

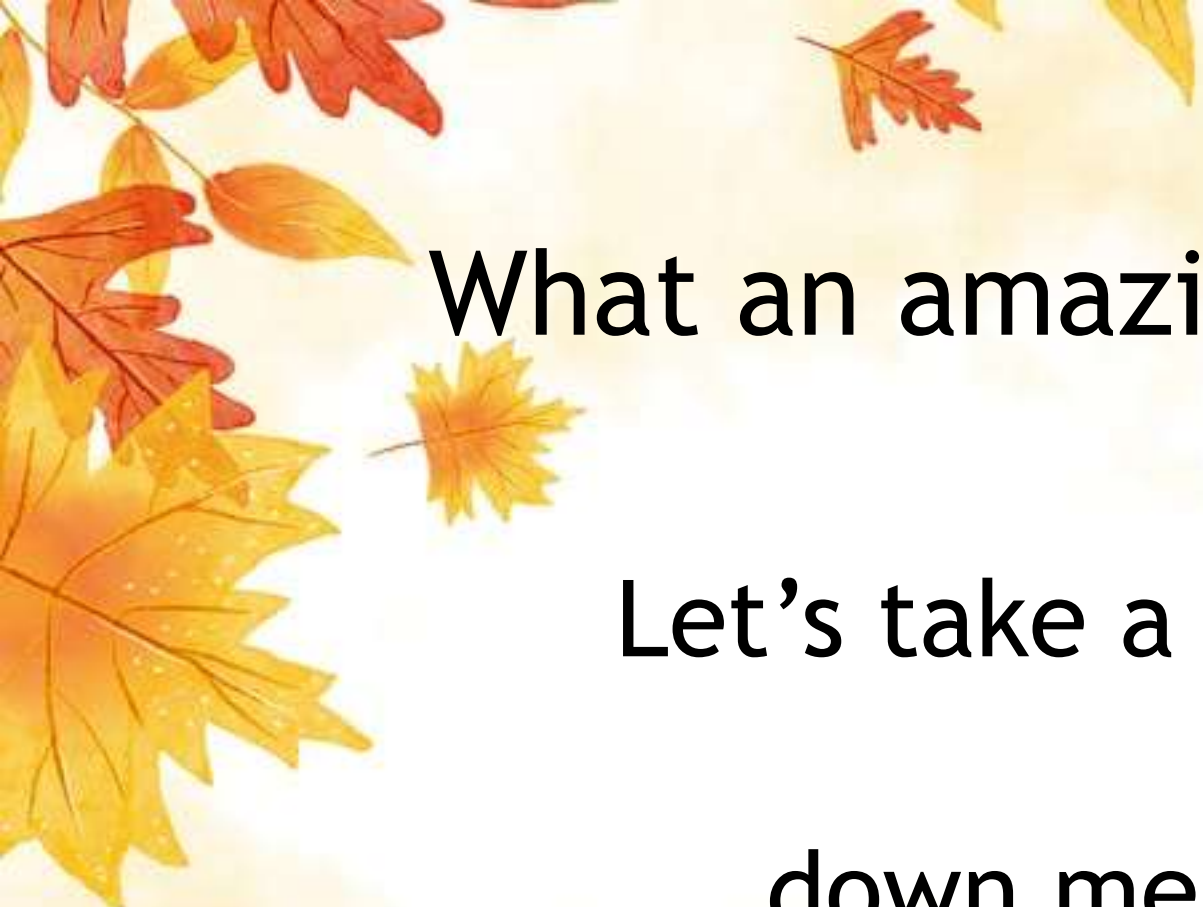


# Bloomingdale Garden Club

60<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Celebration

October 2023



A cluster of autumn leaves in shades of red, orange, and yellow, located in the top-left corner of the slide.

What an amazing 60 years it's been!

Let's take a journey

down memory lane . . .

A cluster of autumn leaves in shades of red, orange, and yellow, located in the bottom-right corner of the slide.

