

GROUNDSCOVER

Volunteer Newsletter

June/July 2009

The mission of the Chicago Botanic Garden is to promote the enjoyment, understanding and conservation of plants and the natural world.

Your Presence is Requested!

**The Chicago Botanic Garden
Volunteer Awards & Recognition Reception**

**McGinley Pavilion
Thursday, June 11, 2009
2 pm**

***We need your RSVP as soon as possible!*
Please sign up or call
Volunteer Services
(847)835-8392**

You Are Invited

**Daniel F. and Ada L. Rice
Plant Conservation Science Center
Staff and Volunteer Opening Preview Event
September 15, 2009
8:30-10:30 am**

Save the Plants. Save the Planet.

Thirty percent of the world's plants are threatened with extinction by 2050. The Chicago Botanic Garden has dedicated itself to an unparalleled effort to stem that tide. The Daniel F. and Ada L. Rice Plant Conservation Science Center will provide state-of-the-art laboratories and teaching facilities for more than 200 Ph.D. scientists, land managers, students and interns whose research is critical to fulfill the Garden's efforts to save our planet, by saving our plants.

Plan to join us and explore the 38,000-square-foot Rice Science Center which will serve as the home to a unique doctoral program in plant biology and conservation with Northwestern University and as the headquarters for the Garden's international efforts in plant conservation. A viewing gallery and 16,000-square-foot living roof will provide nearly 800,000 visitors and schoolchildren each year the opportunity to view plant science firsthand.



Construction Update

Construction of the Daniel F. and Ada L. Rice Plant Conservation Science Center is progressing well and the Garden looks forward to its official opening in late September, said **Bill Brown**, Vice President, Facilities and Planning. He is hoping the building's construction will be complete by the middle of August so that staff may move into it by September 1. "When inside work is finished in late spring, the two 8,000-square-foot living green roofs will be installed. Then there's the big job of landscaping around the building and along the road, which will take place during the summer," **Bill** explained.

Many special details are involved in this building project. "Our mechanical systems have to be especially fine-tuned to get LEED certification, which is Leadership in Energy and Environmental Design. That system of evaluation is administered by the US Green Building Council. "We're to be LEED Gold. The mechanical systems—heating, cooling and lighting—have to be super fine-tuned for energy efficiency for LEED certification. It takes time," he noted.

We are reminded by **Bill** that the Botanic Garden's motto is "Save the Plants. Save the Planet." He thinks people will be interested in the Rice Science Center as a green building separate from its function as a plant conservation laboratory. In the building's atrium, while looking into the laboratories, visitors will be informed about the basics of ecology, botany and conservation as well as specifics about what's going on in the laboratories. "It will be a very rich experience," **Bill** concludes.

A new project that is being undertaken at the Garden is restoration of the Southeast Pond.

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CAN YOU HELP?

SIGN UP OR CALL JUDY CASHEN (847) 835-6800 OR LAMETHA LEWIS (847) 835-6803

E-mail jcashen@chicagobotanic.org or llewis@chicagobotanic.org

We'll try to match your interests and availability for assignments.



Plastic Plant Container Recycling Event

Saturday, June 6
Sunday, June 7

8:30 am–12:30 pm & 12–4 pm

Volunteers are needed to accept plastic pots and trays from visitors in parking lot 4, tap out the excess soil and stack containers according to shape and size.



Chicago Botanic Garden Wine Festival

Saturday, June 6
Sunday, June 7

Assistance needed as greeters, way-finders, accept tickets, check wristbands and stamp hands. Shift times vary. Contact the Volunteer Services office for more information.



New Member Day

Saturday

June 13, July 19 & August 15

9:30-1 pm & 12:30-4 pm

Welcome and direct new members.



Horticulture Assistance

Assist horticulture staff throughout the Garden with special projects. Some bending and lifting; volunteers should dress for the weather. Contact Volunteer Services for projects days and shifts.



National Tallgrass Prairie Seed Bank

Tuesdays & Fridays
8 am-3 pm

Help clean and package seeds of native species. Training provided.



Dixon Prairie Skokie River Valley

Wednesdays
8 am–12 pm

Join a team of hearty volunteers out-of-doors in the 15-acre Dixon Prairie and 22-acre Skokie River Valley.

