



Takoma Horticultural Club

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September 2012

Open Gardens!



Photos shown on this page are from Kathy Jentz's Open Garden on August 17.

September Potluck in a Wonderful Garden in Takoma Park

Sunday, September 16, 3-6 pm

As the nights begin to cool down, our thoughts turn to our September Potluck Picnic, of course! This year our picnic dinner will be held at the home and garden of Jeff Trunzo and Herman Goodyear. It will be rain or shine, since there is plenty of room inside and under cover, in case of rain. The time is from 3 to 6:00 pm. The club supplies chicken and beverages, but wine & beer are welcome. Please bring an appetizer, main dish, salad, side dish or dessert. Keep in mind that many of our members are vegetarians.

We recommend you bring the following: food contribution (with recipe sign), mosquito deterrent of choice, hat, name tag, and folding chair (if possible). We may need a few more chairs, depending on how many RSVP.

Since you must be a club member, with your 2012 dues paid, check your membership status and/or bring a check made out to THC for \$12. We will not have change.

Please RSVP to cagalati@rcn.com and let me know what food you are bringing to share and if you have any questions. We need you to RSVP so we have the right quantity of chicken and drinks. Hope to see you there – especially some of our newest members. You are in for some real treats, both gastronomical and visual!! Directions and more details will be posted soon, including details about a Gardener Exchange table.

Club Officers

New Energy Needed

With our upcoming election of officers, bulb sale at the Street Festival and putting together our Calendar of Events for 2013, we are looking for new energy and participation from our 170 current members. We have a great garden club, but only a handful of members who do the lion's share of the work.

Please consider becoming more active in our club and its activities and events. **We want members to join the board and participate in planning and organizing events.** You don't have to be a super gardener or work dozens of hours. Sometimes the newest members and beginning gardeners have the best ideas and energy to contribute. If you are thinking of getting more involved, please let us know. Get in touch with us (cagalati@rcn.com). We thank you!

Save the Dates

Sunday October 7, 10 am to 5 pm

THC Annual Bulb Sale at Takoma Park Street Festival

Spring bulbs! We will have daffodils (Disdained by Deer!), North America's only native bulb camassia, and of course species and hybrid tulips, crocus, hyacinth, and more. This is the club's one and only fundraiser. Club members will receive a 10% discount. If you are in arrears on your dues, take action now.

Volunteers Needed! Contact Nancy Newton if you're able to help with the sale. It's a great experience to be part of this community event. People are needed at: 11 am to 1 pm (2people), 1 pm to 3 pm (3 people) and 3 pm to 5pm (3, with one more to help pack up at 5 pm). Reach Nancy at n.newton@verizon.net.

Sunday October 21, 1:30 to 3:30

Fall Plant Exchange

This is a members-only event at Heffner Park. Start planning now for what you want to bring. More details coming.

Wednesday, November 16 speaker

THC November Meeting

Our speaker/talk has been confirmed for November 16. This is the SECOND Wednesday in November. Our speaker will be Janet Young, a MoCo Master Gardener. We will announce the venue when we get closer to the meeting date.

Gardening Events in the Area

Friends of Brookside Gardens Plant Sale

Saturday, September 8, 10 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.
Sponsored by Friends of Brookside Gardens
Outside the Visitors Center

Adkins Arboretum Plant Sale

12610 Eveland Road, Ridgley Maryland 21660
Friday-Sunday, September 14-16 This fall's special selection of native plants will highlight asters, goldenrod, other late-season blooming perennials, and native grasses, as well as trees and shrubs that provide stunning fall color, such as black gum, Virginia sweetspire, and spicebush.

Gardener Book Club

Tuesday, September 25, Gardener Book Club, 6:00-7:30 PM, Washington, DC. MLK Library (near Metro Center and Gallery Place). Our first book will be: *Founding Gardeners: The Revolutionary Generation, Nature, and the Shaping of the American Nation* by Andrea Wulf. So mark your calendars, grab a copy of the book, start reading, and RSVP today to WG Book Club at WashingtonGardener@rcn.com.

The Heritage Harvest Festival

Saturday, September 15, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m,
Charlottesville, VA The premiere home arts
festival on Monticello's West Lawn.
www.heritageharvestfestival.com

Gardening 101-Session: Local Resources

Thursday, September 20 2 to 3pm. Fee: \$18,
FOBG: \$15. 1800 Glenallan Ave., Wheaton, MD
20902. Kathy Jentz, Editor/Publisher, Washington
Gardener Magazine, will lead you through the
basics and share the success secrets of veteran local
gardeners. Visit www.BrooksideLearning.org.

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