

GROUND COVER



Spring Edition March 2023

Dubuque Arboretum & Botanical Gardens is a non-profit organization supported by tax-exempt gifts and contributions. All gardens are maintained by volunteers. Many trees, shrubs, plants and seeds are gifted from arboreturns and botanical gardens, nurseries, growers and friends from all over the world.

Mission Statement:

To establish, preserve and maintain an arboretum and botanical garden to be a source of information, education, culture and beauty for all to know.

No admission fee.

Guided tours are available on request with advance notice. Cart tours are also available for visitors with limited walking ability. Call the Visitor Center, 563.556.2100 for reservations or book your tour online.

Phone: 563.556.2100
www.dubuquearboretum.net

Garden Hours

Daily, 7 a.m. to sunset

Summer Office Hours:

1 April-31 October
9 a.m. to 5 p.m. M-F

Winter Office Hours:

1 November-31 March
10 a.m. to 3 p.m. T, W, TH

Rediscovering the Bausman Memorial Prairie

Perhaps you read and analyzed this Emily Dickinson poem in an English class years ago:

To make a prairie it takes a clover and one bee,
One clover, and a bee.
And revery.
The revery alone will do,
If bees are few.*

Some suggest the poet was speaking of creating a "good life" with what is at hand, however meager. What is important is our dreams, vision and intent; our perseverance to create beauty where there is none, to bring light out of darkness.

Forty years ago Marlyn Bausman and the other founders of the Dubuque Arboretum and Botanical Gardens had a vision to create our gardens, and Marlyn literally made a prairie. Of course his revery did not recreate the vast landscape of waving grass and the tapestry of blooms, insects and birds that wove among them over the growing season. That is a dream that will only exist in our minds. As Aldo Leopold, the visionary Wisconsin ecologist, wrote in *A Sand County Almanac*:

"What a thousand acres of Silphiums [compass plant] looked like when they tickled the bellies of the buffalo is a question never again to be answered, and perhaps not even asked."

Yet, you can wander into the Jodi Bausman Memorial Prairie Garden in summer, allow the heat and buzz of insects to envelop you, and invite the daydream of the once-immense Midwestern prairie to slowly creep into you. Here you may see flowers that are new to you, insects of varied shapes and colors, a butterfly casually floating to just the right nectar source, or a goldfinch,

Iowa's state bird, feeding on a seed stalk.

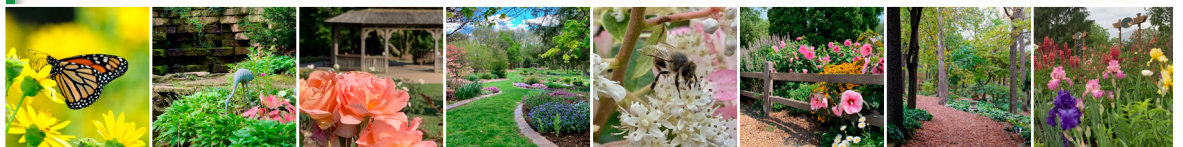
Sorry, no buffalo here; but there are a few compass plants, sending up towering flower spikes. Their leathery, oak-leaf-shaped foliage is oriented more or less north-south, perhaps collecting all the sunlight possible while minimizing water loss. It may well take a decade for a compass plant to achieve flowering when planted from seed. Making a prairie is not an endeavor for an impatient gardener, however inspired.

Over the course of 2022, while volunteering in the Prairie Garden, I counted 57 species of native flowering plants and grasses, a few, according to Marlyn's notes, right where he planted them in 1983. A silently gliding wild turkey brushed my arm, I nearly stepped on a motionless fawn, and a garter snake startled me awake from my own pleasant distractions.

I encourage you to visit the Prairie Garden often as this is a subtly changing but dynamic garden. The curtain rises on a brown and drab stage, but you might see the delicate shooting star in May, followed by white false indigo, blue spiderwort and delicate penstemons in June; a riotous continuum of taller yellow and purple blossoms in July and August; and the final act of early fall asters and a solitary blue gentian visited by the last bees of the year. Then, the plant stalks go silent and slowly recline with the winter's snow and ice and release their minerals in the spring's burn, restarting the cycle. The play reruns, an understated drama on this small prairie stage where a long-ago revery is now quite alive—a testament to a vision and remembrance.

