



# Gardeners' **BIG** Day

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Saturday, March 14, 2026  
8 AM to 1 PM  
Cuba High School



**Illinois Extension**  
UNIVERSITY OF ILLINOIS URBANA-CHAMPAIGN

### Registration

**online - [go.illinois.edu/GBD26](http://go.illinois.edu/GBD26)**  
call - 309-547-3711

Fee: \$20 Early Bird by Feb. 1  
\$25 through deadline March 6



### Location

Cuba High School  
20325 N State Rte 97  
Cuba, IL 61427

### Program Supporters



### Contact

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Gardeners, naturalists, and anyone interested in conservation are invited to Gardeners' BIG Day. Sessions are appropriate for all skill levels! The day includes three educational sessions, snacks, door prizes, and vendors. Spoon River Garden Club is hosting a silent auction as a college scholarship fundraiser. Sessions filled on a first-come, first-served basis.

## Speakers and Workshops

### Grow Great Gourds and More!

Suzanne Cook, Extension Master Gardener

### Creature Comforts: Attracting Wildlife to Your Yard

Ellen Denler, Extension Master Gardener & Naturalist

### Brewing Botanicals: Enhancing Tea with the Power of Plants

Karen Corrigan, Extension Master Gardener

### Watercolor Botanical Workshop (+\$12.50)

Allie Goudy, Extension Master Naturalist & Gardener

### Let Them Make Cake! - Floral Design Workshop (+\$12.50)

Christine Wright, Hy-Vee Floral Manager

### Shade Gardens

Ella Maxwell, Extension Master Gardener

### The Forest's Best Kept Secret: Spring Ephemerals

Karen Weigelt, Extension Program Coordinator

### Urban Pollinator Pockets

Gayle Blodgett, Extension Master Gardener & Naturalist

### Rockin' Your Garden Art - Painting Workshop (+\$12.50)

Julie Wasson, The Hangar 750 Art Studio

### Soils: Micro & Macro Nutrients

Valerie Wolfe, Diverse Metamorphosis

### Pesticide Labels: New Guidance on Endangered Species

Tara Heath, Extension Ag Educator

### Nature as a Classroom

May Bach, Extension Master Gardener & Naturalist

