



Next H.E.G.C. Meeting
March 7, 2019

Social/Refreshments: 6:45pm
Business Meeting: 7:15pm
Speaker: 7:30pm

HOFFMAN ESTATES GARDEN CLUB

HIGHLIGHTS of March's Events

Brad Buker, an Arborist Representative started his career in agriculture as an entry level Plant Health Care Technician in 1989. He currently specializes in delivering custom-tailored programs that are pro-active in maintaining the health and safety of customers landscapes. He is a certified Arborist and a Certified Tree Care Safety Professional. He will be sharing his presentation on Tree Care. The meeting is from 6:45-9pm on Thursday, March 7, 2019, Heather will begin speaking at 7:30pm. She will speak at the Schaumburg Township Library, Roselle & Schaumburg Rds..

Sentiments from Susan

Greetings to the best garden club members ever! March marks the transition between winter and spring. We have enjoyed many blustery, snowy days. Two more months of potentially cold, wet weather make this a time to indulge.....in dreaming of colors to come. I plan to buy some tulips and daffodils to have a bouquets to cheer me regularly, and to force some forsythia and other spring blooming shrubs to bring color to my home early on. I am going to study some seed and plant books and make some plans of what I might add to the gardens this year and...I hope to start some seeds soon. I hope many of you will do the same during the last months of winter.

Sincerely, Susan

- 2019 Officers**
- President.....Susan Moynihan
 - Vice President.....Mary Garvey
 - Treasurer.....Darlene Nicholson
 - Secretary.....Camille Pollway
 - Refreshments.....Joan Ludick
 -Phyllis Banaszak
 - Program Director.....Usha Murarka
 -Carol Johnson
 - Giving Garden.....Joe Celosky
 - Publicity.....Mary Garvey
 - Newsletter.....Lisa Moynihan

Snacks & Desserts brought to us this Month by:



Phyllis Banaszak

Susan Moynihan

Joan Ludic

Mary Garvey





2019 Garden Club Events

March 7th.	Brad Buker—Speaking on Tree Care.	
March 8th	Morton Arboretum—"Howl at the Moon" Event	
March 23rd	Platt Hill — Landscape DIY Seminar 10am or 2pm	

The Hoffman Estates Garden Club meets the first Thursday of the month (excluding January and July) at the Schaumburg District Library, 130 S. Roselle Road, Rasmussen South Room, 2nd Floor, 7 P.M. All levels of gardeners are welcome, beginners to advanced. Dues are: Couple-\$20; Single-\$16; Senior (65+) -\$9. We currently have members from Elgin, Elk Grove Village, Hoffman Estates, Huntley, Inverness, Medinah, Nilas, Roselle, Schaumburg, South Barrington, Streamwood and Westmont. Visitors are always welcome !

MARCH NEWS

EVENTS, SEMINARS & SALES @ POPULAR LOCATIONS



March 23rd @ 10am or 2pm Landscape DIY Seminar—FREE - Landscape Design Let their experts show! Learn the basic principles of landscape design to give your home great curb appeal.



February is Member Appreciation Month

Cocoa in the Conifers

March 9th 1pm-3pm—Join an Arboretum expert for a cup of cocoa and a winter stroll through the conifer collection.

Edible Gardening Workshop Series

March 16, 23, & 30th 9:30am—Join for the annual Edible Gardening Workshop Series held each spring. Each week, gardening experts will share practical tips on growing your own food and inspire you with new ways to create beautiful, productive, edible gardens.



Current Hours: Monday-Friday 8am-7pm
Saturday 8am-6pm and Sunday 9am-5pm

Starting in March, Pesche's carries a large variety of Spring-Planted bulbs supplied by the Netherland Bulb Company. Some of the most beautiful garden flowers are produced from spring-planted bulbs, Dinner Plate Dahlias, Begonias, Cannas, Freesias, Gladiolus, Lilies and Elephant Ears. They also have edible bulbs, garlic, onion



CHICAGO BOTANIC GARDEN

Upcoming Events & Classes

March 1st—March 24th

10am—4pm "In the Tropics: THE ORCHID SHOW"

March 5th 11am-12:30pm—Demonstration cooking: Spanish Vegetables

March 12th 6:30pm-8:30pm – Elements of the Garden: Patios

March 13th 6pm-8pm—Evening with Orchids!

March 14th 11:30am-12:30pm—Advanced Pruning Tech.

CHECK COST OF EVENTS www.chicagobotanic.org

March Gardening Tasks

- Look out for killing frosts following a thaw and cover unprotected plants with mulch or boughs. Check for shallow rooted plants that heave and gently push them back into the soil and cover.
- Begin sowing seeds that will need 8-10 weeks indoors before transplanting outside.
- Test & tune-up gasoline-powered equipment, sharpen your pruners, hoes, shovels and tools.
- **Trees & Shrubs:** Continue pruning dormant trees, but don't prune spring blooming shrubs, except to correct problems.
- Prune Hydrangeas only to shape and remove old blooms, except Annabell; prune her to about 12" before new growth.
- Top dress roses and shrubs with rotted or composted manure.
- **Flowers & Grasses:** Keep off frozen grass, fertilize for early flowering bulbs, if you didn't in the fall.