# It all started . . .

Seven friends met in a home in April, 1963. A club was formed that would be helpful to its members and benefit our community.

Dues were only \$6.00!





# Arbor Day 1964 Community Project

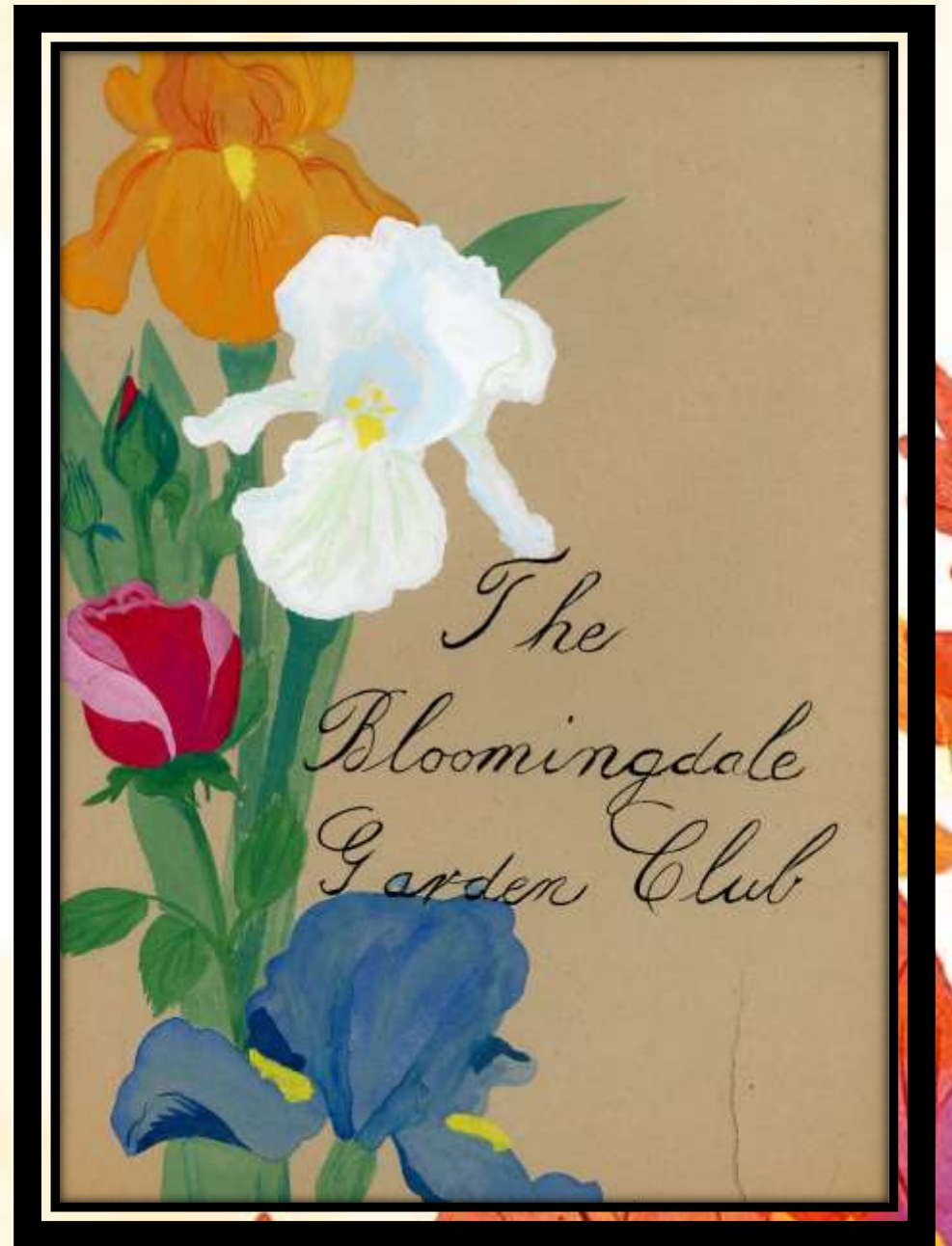
Planting ceremony to  
spruce up the local  
post office





# Garden Club Artwork 1964

By Arlene Malek





# Visit to Whitmal Gardens in 1965





# New Officers Elected in 1965



Margaret, Ethel  
Gloria, Jeanne, Roberta



# Landscaping Community Project in 1966

Our club gave plants to DuJardin School





# Flower Show 1968 (Illinois' Sesquicentennial)



Take a look at  
the costumes!



