

Volunteer Newsletter

June/July 2013

The mission of the Chicago Botanic Garden is to promote the enjoyment, understanding and conservation of plants and the natural world.

Your Presence is Requested! Volunteer Awards & Recognition Reception Monday, June 10, 2013 McGinley Pavilion 1:30 pm Award Presentations 2 pm Refreshments

RSVP is required. Please RSVP in the Volunteer Services Office in the Regenstein Center lower level or call (847) 835-8392 by Monday, June 3.

Join us for Plant Container Recycling in Plant Production

Are you looking for a new way to become involved or to meet volunteers from other departments? Come join us this year for Plant Container Recycling days in Plant Production. Volunteers are needed on Monday, June 10, 17 & 24, July 8, 15 & 22, and August 5, 12 & 19 from 8 am – 12 pm. A morning of good conversation and camaraderie is guaranteed. To sign up, please call the Volunteer Services Office at (847) 835-8392.



Volunteers having fun while scrubbing plastic containers to be recycled. Photo courtesy of Judy Cashen

Chicago Botanic Garden Art Festival *Members Only* Friday, July 5 5:30 – 8:30 pm *Open to the Public* Saturday & Sunday July 6 & 7 10 am – 5 pm

The third annual Chicago Botanic Garden Art Festival will be held for two days this year to accommodate the holiday on July 4th.

The opening event will be Members' Night from 5:30 - 8:30 pm on Friday, July 5. Two full days on Saturday and Sunday, July 6 and 7, from 10 am - 5 pm daily, will offer the opportunity for guests to browse the booths of juried artists on the Esplanade.

Guests will find botanic-themed or botanic-made art including photography, paintings, and ceramics; creations featuring cement, metal, fiber, or wood; jewelry and much more. In addition, there will be a Family Drop-in Activity Tent. Admission to the Festival is free; standard parking fees apply.

Volunteers are needed to assist at this artistic and beautiful event as greeters and way-finders or in the family drop in activities tent. On Saturday and Sunday, July 6 & 7 the shift times are: 9:30 am - 12:30 pm, 12 - 3 pm and 2:30 - 5:30 pm. Please sign up in the Volunteer Services Office located in the Regenstein Center lower level or call (847) 835-8392. Come and volunteer at this wonderful summer event!

Donna Lebovitz

CAN YOU HELP?

SIGN UP OR CALL JUDY CASHEN (847) 835-6800 OR GINA PANTONE (847) 835-6803

E-mail jcashen@chicagobotanic.org or gpantone@chicagobotanic.org We'll try to match your interests and availability for assignments.



Volunteer Awards and <u>Recognition Reception</u> McGinley Pavilion Monday, June 10 1:30 Award Presentation 2 pm Refreshments Please RSVP to (847) 835-8392 by Monday, June 3 to reserve your seat! RSVP is required.



Folding Luminary Bags for The Summer Dinner Dance June 6, 7, 13 & 14

9 am – 12 pm or 1 – 4 pm Assist with folding the bags used for luminaries at the Summer Dinner Dance. This is a seated, indoor assignment.



Summer Concerts June 3 – September 2 *Carillon Concert* Each Monday, 5-6:45 pm or 5:30-8 pm *Tuesday Morning Music* Each Tuesday, 9:30 – 11 am *Dancin' Sprouts* Each Wednesday, 5 – 7:30 pm *Hot Summer Nights* Each Thursday, 5:30 – 8 pm Assist as greeters & way-finders for visitors.



Plant Container Recycling Plant Production June 10, 17 & 24, July 8, 15 & 22, August 5, 12 & 19 8 am – 12 pm Assist with washing and scrubbing plastic plant containers to be recycled.



English Oak Meadow Planting Tuesday & Wednesday June 4 & 5, 9 am – 12 pm Plant the English Oak Meadow with summer annuals. Must be able to plant on a steep hill & walk up & down hill.