Learn about native plants while getting a great workout. Help with planting, removing invasive species and collecting seed.



Mary McDonald Woods Tuesday or Thursdays

12:30 – 4 pm

Collect, identify and catalog native plants; weed out invasives; collect and prepare seeds. Tasks vary depending on the season and the ability of participants.



Camp CBG

June 15-August 14

9 am-12 pm or 12-3 pm

Assist camp instructors for week long camp sessions with projects and monitoring participants. All camps are led by certified teachers.



Family Programs Fruit & Vegetable Garden Japanese Garden

Weekends, thru mid-October

Work on fun, drop-in programs for families. Ability to work outside and desire to interact with children & adults of all ages required.



General Office Help Days, hours flexible

Various Garden departments seeking office help. MS Office skills necessary and filing assistance.

Reception Desk

Barbara Whitney Carr
Administrative Center
Weekdays

Provide front desk assistance, answer inquiries and assist in directing visitors or guests to the Garden.



Evenings at the Garden

Dancin' Sprouts

(1st & 3rd Wednesdays of
June, July & August)

Greeters needed to assist with program distribution, answer questions and direct visitors to the event site.

Carillon Concerts

Volunteers are needed to guide, distribute programs, direct visitors to the event site and answer questions.

Hot Summer Nights

Welcome and direct visitors to the event site. A brief orientation will be held prior to each concert. Shift times vary.



Roadside Flower Sale Donations Welcomed!

Donations of unusual containers and baskets are gratefully accepted all year long for the Roadside Flower Sale workshops. Contact Volunteer Services at (847) 835-8392 to make arrangements for drop-off.

Be sure to mark your calendars for Roadside Flower Shop workshops September 1 through September 4.

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Located near Dundee Road and separate from the Garden's lake systems, the pond restoration has an interesting story. The pond attracted an avid bird watcher, Barbara Brown, who came to it even before the Garden existed. To honor Mrs. Brown on her 80th birthday last February, her husband made a generous contribution to the Garden with the stipulation that the area around the pond be named the Barbara Brown Nature Reserve.

Darrel G. Morrison, a landscape designer who specializes in native-type design, has been engaged to develop a plan for the area, **Bill Brown** explained. It will include clearing of invasive plants, a new path system and an elevated deck where people can look over the pond. There will be mud flats for wading birds, the pond shoreline will be restored and there will be seeding of native, savannah-type plants. The work will be done over a period of several years.

Jane Lord

The Barbara Brown Nature Reserve Especially for the Birds

A long-needed addition to the Garden has begun. A fortunate coming together of a bird-lover's dream and an ecological problem is the background for the Barbara Brown Nature Reserve. Land development continues to encroach on the habitats of local birds and animals, and the need for wild creature sanctuary is greater than ever. Located at the south end of the Garden near the Dundee Road entrance, some 12 acres of land and water are being restored as the first stage in the creation of the Reserve, which is to become an especially desirable site for bird watching. **Bob Kirschner**, the Garden's Director of Restoration Ecology, points to the project as another step in fulfilling the Garden's mission of "...the enjoyment, understanding and conservation of plants and the natural world."

Years ago, before the Garden opened, the Southeast Pond and surrounding land were a haven for a variety of shorebirds and rails. In time, the unused land became overgrown with invasive plants such as buckthorn and garlic mustard, and the water turned inhospitable for bird life. Thanks to a generous gift by Roger Brown in honor of his wife, the initial planning and physical work have begun: some box elder, as well as buckthorn and other invasive woody plants were cleared by Garden ecologist **Jim Steffen** along with other Garden staff over the past winter. In Spring, the land will be closely monitored and the remaining invasive plants will be removed as they appear. Darrel G. Morrison, ecologist, landscape designer and author, has created the restoration scheme for the area, and plans call for a unique space unlike any other in the Garden.

Later this year, the Garden hopes to begin planting trees, shrubs, ground cover and other foliage conducive to attracting birds. Even some dead trees will be strategically placed, filling the needs of birds that use them for nesting. The shore land surrounding the 5.7 acre pond will include a narrow path along

a portion of the perimeter, along with a viewing platform on the south side of the pond. The pond itself will be rejuvenated and its shoreline carefully crafted to attract wading birds, whose habitats continue to decrease. In addition, the pond will provide an adjacent space to the Skokie Lagoons and the Garden's Dixon Prairie for attracting dragonflies, butterflies, frogs and insects.

