

EMERALD NECKLACE GARDEN CLUB

Newsletter March, 2024

Board Meetings will be on the Monday before the 2nd Thursday of the month. Meetings start at **10am** at *Christ the Redeemer Lutheran Church*, 9201 Brecksville Road, Brecksville.

#### **2024 ENGC Board Meetings**:

March 11 September 9
April 8 October 7
May 6 November 11
June 10 December 9
No Board Meetings ~ July & August

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May 9 November 14
June 12 December 12

July & August ... No meetings

# March 14th General Meeting program.

Again, we have an opportunity to become more aware of a design and art form for which we have had little introduction...... The *Art of Ikebana* or "Giving Life to Flowers".

Our speaker will be Emily Viland, President of the *Ikebana Club*. Among many other titles, she is also a well-respected Master Gardener. *Jane Petrie* 

Below is a summary of programs for the remainder of 2024:

• <u>April</u> - *Sharing our Gardening Journal*; Membership review of what tips and books have been most helpful

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- May Short meeting prior to plant sale set up (Friday)
- <u>June</u> Field Trip to Secret Garden Hostas of Chagrin Falls; Lunch to follow at Welshfield Inn
- July & August No meetings
- <u>September</u> "Murder and Mayhem in the Garden"; Speaker: Phyllis Maholic
- <u>October</u> *Discussing the future of gardening*; Speaker: Chris Kent from Botanical Gardens Green Corp
- November (To Be Determined)
- <u>December</u> Potluck luncheon at Christ the Redeemer Lutheran Church in celebration of the Holidays, ENGC's 60th Anniversary, and Installation of 2025 Officers.

#### PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE - Nathalie Petri

Hello! As I sit down to write this I wonder when the first day of Spring will be. Upon looking it up I learned it's 1 month from the day I'm sitting down to write this. YEAH! For March our speaker will talk about the Japanese art of flower arranging called Ikebana. I have always appreciated this form of flower arranging and have wanted to learn more about it. I hope you are able to attend so we can learn together.

The native flower for March I have chosen is *Aquilegia canadensis*, Columbine, also called Red or American Columbine. It is one of the first plants to provide nectar in the spring for bees, butterflies, and hummingbirds. The colorful flowers are red flowing into yellow. Besides being an early bloomer, Columbine will tolerate a large range of soil and sun types, so you'll have success with it in full sun as well as shade. It can grow in pine tree areas and yes it's deer-resistant! It can be grown from seed fairly easily, especially with the winter sowing method as the seeds need to go through a cold spell. A good source to purchase from native nursery's online are Prairie Moon Nursery & Prairie Nursery. For local sources Native Roots (nursery by appointment only) or visit at Cuyahoga Valley Farmers market on Saturdays starting in Spring. Meadow City Native Plant Nursery in Cleveland is a fairly new company and will open again in the Spring. I haven't visited there yet but it's on my to do list this year. Grow it and count the hummingbirds! Don't forget to bring your seeds to donate for Seeds of Friendship. Only these are accepted:bush green beans, green cabbage, carrots, green peppers, onion, and tomatoes. *Happy Spring!* 





# NEED VOLUNTEER TO TAKE OVER ENGC NEWSLETTER ~ *Charlene Schuh*

For those of you who might not know, I will stop doing the ENGC Newsletter toward the end of this year (but no later than the end of this November). I am moving out of Ohio, so we need someone to replace me. When we do have a replacement, I will be happy to work with that member to make a smooth transition. If we're unable to find a replacement before I leave, that ends the newsletter until one is found! I've really enjoyed providing your newsletter each month for the past decade, but my time is coming to an end. I see this as one of the easiest jobs in the club because I work on it at my convenience throughout the month. If you're interested, or have any questions, please contact either Nathalie Petri or me.

Charlene

# **YOUTH COMMITTEE - Sheila Humphrey**

Mark your Calendars - we need people to help.

