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SUMMER GREETINGS!

My garden is confused, is yours? Between extreme heat and dryness and torrential rain, I have had to work more than usual to keep my blooms happy.

Check out my Plant Swap purchases of Mexican Sunflower and Star

Gazer Lily.





We are midway through summer and have been busy planning a fabulous year for Wayne Woods. In this newsletter are important reminders, interesting opportunities, updates and recaps to keep you all informed.

Stay cool!



DELAWARE VALLEY IRIS SOCIETY SALE

July 20, 2019, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m., at the Jenkins Arboretum & Gardens. Check out the flyer for more info and a free iris coupon with purchase.

http://www.dvis-ais.org/pdf/Sale.pdf



SUMMERTIME STORIES IN THE CHILDREN'S GARDEN



Jenkins Arboretum & Gardens sponsors free Summertime Stories in the Gardens in Devon at 10 a.m. on Thursdays through August 29. Visit the Children's Garden and enjoy a nature-themed story read aloud. After the stories,

guests are welcome to borrow a Jenkins Explorer Vest and binder of materials to use during a walk along the garden paths. Pre-registration is required. 610-647-8870

Attract More Songbirds to Your Property

Provide a Water Source

On hot days, birds are especially eager to bathe and drink. Bird baths should be only an inch or two deep with a shallow slope.



Create a Songbird Border

Plant trees and shrubs that meet the needs of birds throughout the year. Plant evergreens such as spruce, holly or juniper for cover and nesting.

Clean Out Old Bird Nests



from nest boxes in early spring. When setting out new nest

boxes, consider the preferred habitat for different species, as well as the size of the entrance hole, and its distance above the ground. Face boxes to the east in northern latitudes to provide extra warmth.

Clean Tube Feeders

Take them apart and use a dishwasher on a hot setting or hand wash either with soap and boil-



ing water or with a diluted bleach solution (no more than 1 part bleach to 9 parts water). Bottle brushes can reach all corners of a long feeder and are recommended. Rinse thoroughly and allow to dry before refilling. Rake up soggy seed from under feeders that could grow deadly mold.

www.allaboutbirds.org

YEARBOOK MEMBERSHIP INFO

We are currently preparing the yearbook for 2019-2020. Please let Nancy Cuttic (ncuttic@comcast.net) know by July 21 of any changes to your personal info:

- Have you moved?
- Have you dropped a landline?
- Has your cell phone number or email address changed?

Please let Membership Chair Sally Smith (stitchingsally@comcast.net) know (by July 21) if you will not be joining us this year. Dues remain at \$50.



Sneak Peak

BLUE STAR MARKER

The marker is in transition. Since it is too hot to plant successfully with no water source, the Horticulture/Community Gardening Committee is concentrating on weed control this summer. Plans are in the works to plant shrubs, bulbs, perennials and mums this fall, which will create a maintainable garden and restore our BSM to a site worthy of honoring our Armed Forces.

OLD ROBERTS SCHOOL

The garden has been taken over by weeds and invasive vegetation, which has crept away from the building causing the beds to double in size, thus making the beds unmanageable. No watering or weeding schedule is needed this summer as we transition to getting the garden in a maintainable state.

Our plan has been to hire a landscaper to reduce the bed size, weed, thin out the invasive vegetation and plant a few shrubs near the building to anchor the beds. We contacted 5 landscapers in the spring, all of whom declined the job! Anne McCrary has found one who is willing to start in the fall.

I have contacted PHS regarding info on plantings in keeping with the era. Our Horticulture/Community Gardening Committee will no doubt make this garden one that we can manage and be proud of.

UPPER MERION FARMERS MARKET

We will have a table with a child-friendly activity to promote our club at the UM Farmers Market in August, September and October. The market has farm-fresh goods and sustainable products from more than two dozen local farmers and producers. It is open from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. Thanks to the following volunteers:



August 24 – Colleen Gassert and Maureen Innes

September 21 – Nancy Cuttic and Libby Espey

October 19 – Mary Ann McGowan and Myrtie Musetti

16 Common Songbirds of PA



- 1. American Goldfinch
- 2. American Robin
- 3. Baltimore Oriole
- 4. Black-Capped Chickadee
- 5. Blue Jay
- 6. Chipping Sparrow
- 7. Dark-eyed Junco
- 8. Downy Woodpecker
- 9. Eastern Bluebird
- 10. Gray Catbird
- 11. Mourning Dove
- 12. Northern Cardinal
- 13. Red-Bellied Woodpecker
- 14. Rose-breasted Grosbeak
- 15. Tufted Titmouse
- 16. White-breasted Nuthatch

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DISTRICT I LUNCHEON

WWGC will be hosting the 64th Annual District I Meeting and Luncheon this year on Tuesday, September 24, at the Overbrook Country Club. This year's speaker will be Coleen Christian Burke, author and White House decorator, speaking about Christmas Decorating with the First Ladies. Attached is the invitation. Remember to get your checks to Mary Ann McGowan if you plan to attend.

JUNE DINNER RECAP

Another fabulous June Dinner is in the books. Mahalo to the Special Events Committee chaired by Anne McCrary and Paige Ryan. What fun it was to dress for the tropics and be greeted with a floral lei!

We welcomed new member Katie Williams, and honored Myrtie Musetti for 25 years of membership.



Maureen Innes, Colleen Gassert, Fran O'Neill, Anne McCrary, Mari McCarthy, Patti Drueding, Cathy Koffs, Susan Bryan, Paige Ryan





Katie Williams, Myrtie Musetti, Sally Smith



SHOUT OUT TO

PHS GARDENING CONTEST JUDGES

The annual Pennsylvania Horticultural Society Gardening Contest judging begins in July. Our own Myrtie Musetti, Cathy Siple, Kathy Liberato and Ginny Studebaker have participated in training and are all qualified to judge private gardens in Philadelphia.

http://www.phsonline.org/gardeningcontest/