*Dickinson poem #1755

Submitted by John Brennan,
Prairie Volunteer Leader





BEYOND THE GARDEN GATE



From The Director...

Closing out 2022, I would like to thank everyone who considered the DABG in their end-of-year giving. Your financial support allows us to continue to grow, improve, and make a difference in our community and in the lives of others.

Looking ahead to the coming season, the DABG has lots of new events and additions planned. We have 38 weddings booked so far, already matching last year's total, and we are looking forward to even more. Our two newest wedding venues—Whispering Pines and the Conifer Forest—have seven weddings booked altogether. We have also received an amazing grant from Canadian National Railroad that will be bringing many new plants, trees, and shrubs to our grounds.

Additionally, Dandelion Discoveries Nature School, a new school in Dubuque, will be utilizing our facilities. These children will be at the DABG weekly, learning about nature. What a perfect environment to learn and grow in! Upon completion of the upcoming Children's Discovery Garden, the children from the Dandelion Discoveries Nature School—as well as all area children—will have another haven to play and learn in. This makes me want to be a kid again!

I hope you continue to stay warm in the remaining months, and please come and visit us once everything starts growing again.

Submitted by Jenna Hirtz, DABG Director



From The Volunteer Coordinator...

As I write this today, February 1, the forecast is 2 degrees with a windchill of -13 degrees. I hope by the time this newsletter gets printed and mailed, we will see spring weather!

I'm looking forward to the return of robins, but even more so, to the return of our volunteers. With approximately 330 volunteers, the grounds and gift shop will come alive with the buzz of activity. I truly appreciate all that our volunteers do for the DABG.

Also, in April we will have two Saturday morning cleanups (April 15 and 22) in which the community becomes involved in cleaning up waterways, berms, and garden beds for the upcoming growing season. *I hope to see many of you then!*

Submitted by Barb Block, DABG Volunteer Coordinator



From The Chairman...

Early spring is a wonderful time to begin strolling through the gardens. There will be something new to see each time you visit.

The in-ground plants that have been resting throughout the winter will start to rise up, and the trees and shrubs will begin budding. One of the first plantings up will be the Katherine Carothers daffodils along the southern edge of the DABG. These blooms will be followed by magnolias, rhododendrons, azaleas, and flowering trees located throughout the grounds.

Also make note of the peony and iris beds, which usually begin flowering in mid-May. Last year, both collections bloomed at the same time and it was magnificent!

The annuals so lovingly cared for by the Green Team will be planted outside near the end of May. They've been nurturing these flowers since the beginning of February. And don't forget to come and see the roses in June.

The planning for the Children's Discovery Garden, which is being developed and gifted by the Butler Family, is progressing. We hope to see activity on the site over the course of this spring, summer, and fall. Pardon any inconveniences, but remember the wonderful destination they are creating!

As you are enjoying the beautiful plants and springtime activities, please remember the arboretum in your giving. Your contributions are as important to our operations as the work of the volunteers. Together, we all make the DABG a special place. Thank you.

Submitted by Steve Ulstad, DABG Board Chairman



VOLUNTEER SPOTLIGHT



Hello – I'm Della Goetz!

I've been volunteering at the arboretum for almost seven years. I maintain one of the lower perennial gardens and the Billy Goats Gruff children's garden, as well as weeding some berms here and there.

Being a tour guide is another volunteer task I take pride in because I get to meet people from all over to show them our beautiful gardens! Last spring, I enjoyed helping the Green Team in the greenhouse planting the annual flowers. I also help at the spring and fall cleanups, the children's party, and other special jobs or projects that come up occasionally.

After working as a registered nurse for 36 years, mostly in the operating room, I semi-retired in February 2022. Seeking to help my community more, I began volunteering at the Red Cross and St. Stephen's Food Bank in addition to the arboretum. My husband Jerry and two grown children have also volunteered at the DABG. I grew up on West 32nd Street, and our farm shared a fence line with Mac Marshall's property. My siblings and I spent many years exploring Mac's land and eventually the arboretum, as well as the Union Park ruins.

And finally, if I look vaguely familiar, Barb Block (volunteer coordinator) is my sister!





Thymely Information

Submitted by Fran Hedeman,
Herb Society of Dubuque

GINGER

The 2023 Herb of the Year, *Zingiber officinale*, commonly known as ginger, is an unusual choice. I have to admit that I have always considered ginger a

spice rather than an herb, but it meets the criteria for an Herb of the Year selection because of its value as a culinary and medicinal herb. However, I did have to turn to my spice books for research because ginger is not listed in my herb reference books.