Theme: Prairie State Blooms



# Flower Show 1969 “The Curtain Goes Up”





# Early days of fundraising

Annual Christmas  
Bazaar 1971



# Flower Show 1973 “The Silver Screen”



Prepping for the Contest

Winners of Creativity and Award of Merit





# New Officers Elected in 1973



Lucille, Ethel, Adele, Marge

We were in the 4<sup>th</sup> of July Parade in 1977







The kiss of the sun for pardon  
The song of a bird for mirth  
One is nearer God's Heart in a garden  
Than anywhere else on earth

By Dorothy Gurney, circa 1913

Inspired by the exquisite Hammerfield Penshurst garden



# New Officers Elected in 1991



Marguerite, Marion, Grace, Norma



# Spring Planting at Marklund Home 1991





# Spring Tour Morton Arboretum 1991





# Shady Hill Gardens Visit 1991



Betty, Barb, Esther



Betty, Barb, Esther, Eleanor,  
Grace, Marion



# Septemberfest 1991





# Holiday Party at Esther's!



What is Vivian's  
White Elephant Gift??



# Esther's Candle Making Workshop 1992





# Grapevine Wreaths Workshop 1992 (and plant exchange too)



Barb, Phyllis



# Tour at Hausermann's Orchids 1992





# Septemberfest 1992



Vivian and Norma planning



Barb, Vivian and Norma



# Christmas Party at Esther's Home



Esther makes sure her guests  
are not thirsty



It's White Elephant  
time!



# New Officers 1993



Gladys, Celina,  
Jo & Phyllis



# Bow Making Class in 1993



“All you need to succeed is  
a great teacher like our own  
Gladys Kroon.”



# Klein Creek Field Trip And Picnic Lunch 1993





# Paper Making Workshop 1993

Paper made from dried petals, seeds and plant materials





# Fall Flower Arranging Workshop 1993



Eleanor, Lucille, Phyllis and Mary



# Christmas Party 1993



Vivian said she was extra good this year!



Lucille, Jo



# Ball Seed Company 1994





# Hausermann's Orchid Tour 1994



Lida, Esther

Norma, Eleanor, Dolores





# Marklund Planting Project 1994



Marion and Phyllis hard at work



# Visit to Trudy Temple Garden 1994





# Septemberfest 1994





# Fall Workshop 1994



Grace and Marion



Dolores, Phyllis, Norma



Alice Ethel and Susan



# Quilt Donated to Library 1995



Marion Jonas & daughter Shirley  
made a quilt for the library display



# New Officers for 1995



Dolores, Lida, Esther and Marion



# Plant Sale at the Library 1995



Alice and Ethel



# Water Lilly Garden Tour 1995

Grandchildren

Eleanor, Norma







"Every flower  
and every  
blade of grass  
is kept in God's  
tender care."