<u>Nature Nights</u> July 6, August 3 & September 7 4:30 – 8:30 pm Learning Center

Volunteers will assist with set up, clean up and instruction of hands-on activities. Must enjoy working with children and be able to stand for the duration of the event.



Art Festival Saturday & Sunday July 6 & 7 9:30 am – 12:30 pm, 12 – 3 pm & 2:30 – 5:30 pm Assistance needed to greet and give directions or with family drop-in activities.



<u>Kite Festival</u> Saturday & Sunday August 10 & 11 Kite-making Workshop 10:30 am – 2 pm Assist workshop participants (children) with kite-making. Training will be provided before workshop. Performances 10:30 am – 1 pm & 12:30 – 4 pm

Greet & direct visitors.



<u>Malott Japanese Garden</u> <u>Summer Festival</u> Saturday & Sunday August 17 & 18 9 am – 2 pm (with a break for lunch) Assist with hands-on activities and crafts programming focused on Japanese culture. Must enjoy working with children.



<u>Roadside Flower Sale Workshops</u> Regenstein Center Burnstein Hall August 27 – 30

The workshops are taught by floral design experts and all arrangements made during the workshops are property of the Chicago Botanic Garden and will be sold at the Sale. Call (847) 835-8392 for details and to register; class size is limited.



Farmers' Market May – October 1st & 3rd Sunday of the month 9 am – 12:30 pm & 12 – 3 pm Supervise a "veggie valet" table at the Farmers' Market where customers will store purchases as they enjoy visiting the Garden.

Weekend Family Drop-In <u>Activities</u> June 1 – September 29 Saturday or Sunday, 11 am – 4 pm Volunteer are needed to assist with set-up, clean up & instruction of hands-on activities.

Spotlight on the Sensory Garden

Don't Miss it! World Environment Day Saturday, June 1 11 am – 4 pm Plastic Plant Container Recycling Parking Lot # 4 9 am – 4 pm

Come and join us for the 6th annual World Environment Day on Saturday, June 1 with most programming taking place between 11 am – 4 pm. World Environment Day is part of the United Nations Environment Programme (UNEP). Admission is free; usual parking fees apply. A nominal fee is charged for the Keynote panel at 10:30 am. The panel will present on the concept "Spaceship Earth: The Fragility of our Planet." To register for the keynote panel, please call (847) 835-5440 or go to <u>http://www.chicagobotanic.org/wed</u>. Plastic plant container recycling will occur in parking lot 4 from 9 am – 4 pm.

Jr. Green Youth Farm

The Jr. Green Youth Farm at Reavis Elementary School, established in 2006 for middle-school students in order to extend the high-school program to a younger cohort, is in its third growing season.

The only school-based program within the Green Youth Farm initiative, it has a three-pronged approach to achieve its goals of preparing a young generation for a life-long commitment to sustainable gardening. During the school year it runs an after-school program on site at the school at 50th and Drexel on Chicago's South Side, near Green Youth Farm's Washington Park location. During the school day, the program facilitates curricular integration by bringing teachers and the students in their classrooms into the garden. During the summer there is a seven-week summer garden camp for 15 students aged 13-15. This allows the school garden to be sustained during the summer months when school is out of session and staff is not on site to tend the garden.

This year's program runs from July 1 to August 16. The students, who must apply after being nominated, have been selected for this year, and Master Gardeners are set to work with them.

Eliza Fournier, manager, community gardening, says "the more individuals to work with the students one-on-one the better" and would welcome additional volunteers. For more information on how to volunteer, please contact Judy Cashen, director, volunteer services at <u>jcashen@chicagobotanic.org</u> or (847) 835-6800.

Donna Lebovitz

"Can we conceive what humanity would be if it did not know the flowers?" asked Belgian playwright, poet, and essayist Maurice Maeterlinck. The Sensory Garden is a place to experience flowers with all our senses: fragrance, sound, color, texture, and movement. In fact, it's possible that visiting the Sensory Garden will change your perspective. Do you...