The more I learned about ginger, the more I embrace this choice.

History

Ginger, which has been grown in Asia for over 3,000 years, is one of the most important ancient spices. It has been used as medicine for thousands of years in India, China, Greece, and the Middle East. It is thought to be one of the first spices to have been exported from Asia via the spice trade. It came to Europe through the Romans, and was one of the most popular spices during the Middle Ages. Ginger is a part of the larger Zingiberaceae family, which includes two other familiar spices, turmeric and cardamom.

Culinary

The leaves of the ginger plant are used in Asian-inspired meals, and its freshly grated or sliced rhizome is also used in cooking. Ginger is a wonderful addition to baked goods, but it is also great in marinades for chicken breast, in stir-fries, as a tea, in soup and rice, and with sushi, pork, pumpkin, sweet potatoes, and winter squash.

People often wonder how to store the fresh ginger rhizome. Here are some helpful hints:

1. Counter. If you are going to use the rhizome in a few days, you can store it in a dark location on the kitchen counter. Do not place it in sun.
2. Fridge. Place the unpeeled rhizome in a resealable plastic bag or container in the crisper drawer of your fridge. It will last about a month.
3. Freezer. Peel the rhizome and place it in a freezer bag or container. When ready to use, mince or grate it with a microplane. Ginger can also be pureed and frozen in ice cube trays. Place frozen cubes in a freezer bag. Frozen cubes can be added directly into soup or a stir-fry. Thaw the cubes and let them come to room temperature before using in baking.
4. Pickled. Peel, thinly slice, and place the ginger in a glass jar filled with equal parts of vinegar, sugar, and water. It can be stored in the fridge for up to two months.

Medicinal

Although ginger is still being tested as a medicinal herb/spice, historically it has been used to treat nausea resulting from motion sickness, morning sickness, surgery, or chemotherapy. Studies are underway testing the use of ginger to relieve arthritis and arteritis pain. Ginger improves the speed of digestion, which can help relieve heartburn. Ginger has anti-inflammatory properties, so it should be included in an anti-inflammatory diet.

Availability

We most often know ginger as the ground spice in the little jar in the spice section of the supermarket. However, it is available in a variety of forms. The following information is from *The Complete Book of Spices* by Jill Norman:

1. Fresh. The fresh rhizome is knobbly and buff-colored and most often found with the fresh vegetables in the market. The rhizome can be grated and added to savory recipes or sliced and added to hot drinks.

2. Dried. The dried pieces, called races, are cut from a fresh rhizome and dried. They must be bruised before using.

3. Preserved. Tender pieces of ginger that are stored in syrup are called preserved. Jars of preserved ginger are often available in Asian markets.

4. Ground. The rhizome is dried and ground. This is the form most often used in baking.

5. Oil. Ginger oil is used to flavor wines, beers, and cordials.

6. Tea. Ginger tea is made by steeping dried or fresh rhizome pieces in boiling water.

7. Wine. Ginger wine (ginger, raisins, yeast, and sugar) is a warming drink often served in cold weather.

8. Pickled. Wafer-thin slices are pickled in a brine and served with Japanese dishes.

9. Crystallized. Pieces of ginger that are candied, dried, and rolled in sugar are referred to as crystallized.

10. Gingerbread Men. The infamous Gingerbread Man has been popular since the Middle Ages! Gingerbread men were brought to Europe by an Armenian monk; Swedish nuns made them to ease digestion in the 13th century; and Queen Elizabeth I presented gingerbread men to visiting dignitaries. Quite a history.

Growing

The choice of ginger as Herb of the Year is also unusual in that it is a tropical plant and can only be grown as a pot plant or a short-lived summer plant in Midwestern vegetable gardens. If we lived in the tropics, growing ginger would be a snap and we would get to see beautiful flowers. Growing it in Iowa is a bit more of a challenge. Members of the Herb Society of Dubuque started some ginger plants in the fall and have spent the winter trying to keep them alive!