# COD Horticultural Center Tour 1996



Each person was  
given a plant to pot  
and take home





# Plant Sale 1996





# Holiday Craft 1996

Making door decorations  
And cookies for Abbington  
Rehab & Nursing Care



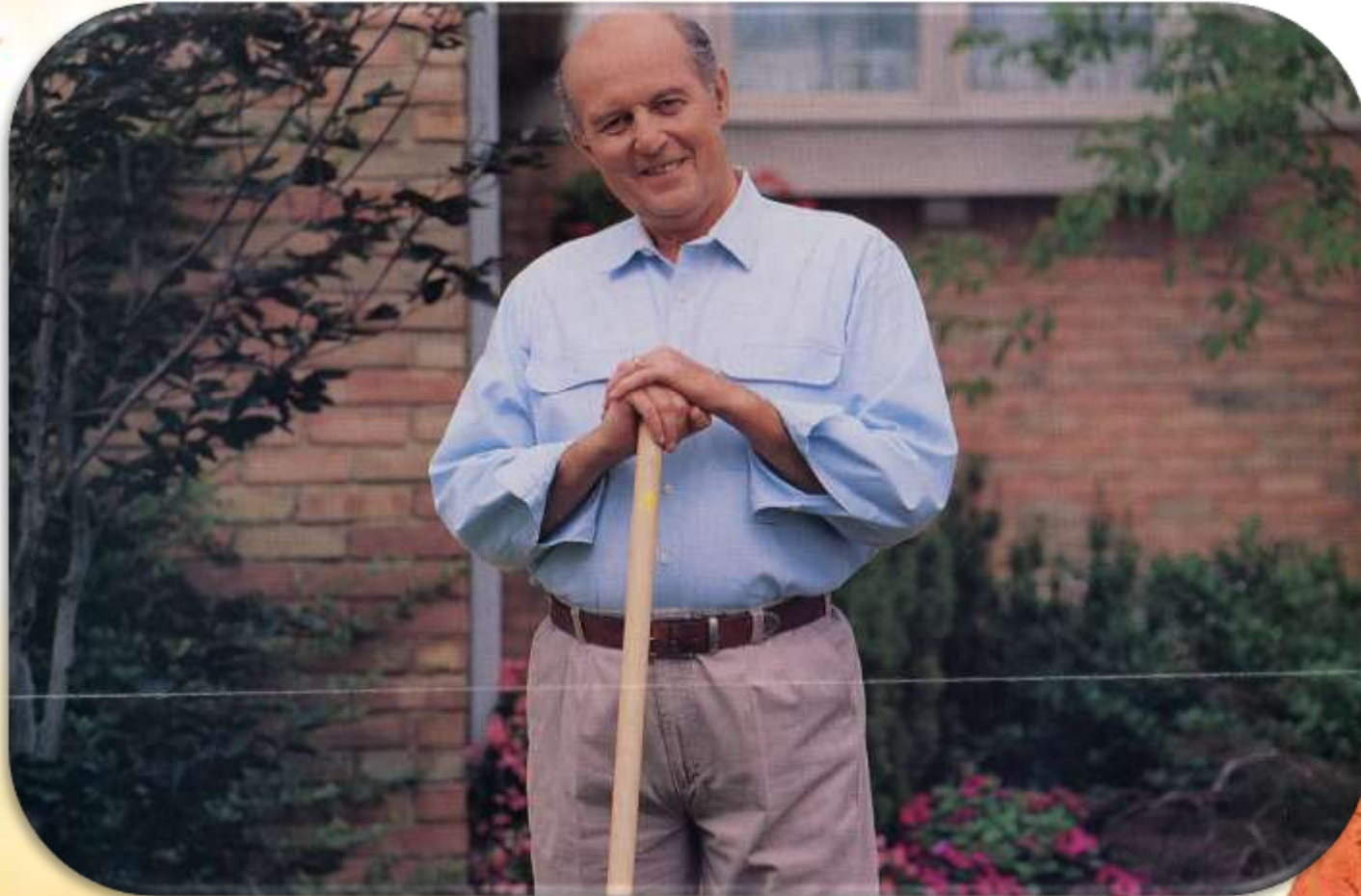


# Gladys Kroon Floral Designer Show 1997





# Jerry Baker Talk on Lawncare 1997





# Trudy Temple Gardens 1997



Phyllis and Norma



Linda, Barb, Grace, Esther



# Snowman Crossing 1997





# Carol Stein-Stillman - Princess and Her Book of Flowers 1998



Raffle Winner