<u>Paint Rocks to Sell at Plant Sale in May</u> (<u>April 15, Location & Time to be announced</u>)

St. Basils Summer Picnic

Sunday, June 8th 1-4pm ~ Children's booth with Kraft (to be determined)

<u>Cuyahoga Library-Brecksville Branch</u> ~ <u>Monday, July 22nd 6:30-7:30pm ~ Adult</u> <u>and Children (5th grade+)</u>

Pressed flower bookmakers and cards

# SUNSHINE NEWS ~ Laurie Siebert

If you are aware of any sunshine news throughout the year, please contact our 2024 Corresponding Secretary, Laurie Siehert.

Proverbs 19:21 "Many are the plans in a person's heart but it is the Lord's purpose that prevails."

<u>Kathie Brusk</u> continues with chemo and health issues. *She and* <u>**Don**</u> both recently had COVID.

**Rosanne Radziewicz** broke her wrist and is having surgery on March 1st to repair the break.

**Charlene Schuh** is having cataract surgery on March 1st for the 1st eye; March 15th for the 2nd eye.

Many people are traveling and we can't wait to hear about their trips at our next meeting.



## **SAVE THE DATES:**

March 11 ~ ENGC Board Meeting

March 14 ~ ENGC General Meeting ~ Bring "Seeds of Friendship" donations to March meeting

April 8 ~ ENGC Board Meeting

**April 11** ~ ENGC General Meeting

April 11 ~ Stepping Stones Preschool activity 1:30pm

April 15 ~ (Monday 10am-noon)

**Rock Painting for Plant Sale** 

April 16, 17, 18 ~ GCO Convention/We-R-Cleveland

April 25 ~ CLE Botanical Garden Affiliate Day

**May 6** ~ **ENGC Board Meeting** 

May 9 ~ ENGC General Meeting

**May 9** ~ GCO Spring District Meeting

May 10 (Friday) ~ ENGC General Meeting

& Plant Sale

Set-up 8a-'til done

May 11 ~ (Saturday) Plant Sale

<u>June 7</u> ~ St. Basil Youth Event <u>June 10</u> ~ ENGC Board Meeting

June 13 ~ ENGC General Meeting

July/August ~ NO ENGC MEETINGS

July 22 ~ ENGC Brecksville Library Youth

event

September 9 ~ ENGC Board Meeting

September 10 ~ (Tuesday) GCO Fall District Meeting

**September 12** ~ **ENGC General Meeting** 

September 29 ~ (Sunday) Fall Fest October 7 ~ ENGC Board Meeting

October 10 ~ ENGC General Meeting

November 8 ~ (Friday) GCO Holiday Meeting

November 11 ~ ENGC Board Meeting

**November 14** ~ ENGC General Meeting **December 9** ~ ENGC Board Meeting

December 12 ~ ENGC Board Meeting

# Butterfly Project for Stepping Stones Preschool: Pauline Dey

If you have not signed up to help with our youth butterfly project at Stepping Stones Preschool on April 11th at 1:30pm in the afternoon, and are interested in helping — please email me ASAP.



**Pauline** 







## **2024 Executive Officers**

President: Nathalie Petri

1st Vice Presidents (Programs): Marlene Winter, Jane Petrie

2nd Vice Presidents (Ways and Means): Sung Gullifer, Irene Ochrin

Recording Secretary: *Debbie Apple*Corresponding Secretary: *Laurie Siebert* 

Treasurer: Roseanne Radziewicz

#### **Committee Chairs**

(Standing Committees - Voting Members)

Communication/Publicity: *Donna Hessel* Holden Forest and Garden: *Jane Petrie* 

Membership: Maureen Michal Newsletter: Charlene Schuh Youth: Sheila Humphrey

# <u>Auxiliary Committee Chairs</u> (Non-Voting Members)

Awards: Rosanne Radziewicz

By-laws: Mary Drumm Historian: Donna Hessel Horticulture: Pat Cotsman Hostesses: Barbara Harvaitt

Scholarship Liaison: Mary Ellen Issac Website & Facebook: Donna Hessel

2024 Hostesses				
March 14		Shirley Grispino Debbie Apple Donna Hessel		
April		Lisa Schieman Anne Morrison Fran Mcintyre		
May 10 (Friday)	Connects with Plant Sale Set-up	No Hostesses		
June	Field Trip/No Hostesses			
July, August	NO Meetings			
September 12		Laurie Siebert Sung Gullifer Marlene Helm		
October 10		Pat Cotsman Pauline Dey JoanCastilucci		
November 14		MaryEllen Isaac Nathalie Petri Denise Bowler		
December 12	Holiday Potluck Luncheon	Marlene Helm Paul Helm Dianna Kulwicki Cheryl Schmidt		

#### **2024 Plant Sale request**

Please save any plastic pots you have acquired over the summer. The pots you bought mums for your fall displays are a good size so please save them when you toss the plants. Hanging baskets too, without the hanger.

