



PLGC Programs — 2020-2021

SEPTEMBER: Gardening is Therapy

A panel of PLGC members, chaired by PLGC President Debbie Darr, will introduce members and guests to the 2020-2021 PLGC theme, *Gardening is Therapy*, and lead us in discussing the changing role of gardening and garden club in our lives since March 2020. Expect to contribute and to be inspired!

OCTOBER: Delaware Botanic Gardens

PLGC members and guests will take a walking tour through the Delaware Botanic Gardens at Pepper Creek in nearby Dagsboro to learn about native plants and other features of this world-class botanical garden. Peggy Ravida, a docent and long-time volunteer will be our guide.

NOVEMBER: Plant America

Following our general meeting, PLGC members and guests will bring to life in our community the ongoing NGC project, Plant America, by planting spring-blooming bulbs in our yards and other locations in our community. PLGC Horticulture Chair Pat Kircher will lead this community beautification activity.

DECEMBER: Gardening for Water and Wildlife

Learn from Alice Mohrman, Education Coordinator at Abbott's Mill Nature Center in Milford, Delaware, how we can create landscaping that provides safe, clean and healthy habitats for birds, bees, butterflies and other wildlife that are native to our area.

JANUARY: Focus on Butterflies

What plants do caterpillars like to eat? What plants do adult butterflies feed on? You will learn about these and other specific requirements for nurturing butterflies that are common in our area from Judy Pfister, an avid environmentalist and Sussex County Master Gardener.

FEBRUARY: Super Hummingbirds

As viewers of a PBS video presentation written by Janet Hess and narrated by Patricia Clarkson, PLGC members and guests will enter the fast-paced world of hummingbirds and witness the super powers that enable them to fly backwards, upside-down, and float in mid-air.

MARCH: Indoor Gardening

Terri Bouvier, Head of Merchandising at East Coast Garden Center in Millsboro, will introduce us to new and traditional house plants and share with us some tips regarding their care, feeding and lighting requirements.

APRIL: A Healthy Lawn

A beautiful lawn is a healthy lawn, and the foundation for our home landscaping. Nick Larrimore, Golf Course Superintendent at Plantation Lakes Golf & Country Club will help us to achieve a healthy lawn by sharing with us some techniques used in maintaining the acres of golf course fairways in our community.

MAY: Destination: Dupont Nature Center

Learn about the horseshoe crab and migratory shorebirds in our area when we visit the Dupont Nature Center in Milford, Delaware — a science-based educational and interpretive facility with interactive exhibits located in the Mispillion Harbor, where the Mispillion River and Cedar Creek meet and flow out into the Delaware Bay.

JUNE: New Beginnings

PLGC members and guests will welcome special guest Barb DeRue, the DFGC President for 2021-2023, who will share information with us about the statewide project during her term and install the third generation of PLGC Executive Officers.

Program Chair: Jan Pallas-Dudley