# Make & Take Workshop 1998



Sharon



Helen



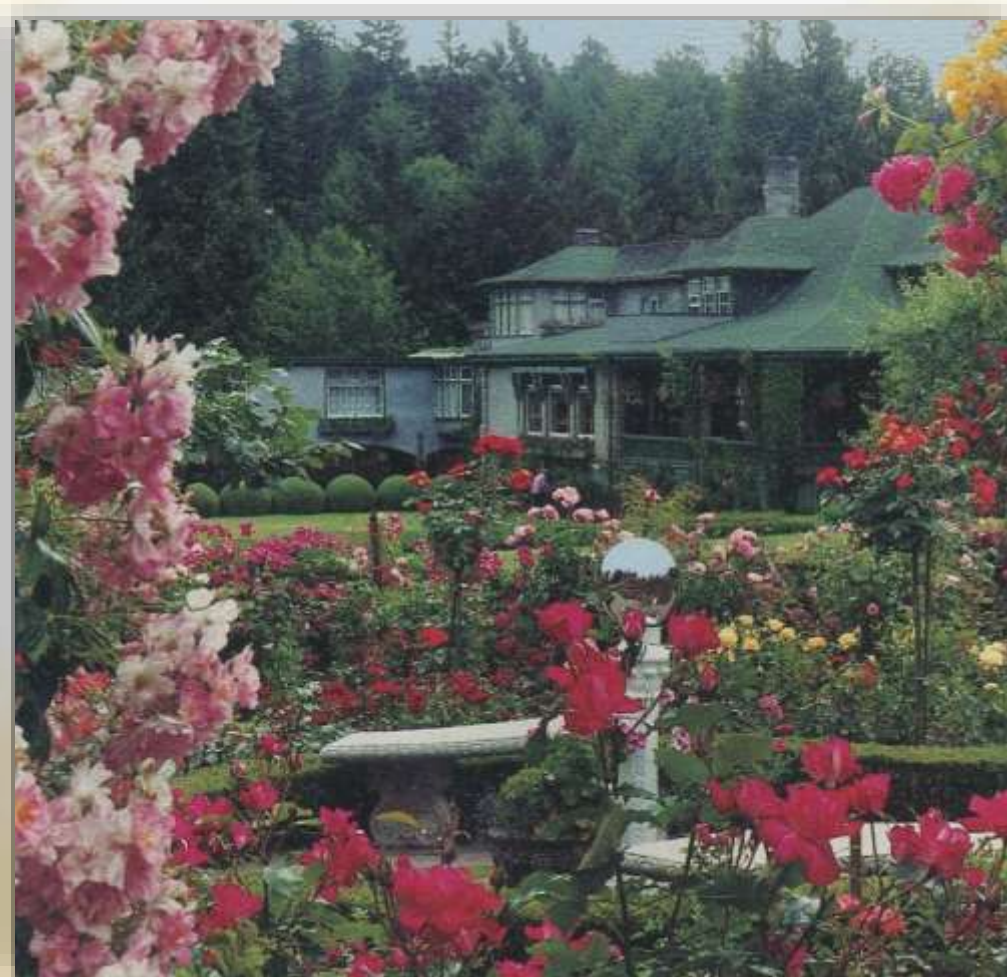
# New Officers 1998



Bessy, Esther, Mary, Delores, Lida, Linda



# Sandra Perakis, Platt Hill Landscaping Talk





# Septemberfest Parade 1998





# Jerry Garden - Building Birdhouses 1999



Built our own birdhouses from kits





# Cuneo Estate and Garden Tour 1999





# Making Living Wreaths Workshop 1999





One  
who plants  
a garden  
plants  
happiness.