Thanks! *Nathalie* 

# **YOUTH:** Sheila Humphrey SAVE THE DATE:

Monday, April 15th 10am-noon come paint Rocks that we will sell at the plant sale. Rocks will have a base color. Come share artistic designs. (we will have books to help).

**Eden Brothers Discount:** In conjunction with our September speaker's presentation on spring bulbs, we received an offer for ENGC members to receive a 20% discount on orders from *Eden Brothers* at **EdenBrothers.com**. Eden Brothers is a plant nursery based in North Carolina. They offer bulbs for spring and fall planting and perennials in addition to heirloom, rare and hard-to-find flower seeds, veggie, herb and organic seeds. You can also find planting guides and how-to videos on their website. To get the 20% discount on your order, use the code **NECKLACE73** when you check out. Orders of \$79 plus — ship free. **This discount offer is good until 7-13-2024** — valid for two years! Don't postpone ordering your bulbs because they do sell out of stock. It's a popular site.

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# Happy March Birthdays

Kathie Brusk March 5

Barb Harvaitt March 19

Gail Berzins March 22

Marlene Winter March 22 Charlene Schuh March 27

# **Horticulture - Pat Cotsman**

Now that the days are getting longer, you can start to fertilize your houseplants. If they need repotting or dividing, (Plant sale?) now is a good time to do it.

You can force branches of flowering trees or shrubs now. Forsythia, pussy willow, flowering quince, crab, or flowering almond are good candidates. They need to be early spring bloomers. Cut them and put in water in a bright location inside and soon you should see flowers. If you wish to keep the catkins on your pussy willow branches take them out of water and let them dry. Otherwise the catkins will turn yellow (flower) and fall off. If you wish to root any willows now is when they will root in water inside. I have started trees of Tricolor, pussy, Ram's horn, curley and fantail willows.

Cut down last season's growth of ornamental grasses now. It's easier to do before new growth starts.

Check over your tools and clean, oil or sharpen as needed. Hoes and digging tools are easier to use if the edge that pierces the soil is a bit sharp. Use linseed oil on the wood handles after cleaning to keep them in good shape.

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If the weather is decent in March, you can sow seeds of spinach and lettuce. They grow best in cool weather and bolt (flower) if temps get too warm in May. Peas can also be planted but too wet of soil will cause them to rot so check weather before seeding them. Birds, chipmunks and voles will eat the seeds. I use tunnels of hardware cloth (wire mesh) over the rows to deter chippies and birds. Voles tunnel underground and coffee grounds are toxic to them. They also add nitrogen to the soil.

# 2024 Winter Seminar Series

Join us this February and March for exciting topics and everyone's favorite - New Plants of 2024!

# **SIGN UP TODAY!**

Online, in store, or by phone

- Seminars held Saturdays at 11:00 am
- Seating is limited
- Cost: \$10 each
- Pre-registration is appreciated

# What is included with your admission?

- Informative handouts
- Comfortable, warm atmosphere
- Light snacks, coffee, and water
- Door prize raffles
- Bathroom facilities

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#### February 17

The Basics of Vegetable Cardening and How to do it Successfully!

Speaker: Lee Pauleen, Summit County Master Cardener

#### February 24

Plants for Wet Garden Spaces

Speakers Dani Osberne, Perennial Manager

#### March 2

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Speaker: Carol Zeh, Audubon Member

#### March 9

The Best of Coneflowers

Speaker: Jason Veil, Curator Secrest Arboretum, The Ohio State University - Wooster Campus

#### March 16

What's New for 2024

Speakers: Dani Osborne, Jody Ruther, & Melanie Sonntag

#### May 4 - Mother's Day Special Seminar

Women Who Made the Greatest Contribution to Horticulture and Our Environment

Speaker: Lee Paulson, Summit County Master Gardener





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IMMEDIATE RELEASE-

# The 2024 Summit County Master Gardeners Saturday Garden Series

The Summit County Master Gardeners cordially invite you to the 2024 Saturday Gardening Series. Join us in our 25th event for informative presentations, raffle baskets, good food and more. Saturday, March 2<sup>nd</sup>. Doors open at 8:00 am Presentations begin at 9:00 am. **Cost** \$45.00 which includes continental breakfast and box lunch. Location - 440 Vernon Odom Blvd. Summit County Extension Office (in the Akron Urban League Bldg).