You can purchase ginger rhizomes or plants from online seed companies. Before you order, check out the rhizomes available in local grocery stores. If you can find a piece of rhizome that has begun to sprout, you may be able to start your own plant. Look for a greenish, swollen bud or, even better, a section that has more than one bud. Prepare a shallow, wide pot of potting soil. Cut out the section with the sprouts, let it dry for a few days, and then lay it in your pot of soil. Nestle it in and cover it with an inch or less of soil. Place the pot in a warm spot that doesn't get a lot of bright light. Your potted plant won't bloom, but you will get to see the greenery. If you move your pot outside in the summer, place it in filtered light and out of the wind. Water it, but do not let the soil become waterlogged. Your plant will like warm soil and humid conditions.

Not only is ginger a great herb/spice to use in your culinary endeavors or as a home remedy for nausea, it has even influenced the English language. To "ginger up" means to liven up. So if you want to get the excitement flowing in a meeting, you might say you want to "ginger up the agenda." People blessed with reddish hair are often referred to as "gingers." The term has long been used in England. It became very popular in America in the sixties due to the sitcom *Gilligan's Island*. One of the characters, Ginger Grant, was played by actress Tina Louise who happened to have red hair and pale skin.

We plan to "Ginger Up" HerbFest 2023 (June 25) with lots of ginger information, ginger-flavored food, and ginger products.

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by Jill Norman.

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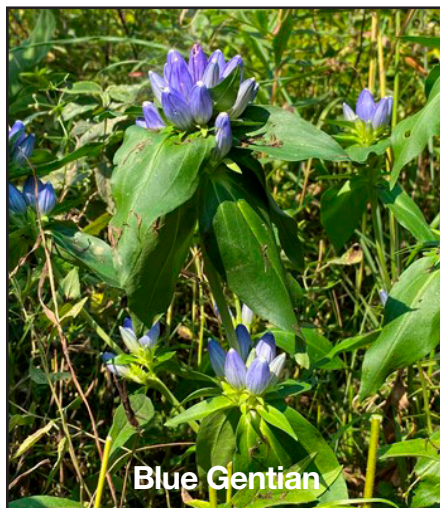




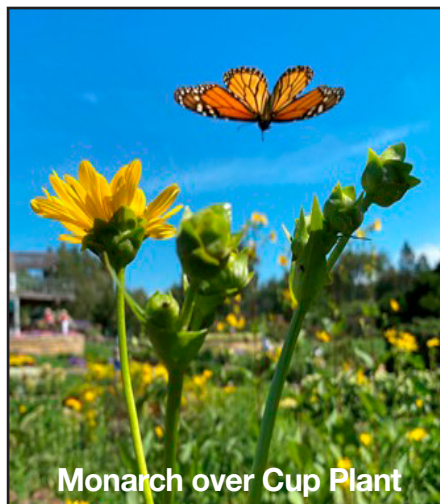
Fawn in our Prairie



Prairie
Compass
Plant



Blue Gentian



Monarch over Cup Plant

2023 HERB SOCIETY OF DUBUQUE CALENDAR

Herb Society meetings are open to anyone with an interest in growing and using herbs and are normally held in the Garden Room of the DABG Visitor Center on the first Wednesday of the month, 6:30-8:00 p.m. We may have a date/location change for one of the meetings. Please call the DABG the week of the meeting (556-2100) to confirm time and location.

March 1	Round Robin Discussion — Rob
	Members can ask general questions, share tips and tricks, or pass on some unique herbal discovery. Information sharing, from growing to harvesting, cleaning, drying, storing, infusions, tinctures, etc.
April 5	Growing Herbal Microgreens — Linda
May 3	Herbal Appetizers — Peggy
June 7	HerbFest Planning and Preparation — All
	Arts/Crafts/Sign up to bring tasty tidbits and items for sale to HerbFest. Someone will talk about ginger, 2023 Herb of the Year.
June 25	HerbFest—All
July 5	Prairie Walk at the Arboretum — Dr. John Brennan
August 2	Pressing Herbs and Using Pressed Herbs in Resin — Chel
September 6	Herbs for Wreaths, Garlands, and Posies — Kathy, Mark, Shirley
October 4	Herbal Candies — TBA
November 1	Soup and Planning for 2024 — All
December 6	Holiday Gathering — All

DABG Welcomes Two New Board Members

Two new members have recently joined the DABG Board of Directors: Merlin Green and Dawn Bandy.