The Nature Reserve is expected to take several years to complete, but the result will be worth it. **Bob** points out the necessity for time and patience in a complex restoration project like this. He says, "While the final design is still being assessed, we are absolutely sure that volunteers will be a necessary part of the project. Stay tuned!" This is a great opportunity for joining the love of nature and ecological concerns.

Don Gayle

World Environment Day Urban Agriculture: Feeding the Movement Regenstein Center-Alsdorf Auditorium June 5, 2009 9 am – 5 pm

A symposium in celebration of World Environment Day with support from the McCormick Foundation Conference Series will be offered by the Joseph Regenstein, Jr. School of the Chicago Botanic Garden.

The Chicago Botanic Garden marks its second annual World Environment Day celebration with a symposium designed to improve the health and welfare of Chicago's underserved communities. In acknowledgment of the profound connection between food production issues and planetary and human health, this symposium will focus on the nexus between urban agriculture and food security. To register for the symposium visit on-line at www.chicagobotanic.org/wed or call (847) 835-8261. Designate course WED6509. The fee is \$59.

Plastic Plant Pot Recycling Event Saturday, June 6 Saturday, June 7 9 am – 4 pm Parking Lot #4

Bring your used plant containers to the Garden!

On Saturday and Sunday, June 6 and 7, bring your plastic garden pots, containers, polystyrene cell packs and trays to the Chicago Botanic Garden. Unique to the North Shore, this pilot program will divert reusable materials from landfills. You will find collection bins in parking lot 4 where you can drive over and leave your items to be

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recycled. What's recyclable: #2, #4, #5, and #6 garden pots, containers, polystyrene cell packs and trays. Please knock out all dirt and debris from materials before bringing them to the Garden. If possible, please sort and stack by pot size and number.

Volunteer assistance is needed to help with making this event a success. Stop by or contact the Volunteer Services Office to sign up.

Plant Production Goes "Green"

As a part of the Garden's ongoing effort toward sustainability, Plant Production has made many recent changes in its procedures for handling waste materials, both organic and inorganic. Anyone who regularly visits a local garden center has some appreciation for the amount of plastic—pots, trays, sheeting, etc.—used in the nursery industry to grow and ship viable garden plants. Even so, the average home gardener would probably be surprised to see how much of these materials are required by an operation the size of the Garden's production greenhouse—and how much non compostable waste is generated in the process. For years, Plant Production has been recycling a substantial amount of plastic products used to grow its plants. As of 2009, Plant Production has aimed for a goal of recycling 100% of all plastic pots used for growing the plants requested each year. The reusable pots can be used a number of times, sometimes lasting for several years. But pots are only the beginning. Starting this year, all plastic plant labels are being recycled, as are all of the plastic bags in which soil mixes are delivered and all poly-film covering from the quonsets where tender plants are overwintered. Along with **Mel Huwe**, Manager of Custodial Services, greenhouse staff and volunteers are working with horticulturists from the display gardens and grounds to improve efficiency in the collection and return to the Production Greenhouse of all recyclable plastic containers and flats. A local recycling company, VIM, has been hired to replace the Canadian company the Garden formerly relied on to pick up recyclables. The advantage of working with a local vendor is that the pallets on which used materials are stored can be picked up more often, thus decreasing the volume of plastic waste occupying valuable greenhouse space. From May through October—as every plant production volunteer knows only too well—teams of volunteers in waterproof gloves and aprons hand wash reusable plastic pots in large "cattle tanks". Plastic flats are also sorted and cleaned and reused as well.

Linda Tomchuck

Master Gardener Update

2008 Master Gardener Certificates

You can still pick up your 2008 Master Gardener certificate! They are available in the Continuing Education suite (located at the base of the stairs closest to Burnstein Hall), Monday through Friday, 9 am to 4 pm.

Some Pine & Spruce Problems

Jim Schuster is back and with a bevy of information about diseases of pines and spruces. He will discuss which tree is the host of each disease, disease symptoms, timing of each disease, optimal conditions for each disease and cultural recommendations for some common pine and spruce diseases. In addition, he will also discuss problems caused by nature, genetics and humans.

