

**2023-2024**  
**Buffalo Grove Garden Club**  
Buffalo Grove, Illinois 60089

**Federated 1969**

Website: **[www.buffalogrovegardenclub.org](http://www.buffalogrovegardenclub.org)**

Also, through Buffalo Grove Park District:

**[www.bgparks.org/information](http://www.bgparks.org/information)**

Email: **[buffalogrovegclub@gmail.com](mailto:buffalogrovegclub@gmail.com)**

35 Members, 1 Honorary Member



**MEMBER OF**  
**NATIONAL GARDEN CLUBS, INC. (NGC)**  
**CENTRAL REGION GARDEN CLUB**  
**GARDEN CLUBS OF ILLINOIS, INC. (GCI)**  
**DISTRICT IX OF GCI**  
**CHICAGO BOTANIC GARDEN**



### **A Final Tribute Barbara Long ~ 1938 - 2023**

The Buffalo Grove Garden Club lost a valued member when Barbara Long passed away on June 18, 2023, after a prolonged illness.

Barbara joined our club in June of 1969, just 3 months after we were federated. From the beginning Barbara held many offices as Chair of Civics, Horticulture & Library, Hospitality, Flower Guild, Publications, Programs & Treasurer. She served as our President from 1999-2001. She was a willing participant on many committees, always available to give her input when needed.

She was definitely a lover of roses, as evidenced in her garden and was familiar with their names, Chicago Peach and the very pink All American Beauty, her favorite. She was also devoted to her animals, sharing her home with many dogs and cats.

Barbara was a member for 54 years, her contributions were invaluable. We will miss her beautiful smile.

## **LEADER'S MESSAGE**

### **“PARTICIPATION”**

**Participation is our key word this year, and one we need to promote. While emphasizing the necessity of team effort to keep our Club fully functioning, we can't overlook the social aspect of working together. We've certainly found it fun and so much easier to meet our team goals together with members rather than alone.**

**We turned what would have been a chore for one or two members into a successful day at the Raupp Museum when many came to clear and plant the raised beds there last fall.**

**We were so fortunate to have the full membership on hand the day of our Plant Sale pick-up, although the bulk of the effort leading up to that day was accomplished by the smaller Ways and Means Team.**

**The program roster came together easier because of team-in-put. Gathering ideas from members who each shared different interests made the job of creating an appealing roster that much easier.**

**What we are attempting to emphasize is the benefit to the members individually, and the Club as a whole, of participation and a willingness to keep our valued activities moving forward.**

**The more the merrier . . . enjoy your Team and have a good time.**

*Anne Bevers & Laurie Field, Co-Team Leaders*

## Club Teams 2023 - 2024

Co-Team Leaders	<b>Anne Bevers &amp; Laurel Field</b>
Ways & Means	<b>Sylvia Ney, Team Lead</b>
Spring Plant Sale &	Joanne Marion, Susan McCarthy,
Fall Mum Sale	Karen Moe
Programs / Horticulture	<b>Adonna Ogilvie, Team Lead</b>
	Mary Ann Loda, Nicole Perron
Secretary	<b>Sue Entwistle</b>
Treasurer	<b>Karen Cullen</b>
Alcott Display Case	<b>Rebecca Steinmeier</b>
Civics & Conservation	<b>Pat Weitach, &amp; Kathy Monroe,</b>
	<b>Team Leads</b>
	Krys Luby, Jan Pahl, Rebecca
	Steinmeier, Helga Zimmera
Communications	<b>Krys Luby, Team Lead</b>
Flower Guild	<b>Karen Such &amp; Lyn Ferguson,</b>
	<b>Team Leads</b>
	Mary Ellen Moley, Helga Zimmera
Awards	<b>Robin Geller</b>
Hospitality	<b>Ulrike Kay, Team Lead</b>
	Jan Katzman, Helga Zimmera
Membership	<b>Nancy Ritz, Team Lead</b>
	Marisa Kamuda
Scholarship	<b>Joan Sparreo, Team Lead</b>
Yearbook	<b>Susan McCarthy, Team Lead</b>
	Pat King

## **Team Lead Meetings 2023 - 2024**

We will meet on the 1<sup>st</sup> Tuesday  
of the month at **7:00 p.m.** in the homes of the following:

<b>September 5, 2023</b>	<b>Joan Sparreo</b>
<b>October 3, 2023</b>	<b>Kathy Monroe</b>
<b>November 7, 2023</b>	<b>Ulrike Kay</b>
<b>December 5, 2023</b>	<b>Anne Bevers</b>
<b>March 5, 2024</b>	<b>Karen Cullen</b>
<b>April 2, 2024</b>	<b>Adonna Ogilvie</b>
<b>May 7, 2024</b>	<b>Pat Weitach</b>
<b>June 4, 2024</b>	<b>Laurie Field</b>
<b>July 2, 2024</b>	<b>Sylvia Ney</b>
<b>August 6, 2024</b>	<b>Karen Such</b>

**As a courtesy to our hostesses, please call to advise  
if you are unable to attend the Team Meeting.  
Also, please call a Team Leader with your  
Team report to be included in the meeting.  
Your thoughtfulness is very much appreciated.**

## **2023 - 2024 STATE AND NATIONAL OFFICERS**

### **National Garden Clubs, Inc**

Offices: 4401 Magnolia Avenue, St. Louis, MO 63110

Phone: 314/776-7574      Web: [www.gardenclub.org](http://www.gardenclub.org)

### **President**

Brenda Moore(48th NGC President, 2023-2025)

E-mail: [bmoore@gardenclub.org](mailto:bmoore@gardenclub.org)

Theme: "Go Green - Plant America"

### **Central Region Director**

Lynn Ehnert (2023-2025)

E-mail: [Ngccentralregion.com](mailto:Ngccentralregion.com)

Theme: "Central Region's Great Tree Escapade"

### **The Garden Clubs of Illinois, Inc.**

Offices: 188 Industrial Dr. Suite 120, Elmhurst, IL 60126-1623

Phone: 630/617-9269      E-mail: [gardenclubsiill@aol.com](mailto:gardenclubsiill@aol.com)

Website: [www.gardenclubsofillinois.org](http://www.gardenclubsofillinois.org) Follow us on Facebook!

### **President**

Diane Dawson (2023-2025)

E-mail: [Dawson.d@att.net](mailto:Dawson.d@att.net)

Theme: "Let's Grow Together Illinois: Plant America"

### **IL State Treasurer**

Walter Groble (2022-2024)

E-mail: [waltergroble@comcast.net](mailto:waltergroble@comcast.net)

### **District IX Director**

Barbara Gilblair

Phone: 847/922-6956

E-mail: [bgilblair@sbcglobal.net](mailto:bgilblair@sbcglobal.net)

## **2023-2024 MEETINGS**

### **National Garden Clubs Conventions:**

**5/2/23 - 5/5/23** White Sulphur Springs, WV (Installation)  
**6/2/24 - 6/5/24** The Westin Westminster, Denver, CO

### **National Garden Clubs Fall Board Meetings:**

**9/21/23** Virtual

### **Central Region:**

Annual Convention **10/15/23 - 10/17/23** Des Moines, IA

### **The Garden Clubs of Illinois:**

Annual Convention **4/16/23 - 4/17/2023** Marriott Chicago,  
Naperville  
Summer Meeting **7/11/2023** Granite City Lodge,  
Makanda, IL  
Dist. IX & II Flower Show **8/5/23 - 8/6/23** Chicago Botanic  
Gardens, Glencoe  
Annual CGI Convention **4/21/23 – 4/22/23** Springfield, IL

### **GCI Schools:**

Environmental School **TBA**  
Flower Show School **10/2/23 – 10/5/23**, Course III,  
South Barrington

<b><u>ARBOR DAY:</u></b>	<b>4/25/2023</b>	<b>4/26/2024</b>
<b><u>EARTH DAY:</u></b>	<b>4/22/2023</b>	<b>4/22/2024</b>
<b><u>NATIONAL GARDEN WEEK:</u></b>	<b>6/5 – 6/9/23</b>	<b>6/2-6/8/24</b>

# **STRUCTURE OF A GARDEN CLUB**

## **WEBSITES AND PASSWORDS**

National Garden Clubs, Inc.  
50 States + National Capital Area  
8 Regions  
[www.gardenclub.org](http://www.gardenclub.org)  
login: member    password: pumpkin

