias, cosmos and sunflowers. The total produced and donated from all the beds was over 1860 lbs. thru just the month of August. Can't wait to see the final totals.



Gardening Knowledge

Bev Krams | Horticulture

UPCOMING EDUCATIONAL OPPORTUNITIES

UNIVERSITY OF ILLINOIS SEASONAL TOPICS

Timely information on the management of landscape diseases, weeds, insects, and other pests. Click [here](#)



FOREST PRESERVES of COOK COUNTY Herbal Tea Party

September 18th @ 11am FREE
River Trails Nature Center, Northbrook
For more information click [here](#)



CRABTREE NATURE CENTER Woodchuck Wander

September 18th @ 1pm
Crabtree Nature Center, Barrington Hills
For more information click [here](#)



FOREST PRESERVES of COOK COUNTY Be a Better Birder: Birding and Technology

September 22nd @ 6pm Zoom session, FREE
Click [here](#) to register



LURVEY HOME & GARDEN CENTER Fall Indoor Dish Garden Demonstration

September 24 @ 11-am—12:30pm
Click [here](#) to learn register



AHML Garden & Produce Swap

September 25th, Sunday 10-12 noon
Stop by to drop off or see what is available for swapping. Have extra seeds, cuttings or plants?
Extra veggies or fruits? Bring them to swap with others who also have extra.

Gardening Knowledge

Bev Krams | Horticulture

UPCOMING EDUCATIONAL OPPORTUNITIES

FOREST PRESERVES of COOK COUNTY Not Your Typical Pumpkin Party

October 1 @ 7 pm Adults Only. Fee \$25
Click [here](#) to register



PLATT HILL NURSERY

Winterizing Your Garden

October 15th @ 10-11am
Click [here](#) to register

Layered Bulb Workshop

October 15th @ 11-12noon
Fee \$40. Click [here](#) to register

Pansy Wreath Workshop

October 15th @ 3-4pm
Fee \$40. Click [here](#) to register



CITIZENS FOR CONSERVATION Native Tree & Shrub Sale

September 1-30th (online order)
For more information click [here](#)



CHICAGO BOTANIC GARDEN Adult Education

Click [here](#) for more information

Night of 1,000 Jack-O-Lanterns

October 12-16 and 19-23 @ 6:30-10:30pm
Click [here](#) to register



MORTON ARBORETUM Human+Nature Sculptures

Now through March 2023
Click [here](#) for more information



Volo Bog State Natural Area Field Trip

June Miller | Conservation

On July 9th, 13 Garden Club members and spouses participated in an inspiring and educational walking tour of the [Volo Bog](#) with our guide and naturalist, Dan. As Dan led us on the path to the quaking bog, he frequently stopped to point out and discuss plants, trees, and little creatures along the way. It was a beautiful day and we all left there amazed by what we had seen and heard. If you have a chance, stop by and see this wonder of nature!



Member Profile

Lesley Jackson | Contributing Editor

Jesse William Olsen

Jesse grew up in Wisconsin on 1.5 acres of land. When he was very young his mother taught him all about each of the plants growing in their garden. He credits his mother with his love of gardening.

For 12 years Jesse was in Education, teaching English to grades 6-12. Around the time that COVID hit, Jesse decided to give up teaching. That's when he discovered his love of being outside and working in his yard. He, and his wife, Rachel, who is also a member, have not lived in Arlington Heights for very long, and decided joining the Garden Club would be a good way to connect with like-minded people, and hopefully, learn something along the way. Rachel shares his vision for their yard, but it is Jesse who does the work! Jesse is passionate about native pollinators, and sustainability. He is proud to report that this past summer he has only used his two rain barrels to keep his garden watered, his water bill has not gone up at all! He even has two raised vegetable beds, which are connected to a drip line from an elevated water barrel, using gravity to water. While on daily COVID hikes around the neighborhood, Jesse started noticing natives and spring ephemerals. He was inspired and decided to only plant natives, something edible, or the occasional plant that they really love. Nothing invasive is allowed in his yard!

"Did you know that you can eat Hostas? If you pick the first young shoots, you can stir fry them with a little olive oil, lemon juice and black pepper," Jesse said. According to Jesse, "stir fried hosta shoots taste like pea pods."

Jesse has several signs displayed around his yard including one, Conservation@Home, from the Forest Preserve of Cook Co, and the extension of the U of I. To receive this, he had to work through a long checklist, - do you think about run-off; animals; how many rain barrels; then he had a phone interview, followed by a visit from three inspectors with a checklist. He feels that was quite an achievement!