Crave chocolate but are on a diet? Come to the Sensory Garden in early summer and smell the yellow chocolate flower (*Berlandiera lyrata*) with its milk chocolate fragrance. You can almost taste the semi-sweet chocolate perfume of the dark red-brown cosmos (*Atrosanguineus*).

Love breakfast cereal? Sniff the winter honeysuckle (*Lonicera fragrantissima*) in the upper walk with its Fruit Loop fragrance.

Feel frustrated by all the loud traffic noises? Enjoy the quiet rustle of the oak leaves; listen for the trickling waterfall at the Weeping Wall.

Need a burst of color on a gray day? Savor the pink and white loveliness of the crab apple meadow in spring, the brilliant roses and scarlet Cardinal flowers in summer.

Feel dull and lackadaisical? Feel the soft, fuzzy lamb'sears and bristly purple coneflowers. Touch the feathery foliage on fringed tulips; and take a deep breath while you feel the aromatic bark on the sweet birch.

Want some energy? Enjoy the dance of the rustling grasses. Ramble along the upper walk, watch the actions of the busy birds, and listen for the popping sound the pine cones make in the fragrant Scot's pine grove.

The Sensory Garden is a lovely place to visit no matter what your mood. A giant sycamore stands at the entrance to welcome you, surrounded by colorful bulbs in the spring, mums in the fall. You can stroll next to raised beds that make bold and bright flowers easily touchable and smell-able. The shady woodland path offers a cool walk through birch trees, wildflowers, and other plants that love a partially shaded place. Daffodils and bluebells brighten the hill facing the water. Lilacs, bouncing bet, and *Clethra* offer summer sweetness.

Horticulturist **Dale Whiting** leads a team of volunteers four days of the week in their tasks of planting, weeding, deadheading, and, yes, washing the birch trees. "We can always use a few more volunteers," he said. If you are interested in joining the Sensory Garden team, contact **Judy Cashen**, director, volunteer services at (847) 835-6800 or jcashen@chicagobotanic.org for more information.

Barbara Sirovatka

The Garden's new smartphone app: Where do those plant images come from?

We have previously described the GardenGuide app and the selection process for the images used in it. Where do the photographs come from, you ask? The images are obtained from numerous sources.

Volunteer **Dorothy Peck** leads the digital photography team, which is part of the Living Plant Documentation department. In 2000, she started taking pictures primarily to identify and verify plants while working with "What's in Bloom". This group now consists of two additional photographers, volunteers **Michael Katz** (affectionately known as the "New Guy") and **Ken Krebs**. In addition to these photographers, members of the Garden Photographic Society, who meet at the Garden every two weeks, take pictures of the Native Plant Garden and the Graham Bulb Garden. Garden staff members will also pitch in and take pictures of the Elizabeth Hubert Malott Japanese Garden.

These photographers were originally tasked with capturing images to facilitate correct labeling of plants by the horticulture staff. However, with the introduction of the GardenGuide app, the project's outcome was changed. This gifted group of amateur and professional photographers has taken this project to heart.

Other sources of images are the slides being digitized by the slide scanning team, led by volunteer **Damian Neuberger**. He established the slide scanning protocol and trains the team's volunteers. Approximately 80,000 slides are in various stages of being digitized. To date they have completed scanning approximately 32,000 slides, each taking about 1.5 minutes.

Volunteers **Jackie Silvers** and **Judy Kleiman** were previously involved with uploading images to the Morphbank project, a continuously growing database of images that scientists use for international collaboration, research and education. These images were primarily from the digital photography team and from **Jim Ault**, plant breeder, director of ornamental plant research, and manager of Chicagoland Grows[®] Plant Introduction Program. Currently **Jackie** and **Judy** are working on identifying images and exporting them to the GardenGuide app.