Jim Schuster, Extension Specialist PSEP
Thursday, June 11, 1:30 – 3:30 pm Linnaeus Room
MGT0012 Fee: \$10 (2 hrs)

Plant Families Part II:

Apiaceae, Araceae, & Solanaceae

We hear a lot about plant families, but are they important? Yes they are. Knowing something about plant families can help us with plant identification. Plants that belong to the same family share some of the same characteristics, especially floral characteristics. Knowing families can also help us diagnose disease problems, since the same disease may strike several members of the same family. Join Sharon Yiesla and learn about some basic botany and terminology needed for plant identification. Then, she will discuss three more plant families: the carrot family (*Apiaceae*), the aroid family (*Araceae*) and the nightshade family (*Solanaceae*). Feel free to bring a snack or lunch to munch on during class!

Sharon Yiesla, Unit Educator, U of I Extension
Wednesday, July 15, 10 a.m – 1 pm
Linnaeus Room **MGT0022** Fee: \$15 (3 hrs)

To register, please call (847) 835-8261.

A Rare Opportunity

On Friday evening, June 12, 2009, the Woman's Board of the Chicago Botanic Garden will hold its seventh rare plant auction – *A Rare Affair: A Collectors' Auction of Rather Unique Plants*. This popular event contributes significantly to the Garden's programs. The auction will include plants "rarely" available--gleaned from foreign collecting expeditions, new introductions, and private collections--as well as plants in novel sizes and forms. This event's proceeds will support the Woman's Board one-million-dollar lead pledge for the Garden's new Rice Plant Conservation Science Center. The Rice Plant Conservation Science Center is critical in advancing the Garden's efforts to breed new plants, conserve existing taxa, nurture the earth's botanical heritage and train the next generation of plant scientists. Cocktails and a silent auction in Nichols Hall are followed by dinner at McGinley Pavilion, during which the most select items are auctioned by Steven J. Zick, of Christie's. The auction list contains over 200 exciting plant categories. For more information, please contact **Jennifer Whitaker**, Manager, Plant Sales, at (847) 835-8357 or at jwhitaker@chicagobotanic.org.

Joan Walters Brown

**Chicago Botanic Garden Wine Festival
Promises a Wonderful Weekend
Saturday, June 6 & Sunday, June 7**

“Wine is the most civilized thing in the world,” said Ernest Hemingway, and the first weekend in June offers a wonderful way to get civilized! The Garden’s third annual Wine Festival takes place Saturday, June 6, from noon to 7 pm, and Sunday, June 7, from noon to 6 pm.

Visitors can sample or purchase from more than 250 wines selected from wineries, distributors and importers worldwide. A wide range of wine prices, from \$7.99 to \$79.99, ensures most everyone can find something to like. Chicago-area chefs will demonstrate wine and food pairings along with dishes to tempt taste buds; local restaurants will offer food for sale. Beer will be available for sale by the glass. All this and live musical entertainment too!

The Festival takes place in the meadow west of Evening Island and designated trams will transport visitors from the Visitor Center to the event site and back.

According to **Jodi Zombolo**, Director of Visitor Events & Programs, this event is well-attended and many hands ensure this popular event runs smoothly. Volunteers are needed to sell tickets at the Visitor Center and site, direct visitors to the site and to distribute glasses and programs at the casual festival setting.

Doesn’t this sound like a fun event? Want to help? Contact **Judy Cashen**, Manager, Volunteer Services at (847) 835-6800 or jcashen@chicagobotanic.org to volunteer.

Barbara Sirovatka

**Grapes & Hops:
A Celebration of Wine and Beer
Select Wednesdays
Regenstein Fruit & Vegetable Garden
June 10 & 24, July 8 & 22
August 12 & 26
6-8 pm**

During Grapes & Hops, taste fine wines and brews and enjoy light complimentary fare amid the summer bounty of the Regenstein Fruit & Vegetable Garden. This charming event is held on the 2nd and 4th Wednesdays of the month, June through August. Professionals will be available to share their knowledge of what to look for when choosing beer or wine and chefs will demonstrate creative ways to incorporate or pair the tasted beverages with food.

