



Mississippi Valley Garden Club



June 2023

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Save these dates:

Saturday, June 3, 8:00
Workday at Community Hope Center

Laying cardboard and mulch

Thursday, June 15, 6:30 pm
Home garden visit

Christy B
Brighton, IL 62012
(See directions)

Monday, June 26, 6:30 pm
Board Meeting at Dottie's home

Thursday, July 20, 6:30 pm
Home garden visit

Char M
Glen Carbon, IL 62034

Thursday, August 17, 6:30 pm
Lewis and Clark Community College

Godfrey, IL 62035

Thursday, September 21, 6:30 pm
Home garden visit
Sharon and Mark G

Alton, IL 62002

June garden visit: We will be visiting Christy Butler's new garden and home in Brighton. She has been busy sprucing it up for us.

Directions: from Alton area take Godfrey Road/ Rte 67. Turn right on Lage-mann Road. Turn right on Irish Lane (there is no street sign but you will see a pie plate with a shamrock painted on it and a red caution sign). Turn left on Greenwood (into Lake Piasa neighborhood). Turn right on Redbud Lane. Turn left on Cedar Crest (GPS sometimes shows Willow Hills, but same house). Gray house with blue shutters on right.

There is plenty of parking. There is a parking pad for 2 cars. There is lots of room to park in the driveway area, 14-15 space. Some on the grass.

Bring your chair, drink, bug spray. Anything you might want for an evening outside.

2024-2025 officers and board members, needed. We are asking for volunteers for openings on the board. New officers/board members will take office in January. Please consider volunteering to hold an office. It is always good to have a fresh perspective and ideas. If you are interested in a office please let a board member know prior to June board meeting.

June 23 and 24- Madison County Garden Tour, June 23 and June 24, Maryville, IL. If you are interested in going or carpooling, please contact Dottie Rogers, 917- 4730. Cost is \$13/ticket.

<https://event.gives/madcogardentour23>

The Plant sale: the sale was a great success, over \$4000, was made. Weather was good. Tried something different this year, instead of donating left over plants to another organization, Paula took the plants home to try to continue to sell.

Paula and Christy are taking the plants to the 35+ mile yard sale at Brighton, this Friday and Saturday.

The weather was good . Thank you to all that donated, and dug plants, helped with pricing and the day of the sale.

Spring bus trip: We had another lovely day for our bus trip. Visited nurseries in St Charles, St Peters and O'Fallon, Mo We had 33 passengers on the bus. The prices were higher but the storage part of the bus was still full of plants. Couple of small trees inside the bus. Lunch was at the historic area of St Charles, plenty of restaurants to choose from. Magpie's and Schlafly's seem to have been the top 2 choices. Hope everyone had a good time. Glad you were able to visit my town.

May garden visit: the first garden visit of the season was Brenda and Lou Casey. It was a pleasant evening. There was a good turn out. Everyone was ready to relax after all the club activities. Dig days, pricing, plant sale and bus trip coming up.

Brenda, her sister and their mom tackled a lot of the work before Brenda and Lou were married in 2016. Brenda has lived here around 25 yrs. They picked up rocks for making borders. The wisteria was little when they moved in. Lou has added his touches with his handiwork. The gnome home was a big hit with the garden members.

They have a fair size vegetable area. As always, gardens are a work in progress. They are working on a large walkway on the far end of the house. Even though they are in the city, they still get visited by critters, racoons, opossums, turkeys and deer. Thank you, Brenda and Lou for inviting us to your gardens.



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Debbie Winship — hospitality
Edith Reed — hospitality