



EMBRACE THE DUNES

The Garden Club of Indiana, Inc.
Wildflower Workshop
September 29, 2022
Speakeasy at the Spa
Porter, Indiana



8:30 am Breakfast Buffet at Speakeasy at the Spa

9:00 am Registration

9:15 am Welcome

9:30 am Indiana's First National Park - The Why, The How, The Where –Speaker Dan Platt

Indiana Dunes National Park is a United States national park located in northwestern Indiana managed by the National Park Service. It was authorized by Congress in 1966 as the Indiana Dunes National Lakeshore and was re-designated as the nation's 61st national park on February 15, 2019.

10:30 am Lake Michigan Coastal Program - NOAA - Jenny Orsburn, Program Manager
Protecting our 45 miles and 1,638 acres of shoreline.

11:30 am Indiana Dunes State Park - Nathanael Pilla, Botanist, Orbis Environmental

Wildflowers of the Dunes - Where Diana Traveled

The Prairie - a natural community type that consists mostly of native grasses, forbs, and shrubs.

The Marsh - a wetland community that consists mostly of herbaceous vegetation such as grasses, sedges, rushes, ferns, and aquatic plants.

12:30 pm **LUNCH at the Speakeasy at the Spa**

Indiana Lake Michigan Shipwreck Survey Project



1:30 pm **The True Story of Diana of the Dunes - Marie Laudeman, Naturalist, Indiana DNR**

For the past century, the legend of Diana of the Dunes has grown as wild as the environs in which she lived. Diana, whose legal name was Alice Mabel Gray, became famous in 1915, when she stepped onto an old path in the Dunes and followed it to the edge of Lake Michigan.

2:30 pm **Indiana Dunes - Take the DARE - Take the Walk**

3:30 SAYING GOODBYE TO THE DUNES