Hours are from 6 to 8 pm. Admission is \$10; Chicago Botanic Garden members pay \$8. Ticket packages are also available. Purchases can be made online or at the Visitor Center Information Desk beginning June 8. Ticket holders receive a 10% discount at the Garden Grille on the night of the event when they show their ticket or hand stamp.

Evenings at the Garden

Summer Evenings at the Chicago Botanic Garden (June 6 through Labor Day) provide volunteers with an abundance of opportunities to spend delightful evening hours in the gardens.

Carillon Concerts (Mondays) - The popular Monday night Carillon Concert series returns in June. In addition to the 45-minute Carillon performance at 7 pm, the evening offers a complimentary tour featuring a demonstration of the Carillon and an opportunity to meet the evening’s carillonner. Tours begin at 5:30 pm and run every fifteen minutes. Visitors may bring their own picnic or enjoy the Garden Grille selections in designated picnic locations.

Music on the Esplanade (Tuesdays) - Unwind after your work day on the Garden’s Esplanade as you listen to relaxing performances by local musicians. From 6-8 pm, this live musical series showcases an assortment of genres including Spanish guitar, jazz, and blues. The Esplanade offers a beautiful setting for great entertainment and seating for a wide variety of guests — and only on concert evenings, you may have a picnic there as well!

Dancin’ Sprouts (1st & 3rd Wednesdays) - Performances are at 5:30 and 6:30 pm on the Esplanade every 1st and 3rd Wednesday of June, July, and August. These evenings reflect the Garden’s role in the Chicago Wilderness consortium to Leave No Child Inside. Bring the family outside and enjoy live music in this idyllic summer setting. For these evenings, picnicking will be allowed on the Esplanade only.

Hot Summer Nights (Thursdays) - On Hot Summer Nights, unwind and learn a new move or two! Professional dance instructors will be on hand to provide visitors with easy-to-understand mini-lessons that will correspond with the genre of the evening. Shimmy up to refreshment tables to purchase light fare and beverages (including beer, wine, and a signature cocktail) reflecting the evening’s culture. On concert nights only, you may enjoy a picnic on the Esplanade. Concerts hours are 6-8pm.

Each night visitors can enjoy the Model Railroad Garden (until 8 pm), Garden Grille Dining, the Garden Shop and the Grand Illuminations of Evening Island. The Garden trolley will transport visitors between the Glencoe Metra station and the Garden on the evenings of Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, and select Wednesdays and all day Saturdays and Sundays: \$2 round trip/person; children five and under and Garden members ride free.

Volunteers are needed for evening events to welcome and direct visitors into the Garden and to distribute programs, give tours and provide assistance as needed. To become part the Garden’s delightful summer “Evenings at the Garden”, stop by or call the Volunteer Services Office at (847) 835-8392 for dates and times.

Who's who in the Garden?

A profile of someone you should know



Cindy Baker, shown with WGN-TV personalities Paul Konrad and Larry Potash

Cindy Baker Manager, Horticulture Services

In her Garden staff position as Manager of Horticulture Services, **Cindy Baker** has multifaceted responsibilities.

Horticulture Services consists of three departments, she explains. This includes Grounds, Specialty Areas and Plant Health Care. **Cindy** describes them as follows: "Our Grounds Department is responsible for more than 100 acres of general landscape areas. Specialty Areas include actual garden areas as well as the entrance, the entrance road, parking lots and others. The Plant Health Care Department handles anything that would endanger plants (except for humans)." In her important position **Cindy** plans, organizes, administers and maintains all her department's programs.

Additionally, she undertakes numerous activities. Teaching at the Joseph Regenstein, Jr. School of the Chicago Botanic Garden is one. She enjoys her occasional appearances on WGN-TV's Thursday morning news hour entitled "Botanic Garden Back Yard", and she is seen on other stations as a spokesperson for the Garden. When corporate volunteer project days are held at the Garden, **Cindy** helps with project planning and overseeing their outdoor activities. When a company arranges for its staff to come to the Garden, they are put to work, not just toured around. "It requires a lot of coordination in order to run smoothly," **Cindy** notes.

Organizing teams for the variety of work in the Garden requires her continual effort. "The needs are very different every day, and I constantly employ teams of people to do whatever is needed most. From spring until the end of fall we have a team of 45 men who work where needed. Some have been here 25 years and most of them are from central Mexico. With the new era, people are probably finding us

through the internet. I am responsible for their training and to make sure they get the proper training for a job. To reduce injury, we are focusing on their training."