Date: January 15 2024

# **Featured Speakers**

- \* Lessons Learned in the Great Gardens of England. Presented by Cara Smith. This seminar will use photos of these gorgeous gardens to draw lessons for our home gardens in both of these areas. We will consider how we can improve our garden's design and better care for the plants we live with.
- \* Climate Smart Gardening. By Maggie Rivera. Maggie is the Agriculture and Natural Resources Educator for Ohio State University in Summit County. This presentation covers how as gardeners we can have an impact and adapt to the coming changes.
- \* Studying Urban Coyotes. Metro Parks Biologist Marlo Perdicas will introduce the project and share stories about the coyotes currently being tracked with GPS collars.
- \* Secrest Selects Program. Paul Snyder is the operations manager at Secrest Arboretum. Paul will explain how the plants are selected and tested. He will also provide guidance on how Secrest Select plants can be utilized, cared for, and where they can be obtained.

Please visit the Summit County Master Gardeners website at www.summitmastergardeners.org for additional information and upcoming programs.

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# **SAVE the DATE** \*\* April 16-18, 2024





# We R

#### **GCO Convention in Cleveland!**

The Cleveland District cordially invites you to attend the 96th Annual GCO Convention Tuesday, April 16 thru Thursday, April 18, 2024 at the Holiday Inn. in Independence, Ohio. Vendors, raffles and an Ohio Judges Council Standard Flower Show will be part of the entertainment. Cleveland offers so many things to see and do just around the corner, come early and stay late!

There are several attachments below and you will also see details in the Garden Greetings. Please share this information with your club members.

- ◆ Tuesday, April 16th the beat begins for past and current GCO Board members with Kathy Wagner's favorite music old fashioned Jazz! Did you know that jazz music has a long history with flowers? Gardenia's tucked in Ella Fitzgerald's hair and Herbie Hancock's love of roses are examples. And callas were everywhere! Join us as we turn down the lights and enjoy the elaborated Barbara Knight Trio as we swing to songs related to flowers.
- ◆ Wednesday, April 17th begins with our Life Member Scholarship Breakfast featuring Lake View Cemetery COO and VP Ops Marilyn Brandt. Why a cemetery? As a member of American Public Gardens Lake View is on the National Register of Historic Places and is a Level 2 Arboretum. It houses the Moses Cleveland Trees, one of the nation's largest Weeping Canadian Hemlocks, and a Japanese Maple collection. One can find the gravesites of Alan Freed heather of Rock "n Roll, Elliot Ness, John D. Rockefeller and the soaring monument housing the caskets of President James A Garfield and his wife. "Lake View Cemetery Cleveland's Hidden Gem" will be a wonderful tour presented by someone who knows all the secrets.
- ♦ Thursday, April 18th will showcase *The Big Boy* and Bette Lou Higgins of Eden Valley Enterprises. Bette is an Emmy-nominated documentary filmmaker and was voted to participate in the 2023 National Woman's Storytelling Contest. Her presentation of "What's Her Story" will include local Clevelanders such as Harriet Keeler a botanist, author, educator ad suffragist who is memorialized in Brecksville Reservation of the Cleveland MetroPark. Our annual meeting will follow. *Think Educational Exhibit*.

#### **WORKSHOPS:**

<u>Mandy Spisak</u> is a multimedia artist using pressed flowers to make a pretty and usable luminary. Mandy teaches at the *Peninsula Art Academy* and at her studio *Mindfully Made Arts*. She uses up-cycled fabric and wallpaper to create beautiful sustainable works of art. *Think Botanical Arts*.

