

# TOUR of GARDENS

2022

**Saturday, June 18  
9:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.**



**FEATURING SIX  
SPECTACULAR GARDENS** (DETAILS ON BACK)

Chuck Herrig's Garden  
'Is This Heaven - No It's Our Backyard'  
Lazy Gardeners?  
NICC School Garden & Club  
"Vista Muelleresk"  
Epworth Gateway Gardeners

**MINI EDUCATIONAL WORKSHOPS** (SCHEDULE ON BACK)

How to Care for a Fruit Orchard  
Vegetable Gardening  
Solar Powered Battery Backup System

**Tickets: \$10**

Tickets available at any of the tour gardens.  
You can begin your tour at any location.  
Event held rain or shine.

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# 2022 Featured Gardens

## 1. Chuck Herrig

**1560 Miller Road, Dubuque, Iowa**

### CHUCK HERRIG'S GARDEN

This property has an abundance of rocks and rock formations. Twelve retaining walls help keep Catfish Creek down in the valley and all have been built by Chuck in the 35 years he has lived on the property. The land is nature at its best including deer, birds, beavers, eagles, and great blue herons. It has been a journey creating this beautiful garden.

**DIRECTIONS** - Across from Kelly Lane/Old Mill Road turn onto Manson Road and a quick right onto Miller Road.

## 2. Joan & Rick Frommelt

**100 N. Grandview Avenue, Dubuque, Iowa**

### 'IS THIS HEAVEN - NO IT'S OUR BACKYARD'

The backyard is approximately one acre and features 200 hostas - only two purchased and the rest split or gifted by neighbors and friends. There is evidence of lead mining to the rear of the yard and there will be a sample of lead on display which was recently found by the owner. A detailed history of the property will be available at the sight.

**DIRECTIONS** - Across the street from Washington School between the University/Delhi roundabout and Hwy 20 ramps.

## 3. Doug & Cindy Recker

**10043 Dutch Lane Road, Peosta, Iowa**

### LAZY GARDENERS?

Doug and Cindy would like to think of themselves as "Lazy Gardeners." They use black plastic and bark on their perennial beds, while in the raised beds they use cardboard strips, newspapers, and shredded paper. The lawns are mowed at almost 4" high and treated with preemergence to prevent annual weeds.

The property features 32' x 32' of raised beds for fruits and vegetables, and contains a half-acre pond with bluegills, catfish, bass, and bullfrogs. They also have a small organic orchard.

### WORKSHOP How to Care for a Fruit Orchard

**9:30 a.m. and 11:30 a.m.**

**DIRECTIONS** - Traveling from NICC, continue on HWY 20 West for about two miles, turn right onto Dutch Lane, and a left into the driveway.

## 4. NICC in Peosta

**8342 NICC Drive, Peosta, Iowa**

### NICC SCHOOL GARDEN & CLUB

Founded in fall 2015, the NICC School Garden features 11 raised beds with drop irrigation and two in-ground beds. From artichokes to watermelons, the beds have new residents each season, a pollinator bed and a row of apple trees. The mission of the garden is to provide NICC students and staff with fresh produce. This year will feature themed beds, production beds, and a plot of popcorn is planned.

### WORKSHOP Vegetable Gardening

**10:30 a.m. and 2:00 p.m.**

**DIRECTIONS** - Traveling from Dubuque, take Hwy 20 West. Exit for Peosta, turn right onto Burds Road, and turn right onto NICC Drive. Garden is on the right.

## 6. Tim & Lisa Mueller

**2901 Hillcrest, Dubuque, Iowa**

### "VISTA MUELLERESK"

Lisa's earliest memories are of spending time in the garden with her mother. You'll see how her love for container planting, mixed with a variety of perennials has turned this unique property into a vista by the park. Ask the homeowners about how they transitioned this 1931 farmhouse in the city into a sustainable home complete with solar power battery backup system and automated rain barrel system that will carry it on into the next generation.

### WORKSHOP Solar Powered Battery Backup System

**11:00 a.m. and 2:30 p.m.**

**DIRECTIONS** - From Asbury Road, turn onto Hillcrest and proceed half a mile. Property is next to Hillcrest "Turtle" Park on left hand side, between Chaney Road and Avalon Road.

## 5. Gateway & Garden Club

**Hwy 20, Epworth, Iowa**

### EPWORTH GATEWAY GARDENERS

In 2002, the City of Epworth and volunteers salvaged the wooden cupola from Megan Hall on Divine Word College and built a four-sided, brick structure capped with the cupola. The Epworth Gateway Gardeners formed to landscape around the new Gateway Center. Twenty six flower beds originally encircled the structure and as time went on, new gardeners began to consolidate the small beds into three large, more modern beds. Donated annuals, perennials, trees, and shrubs welcome visitors and pollinators..

**DIRECTIONS** - Traveling from Dubuque take Hwy 20 West to Epworth overpass, turn right at Gateway Structure onto Jacoby Drive frontage road.