Due to cuts in the Garden's budget, there are new horticulture volunteer opportunities. **Cindy** says, "**Judy Cashen**, Manager of Volunteer Services, and I and the horticulture staff work closely together to determine new horticultural projects for volunteers." Another volunteer project planned is to have a large slide collection, desired for use in teaching, converted to digital image. "We also need volunteer help in taking photos of Garden displays that the staff does not have time to do. There is a variety of opportunities, and we are excited about creating some new places where volunteers can help," the manager emphasized.

Originally from Arizona, **Cindy** earned a degree in agronomy and horticulture at the University of Arizona. She has interesting activities outside the Garden. One is teaching English as a second language at Literacy Chicago. Another is being a nationally certified motorcycle safety instructor, which she does some weekends at the Great Lakes Naval Station.

When asked what she enjoys about her Garden responsibilities she said, "I like my job's extreme diversity and juggling multiple priorities. The best thing about the Garden is the people. We have good people at the Garden."

Jane Lord

Remember Garden Emergency Procedures

Life threatening situation call

9-911. Report location and nature of emergency.

Immediately call x8321 or Garden Security on Radio Channel 2. Provide all relevant information.

Do not move injured persons, unless not moving them would cause further injury.

Remember--do not put your life in danger. If a situation is not life threatening, you should dial x8321 or contact the nearest Security Officer.

Generally, it is best to let Security make the 911 call, except in the most severe life-threatening situation.

In order to better protect volunteers, staff and visitors in the event of an emergency, the Garden has designated some staff members as **Emergency Coordinators.**

These individuals are trained and equipped to help get everyone in their designated area to safety in an emergency. If a staff member approaches you during an emergency and identifies themselves as an Emergency Coordinator, please follow their instructions and proceed to the designated safe area.

DID YOU KNOW...

 Dear Chicago Botanic Garden Volunteers and Staff:

The Woman’s Board is enormously grateful for the knowledge and diligence you bring to **A Bloomin’ Sale!** From your friendly greetings to your careful checkout process, you have turned the parking lot into a neighborhood where we all have the love of our gardens in common. Not only members of the Chicago Botanic Garden, but people from quite far away look forward to the beautiful and reliable plants in excellent condition they know can be found at **A Bloomin’ Sale...** and you make their shopping experience a pleasure!


You are an important part of the success of the sale and you can be proud that the proceeds of the sale go entirely to the new Rice Plant Conservation Science Center.

On behalf of the **A Bloomin’ Sale** Committee and all of the Woman’s Board, I thank you for all your help. We will look forward to meeting you in the Garden and working together again next spring.

Sincerely,

Barbara Kehoe
Chairman

A Bloomin’ Sale 2009


 Over 600 volunteers gave more than 2,000 hours to make this year’s *A Bloomin’ Sale* a success. Thanks to everyone who assisted! Special thanks to **Alice Goltra**, President of the Chicago Botanic Garden’s Woman’s Board for her hospitality at *A Bloomin’ Sale*. **Alice** has offered to share her recipe for her “Quick Low Fat Chili”, which many volunteers enjoyed during their volunteer assignments. Thank you, **Alice!**


Quick Low Fat Chili served at A Bloomin’ Sale

From Recipezaar <http://www.recipezaar.com/Chili-35829?scalet=20>

Per serving: 278 calories, only 21 from fat = 7%

Ingredients	10 cups Serves 6	20 cups	30 cups
1 lb cans of stewed tomatoes	2	4	6
1 lb cans of kidney beans, rinsed and drained	2	4	6
1 lb cans of corn, drained	1	2	3
28 oz can black beans			2
Green peppers, diced			3
6 oz can of tomato paste		2	1
Mild picante sauce Or Hot picante sauce	¾ cup	1 ½ cups	2 ¼ cups
Chili powder	½ tsp	1 tsp	3 Tablespoons
Ground cumin	¼ tsp	½ tsp	2 tsp
Cayenne pepper (optional)	1/8 tsp - optional	¼ tsp	½ tsp
Package of onion soup mis			1
Mix all ingredients in a saucepot and cook over medium heat until hot and bubbly. Cool and taste. The seasoning I added follows.			
White vinegar			1 ½ cups
Molasses			9 Tablespoons
Brown sugar			10 Tablespoons
Worcestershire sauce			12 Tablespoons

