



Nasturtium Notes

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CLUB NEWS

- We regret that our **February 9 Zoom Program on Native Orchids** has been cancelled by our speaker due to unavoidable personal circumstances. We received many RSVPs from the membership, indicating that this is a popular topic, so we will attempt to reschedule for next year.
- **Garden Therapy** is at the Oak Park Arms on Wednesdays, February 16 and April 20. These floral arrangements projects are popular with the residents, so we usually have a full class and could use some extra help. Please contact [Sue Milojevic](#) or [Gina Sennello](#) for more details or to volunteer.
- Our **Programs** committee is already planning our Club speakers for next year, and they'd like to hear from the membership about any topics or speakers which may be of interest. Please contact [Sue Milojevic](#) with your thoughts.
- **Garden Club Membership Renewal** starts in February, so keep an eye on your email inbox. Membership Chair [Joan Figatner](#) will be contacting you soon.
- It's also time to think about **club officer elections**. Our nominating committee (Gina Sennello, Irene Williams, Gayle Hedlund, Debbie Buckley and Shirley Henderson) has prepared a slate of candidates for officer positions. According to the Bylaws, the committee will present the slate of officers at the March membership meeting and they may allow further nominations from the membership.
- The new Board will also include chairs of **standing committees** who are appointed by the President(s). If you are interested in becoming more involved with Garden Club either now or in the near future, please talk to any board member.
- The **Finance Committee** needs two volunteers from the membership to assist in the annual internal audit of Garden Club books, sometime in the next month on a date to be decided. This involvement is normally just a few hours on one day. Please contact any Board Member.

- Mark your calendar for the **2022 Garden Clubs of Illinois Annual State Convention** April 24-25 at The Doubletree in Lisle. Registration information with more information is available [here](#) under “forms,” and is in this month’s *Garden Glories*.

IN THE COMMUNITY & BEYOND

- The **Oak Park Art League** exhibit, “**Hot House: A Botanical Oasis**” is intended to help you “Beat the winter blaahs!” On display now until February 24, 1-5pm Tuesday through Saturday.
- The **Oak Park Conservatory** is having its first [seed sale](#), with vegetable and flower seeds, and supplies on site at the Conservatory. Check back in early spring for onion sets and tropical bulbs. February 1st through early spring. Tuesday- Sunday, 10:00am-4:00pm
- The **OP Conservatory** is also holding a [Valentine’s Market](#). Shop online February 1-12, Pick Up February 11-12 10am-4pm. Choose from locally grown blooming plants and flowers such succulents, tropical houseplants, fresh-cut bouquets and more.
- **McHenry County Master Gardeners** has arranged a bus for the **Wisconsin Garden Expo** from the Woodstock Extension Office for Saturday, February 12. Details for the bus ride can be found [here](#). Additional information on the Wisconsin Garden Expo at: <https://wigardenexpo.com/>
- **Chicago Botanic Garden** will be holding an orchid show February 12-March 22. Information is available at [The Orchid Show | Chicago Botanic Garden](#).
- Don’t forget to check out the **National Garden Club website** where you can sign up to receive the online *National Gardener* magazine and a weekly blog with lots of good articles and gardening information. National’s website also has information on its upcoming Power Point and Google Tools tech workshops.
- Check out the many programs at **Trailside Museum** in River Forest: [Trailside Museum of Natural History - Forest Preserves of Cook County \(fpdcc.com\)](#)

