



The Garden Clubs of Illinois, Inc. 2024 Summer Meeting

Hosted by District IX

Monday, July 22, 2024, 8:30 am - 2:30 pm

Come and enjoy a beautiful day at Cantigny

1S151 Winfield Road, Wheaton, IL 60189

Landscaping for the Future: Sustainable gardening for a changing climate

Garden tours, awards, meet & greet with GCI President and Board, lunch overlooking the gardens, raffle baskets, coffee bar, and comfortable seating areas inside and out.

Presentation by Mike Nowak, the radio guy



Cantigny is the 500-acre former estate of Colonel Robert R. McCormick, the longtime editor and publisher of the *Chicago Tribune*. It was named Cantigny after a small village in France, which marked America's first victory in World War I.

Cantigny Gardens, created in 1967 by renowned landscape architect Franz Lipp, include nearly 30 acres of display gardens, theme plantings and statuary. The gardens recently completed a major renovation, part of a five-year revitalization project to enhance almost every area of the park. The gardens are beautiful any time of the year, but we will be seeing them at their peak in July. We will have exclusive use of the park as Cantigny is normally closed on Mondays. There will be no charge for entrance or parking but please note the mansion and military museum will not be open.

Speaker Mike Nowak With humor, heart, and 25 years of on-air radio shows about gardening and the environment, Mike will show us how we can landscape for the future - **Fixing Climate Change in Your Backyard**. We can be part of the solution.

For over 20 years Mike has been on the speakers circuit. We will celebrate with Mike as this will be his 300th presentation to garden clubs and others.

Enjoy the fun and learn.



Are you traveling? Want to make it a weekend?

Sheraton-Lisle Naperville Hotel

3000 Warrenville Road, Lisle, IL 60532; 630-505-1000

Reduced room rates available from July 20-22, 2024. Register by June 28, 2024.



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NEW THIS YEAR

Two ways to pay:

1. Online using Eventbrite, access on District IX website, **districtIX-gci.org** or **gardenclubsofillinois.org**
2. Use form below, mail in with check

Guests are welcome

Monday, July 22, 2024

8:30 am Registration
Raffle baskets on display throughout for your perusal

8:30 - 11:30 am Meet & greet

9:00 and 10:00 am Garden tours: Docent-led, one-hour tours of Cantigny's award-winning gardens, space limited to first 100 who sign up
Or tour on your own at your leisure

11:30 - 1:00 pm GCI business meeting, awards presentations, and lunch

1:00 - 2:00 pm Program: **Fixing Climate Change in Your Backyard** by Mike Nowak

REGISTRATION FORM

Early bird registration ends June 8, 2024.
Registration deadline is July 8, 2024.

Morning beverages and treats, garden tours, lunch, meeting, and speaker

April - June 8 \$55.00
June 8 - July 8 \$60.00
Amount Paid _____

Name _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Email _____ Phone _____

Club _____ District _____

Dietary Restrictions _____

Tour - Please select one

9:00 - 10:00 am tour
 10:00 - 11:00 am tour

Lunch - Please select one

Roasted chicken with risotto
 Seared salmon on mixed greens
 Grilled vegetable rice pilaf (Vegan, GF)

Please check all that apply:

- Club Member District Director Non-member Guest
 Club President GCI Board of Directors

Make checks payable to **The Garden Clubs of Illinois, Inc.**
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