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 The Garden’s summer parking procedures remain in effect until Columbus Day (mid-October). These procedures will be used this summer every Sunday, every holiday and five Saturdays throughout the summer (May 16th, June 6th, July 4th, August 15th and October 3rd). Continuous weekend shuttle service will be provided from 5 am - 9 pm on the days outlined above. Pick-up from the South End is at the shuttle stop sign across from the Horticulture building. Drop-off is at the West Portico of the Regenstein Center. To return to the South End, the designated pick-up is at the West Portico of the Regenstein Center. All other Saturdays, staff and volunteers should park in lots 3-7. All other weekdays, staff and volunteers should park in lots 2-7. Those who cannot participate in the procedure as described should contact **Roger Caldwell** at (847) 835-6812. Thank you for your cooperation with this policy.

Please contact **Judy Cashen**, Manager, Volunteer Services at (847) 835-6800 with any questions.



10th Anniversary
Model Railroad Garden:
Landmarks of America
Open through October 25
10 am – 8 pm
Weather permitting

A family favorite, this enchanting outdoor exhibit takes visitors from coast to coast with model trains, miniature representations of America's best-loved landmarks and colorful small-scale gardens. Each year something new appears and for this 10th anniversary of the Model Railroad Garden, visitors will see a train on the Baltimore & Ohio Railroad line chugging around the White House (that's the train line that transported Abraham Lincoln).

Model Railroad Garden admission is \$5 for adults and \$3 for children ages 3 to 12 (Garden members save \$1 per ticket). Garden Plus members enter free on Wednesdays throughout the season. Strollers are not permitted in the exhibit; however, stroller parking is located near the entrance.

Calendar of Garden Events and Volunteer Activities

June 2009		
Fri.	5	World Environment Day – Urban Agriculture: Feeding the Movement Regenstein Center Alsdorf Auditorium, 9 am to 5 pm. Register on-line through the Chicago Botanic Garden website or by calling (847) 835-8261. Registration fee \$59. Space is limited.
Sat.	6	Summer Hours Begin-7 am to 9 pm
Sun.	7	Farmers' Market, 1 st & 3 rd Sundays of the month through October, 9 am to 2 pm. Location will be just north of the Visitor Center. Event will be held rain or shine.
Sat. & Sun.	6-7	Wine Festival, Saturday, June 6, noon to 8 pm and Sunday, June 7, noon to 6 pm. For more information and to buy tickets, call (847) 382-1480 or visit http://www.chicagobotanicgardenwinefestival.com .
Sat. & Sun.	6-7	Plant Container Recycling Program, 9 am to 4 pm. Container drop off will be located in parking lot #4.
Sat. & Sun.	6-7, 13-14, 20-21, 27-28	Garden Chef Series, Regenstein Fruit & Vegetable Garden, at 1:30 and 2:30 pm
Mon.	8	Carillon Concert Series, Evening Island, Monday evenings, Carillon tours begin at 5:30 pm, concerts begin at 7 pm
Tues.	9	Music on the Esplanade, Tuesday evenings, 6 to 9 pm
Thurs.	11	Chicago Botanic Garden Volunteer Awards and Recognition Reception, 2 pm, McGinley Pavilion. Please call 847-835-8392 by Friday, June 5 to reserve your seat!
Thurs.	11	Hot Summer Nights, Esplanade, Thursday evenings, 6 to 9 pm
Wed.	17	Dancin' Sprouts, 1 st and 3 rd Wednesdays of June, July, and August; performances at 5:30 and 6:30 pm on the Esplanade.
July 2009		
Sat.	4	Independence Day
Coming August 2009		
Sat. & Sun.	8-9	Kite Festival, Kite Flying Demonstrations, Kite Making Workshops. Evening Island, materials fee applies

☞ The Grounds Cover Committee ☞

Joan Brown, Judy Cashen, Don Gayle, Lametha Lewis,
Jane Lord, Sandy Schwartz, Barbara Sirovatka, Linda Tomchuck

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