The number of images involved is in the tens of thousands and growing. Photos brought in from the field or scanned are uploaded onto a computer, backed-up and then imported into a software program. This software is used to store and index the image files and manage the large number of images across different folders and collections. Taxon identification numbers and other keywords are added to the image metadata of each specific taxa. This enables the sorting of images of a specific taxa that were taken at different times and from different sources to be able to select the best images. As certain criteria are met, the images are automatically moved to another folder, ultimately ending in the selection of the images that will be exported to use in the app.

Dorothy Peck set-up the software and protocol used in the management of the images. A software company representative visited the digital photography team to assist with setting-up the program – but there was no need as **Dorothy** had very capably set it up already! **Dorothy** is a big proponent of volunteerism as she feels she has always gained more from the people and experiences through volunteering than most other activities. And she says, "It is great being at the Garden with wonderful people, beautiful surroundings and always learning something."

Ken Krebs



Volunteer Dorothy Peck assisting the digital photography team with the GardenGuide app. Photo courtesy of Ken Krebs

Roadside Flower Sale Workshops Tuesday – Friday August 27 – 30 9:30 – 11:30 am & 1 – 3 pm Roadside Flower Sale Friday – Sunday, September 6 – 8 10 am – 4:30 pm

The Roadside Flower Sale will be celebrating its 34th year at the Chicago Botanic Garden. More than 300 unique and handmade dried floral arrangements will be for sale September 6 – 8 in the Regenstein Center Burnstein Hall. All proceeds from the sale are returned to the Garden. Free flower-arranging workshops will be available Tuesday, August 27 through Friday, August 30. The workshops are taught by floral design experts and all arrangements made during the workshops are property of the Chicago Botanic Garden and will be sold at the Sale. For more information contact the Volunteer Services Office at (847) 835-8392.



Volunteer Safety Reminder

Please remember severe weather procedures during the upcoming season. Once a severe weather warning has been issued, communication will be disseminated at the Garden via radio or in person.

Anyone in Greenhouses or outdoors should move indoors and away from windows immediately. Once the

Glencoe Village Early Warning Siren sounds, the Garden's P.A. system will deliver notices of severe weather and/or instructions to move to shelter will be

given by Security or an emergency coordinator. Proceed immediately to the nearest designated shelter area. If you do not know your designated shelter area,

please ask your staff supervisor. The emergency coordinator for the nearest indoor area will help to direct you to the shelter area as necessary. Remain in that area until Security advises that it is safe to leave. If weather forces a Garden closure, staff and volunteers will be notified via the Honeywell Instant Alert system.

Supplying Plants for New Gardens

As volunteers in Plant Production we get a sneak peek at what is going to be growing in the Garden in upcoming seasons. This year is no exception. What has been an exception is the amount of transplanting that has been done. While transplanting is typical work in Production, the numbers of pansy, parsley and other herbs and annuals certainly has been far more in quantity than we've ever done.

Plant Production staff explained that much of this was due to the Grunsfeld Children's Growing Garden that opened last year. Last year the plants were supplied through the installation contract, this year it is Plant Production's job. Many of the hands-on activities planned for the Children's Growing Garden will be using the plants we are transplanting now. This transplanting allows the plants to get strong root systems and healthy vegetation for little hands to discover, learn about and plant. Many of the plants will also be used in the display gardens.

Tens of thousands of family members will be able to participate in programs and thousands of students from the Chicago Public Schools and other area schools will have field trips to this new garden. Among the more than 22,000 plants that Plant Production will provide, in addition to the pansies and parsley, are white bunching onions, New Zealand spinach, basil, radishes, tomatoes, peppers, chard, kale, coriander, carrots, fennel, soy beans, sunflowers, nasturtiums, marigolds, zinnias and chrysanthemums. Another initiative that Plant Production has been busy with is the recently developed terraces at the Regenstein Fruit & Vegetable Garden. The terraces that are stepped down along the water's edge will contain squashes, spinach, peppers, fennel, parsley, kale, lettuces and sunflowers. As with the Children's Growing Garden last year most plants were supplied through the installation contract. Plant Production has added nearly 6,000 plants to their production schedule to fill the terraces.