Central Region (7 States)  
IL, IN, IA, MI, MN, MS, WI  
[www.ngcentralregion.org](http://www.ngcentralregion.org) password: 7states

Garden Club of Illinois (9 Districts)  
[www.gardenclubsofillinois.org](http://www.gardenclubsofillinois.org)

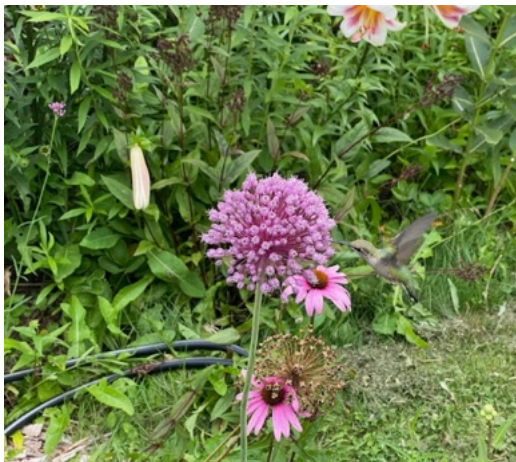
District IX - Garden Clubs of Illinois  
[www.districtix-gci.org](http://www.districtix-gci.org)

Buffalo Grove Garden Club  
[www.buffalogrovegardenclub.org](http://www.buffalogrovegardenclub.org)



## **PRIVILEGES OF MEMBERSHIP**

Annual membership dues are to be paid no later than the April meeting of each year. Participation in club fundraisers and projects is a privilege of membership: including working the annual plant sale, maintaining Buffalo Grove village gardens, and attending monthly meetings.



## **Yearly Memberships/Contributions**

### **Garden Clubs of Illinois Membership           \$234**

Per capita dues to Garden Clubs of Illinois to assist in funding their varied activities.

### **District IX Membership                               \$10**

Flat fee membership for our participation in District IX activities.

### **Chicago Botanic Garden Membership           \$50**

Annual membership for the benefit of our club members to enable their participation in all educational offerings.

### **GCI PROJECTS:   \$100**

#### **•GCI President's Project                               \$10**

Supports the GCI President's project for her two-year term.

#### **•GCI Schools/Conferences                           \$10**

Donations will be used to secure speakers for the GCI schools and conferences. All members have the opportunity to further their education by attending them.

#### **•Garden Therapy                                       \$10**

Donations are used to initiate and maintain garden therapy programs in hospitals and institutions.

#### **•NGC Projects   \$10**

Donations will be used to offer all clubs a grant for participation in any NGC projects.

#### **•Lincoln Memorial Garden's Landscape**

### **Restoration Endowment Fund                   \$10**

Donations are invested and interest used to fund landscaping maintenance projects.

## **Yearly Contributions**

### **CGI Projects, continued**

#### **•Milkweed for Monarchs \$10**

Funds are used to increase Illinois' public awareness of the plight of the rapidly diminishing monarch butterfly population. Assistance is also provided in repopulating the availability of habitat throughout the state.

#### **•Scholarship, University \$10**

Scholarships for students in any horticulture-related field at any Illinois College or University.  
Funds are derived from donations to the Scholarship Fund, Illinois Book of Honor and Remembrance, Illinois Life Membership, and interest on investments of the Rhoda Evans Fund.

#### **•State Flower Show \$10**

Fund raising will be continuous to insure sufficient funds will be available for State Flower Show. Next State Show TBA.

#### **•World Gardening \$10**

Donations are used to provide aid for areas devastated by natural disasters.

#### **•Youth Activities \$10**

Donations used to fund programs for Youth Gardeners.

## **Community Contributions/Projects**

### **•Arbor Day Tree Fund (April 2024)      \$TBD**

Donation to the Buffalo Grove Park District to plant a tree in the Village of Buffalo Grove to commemorate Arbor Day.

### **•Buffalo Grove 2023-24 Scholarship      TBA**

Applications go to area high schools and College of Lake County. Scholarship is awarded at the May meeting.

