

President's Notes

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Welcome Back!

*Our 2013-2014 season begins on **Sept 11 at 7:00!** Join us this year for interesting programs and speakers, fun trips and social events!*

Note: Our meetings will now be held on the 2nd Wednesday of the month due to our combined meetings with other area Garden Clubs.

Check out this newsletter each month for more details on upcoming events. And don't forget to go to our website for even more information:
<http://www.wyckoffgc.com>

A Welcome Word from our President

Hello and welcome to another exciting year of sharing our love of gardening with one another. Autumn will soon be upon us, and while it is hard to bid adieu to summer, I am looking forward to those nice, cool days and an eclectic mix of informative programs, enjoyable trips and educational tours that our Board has organized for us.

We will continue our spirit of community mindedness through ongoing work at The Zabriskie House, under the supervision of Marijke Creswick, the Waldwick Public Safety Building, chaired by Coralie Cummings, and The Russell Farms Community Park Committee represented by Advisor Sue Gurak.

At our monthly meetings we plan to collect food and supplies for the Emmanuel Cancer Foundation, which assists New Jersey families of children diagnosed with cancer. The Outreach Center, located in Midland Park, is in need of canned meat and fish, peanut butter, boxes of Hamburger Helper, canned fruits and vegetables, as well as paper goods and laundry supplies. Store gift cards are always appreciated as well. So when you are shopping for your own family, please remember those of ECF!

Also, in keeping with our goal of being more environmentally conscious, kindly remember to "Lug a Mug" and if you are providing refreshments for a meeting, please bring only paper products, no Styrofoam or plastic. And, if you are finished reading any home or garden magazines, I am sure our members would be happy to "recycle" them for you!

Looking forward to seeing all of you on September 11th!
Fondly,

Eileen



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Our Next Meeting

Wednesday Sept 11 @ 7:00pm

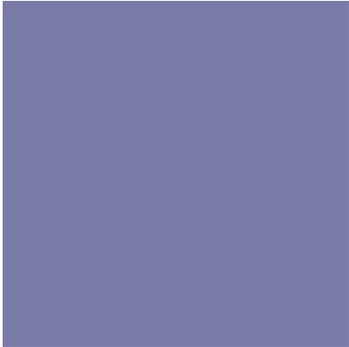
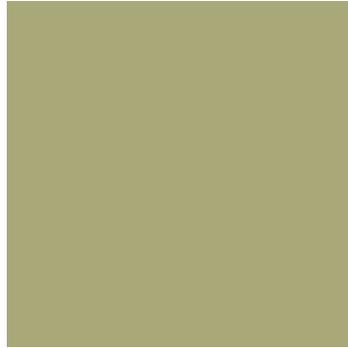
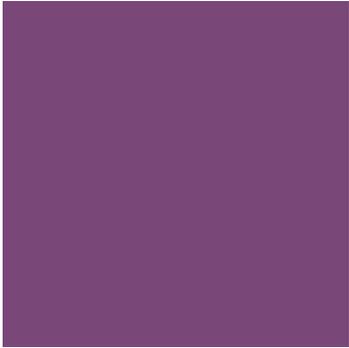
Where: Monroe Room at Wyckoff Library

Refreshments at 7:00pm. Program begins at 7:30pm

Topics: NY/NJ Trail Conference and Darlington School House with Jennifer Easterbrook AND

Bring a Guest!

Invasive Plants in the Region with Linda Rohleder



Dates to Remember

Sept 12 7:00 pm
Bergen-Passaic Chapter
of Native Plant Society of New
Jersey

Holds First Meeting at
Ender Hall, Room 153,
Bergen Community College

Presentation on

"Using Native Plants in the Home
Landscape."

Our Annual Plant Sale has
been cancelled this year.

GROWING OUR CLUB

Please bring your guests!
All are welcome 😊

Out and About

SAVE THE DATE

December 9, 2013

Save the Date



Join the Tenafly Garden Club on a trip to visit Winterthur and Longwood Gardens to see the beautiful decorations and displays for the Holiday Season.