Chinese  
Proverb





# 2000 Arbor Day Community Project

## Planting Wetlands at Springfield Park



Club donated \$300 for this bench





# Memorial Day Remembrance 2001

Putting together flowers to put on graves



Marilyn and Bonnie



Jane preparing flowers



# Spring is in the Air GCI Luncheon 2001



Bessy, Jane, Wanda,  
Lorraine, Gail, Marion





# Plant Sale at Village Hall 2002





# Annual GCI Luncheon 2004



Gail



Marion, Vivian



# 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Celebration in 2013



Geri and Family



Katie & Vince



Maddy, Jenny, Henia



# 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Celebration in 2013



Tom & Kate



Bonnie Rauthbaum



Jo Dobrowski



# 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Celebration in 2013



Esther Ahlrich



Honoring Our Seniors  
Jane, Vivian, Jo, Mary Esther



Vivian Koontz



# 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Celebration in 2013



Joe



Mary Fortino & Granddaughter



Paster Jeremy



# 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Celebration in 2013



Kathryn Kakalo Family



Carrie, Joe, Joyce and Franco



Henia, Maddy, Geri



# Christmas Holiday Party 2013



Jane & Lorraine



Joe & Joyce Boryla



Laura & Bonnie



Carol Ann & David



# Christmas Holiday Party 2013



Helen

Georgette  
& Bert



Cathy, Esther, Jane & Bobbie



Joyce's Birthday Surprise!



# Christmas Holiday Party 2013



Carole



Geri, Marilyn & Henia



Kelly & Dan



# DuPage Care Center Secret Garden 2014





# Photo Contest 2014



1<sup>st</sup> Place



2<sup>nd</sup> Place



3<sup>rd</sup> Place



# Plant Sale 2014



Hanging Baskets



Girl Scout Volunteer



Cathy K helping guests



# Plant Sale 2014



Henia & Cathy



Sandi, Henia and Cathy



Mary & Esther



# Success with Orchids 2014





# Christmas Craft Making 2014



Esther



Snowbowl



Kathryn



# Snowman Crossing 2014



Carole, Helen, Joyce



Helen



Laurie, Joyce, Carole, Helen Bobbie

Carole





# Incredible Bats 2015



Esther

Speaker  
Sharon Peterson



Sandy K



# Incredible Bats 2015



Pat



Helen



Eek!



# Topiary Demo 2015



Speaker



Linda, Joyce



# 2015 Photo Contest



1<sup>st</sup> Place



2<sup>nd</sup> Place



3<sup>rd</sup> Place



# Prairie Cone Flowers 2015



Pat, Carole



# Memorial Garden Planting 2015



Kelly



# Crazy for Containers Class 2015



Bobbie





# Seasonal Floral Arrangements 2015



Kathi Rose





# Snowman Crossing 2015





# Christmas Craft Making 2015



Akhila



Joyce



Pat, Sandi





# Holiday Party 2015



Cathy K



Sandi, Janiel



Cherri and husband





Joyce, Carole



Jennifer, Tim

# Holiday Party 2015



Dave, Maureen



Maureen, Linda



# Holiday Party 2015



Cathy K., Carol Ann  
And David



Carole, Joyce, Esther,



Gary, Bonnie



Kathryn, George



# Terrarium Making Workshop 2016



Speaker Joannie Rochhi,  
The Growing Place





# Plant Sale 2016



Joyce, Jennifer



Cathy K.



Cathy K.





"My green thumb came only as  
a result of the mistakes I made  
while learning to see things  
from a plant's point of view."

