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Online ordering for CFC spring plant sale ends April 14

BARRINGTON, IL - *April 2, 2019* - April 14 is the deadline for online ordering from Citizens for Conservation's 23rd annual Native Plant, Shrub and Tree Sale. Orders can be placed on CFC's website, www.citizensforconservation.org.

To help customers better plan their purchases, CFC's online catalog includes information on plants' color, bloom period, water and sun requirements, and size.

The sale will be held Saturday, May 4 and Sunday, May 5, from 9 a.m.-3 p.m., in the Good Shepherd Hospital barn area, east of the hospital, at 450 W. Highway 22 in Lake Barrington.

Native plants provide many advantages for both gardeners and the environment, and buyers can choose from a huge selection of robust, hardy native plants, including perennials, ferns, sedges, grasses, shrubs and trees. As part of CFC's Milkweed for Monarchs campaign to support monarch populations, numerous species of native milkweed will be available at discounted prices. All plants sold are free of neonicotinoid pesticides.

Pickup date for preorders is Friday, May 3, from 11 a.m.-6 p.m. CFC members will also be able to shop the sale on May 4, and members get a 10 percent discount all days.

For more information, call CFC at 847-382-SAVE (7283).

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CFC program features Rachel Carson portrayal

BARRINGTON, IL - *April 2, 2019* - Imagine having a conversation with Rachel Carson, scientist and author of *Silent Spring*, the 1962 book that sounded the alarm about pesticides and the environment.

Citizens for Conservation's 2019 Community Education Program Series will present its final program, "A Morning with Rachel Carson" on Saturday, April 13 at 10 a.m. Actress and scholar Leslie Goddard portrays Carson, whose *Silent Spring*, was a wakeup call about the dangers of DDT.

Goddard is an award-winning actress and scholar who has performed historical characters for more than 10 years. She holds a Ph.D in American studies and U.S. history as well as a master's degree in theater from Northwestern University.

The program will be held at the Barrington Village Hall at 200 S. Hough St., Barrington. Free parking is available in the lot behind the building. The program begins at 10 a.m.; coffee, conversation and handouts will be available at 9:30. CFC members attend without charge; \$10 for nonmembers. RSVP to 847-382-SAVE (7283) or to communityed@citizensforconservation.org. Please provide your name, phone number and the program name.

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Wendy Paulson bird walks welcome spring

BARRINGTON, IL - *April 2, 2019* - Barrington-area spring bird walks with naturalist Wendy Paulson will begin Friday, April 19. Walks are sponsored by Citizens for Conservation and Audubon Great Lakes.

Dates for the walks, which will run through June, will be:

Friday, April 19, 8 a.m.— Crabtree Nature Center (3 Stover Road, off of Palatine Road)

Friday, May 3, 7:30 a.m.— Crabtree Nature Center (as above)

Friday, May 10, 7:30 a.m. — Deer Grove East (entrance on the north side of Dundee Road, west of Hicks Road, east of Smith Street. Go to the farthest parking area). This hike will have an optional extension to Camp Alphonse, off Dundee Road.

Wednesday, May 15, 3:30 a.m. – Baker’s Lake for students and adults (parking lot on Highland Avenue, south of Hillside)

Friday, May 17, 7:30 a.m.—Beverly Lake (parking lot on the north side of Higgins Road/Rt. 72, east of Rt. 25, west of Beverly Road)

Tuesday, May 21, 7:30 a.m. — Crabtree Nature Center (as above)

Friday, May 24, 7 a.m.—Headwaters (parking lot on Wichman Road, off north side of Rt. 72; 1/2 mile west of Rt. 59)

Wednesday, June 5, 7 a.m.—Gallop Hill (meet at Penny Road Pond parking lot, less than a mile west of Old Sutton/Penny Road intersection)

Sunday, June 16, 5 p.m. – Gallop Hill (as above)

The hikes on May 10, May 17, May 24, June 5, and June 16 will be more strenuous.

The walks are free and open to the public although spaces are limited, and RSVPs are required. Waterproof boots are strongly recommended, and participants should bring binoculars. Please RSVP and provide contact information to Daniel Wear (312) 453-0230, ext. 2010 or dwear@audubon.org. Participants should check the CFC website (www.citizensforconservation.org) for last-minute changes.

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CFC and Barrington Greenway Initiative celebrate Earth Day

BARRINGTON, IL - *April 2, 2019* - The Barrington Greenway Initiative and Citizens for Conservation will mark Earth Day 2019 with sedge planting at CFC headquarters on Saturday, April 20 from 9 a.m - noon.

Be a part of the Barrington area's collaborative conservation community and work alongside volunteer stewards and staff from CFC, Audubon Great Lakes, the Bobolink Foundation, Friends of the Forest Preserves, Forest Preserves of Cook County, and Lake County Forest Preserves. Meet at CFC headquarters, 459 W. Highway 22 in Lake Barrington; wear sturdy waterproof shoes and long pants and bring work gloves and a trowel. All ages are welcome.

The Barrington Greenway Initiative is a long-term plan, created and led by Citizens for Conservation, to expand and link fragmented natural habitats, increase biodiversity and advance ecosystems in the greater Barrington community from approximately Poplar Creek north to Roberts Road. This partnership between CFC and other conservation groups and volunteers will link more than 14,000 acres of prairies, wetlands and forest preserves for conservation success and benefits to area residents.

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CFC workdays offer volunteer opportunities

BARRINGTON, IL - *April 2, 2019* - Experienced and new volunteers of all ages are always welcome at Citizens for Conservation's restoration workdays on Thursdays and Saturdays from 9 - 11 a.m.

Meet at CFC's office, 459 W. Highway 22, Lake Barrington, across from Advocate Good Shepherd Hospital. Bring work gloves, wear sturdy shoes and dress for the weather.

For more information, call CFC at 847-382-SAVE (7283) or visit www.citizensforconservation.org.

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