Merlin, a familiar face around the DABG grounds, is a retired engineer from the John Deere Dubuque Works. Most of his employed working years were spent developing computer programs to analyze lab and field test data and running field tests on various machines to collect that data.

Merlin first became involved with the DABG when he was asked to take over the inventory and mapping of plants on the grounds using specialized software. He has now plotted hundreds of trees, benches, and the like on a map that is generally accurate within 1 meter. Since that project, Merlin's involvement has transitioned into the IT area of software and computer equipment for the office.

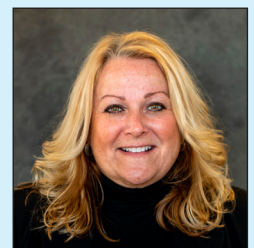
Merlin grew up on a farm, so he feels that "working at the arboretum is closing a lifetime loop."

Dawn is the controller for Home + Floor Show in Dubuque. She is a recent graduate of the University of Dubuque's Life program, earning a Master of Business Administration degree in April 2022, in addition to a Bachelor of Arts degree in accounting in 1999.

"I have been blessed to grow up in Dubuque, which has allowed me to enjoy the Dubuque arboretum's beautiful grounds," says Dawn. "When my children were little, we would walk the grounds and have picnics in the park. Now it is my grandchildren's turn to explore nature and enjoy all that the DABG has to offer. They are particularly fond of the fish and the pond. We are so fortunate to have such a hidden gem in our community. I look forward to serving on the Board of Directors to help preserve what has been created and develop what is yet to come."



MERLIN GREEN



DAWN BANDY

Thank you for giving generously...

The following donations were received
November-December 2022 & January 2023

Supporting Memberships

Mary Conzett
Jim & Pat Edwards
Melvin & Beverly Graves Jr.
Merlin & Josephine Green
Susan Hermanson
Debra Huck
Richard & Catherine Link
Debbie Schromen
Steven Ulstad
John & Mary Waldmeir

Estate Gifts

Katherine Carothers
Susan T. Schmid

Donations (online & mailed)

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Linda Althaus
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Sue Bonfig
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Tony & Kari Zelinskas

Campus Signage

Premier Bank

Music in the Gardens

Conlon Corporation Fund
Dubuque Noon Lions Club
Langworthy Dental Group

Grants

City of Dubuque Arts & Culture Operating Support
Keep Iowa Beautiful

Community Foundation of Greater Dubuque

Janet Grady
Beth & Rob Kundert
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Rita Theisen
Bob & Donna Wahlert Fund

Monthly Sustaining Contributors

Wylie & Jean Bledsoe
Bob Hoffman

Legacy Tree Bathroom Project

Burnell R. Smith Family Trust

In-Kind Gifts

Books for library, donated by Mike Toedt
Three office chairs & two file cabinets, donated by
MidwestOne Bank
Plexiglass for library, donated by Dubuque Sign
Company
Chainsaw, donated by Steve's Ace Hardware Store
Hockey tickets, donated by Dubuque Fighting
Saints & Sponsors
Union Park Memorabilia, donated by Michael Boge
Trust

Isaac Bodensteiner Eagle Scout Pagoda Project

Dawn Bandy
Mike & Monica Bodensteiner
Kristine Chrey
Conlon Construction (crane lift)
Doug & Dana Fay
Denise Hoeg
Frances & J. G. Kennedy
Don Kusssmaul
Locksmith Express
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Those who donated during Music in the Gardens

Memorials

In Memory of:
Carol Althoff, given by Judy & Steve Selchert
Paul Exstrom, given by Ron & Margaret Brender
given by Michael Dutemple

given by Diane Gallagher
given by Kert & Ruth Marty
Jack Frick, given by Butch & Melinda Bachelier
given by Marilyn Blanchard
given by Dubuque Noon Lions Club
given by Terry & Paula Friedman
Harriet Heitzman, given by Phil & Judy Ruppel
Edward & Anne Lammer, given by Deborah Machta
Beverly Sonksen, given by Leon Sonksen
Esther Stierman, given by Kurt Timmerman
David Studier, given by Bill & Nancy Brownell
given by Kathryn Hartman
given by Dennis & Sandy Hoyer
given by Debbie Klein
given by Betty Loeffelholz
given by Bob & Joan Miller
given by Pat Miller
given by Robert & Ramonna Miller
given by Paul & Theresa Ruzicka
given by Jim Pillard
given by Darleen Sarvis
given by Deanna Studier
given by Nan Welch

