



Nasturtium Notes

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CLUB NEWS

- Our program at **Cheney Mansion** tomorrow is **Wild & Wonderful Early Bloomers**, presented by Cindy Crosby. Doors open at noon for socializing. We'll have a brief business meeting at approximately 12:30, with the program starting at 1:00. Masks are optional in accordance with Oak Park Health Department orders.
- Don't forget to renew your **Garden Club Membership**. You were sent a form by email, and renewal is always available on the Garden Club website. If you have any questions, please contact Membership Chair [Joan Figatner](#). Online renewals are preferred, but you may also mail a check.
- **Club officer elections** and **budget approval** will be held at the April general meeting. Please plan to attend! 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 today.
- 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 "calendar," and is in this month's *Garden Glories*. The morning speaker's topic is Climate Change, followed by a luncheon and Floral Design Program, and there are many options to just attend part of the convention. Please see any board member if you have questions.
- *Get your hats ready!* The beloved annual **May Luncheon** will return to the Oak Park Country Club on May 11, in time to celebrate the Club's 105th anniversary. More details to come soon.

IN THE COMMUNITY & BEYOND

- The 11th annual [One Earth Film Festival](#) is going on now, March 4-13. Check out the website for tickets and schedules. Films will be shown in various formats, both virtually and in-person at different locations, many of them in the Oak Park-River Forest area.
- 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
- We all love **orchids**. Unfortunately, **Hausermann's** did not hold their annual orchid show this year, but they are still open for visits. Check out their [website](#). **Chicago Botanic Garden** will be holding an orchid show until 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.
- On February 8 the National Garden Club held a virtual program presented by historian Kirk Brown to commemorate the upcoming 200th birthday of landscape architect **Frederick Law Olmsted**. NGC has sent us a link to the video, which will be available on YouTube until May 11. [Olmsted 200th Anniversary - YouTube](#)
- **McHenry County Master Gardeners** present their **Garden Fest** on April 9 at Luecht Auditorium in Crystal Lake, with guest speakers on topics of interest to all gardeners. Information and registration [here](#).
- There has been no Chicago Flower and Garden Show since its abrupt cancellation in March 2020 due to the pandemic. But in 2017 **The Get Growing Foundation** was established as the cornerstone of The Show; bringing education and year-round programming to continue the event. **Get Growing Foundation** promotes education and support for all gardeners with its traveling Plant Truck and **Get Growing Expo** at three Chicago sites in June. Keep informed by visiting their [website](#).
- Check out the many programs at **Trailside Museum** in River Forest: [Trailside Museum of Natural History - Forest Preserves of Cook County \(fpdcc.com\)](#)