He also has a Monarch Way Station sign, and thinks it helps the neighbors and passers by understand what he is trying to do (and maybe do something similar themselves).

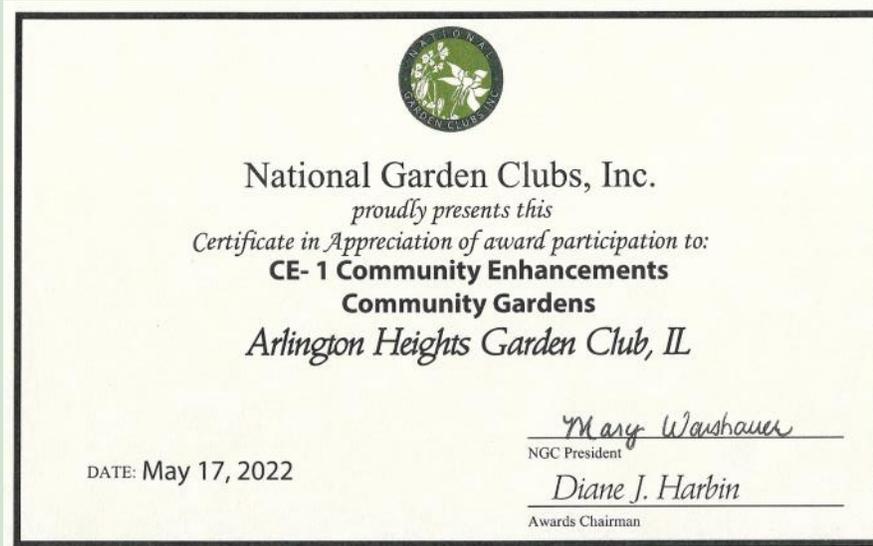
Jesse is also a self-published poet, having completed 2 books of poetry. He has a novel in the works too. One of his favorite authors is Mary Oliver. Look him up online under his full name!

Jesse is happy to share seeds and knowledge with anyone interested in starting a pollinator garden. He also likes to show people around his garden, just give him a call to set up a time.



Rachel & Jesse





Community Enhancement Certificate for WINGS Project

During the National Garden Clubs, Inc. annual meeting in May in Orlando, Florida, our Club was recognized for its WINGS community improvement project by receiving a "Certificate in Appreciation of Award Participation" in the CE-1 Community Enhancements Community Gardens category. While not a national winner, we were recognized for our efforts at improving the landscaping for the WINGS administration building in Rolling Meadows. This multi-year project involved taking a bare landscape of bluegrass and creating a welcoming exterior for all those who visit this facility. Under the leadership of Pete Landwehr, our club with the help of the Arlington Heights Kiwanis Club, and the Girl Scouts of America, added a memorial tree with surrounding perennial gardens, a butterfly garden, containers at the main entrance with flowering plants, and multiple perennials, many of which were native plants. Thanks to all our members who donated their time and talents to develop this project and bring it to completion.

One of the most delightful things
about a garden
is the anticipation it provides.

~W.E. Johns, *The Passing Show*



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NGA member "#susiesjoy"

Solid Waste Agency of Northern Cook County's Cart Tagging Pilot

June Miller | Conservation

Last May, SWANCC performed an educational campaign in three different communities. With the approval of chosen homeowners beforehand, recycling bins were physically checked for proper usage on the scheduled recycling day. Instant feedback was given by means of a tag being attached to the cart. Either a "thank you" tag for proper recycling or an "oops" tag, along with a notation of the materials that can't be recycled, was given. This was done on four consecutive recycling days with significant improvement by the residents on the last day after receiving feedback.

Some of the more frequent "unrecyclable items" being put into recycling carts included: one-time-use plastic cups, straws, lids, plates, cutlery, paper napkins and plates, packaging, mailers, dirty food and beverage take-out containers, and pizza boxes. Not everything people put in recycling carts can be sorted by the recycler or is able to be sold to a manufacturer. Labels are misleading! Just because an item is labeled "recyclable", doesn't mean it can go into the recycling cart. Quality materials are needed to make new products but not all plastics/paper/glass/metal are created equal. Also, it is important to make sure items are rinsed and clean. Please share this information with your friends and family!

Recycling is part of the solution! Get it Right!

PAPER
Office
News
Junk Mail
Magazines
Cartons
Non-Waxed Boxes
Flatten Boxes

METAL
Steel Cans
Aluminum Cans
Foil Pans
Aerosol Cans
Depressurize Aerosols

GLASS
Food/Bev.
Bottles & Jars
NO Small Caps

PLASTIC
Bottles - Cap On
Jugs - Jars - Tubs
NO Bags
NO Foam
DON'T Crush

THINK Before You Throw!
Is it EMPTY? CLEAN? LOOSE? DRY?