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In Honor of:

Ruth & Roger Grundmeier, given by Ed & Shirley
Crawford
Deb Lovett, given by Christi Widmar
Darryl & Terry Mozena, given by James &
Jacquelyn Roth

Benches

In Memory of:

Kathleen McCulloh, given by Tom & Reed
McCulloh

Bricks and Pavers

In Honor and Memory of:

Jan B. Brown, donated by Douglas Coffee
Helen T. Denlinger, donated by Cheryl Valentine
Elmer Harter, donated by Laurie Nebel
Bill & Janice Rauen, donated by Jane Flynn, Julie
Tressel, June Flynn





Ice Cream
\$900



Kettle Corn
\$1,040



**MUSIC in the
Gardens**

THANK YOU!

The Dubuque Noon Lions & Langworthy Dental Group generously donated their time selling sweet treats during the Summer 2022 concert season. Their efforts resulted in almost \$2,000 donated to the arboretum.

Volunteers Needed

Volunteers are needed this year in the following areas. Please contact Barb Block, Volunteer Coordinator, at 563-556-2100 or email volunteer@dubuquearboretum.net or apply online at www.dubuquearboretum.net/volunteer-opportunities/

Gift Shop	Hostas
Whispering Pines	Roses
Conifers	Prairie
Trimming and Mowing	Old Roses (heirloom)
Annuals/Perennials	Wildflowers
Japanese Garden	



COMING SOON TO THE ANNUAL FLOWERBEDS

The DABG ghost players are ready to take the field this summer when our annual flowers will commemorate America's favorite pastime, baseball. The theme will be "Field of Blooms," tying the gardens to quotes from the movie *Field of Dreams*, the book *Shoeless Joe*, or other popular baseball sayings. We hope "people will come" to see these displays! For visitors who are not baseball fans, there will still be fields of flowers to view—and maybe even some Iowa corn.

2023 SPRING GARDEN SEMINAR

SATURDAY, MARCH 25, 2023

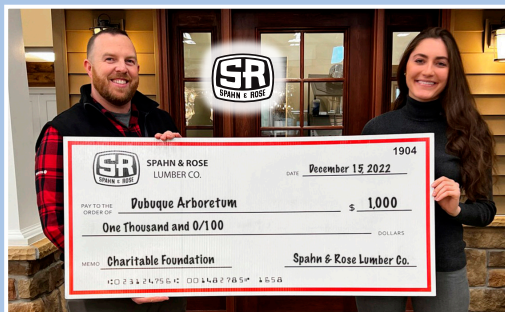
OPEN TO THE PUBLIC
HOSTED BY THE DUBUQUE COUNTY MASTER GARDENERS

Registration is now OPEN! This event will be hosted by the Dubuque County Master Gardeners from 7:15 am to noon Saturday, March 25, at the NICC Town Clock Business Center. Seed Savers Exchange is presenting about Backyard Garden Seed Saving, and other session topics that attendees can choose from include: Lawns 101, Cooking with Herbs, New Landscape Ideas From Europe, The Big World of Mini Hostas, New Yards for Old Homes – Using Native Plants, New and Unusual Perennials. Early registration is \$20 until March 15. Late registration and walk-ins at the event are \$25. Registration and information can be found at www.extension.iastate.edu/dubuque/spring-garden-seminar or by calling 563-583-6496.

Thank You!

Many thanks to Steve's Ace Home & Garden Hardware Store for the donation of a new chainsaw. This item was recently on our Wish List!

Pictured from left: Jenna Hirtz, Jeff Pope, Gene Gartner - Maintenance Team Volunteer

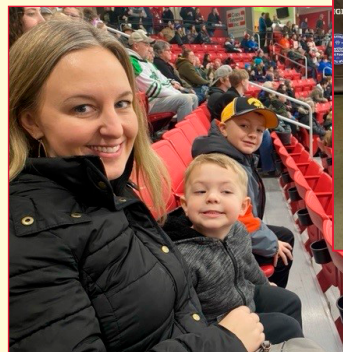


Thank you to Spahn & Rose for the \$1,000 donation DABG received at the Spahn & Rose Community Day: Building Our Communities Through Giving. Their continued giving helps ensure the future of our gardens!