### **•Indian Trails Public Library Donation      \$50**

### **•Butterfly Garden at Alcott Center      \$50**

Working in conjunction with the Buffalo Grove Park District, maintaining the garden. 21

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## Community Projects

- Community Plantings**

**\$TBD**

Funding to purchase and install plants at The Blue Star Memorial Garden at Veterans' Park on Weiland Rd.

- Green Fair, Buffalo Grove Park District**

Members participate in a yearly fair held at the end of Summer.



# WAYS AND MEANS PROJECTS 2023-2024

## Annual Plant Sale

The proceeds from our plant sales fund our annual scholarship program, purchase, planting and maintaining several public gardens in Buffalo Grove, donations and speakers for our monthly meeting.

### May 2023

Annual Plant Sale.

### Fall Mum Sale 2023

Distribution of order forms, July, 2023

Order forms due August, 2023

Distribution of Mums, September 2023

(Location – Alcott Center, date TBA)

### March 2024

Distribution of Plant Sale Order Forms

### April 2024 (Date TBA)

Plant Sale Order Forms Are Due

### May 2024

Annual Plant Sale

(Location – Alcott Center, date TBA)

### September 2024

Green Fair

## **Civics & Conservation 2023 – 2024**

BGGC tends four BG Park District garden beds:

- Flower beds at Weidner & Lake Cook
- Butterfly Garden at Alcott Center
- “The Buffalo” at Raupp & Lake Cook
- The Blue Star Memorial at Veterans Park off Weiland

As one of our most visible projects, properly maintaining the gardens is important to the club's retaining its stature in the community. The success of these gardens relies on each member's participation.

### **ALL MEMBERS PARTICIPATE**

**2023 FALL CLEANUP** - Community garden beds

**Early October, Date and Time TBA**

**2024 SPRING PLANTING** - Community garden beds

**In May - Date and Time TBA**

## **BUFFALO GROVE GARDEN CLUB SCHOLARSHIP 2023-2024**

The Buffalo Grove Garden Club offers scholarships to individual students of good standing living within our community who plan studies in agriculture, botany, environmental law, environmental science/engineering, horticulture, or a related field. The BGGC follows the scholarship guidelines of the National Garden Clubs, Inc.

Funding for the BGGC scholarship shall be decided each year, with the allocated dollar amount to be included in the budget for the upcoming year. The allocation for the scholarship shall be determined by the profits from the previous year's plant sale. All scholarship money is paid directly to the school/s the winner/s will attend. If the chair and chair committee determine that there is no suitable candidate for the scholarship, the funds may be carried over for the next year's scholarship. The number of scholarships and their amounts shall be determined by the committee, based on the qualifications of the applicants.

**Applications for the 2023-2024 academic year scholarship are due by April 1, 2024.**



**Tuesday, September 12, 2023  
6:45 P.M.**

**FIGHTING CLIMATE CHANGE IN YOUR BACK  
(and Front) YARD**

By: Mike Nowack

**ALCOTT CENTER:** 530 Bernard Dr., Buffalo Grove

**HOSTESSES:** Lynn Ferguson & Mary Ellen Moley

**HORTICULTURE TALK** will be given prior to the speaker's program when time permits. Topics will vary.

**FLOWER GUILD – ST. JOE'S IN LIBERTYVILLE  
BED MINISTRY**

Collect twin size comforters, sheet sets, pillows, and blankets for children who have never had their own bed in our surrounding communities.

**Tuesday, October 10, 2023  
6:45 P.M.**

**TURN YOUR GARDEN INTO A B&B FOR BIRDS**  
**By: Alyse Cohen Burman**

**ALCOTT CENTER:** 530 Bernard Dr., Buffalo Grove

**HOSTESSES:** Anne Bevers & Karen Cullen

**HORTICULTURE TALK** will be given prior to the speaker's program when time permits. Topics will vary.

**FLOWER GUILD – Wreaths Across America**  
Monetary collection for wreaths to be placed on Veterans graves in Elmwood, IL.