Close cart lid!

oops!
I Spy Contamination...

Don't put any of these items in recycling cart

- Bagged Recycling
- Batteries/ Electronics
- Plastic Bags/ Film
- Foam
- Bulk

Note: Due to the Illinois IEPA's temporary suspension of collections, SWALCO must limit their Household Chemical Waste collection events to once a month in Gurnee by appointment. They are currently limited in accepting only oil, antifreeze, oil-based paints, gasoline, and solvents.

Board Fills Two Positions

Two new members have joined the AHGC Board of Directors/Committee Chairs at the September Board meeting. Beth Ligenza and Linda Heller were recently appointed to fill vacancies by President, Jim Spannagel, and the Board as a whole approved them, serving as the new Vice- President and the Co-chair of the Garden Walk Committee respectively.

Beth Ligenza started gardening as a child, helping her mother in the yard and has been growing plants ever since. She joined her mother in the Field and Flower Garden Club of South Barrington, serving as Plant Sale Chair and Treasurer. Now that her two teenage boys are older, she has more time for her gardening interest and in addition to being part of the landscaping team at Our Savior Church, she wanted to be more involved in her local Arlington Heights Garden Club which she joined during the COVID pandemic. Beth currently is employed at US Foods in Rosemont, and will be serving as your Vice-President for the coming year.

Linda Heller moved to Arlington Heights in 1984, while a business owner in Elk Grove Village. She had little time for gardening, but always heard stories about her mother's involvement in gardening, and so she had her own garden and brought much enthusiasm to her own landscaping. Volunteering has always been part of her busy life and that involved helping at area schools, including PTO Secretary, ice cream socials, Booster Club member at Macarthur, involved with hospitality at Hersey, and Frontier Days, just to mention a few. We welcome her as the Co-chair of the Garden Walk Committee where she will serve for the next two years.



Beth Ligenza, Vice President



Linda Heller, Garden Walk Co-chair

Board of Directors

President	Jim Spannagel
Vice President	Beth Ligenza
Secretary	Halina Zbilski
Treasurer	Pete Landwehr

Committee Chairs

Artistic	Barb Franks
Civics	Mike Relaz
	Dee Schurman
Club Awards	Emma Visee
Conservation	June Miller
Garden Walk	Linda Heller
	Karen Reeb
Horticulture	Bev Krams
Hospitality	Marilyn Weber
	Joe Weber
Membership	Renie Norkiewicz
	Shelley Plischke
Newsletter	Mona Frisbie
Plant Sale	Bob Bruett
Programs	Nancy Asquini-Dean
Publicity	Lesley Jackson
	Connie Landwehr
Scholarship	Emma Visee
Website	Denise Nowak

Project Coordinators

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 August 2022

Checking Account Balance 7/31/22		Stmt Date	\$ 22,761.06	
Receipts:				
donation from Phillips for 5 signs		8/31/22	190.00	
less: Credit Card Fees				
Total			190.00	
Disbursements (cleared):	Check #	Ck Date		
Garden Clubs of Illinois	1519	7/25/22	19.00	new member dues
Renie Norkiewicz	1521	7/25/22	8.00	name badges
Barb Franks	1522	7/28/22	48.36	UB paint & hooks
Lew Coffin	1524	7/31/22	17.79	Blood Drive expenses
Shelley Plischke	1525	8/2/22	11.60	postage - membership
Dee Shurman	1526	8/6/22	77.00	flowers for PO
Mike Relaz	1527	8/9/22	14.01	weed killer - PO
Kathy Wolan	1528	8/11/22	31.98	PO/AHHM
Total			227.74	
Checking Account Balance 8/31/22			\$ 22,723.32	
Receipts to be deposited				
Total undeposited receipts			\$ -	
Open invoices and checks written but not cleared	Check #	Ck Date		
Sieg Marketing	1523	7/31/22	1,134.48	GW booklets
Jim Spannagel	1529	8/11/22	195.47	Fast Signs
Garden Clubs of Illinois	1530	8/22/22	6.00	new member dues
Jim Spannagel	1531	8/30/22	149.90	zomm renewal
Joe Weber	1532	8/30/22	369.87	August picnic
Total outstanding checks and invoices			\$ 1,855.72	
ADJUSTED CASH POSITION 8/31/22			\$ 20,867.60	

