



27th Annual Arbor Day Celebration

"MONARCH BUTTERFLIES"

A PRESENTATION BY
PETER GORDAN

The Village of Palos Park, Garden Guild I and the Tree Body
at the

KAPTUR ADMINISTRATIVE CENTER
8999 W. 123rd Street, Palos Park, IL

on

Sunday, April 28th at 1:00 p.m.



Guest Presenter

Peter Gordan is the Founder and Director of Homes4Monarchs. Peter founded the nonprofit in 2016 to save the monarch butterfly, whose population has declined 90% since 1996. Homes4Monarchs distributed free native plant seeds such as milkweed (the monarch caterpillar's only food source) to residents and organizations to grow sustainable gardens with food and habitats for butterflies, bees, and other pollinators. They also organize free events and presentations to spread environmental awareness. Peter's speech at Arbor Day will focus on the monarch-milkweed connection, the importance of pollinators, and Homes4Monarchs' efforts to reverse pollinator decline and spread awareness. Afterward, guests will also have the chance to make their own "SeedBeeds", balls clay with flower seeds. Guests will get to take SeedBeeds home for free to plant in their own garden.

Peter Gordan is a junior at A.A. Stagg High School in Palos Hills. He is also involved in Debate, Cross Country, and Track & Field. More info can be found on Homes4Monarchs' website:

<https://homes4monarchs.wixsite.com/milkweed>

You can also contact Peter at homes4monarchs@gmail.com



Poster Contest

The theme of this year's poster contest is
"A Home for Monarchs"

Posters should be turned in by 5:00 p.m. on Tuesday, April 23rd. Turn posters in at the Kaptur Administrative Center, 8999 W. 123rd Street, Palos Park.

Colored pencils, crayons or markers may be used, free Poster Contest Sheet are available at the Village Hall, the Recreation Center or online at www.palospark.org Name, Age and Telephone Number should be printed clearly on all poster entries. All entries will be displayed at the Kaptur Administrative Center and participants will be judged according to the following age groups: Ages 4-5, Ages 6-7, Ages 8-9, and Ages 10-12 ♦ Prize is \$25.00 - one prize per age group.



Raffle Prizes

Free Milkweed Seeds
Free Seedlings



At the close of our program, each attendee will receive a raffle ticket for a chance to win door prizes. Everyone can take a free seedling to plant at home from this year's selection of: Shellbark Hickory, Buttonbush, and Black Chokeberry Milkweed seeds are distributed by the Garden Guild I to attract Monarch Butterflies.



Complimentary refreshments will be served by Palos Park Garden Guild I.