The Butterflies & Bloom exhibit that opens this year on May 25 and runs through September 2 will also contain many plants from Production. The blooms that appeal to butterflies and people alike that are being supplied by Production are lantana, *Allamanda*, salvia, verbena, *Rudbeckia* and pentas. Now we've shared some of the plants you can look forward to seeing in theses garden areas that Plant Production staff and volunteers have been getting ready. We hope you enjoy them!

Carolyn Kuechler



ComEd President and CEO Anne Pramaggiore led employees from ComEd and their family members during an environmental volunteer outing at the Chicago Botanic Garden on Saturday, April 27, to celebrate the end of National Volunteer Week (April 21-27). The ComEd team assisted the Chicago Botanic Garden's horticulture staff in a variety of areas with general horticulture maintenance. The volunteers mulched around trees and other plants, to ensure nutrition and reduce the pesticides needed to keep the plants healthy. *Photo courtesy of ComEd*

New for the Tribute Gift Program

Remember or honor someone you love by dedicating a bulb at the Chicago Botanic Garden. A breathtaking display of 26,000 hardy tulips in the Crescent Garden welcomes our visitors to spring each year. Your contribution of \$18 will ensure this beauty continues for years to come. Honoree(s) may receive a personalized card notifying them of your gift. Both donor and recipient will be listed in the Garden's annual report in acknowledgement of your contribution. Check out

the Tribute Gift Program website for details: chicagobotanic.org/donate/dedication_form.php.

Who's Who in the Garden? A profile of someone you should know



Barb Kreski Director of Horticultural Therapy

Barb Kreski, director, horticultural therapy, came to the Garden three years ago, after 30 years as an Occupational Therapist, to take on the challenging task of managing this active department's staff and budget. The Garden's horticultural therapy department serves not only Garden visitors but reaches into the Chicago area community, with a geographic emphasis on all of Cook County, to assist facilities such as residences for adults with special needs, special education programs, and VA hospitals. The Garden's horticultural therapy staff includes Alicia Green, coordinator, Buehler Enabling Garden, who supervises its volunteers, and Clare Johnson, offsite coordinator.

Barb, a lifelong Chicago area resident, was born and raised in Elmhurst and now lives with her husband, Don, in Mt. Prospect. She received her Occupational Therapy undergraduate degree from the University of Illinois, Champaign, and her master's degree in health sciences from the University of Indianapolis. **Barb** says, "I started college as a psych major. Occupational Therapy had the appeal of being very employable. It was a good fit for me. I believe what you do can effect your health. Rather than talk therapy, I wanted to help people by doing something."

As an Occupational Therapist, **Barb** worked in a broad range of clinical settings; but she says, "I was ready for a change. I enjoyed the students but the regulations governing healthcare and special education programs had become burdensome. I searched the internet and found that the Garden was looking for a director of horticultural therapy. Upon accepting the position, **Barb** took the Garden's Horticultural Certificate program as well as horticultural coursework through the College of Lake County. **Barb** says, "One of horticultural therapy's challenges is to stay current and relevant while remaining focused on the therapeutic value of gardening for those with a wide variety of disabling conditions." Since 2006, the Garden has partnered with Oakton Community College to offer what a *New York Times* article recognizes as "a unique and innovative professional development program"—the Horticultural Therapy Certificate. In 2012, the program was redesigned to offer on-line coursework with two separate, hands-on immersion weeks at the Chicago Botanic Garden.

Expanding on the Garden's involvement with the Jesse Brown, the Edward Hines, Jr., and the Captain James A. Lovell VA hospitals, **Barb** says, "We are now also reaching out to those veterans living and working in the community, encouraging those returning from current wars to come to the Chicago Botanic Garden for therapeutic horticulture to relieve stress and post-traumatic stress syndrome."