The cost will be \$70.

For more information, please call Vivian DeMarco at 201-944-3925

Chore of the Month

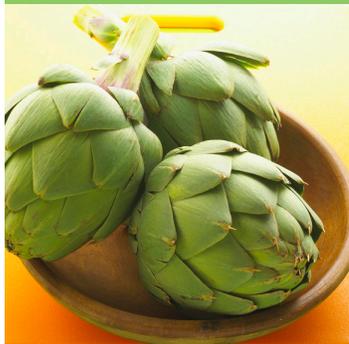
From awaytogarden.com Visit the website for additional information.

sept garden chores:

I DARE YOU: DO A SURVEY of your garden, right this minute. Go outside with a clipboard, and make a headcount of what's still queued up and waiting to show off (compared to what's spent and done for the year). Then commit to lengthening the still-to-go list with some well-planned September planting. That's how this year's September garden chores begin:

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Chore of the Month



with analysis, so you can do enhancements—and yes, I know: we also have **harvests to process**, weeds to outsmart, lawns to renovate, and more. But let's not skip this primetime strategic opportunity to not just analyze, but also act to improve the year-round view out the window by planting and transplanting this month.

Here in Zone 5B, where frost can come in late September or early October, you'd think I'd be feeling more fatalistic—that the season's "end" was in sight.

Instead I have gradually loaded my garden with things that flower or fruit or form great seedpods late, or take on fall foliage colors, or with good offseason structure or bark. On the other end of the calendar, I've worked hard to layer in extra-early performers. In my region that means things that start up in March, as snow melts—such as minor bulbs or early perennials like hellebores. A **365-day garden**, remember?

vegetable garden

SAVE SEED: The time is now for saving tomato seed (and other "wet" seeds such as peppers, squash, cucumber, melon). **How to save tomato seed.**

SEND IN SOIL SAMPLES for testing if you're seeing poor results in some beds.

flower garden

DON'T DEADHEAD FADED perennials, biennials and annuals if you want to collect seed (non-hybrids only) or let some self-sow. Nicotiana, annual poppies, larkspur, clary sage and many others fall into this leave-alone group. So do plants with showy or bird-friendly seedheads, like coneflowers, some sedums, clematis and grasses.

DAYLILIES can be dug and divided as they complete bloom, right into fall, if needed.

PEONIES are best divided and transplanted in late August through September, if they need it. **Remember with these fussy guys** that "eyes" must not be buried more than an inch or two beneath the soil surface.

MANY POPULAR ANNUALS can be overwintered as rooted cuttings rather than nursing along leggy older specimens. Geraniums, coleus, wax begonias, even impatiens (to name just a few common ones), if grown in good light indoors and kept pinched and bushy, will yield another generation of cuttings for next spring's transplants. Expend this effort and space on an unusual form of something, not the garden variety.

See more at awaytogarden.com

AMARYLLIS ORDER FORM

The program, "Everything You Wanted to Know about the Amaryllis" by Pat Czarnecki, is Tuesday, November 12 at 6:45 with the Ramsey Garden Club. I need the orders in by the end of September for the workshop following the lecture. **October 7 is the absolute latest you can order.**

You can order a maximum of TWO bulbs (either 2 large or 2 small or one of each). The color is red. The large bulbs are \$12; the small bulbs are \$8. This includes the bulb, pot and soil. The Ramsey Club just decided to limit the number to two, rather than the earlier stated three bulbs.

Make checks payable to the *Wyckoff Area Garden Club* and mail to Deb Fisk, 362 Pulis Ave, Franklin Lakes, NJ 07417. Remember I need your order no later than Oct 7 as the speaker needs to order the bulbs.

If you don't want to pot an amaryllis, you can just come to hear her talk about these festive bulbs.

Amaryllis Order Form

_____ large X \$12

_____ small X \$8

_____ total

Name _____

Phone _____

Cuttings

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Wyckoff Area Garden Club

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