~ H. Fred Dale



# Garden of Remembrance 2016





# Christmas Wreath Making 2016



Joyce



Linda



Kathryn



# Christmas Wreath Making 2016



Marilyn



Esther



Jo



# Holiday Party 2016



Akhila



Janiel

Bev & Chris



Cheryl, Carole



# Holiday Party 2016



Henia and Laura



Bob, Fu-Mei



Joe and Joyce



Jennifer, Tim



# Holiday Party 2016



Joyce And Cheryl



Sandi



Marilyn & Art



Laura & Mom



# Plant Sale 2017



Cathy K



Bobbie



# Plant Sale 2017

Perennials for Sale



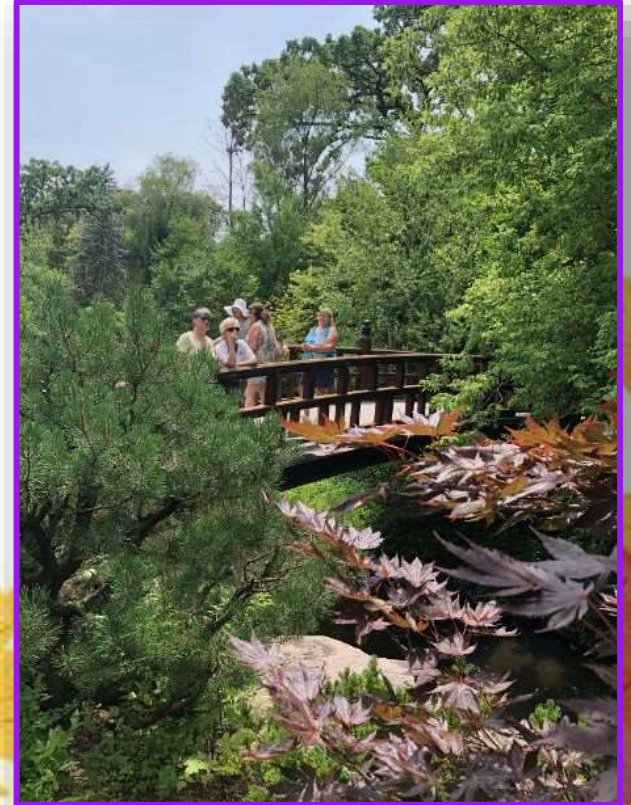
Cheryl



Linda



# Anderson Japanese Gardens 2019





# Anderson Japanese Gardens 2019





# Make a Difference Day 2019



Jennifer in the Weeds



Joyce, Akhila



# Make a Difference Day 2019





# Snowman Crossing 2020



Hector



Who is behind those masks?



When one tugs at a single thing in nature,  
he finds it is attached to the rest  
of the world.

- John Muir





# Making Holiday Crafts 2021

## Christmas door hangers for West Suburban





# Making Holiday Crafts 2021



Laurie, Sue, Gail, Cindy



Ofelia & Hector



Marilyn



Mike



# Making Holiday Crafts 2021



Jennifer



Sheet Music Craft





# Christmas Party at Jameson's 2021



Cathy, Carole, Jennifer, Rick



Linda, Debbie



Cheryl, Jennifer, Joyce



# Christmas Party 2021



Debbie, Jeff



Jamie, Laurie, Cheryl, Sue



# Organic Gardening with Veronica 2022



Hector & Cheryl sampling  
salad and tomatoes



Veronica (Aunt V)



More whipped cream on  
my fresh fruit please!