Barb is excited about a recent invitation to present the keynote speech on the "history, current therapy, and future of Horticultural Therapy" at a conference in Vienna, in May 2013. She says, "We received an e-mail looking for Eugene Rothert. Gene had worked at the Garden for 34 years. As a wheelchair user himself, he understood the need and developed the Horticultural Therapy program. Although **Gene** was unavailable, the Vienna conference wanted the Chicago Botanic Garden because it is a visible presence at the forefront of Horticultural Therapy." Barb explains, "I am the keynote speaker on the coat-tails of the Garden."

What does a stress-reliever do for relaxation? **Barb** enjoys keeping up with the diverse career activities of her on-themove three grown children--Katherine, Laura, and Richard. She also sews dolls and toys for her extended family. And, although she finds puttering in her garden centering and calming, **Barb** smiles when she says, "It's a good thing my garden wasn't part of my Chicago Botanic Garden interview."

Describing the responsibilities of Enabling Garden volunteers, **Barb** says, "They are asked to let visitors know the purpose of the Enabling Garden and to engage anyone who has a visible disability. A few volunteers assist **Alicia** with visiting groups and the nitty-gritty gardening chores. We have a very low volunteer turnover rate. I wish I could use more."

Patsy Benveniste, vice president, community education programs says, "Her deep professionalism and understanding of disabling conditions, and her long experience working with both children and adults, make her a great resource: for the Garden and for the increasing number of people and organizations seeking out our people –plant expertise, education programs and therapeutic acumen."

> Joan Walters Brown Photo courtesy of Judy Cashen

Master Gardener Update

The Chicago Botanic Garden will offer these educational update opportunities for University of Illinois Extension Master Gardeners. Register by phone (847) 835-8261 or in the Registrar's office. If you have questions, please contact **Jill Selinger** at <u>iselinger@chicagobotanic.org</u> or 847-835-6849.

Pests & Diseases

The always popular Jim Schuster will be bringing his insect and disease collections. On Tuesday, participants will choose one of the displayed insects they want to know more about. Then Jim will provide information on the insects chosen while the sample is passed through the group. The last hour is called "the homeowner from hell." The group tries to solve Jim's insect problems by asking the right questions. On Wednesday, disease samples will be displayed for selection and again, samples chosen will be reviewed as they are passed around. The last hour is again "the homeowner from hell" but now the group solves plant disease problems by asking the right questions. Register for one, or both sessions. Jim Schuster, retired Extension Specialist, PSEP Pests: Tues., June 11, 12 – 4 pm Diseases: Wed., June 12, 8 am – 12 pm Annex 2, Fee: \$18 each or \$30 for both (4 hrs each)

Introduction to Plant Families

We hear a lot about plant families, but are they important? Yes they are. Knowing something about plant families can help us with plant identification. Plants that belong to the same family share some of the same characteristics, especially floral characteristics. Knowing families can also help us diagnose disease problems, since the same disease may strike several members of the same family. Join Sharon Yiesla and learn about some basic botany and terminology needed for plant identification. We will then take a Garden walk to illustrate what to look for when trying to sort out the families. Please dress for the weather. Please Note: This class is designed for MGs who have not taken any of Sharon's plant families classes as yet. If you have, this class info will be a repeat; however, would be a good review! Sharon Yiesla, Horticulture Educator Wed., July 17, 9 - 11 a.m, Linnaeus Room, Fee: \$10 (2 hrs)

Plant Families 1 and 2

Knowing plant families can help with identifying plants. In Part 1 and 2 we will explore six very interesting families: the rose family (*Rosaceae*), the pea family (*Fabaceae*), the honeysuckle family (*Caprifoliaceae*), the carrot family (*Apiaceae*), the aroid family (*Araceae*) and the nightshade family (*Solanaceae*). We will then take a Garden walk to find examples of these six families. Please dress for the weather. Prerequisite: Introduction to Plant Families. Sharon Yiesla, Horticulture Educator Wed., July 17, 12 – 3 pm, Linnaeus Room, Fee: \$15 (3 hrs)



Thanks to all the volunteers that helped plant the English Oak Meadow in April! Photo courtesy of Carol Mallquist

DID YOU KNOW...