**Jessica Shaffer** and the FirstEnergy Green team will address how large-sale reforestation by one of the nations largest power companies helps the environment and our lungs - The power of one tree! Tie a white ribbon (lung cancer awareness) around your very own tree or shrub seedling during this workshop. Think Conservation, Trees, Pollution and Reclamation.

#### **SPEAKERS:**

**Jonathon Cepek** is a Wildlife Ecologist who has served with the USDA and now as the Manager of Wildlife for 24,000 acres in the Cleveland Metroparks. He has authored many articles and has been a speaker at national and international conferences. He runs a longterm urban ecology project; and, using 200 wildlife cameras, he found that after 100 years, Bobcats, River Otters and Trumpeter Swans are making a comeback in NE Ohio. **Think Wildlife**.

**Nathan Rutz** is Director of Soil at the very unique Rust Belt Riders ("RBR") food recycling plant in downtown Cleveland. RBR gathers food waste with meat and bones from residential and commercial locations with an unusual twist - it is recycled to high grade soil. **Think recycling.** 

Jeremy Rettger. Our Design Banquet features award winning Jeremy Rettger AIFD, CFD. Jeremy loves competition and won the 2023 Arrangement Category at the Mid-America International Cup, the 2022 Designer of the Year Award from the Great Lakes Floral Association and too many more to list. He has designed the large entry floral design at the Cleveland Great Big Home — Garden Show for many years "Fun and Fantastical" will showcase unusual floral designs and Jeremy's personality will shine through. The material and his mechanics will be left open to view after the program as an educational tool for you. Think Flower Show designs.

Make your hotel reservation and send in your registration before March 2024. We would love to show you how We R Cleveland!

Convention Chair: JOANN Predina (jpredina2@gmail.com)

# 2024 CONVENTIONS AGENDA — We R Cleveland

Tuesday, April 16th	OTTC ~~ meeting to be announced	
Noon to 8pm	Flower Show Entries Received	
1pm to 6pm	Registration	
3pm to 9pm	Vendors and Raffle open	
6pm to 8:30 pm	GCO Board Dinner "Jazz Greats Sing it with Flowers" Trio (Ballroom	
Wednesday, April 17th		
7am to 8am	Flower Show Entries Received	
7:45am to noon	Registration	
8am to 6pm	Vendors and Raffle Sales	
8am to 9:45am	Life Member Scholarship Breakfast Buffet "Lake View Cemetery-Cleveland's Hidden Gem" Marilyn Brandt, COO, VP Ops (Ball)	room 3)
9:30am	Flower Show Judging	
10am to 11:30am	Workshop: "Tree Power & White Ribbon" 1st Energy Corporation Advanced Scientist Jessica Scha Green Team (Maple Heights Room)	ffer and the
10am to 11:30am	Speaker: "History is made at the Cleveland Metroparks- Stories" Cleveland Wildlife Ecologist Jonathan Cepek (Bedford Room)	Cost \$45
Noon to 2:30pm	Awards Luncheon (Balli	rooms 2 & 3)
1pm to 6pm	Flower Show Opens	
2:45pm to 4:45pm	Workshop: "Pressed Flower Luminary" Mindfully Made Arts & Peninsula Art Academy multimedia a Spisak (Maple Heights Room)	rtist Mandy  Cost \$25
2:45pm to 4:45pm	Speaker: "Feed People, Not LandfIlls" Rust Belt Riders Director of Soil (Bedf	Nathan Rutz, Ford Room)
5pm to 6pm	Cash Bar in Corridor	
6pm to 9:30pm	Design Banquet and Buckingham Award "Fun and Fatastical Floral Designs" by Jeremy Rettger A Segelin's Florist (Ball)	AIFD, CFD, cooms 3 and 4)
6pm to 10pm	Flower Show Entries Removed	
Thursday, April 18th		
8:00am to 8:30am	Registration and Raffle Final Sales	
8:30am to 11am	Breakfast Buffet and Annual Meeting — What's Her Ste Higgins, Artistic Director Eden Valley Enterprises (Bal	ory:" Bette Lou
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# GCO Convention Registration Form - due March 24, 2024