Good source  
for organics



# Plant Sale 2022



Barbara, Jennifer



Debbie feeding  
the goats



Linda and Gail  
taking inventory



Laurie helping a  
customer



# Plant Sale 2022



Hector supervising



Some of our volunteers



Master Gardeners'  
Information desk



# Celebrating Vivian Turning 100!



Vivian, Joyce and Jo



Vivian receiving proclamation  
From the Mayor



# Ball Seed Company Tour 2022



Maureen



Gail, Maureen, Henia, Joyce



Henia, Jennifer



# Ball Seed Company Tour 2022



Linda Marietta, Rich



Henia, Pat, Jennifer, Marietta



# Tailgating at Cantigny 2022





# Cantigny Exhibit 2022



Alebrijes  
Creatures of a Dream World  
inspired by Mexican folklore





# DuPage Care Center Gardens 2022



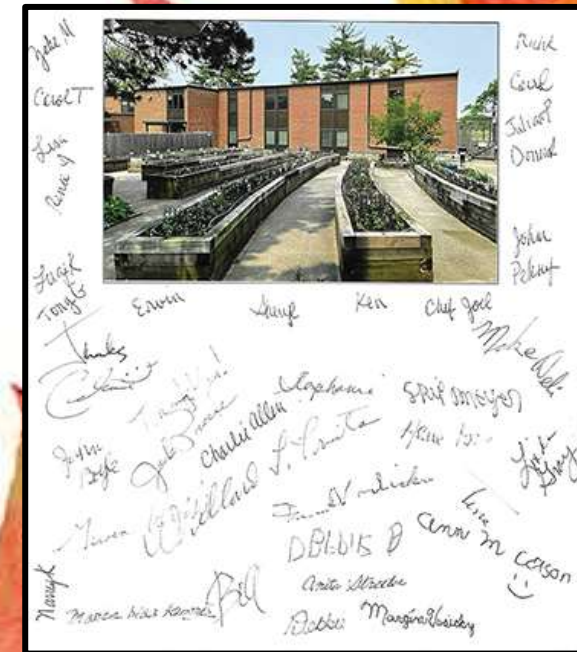
Helping residents plant  
in Secret Garden



The Healing Garden



Recognition Award



Thank-you card



# Joyce's Flower Arranging Workshop 2022



Cindy



Instructor Joyce



Cheryl



Henia



# Flower Arranging Workshop by Joyce 2022



Linda S.



Linda K.



Kim



# West Suburban Angel Project 2022



Prepping the angel craft materials



Pauline



Akhila



# Donating Christmas Presents

Our members have a very generous heart for the residents of West Suburban Nursing Home & Rehab





# Christmas Party 2022



Jamie, Cheryl, Sue



Henia, Cathy G,  
Kathryn



Jeanette, Marietta,  
Linda



# Christmas Party 2022



Ofelia, Gail,  
Joyce, Hector



Cheryl, Joe, Carole



Joyce, Art, Marilyn



# Tool Sharpening Hands-on Workshop 2023



Jennifer, Joyce, Ken, Laurie



Speaker - Ken Benson



Gail



# Tool Sharpening Hands-on Workshop 2023



Gail, Linda, Joyce



Joyce



Ken Benson



# Plant Sale 2023



Hector, Henia, Linda S.



Cheryl, Gail, Henia, Kim



# Plant Sale 2023



Gail, Ahkila, Jennifer  
Joyce, Linda, Henia



Cheryl, Gail, Henia, Kim



# Gardens of Fu-Mei and Bob 2023



Joyce



Bob, Fu-Mei, Marietta, Rick, Marilyn, Art



Laureen, Debbie



# Gardens of Fu-Mei and Bob 2023



Henia, Linda, Cheryl



Sravan, Jamie, Akhila



# Executive Board Meeting 2023



Laurie, Jamie, Marietta, Linda, Joyce, Cheryl, Gail, Debbie, Linda



# Our Community Garden

We donated over 500 pounds this year!



Weeding



Welcome to our Garden!



Harvesting



# Putting Your Garden to Bed 2023

Speaker: Bill Karges



WATER REQUIREMENTS	
TEMPERATURE	WATER REQUIREMENTS
60°	1
70°	1½
80°	2
85°	2½
90°	3



# Putting Your Garden to Bed 2023







# List of our wide-ranging philanthropic efforts

Recipients of the club's generosity have included:

DuPage Care Convalescent Center

DuPage Pads

Midwest Shelter for Homeless Veterans

Bloomington VFW Post 7539

Humanitarian Service Project

Garden Works Project

We Grow Dreams

Cornerstone Faith Community Church



The image features a light cream-colored background with a subtle, repeating pattern of small, stylized flowers or leaves. In the corners, there are clusters of autumn leaves in various shades of yellow, orange, and red. The leaves have detailed vein patterns and some show signs of aging or damage. The text "Thank you for helping us grow!" is centered in a bold, black, sans-serif font.

**Thank you for helping us grow!**