Thank you to the nearly 100 volunteers that assisted at this year's fabulous Antiques & Garden Fair!

Please remember to update your phone number, email, home address and emergency contact information with the Volunteer Services Office.

New this year, the Garden will be offering combination tickets, Pick 2 or Pick 3, for the Grand Tram tour, Bright Encounters tour, Model Railroad Garden and Butterflies & Blooms. Guests will be able to purchases tickets at all sales locations.

An event recognizing volunteers and staff members that have dedicated 20 or more years to the Garden. It will take place on Monday, August 5, and invitees will receive additional information.

Donations of unusual containers and baskets are gratefully accepted year-round for the Roadside Flower Sale. Donations may be dropped off in the Volunteer Services Office in the lower level of the Regenstein Center or contact the Volunteer Services Office at (847) 835-8392 to make arrangements.

Help make the Green Bay Trail beautiful by joining volunteers from Chicago Botanic Garden, Ravinia Festival, the Park District of Highland Park, and the City of Highland Park for buckthorn removal. Join us Wednesday, June 19 from 9 am – 12 pm. Gloves and tools will be available on a limited basis, but you are welcome to bring your favorite handsaw or loppers. Carry a lunch and picnic with us on the Ravinia Festival grounds. Meet at Braeside Train Station, 10 N. St. John's Ave, Highland Park. For more information, contact Liz at <u>eettelson@pdhp.org</u>.

Last but not least, best wishes to **Gina Pantone**, our great Volunteer Services Department coordinator, who has accepted an exciting new job closer to her home. <u>We will miss you and hope that you will keep in touch with us!</u>

Calendar of Garden Events and Volunteer Activities

| June 2013 | | |
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| Sat. | 1 | World Environment Day, Garden-wide, 9 am – 4 pm |
| Mon. | 3 | Summer Concerts begin, visit chicagobotanic.org/evenings for a schedule of performances |
| Mon. | 3 | Carillon Concert, each Monday through September 2, 7 pm, McGinley Pavilion |
| Tues. | 4 | Tuesday Morning Music, each Tuesday through August 27, 10 -11 am, McGinley Pavilion |
| Tues. | 4 | Music on the Esplanade, each Tuesday through August 27, 6 – 8 pm, Esplanade |
| Wed. | 5 | Dancin' Sprouts, each Wednesday through August 28, 5:30 – 7:30 pm, Esplanade |
| Thurs. | 6 | Hot Summer Nights, each Thursday through August 29, 6 – 8 pm, McGinley Pavilion |
| Fri. | 7 | A Rare Affair, Regenstein Center, 6 pm, fees apply |
| Mon. | 10 | Volunteer Awards and Recognition Reception, McGinley Pavilion. 1:30 pm award |
| | | presentations & 2 pm refreshments. RSVP by Monday, June 3 to (847) 835-8392. |
| July 2013 | | |
| Fri. | 5 | Art Festival, Members Only, Esplanade, 5:30 – 8:30 pm |
| Sat. & Sun. | 6&7 | Art Festival, Public Festival, Esplanade, 10 am – 5 pm daily |
| Sat. & Sun. | 27 & 28 | Herb Garden Weekend, Regenstein Fruit & Vegetable Garden, 11 am – 4 pm |
| Coming August 2013 | | |
| Sat. & Sun | 10 & 11 | Kite Festival, open area near Evening Island, 11 am – 4 pm |
| Sat. & Sun. | 17 & 18 | Malott Japanese Garden Summer Festival, 9 am – 2 pm |
| Sat. & Sun. | 24 & 25 | Heirloom Tomato Weekend, Regenstein Fruit & Vegetable Garden, 11 am – 4 pm |
| Tues. – Fri. | 27 - 30 | Roadside Flower Sale Workshops, free flower arranging workshops taught by floral design experts. |
| | | Call (847) 835-8392 to register; class size is limited. |
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