Last Name:	First Name	First Name		
Name for Badge				
Address:				
City				
E-mail:	Phone	Phone:		
Garden Club(s)* Your reg	istration acknowledgm	ent will be e-mailed		
** Please Circle: Club Preside	nt: YES NO	GCO Life Member:		
Full-time Attendee Package Banquet, Annual Meeting Bi	Plan: Awards Lunched	on,		
*Part-Time Attendee Events:				
Awards Luncheon	April 17th	<u>\$45.00</u>	\$	
Banquet	April 17th	<u>\$50.00</u>	\$	
Annual Meeting Brunch	April 18th	<u>\$30.00</u>	\$	
*Special Events:				
Board Dinner	April 16th	<u>\$47.00</u>	\$	
Life Member Breakfast	April 17th	<u>\$30.00</u>	\$	
*Workshops/Speakers: April REQUIRED	17th REGISTRATIO	ON		
PM Workshop-Pressed F	PM Workshop-Pressed Flower Luminaries		\$	
AM Workshop-Tree Pow	AM Workshop-Tree Power and White Ribbons		yes	no
AM Speaker - Wildlife Restoration: History is made in NE Ohio		\$ free	yes	no
PM Speaker - Rust Belt Riders: Urban Food Recycling \$ free		cycling \$ free	yes	no
*LATE FEE: Add \$25.00 Late Fee if received After March 24th		<u>\$25.00</u>	\$	
No refunds after April 1, 2024		TOTAL	\$	

## **Welcome to Cleveland!**

Our Holiday Inn Convention Center is conveniently located in Cleveland's southern suburbs at the intersection of I-77 and I-480, just ten minutes from downtown Cleveland and about 25 minutes to the Cleveland Zoo. Holden Forests and Gardens, Rockefeller Greenhouse (free), Rock 'n Roll Hall of Fame, The Christmas Story House, casinos, theaters, music venues, and museums and attractions. The hotel has free parking, a bar, indoor pool and free WiFi.

A GCO room block and room rate has been held for April 16 and 17, 2024. The block is secured through March 24, 2024. You will need to guarantee the room and incidentals with a credit card at booking. You must cancel 24 hours prior to arrival. Cash can be used at checkout.

The GCO Room Rate for King and Double/Double Room is \$119 plus applicable taxes at 17.5%. You must phone the hotel to ask for the Garden Club of Ohio room rate. The hotel telephone number is (216) 524-8050. Rooms are assigned on a first come, first serve basis.

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We hope to see you soon! The 2024 Cleveland Convention Committee

Make check payable to: 2024 GCO Convention Fund.

Mail check and registration form to:

Marilee Zarbock, 170 194th Street, Euclid, OH \$419-1030

**Questions?** Contact Marilee by email: mmz772@roadrunner,com

Contact the Holiday Inn Hotel at (216) 524-8050 until March 24, 2024 for the Garden Club of Ohio room rate of \$119 plus 9.5% room tax & 8% state tax.

Rates go up and rooms are not guaranteed after this date.

### Found this very interesting so I'm sharing it.

# Is Melted Snow Good for Watering Houseplants? Here's What Experts Say

By Jennifer Aldrich

For me, a white blanket of snow usually means it's too cold for being outdoors for very long, not to mention all the shoveling that comes with it. However, there's one reason I've started being more appreciative of the falling flakes outside my window: snow is apparently really good for <u>watering your houseplants</u>. To be clear, it's the melted stuff that's beneficial. I checked in with a few plant experts to dig into why and how <u>snow</u> will help my plants thrive.

"Snow water, same as rainwater, is great for watering and feeding houseplants," confirms Gena Lorainne, a horticulturist with the London-based company <u>Fantastic Services</u>.

That's because snow contains nitric oxide, "which is kind of a natural fertilizer," explains Desiree Thomson, a horticulturist at <u>Gardening Services London</u>. "It also stimulates seed germination and plays a huge role in root development," Thomson says. Nitric oxide can also improve a plant's resistance to disease and help it tolerate drought, Thomson adds. Plus, it can speed up the flowering process.











The Newsletter deadline is always the 25th of the month.

Please email articles to <u>ccschuh@gmail.com</u> or mail them to Charlene Schuh. (see Yearbook for address) Gardening tips, websites to browse, and recipes are always welcome.

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