Income Expense Summary

Pete Landwehr | Treasurer

Arlington Heights Garden Club Income Expense Summary 9/1/21 through 8/31/22

Source	Revenue	Expenses	Net Income (Expense)	
Membership Dues	\$ 2,532.50		\$ 2,532.50	
Meeting Sales			-	
Tours & Workshops	30.00	160.00	(130.00)	
Unique Boutique (26 vendors)	1,535.00	527.12	1,007.88	
GW/UB Sponsorships & Ads	3,675.00	1,366.48	2,308.52	
Garden Walk (392 tickets)	6,160.38	626.50	5,533.88	
Plant Sales	6,489.50	302.14	6,187.36	
Raffle	1,909.00	0.00	1,909.00	
Artistic		0.00	-	
Meeting Presentations (+ projector)		1,602.07	(1,602.07)	
Social	0.00	1,114.59	(1,114.59)	
Newsletter & website		639.42	(639.42)	
Donations		8,150.00	(8,150.00)	
GCI / CBG Dues		678.00	(678.00)	
Scholarships & Tuition Reimburse- ments	2,000.00	4,197.50	(2,197.50)	
Conservation/Civic		1,818.04	(1,818.04)	
Insurance		358.00	(358.00)	General
Garden Walk Meeting dinners			-	General
Zoom subscription		149.90	(149.90)	
Finance		137.97	(137.97)	
General	403.00	260.86	142.14	General
Credit card fees	(367.27)		(367.27)	General
Revenue	\$ 24,367.11	\$ 22,088.59	\$ 2,278.52	
	0.00	-		
Reconciliation:			Total	
8/31/21 Checking Account balance			\$18,721.84	
8/31/21 Money Market Account balance			-	
8/31/21 Outstanding checks			(132.76)	
8/31/22 outstanding checks - N/A			-	included in Expenses
Adjusted Cash Position 8/31/21	\$ 24,367.11	\$ 22,088.59	\$ 20,867.60	
Activity through August 31, 2022				

AHGC Board Meeting Summary - September 12th, 2022

Halina Zbilski | Recording Secretary

President - Jim Spannagel

- Received from the National Gardens Clubs, Inc., a Certificate in Appreciation of Award Participation to: "CE-1 Community Enhancements Community Gardens".
- According to our bylaws, the President can appoint committee chairs and offices. He has appointed Beth Ligenza as Vice President and Linda Heller as Co-Chair of the Garden Walk Committee. The Board approved these appointees.
- Nancy Asquini Dean will chair a committee to investigate setting up a Blue Star Memorial and is looking for any member volunteers to assist her with this project. She will be working with Veteran groups, GCI, and the Village of AH to set up, find a location, and maintain the Blue Star Memorial in the future.
- To prevent monthly general meetings from going overtime, it was decided to tighten up the scheduled times for social time, having the meeting start promptly at 7:30 and having the speaker start promptly at 8 pm. Signup sheets will no longer be passed around, but will be at a table marked for Signup.

Secretary – Halina Zbilski

- The June 13th board minutes had motion made to approve by Bob B, seconded by Shelley P. All present voted to approve. Jim to be sent current minutes for review prior to distribution.

Treasurer – Pete Landwehr

- August Treasurer's Report and Income/Expense Recap from 9/1/21 thru 8/31/22 was approved. Net Income exceeded expenses by over \$2000.
- The treasurer will finalize the 2022-2023 budget for approval next meeting.
- Discretionary Donations meeting on Oct 3rd, at 7 pm. Anyone can make a recommendation for a donation to an organization that is community, garden or environmentally related.

Civics – Mike Relaz and Dee Schurman

- We received a thank you letter from Wheeling Township for the 200 lbs of produce which were donated by the Garden Club. This is a substantial amount of the total they received.

Conservation – June Miller

- June will be setting up a "Conservation Corner" at monthly meetings to highlight some aspect of her committees work such as native seed exchanges, or composting

Hospitality – Marilyn and Joe Weber

- Looking for Holiday Party recommendations for caterers. (2nd Monday in December)
- We will be collecting a food pantry item at the Holiday Party, and will provide a list of most needed food items, as well as requesting helpers to deliver items to food pantry.

Membership – Renie Norkiewicz and Shelley Plischke

- Current membership is 121 members. Website has our current membership list at all times.

Programs – Nancy Asquini Dean

- September 26th "Post-Harvest Activities for a Productive Garden Next Year" by Mark Lyon. In person at St. Simon's.

Business/Old Business/Announcement

- Another blood drive will be scheduled for next year, possibly in July. Lew Coffin is looking for a co-chair for future drives.

Next Board Meeting: October 10, 2022