**Tuesday, November 14, 2023  
6:45 P.M.**

**FLORAL ARRANGEMENTS**

By: Mary Cantrell  
(Lake Forest Floral Shop)

**ALCOTT CENTER:** 530 Bernard Dr., Buffalo Grove

**HOSTESSES:** Helga Zimmera & Karen Such

**HORTICULTURE TALK** will be given prior to the speaker's program when time permits. Topics will vary.

**FLOWER GUILD – The Night Ministry, Chicago.**

List will be provided for Christmas stockings to be distributed to the homeless.

**Tuesday, December 12, 2023  
6:45 P.M.**

**WINTER PRAIRIE WONDERS**  
By Cindy Crosby

**ALCOTT CENTER:** 530 Bernard Dr., Buffalo Grove

**HOSTESSES:** Maryann Loda & Ulrike Kay

**HORTICULTURE TALK** will be given prior to the speaker's program when time permits. Topics will vary.

**FLOWER GUILD - Northwest Community Hospital  
Wig Fund for cancer patients.**

Monetary collection

**Tuesday, March 12, 2024  
6:45 P.M.**

**ADVANCED PERENNIAL PLANT MAINTENANCE**

By: Dolly Swibes Foster

**ALCOTT CENTER:** 530 Bernard Dr., Buffalo Grove

**HOSTESSES:** Claudia Coffey & Sue Entwistle

**HORTICULTURE TALK** will be given prior to the speaker's program when time permits. Topics will vary.

**FLOWER GUILD - Holy Family Food Pantry, Waukegan.** Collect books, socks, bubbles, coloring books, small toys for Easter baskets for homeless children.

**MARCH 2024 Reminders:**

Membership fees are due by the April Meeting.

Distribution of Plant Sale Order Forms.

**Saturday, April 13, 2024**

**SPRING LUNCHEON**

**Time and Venue: TBA**

The event requires advance sign-up

**FLOWER GUILD - WINGS**

Monetary collection for herbs and vegetables  
for their safe houses.

**APRIL 2024 Reminders:**

**Membership fees are now due.**

**Plant Sale Order Forms Due.**

**Tuesday, May 14, 2024  
6:45 P.M.**

**LANDSCAPING WITH NATIVE PLANTS**

**By: David Brooks**

**ALCOTT CENTER:** 530 Bernard Dr., Buffalo Grove

**HOSTESSES:** Mary Ellin Innes & Pat Weitach

**HORTICULTURE TALK** will be given prior to the speaker's program when time permits. Topics will vary.

**FLOWER GUILD – Orphans of the Storm**

Collect newspapers, old towels, dog / cat treats,  
food, and toys.

**MAY 2024 Reminders:**

**Annual Plant Sale – Alcott Center**

**Date & Time - TBA**

**Tuesday, June 11, 2024  
6:45 P.M.**

**COMPOST: HOW TO MAKE IT & HOW TO USE IT**

By: Beth Botts

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**ALCOTT CENTER:** 530 Bernard Dr., Buffalo Grove

**HOSTESSES: Rebecca Steinmeier & Jan Prah**

**HORTICULTURE TALK** will be given prior to the speaker's program when time permits. Topics will vary.

**FLOWER GUILD – Interfaith Walk for Hunger**

Monetary collection and donation.



# **SUMMER 2024**

## **July Outing ~ Date TBA**

### **Flower Guild: Feed My Starving Children**

Member sign up to pack food for 3rd World countries..

**Distribution of Mum Sale order forms.**

## **August Outing ~ Date TBA**

### **Flower Guild: Cradles to crayons**

Collect school supplies, backpacks, NEW socks, underwear, pjs, sneakers, shoes or boots to start the school year off for the underprivileged children.

## **August 2024 Reminder:**

**Mum sale order forms due.**

## **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

I pledge allegiance to the flag of the United States of America and to the Republic for which it stands,  
one nation under God, indivisible,  
with Liberty and Justice for all.



## **GARDEN CLUB OF ILLINOIS PLEDGE**

I pledge allegiance to the flag of the Garden Club of Illinois and to the principles for which it stands – the beautification of our State, kept void of litter, the protection of all wildlife and the conservation of its natural resources for present and future generations.  
- Ethel (Mrs. A.J.) Fremouw

## **CONSERVATION PLEDGE**

I give my pledge as an American to save and faithfully defend from waste the natural resources of my country – its soil and minerals, its forests, its water and wildlife.