Pictured: Egan Wilgenbusch and Jenna Hirtz

EVENING WITH the DUBUQUE FIGHTING SAINTS

The Dubuque Fighting Saints and their sponsors, as part of their community ticket program, provided tickets to DABG volunteers for the January 13 hockey game. It was an enjoyable evening and the Saints won!



Pictured top: Pete Pearson with mascot, Bernie the St. Bernard. Pictured bottom: Natalie Riniker with sons

\$10,500 AWARDED GRANT "FOR THE NEXT GENERATION" PROJECT

We're thrilled to have been awarded a \$10,500 grant from the Canadian National Railway Company toward our project, "For the Next Generation," which will fund new plants, trees, and shrubs at the DABG! CN EcoConnexions From the Ground Up supports collaborative community greening projects that enhance landscapes in communities neighboring CN rail lines.

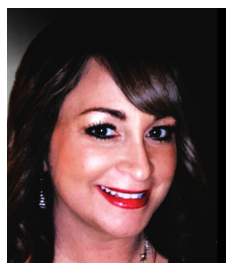
THANK YOU.... Canadian National Railway Company and America in Bloom!





Summer Events Schedule 2023

Event	Details	Dates
Spring Community Cleanup	Prepare gardens/grounds for spring	April 15 & 22
Garden Gift Shop Opening Day	See new inventory items	April 29
Spring Children's Party	Games, prizes, food, crafts for kids	May 21
Concert: Neverly Brothers 2023 20th Anniversary Tour	Rock and Roll Tribute	June 4
Concert: Lori Gravel & The Timber City Ramblers	Female Rock and Roll Tribute	June 11
Concert: Hunter Fuerste	American Vintage Orchestra	June 18
HerbFest	Garden Tour and All Things Herbs	June 25
Concert: The Dubuque Symphony Orchestra	Conducted by William Intriligator	June 25
Concert: Secrets	60s, 70s, 80s Variety	July 2
Concert: Layne Yost	John Denver Tribute	July 9
Concert: Denny Diamond & The All Night Show Band	Neil Diamond Tribute	July 16
Concert: Ring of Music	Irish Music	July 23
Concert: Kids from Wisconsin	Song and Dance Band	July 30
Sundaes in the Gardens	Ice Cream Social	August 6
Concert: Classical Blast	Contemporary Instrumental	August 6
Concert: Boogie Monster	Classic Rock 80s, 90s, 00s	August 13
Concert: Ten Gallon Hat	Country	August 20
Concert: Brushfire Bandits	Classic Rock 80s, 90s, 00s	August 27
Fall Community Cleanup	Prepare gardens/grounds for winter	October 21 & 28



Say hello to Laura Pauly, the DABG's new, full-time Office Coordinator!

Laura began working on February 20. She will manage our database, assist with events, and perform general office duties.

Laura's education began at Northeast Iowa Community College and then continued at Loras College, where she obtained her B.A.

in Communication with a major in Public Relations. Her previous work experience includes photography, accounting, warranty administration, and serving as an assistant office manager. She believes these jobs not only helped her gain valuable knowledge and skills for the future, but also allowed her to feed her passion for making connections. Laura enjoys spending her free time with her husband Jim and their seven children (six of whom are grown), boating on the Mississippi with her extended family, cooking/baking (and *always* sharing), and gardening.

"Growing up in Dubuque, I have hosted and attended many special occasions at the arboretum," says Laura. "It has always been a go-to spot for my family to celebrate an occasion, as the beauty of its surroundings paired perfectly with the excitement of the day. When I think of all the sponsors and volunteers who donate to keep the DABG such a beautiful and exciting place to spend special moments, I feel truly blessed knowing that I will be part of such a generous team. From the time I was able to form my own thoughts, I have always had a heart for giving and for service. I am thrilled to start experiencing and participating firsthand in the magic of what 'community' means to the DABG."

WISH LIST

ALL DONATIONS ARE TAX-DEDUCTIBLE

The DABG needs several items to continue with the work of keeping the gardens beautiful and the organization running smoothly. If you are interested in donating (fully or partially) toward any of them, you may do so on our website at <https://dubuquearboretum.net/wish-list/> or by mailing a check to 3800 Arboretum Drive.

- Wedding Chairs (\$200)
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- Door and Frame for Tour Cart Building (\$500)
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Saturdays: April 15 and April 22

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PLEASE CALL 563-556-2100 to let us know you're coming!

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