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spring 2020

Friends of The Frelinghuysen Arboretum



You're
Invited
to the **25th**
Annual Friends'

*Plant
Sale*



Plant Sale Preview Talk

Our popular preview will cover a good portion of the hundreds of fabulous plant picks that we'll have at our upcoming sale.

Date: Sunday, March 29

Time: 2:00 pm – 3:30 pm

Cost: Free, but register online to ensure a spot and copies of handouts

Members Only Shopping

As always, members will get first dibs on all the plants, beginning at 4:00 pm on Friday. There will be an amazing selection of vegetables, herbs, annuals and tropicals, perennials, trees, and shrubs and lots of plant advisors on hand to answer questions and recommend which plants will work best in your own garden. Help us celebrate 25 years of our fabulous Plant Sale with prosecco, pellegrino and some light refreshments to add to the fun.

Date: Friday, May 1

Time: 4:00 pm – 7:00 pm

Cost: Free, but registration is a must

Saturday and Sunday Sale

Members are welcome to shop all weekend, of course, but the public sale opens Saturday morning and we'll have plant advisors available throughout Saturday and Sunday to help shoppers select the best plants for their gardens.

Dates: Saturday, May 2 and Sunday, May 3

Time: 9:00 am – 4:00 pm

Cost: Free

Volunteers Needed

Please help make our 2020 Plant Sale a success by volunteering for one of the many tasks that go into the Friends' major fundraising event. Sign up online at www.arboretumfriends.org. It's easy, and takes just a few minutes. We need help with moving, labeling, pricing, watering, grooming, selling and more. Select the day, time and task that suits you best. Your selection will be confirmed with a subsequent email and a big thank you!

2020 Plant Dividends – See website for details.

notes from the board

Can you believe that 2020 is the 25th year for the Friends' Annual Plant Sale? It has grown to one of the biggest plant sales in the tristate area. Plus, it's also an important fundraiser for us. Just think, by volunteering at the sale and shopping among the thousands of gorgeous plants, you are helping ensure that the Friends will continue to be able to sponsor programs hosted at the arboretum throughout the year. Now that's worth celebrating!

The educational dimension of the sale, geared towards novice gardeners and serious collectors, also continues to expand with the Preview Talk, the Extravaganza, pop up information tables at the sale, and, of course, our Plant Experts available throughout the sale to help you with selecting the best plants for your garden.

So block your calendar for May 1 – 3 and invite your friends and neighbors, too. Here's the link to our Plant Sale page: www.arboretumfriends.org/plantsale. On our website you'll find a list of hundreds of different vegetables, herbs,

annuals and tropicals, perennials, trees and shrubs. You'll also find posts of planting recommendations from our plant experts and links to our growers. We'll also be posting frequent updates on our Facebook page plus photos of plants on Instagram. Don't forget: you'll be able to volunteer to help at the sale by registering online at our website.

The weekend of the sale, we'll again offer exclusive shopping to our members from 4:00 pm – 7:00 pm on Friday, May 1st. Because it's such a big anniversary, we're going to toast the event with prosecco, light refreshments, and some live entertainment. The plant sale will be open to the public between 9:00 am – 4:00 pm on both Saturday and Sunday, with Rutgers Master Gardeners and other plant advisors on hand throughout to help with recommendations of what will work best in your garden. We're all looking forward to seeing you at the sale!!

– Ilona Ontscherenki, for the entire Plant Sale Team

Friends' Plant Sale Gardening Education Extravaganza

We've put together a day filled with gardening ideas featuring the expertise of Rutgers Master Gardeners of Morris County. Each talk is eligible for 1.0 Rutgers Master Gardener CEU's. Sign up for as many as you like (to ensure we have enough handouts) and plan to bring a bag lunch and enjoy the garden during our midday break!

Date: Saturday, April 18

Cost: Free, but please register



9:30 am – Planting Paradise Gardens for Pollinators, by Gail Di Domenico

Create a mini paradise in your backyard with Gail's help. Learn what is required to attract butterflies, a variety of birds including hummingbirds, bees and dragonflies. Find out what trees, shrubs, perennials and annuals they like and what those plants require for success in your garden. Help to restore native habitats and the environment while you benefit from beautiful plants & creatures in your yard.

11:00 am – Plants that Thrive in the Shade, by Diane Lattanzio

Diane is also back this year focusing on design ideas for the shady areas of your garden. She'll give helpful advice on plant combinations that will work well together in beautiful vignettes so that you can create a shady retreat and relish the fact that your garden is not parched by the sun all day.

1:00 pm – "Black Gold" for Your Garden...

Composting Simplified, by Cheri Wilczek

Everyone has kitchen scraps, clippings from house and garden plants, leaves and brush available for recycling. Just a little effort can turn these resources into compost that can nourish your plants better than anything bought in a bag and do it much more cheaply. Gardeners call compost "black gold" and at this talk you'll learn the science of composting and provide easy-to-follow recipes to get started.

2:30 pm – Fight Invasives and Plant Natives, by Ilona Ontscherenki

Ilona will give safe and effective advice for ridding your landscape of common problem plants and offer creative ideas on how to improve your garden and wildlife habitat with native plantings that thrive in this area.

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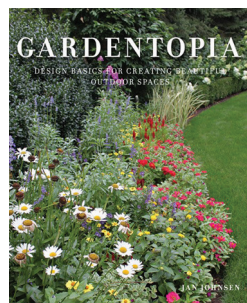
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botany & horticulture

An afternoon with Jan Johnsen and her new book Gardentopia – Design Basics for Creating Beautiful Outdoor Spaces



Jan Johnsen



Garden lovers revel in being in an outdoor space where the feeling of wellbeing descends upon you. So how can you transform your backyard into a place where this happens? **Jan Johnsen** shares little-known design ideas based on her 45 years in the landscape design/build profession. Her beautiful and interactive presentation approach will have you saying, "I can do that!"

This program is eligible for 1.5 Rutgers Master Gardener CEU's.

Date: Saturday, May 16

Time: 1:00 pm – 2:30 pm

Cost: \$20 members /
\$25 non-members

art in the Arboretum

In Our Gallery

April – Arboreal Images

Photographs, like paintings, are artificially constructed portrayals, carefully composed and properly lit. Come enjoy the diverse works of the Hub Photo Club. The clubs members' dedication to promoting the craft of photography is mirrored in their photos.

May – Watercolors

The atmospheric effects of light, shadow and mist are captured in the watercolor landscapes of artist, Debbie Tintle. Debbie is a graduate of Middlebury College in Vermont and a past president of the NJ Water Color Society. Come experience the feelings generated by her art.

June – Scenes of the Local Landscape

Techniques from old masters of the late 19th through early 20th centuries are brought to life by the skilled hand of artist Francesca Pelaggi. A contemporary realist painter who studied at Du Crete School of Art and the Ringling College of Art & Design. The Chiaroscuro technique is used in her works to represent light and shadow creating a three-dimensional effect.

Friends Members Only Annual Meeting



Dr. David Robinson, Rutgers Distinguished Professor and New Jersey State Climatologist will talk about 'New Jersey's Changing Climate'. Dr. Robinson caught the weather bug during his first week of kindergarten in Tenafly in 1960, when New Jersey got hit by the remnants of Hurricane Donna. The following winter, the state experienced record-setting snowfall. By fourth grade, Robinson had accumulated a cache of "weather kits" complete with rain collectors, barometers and gauges of all sorts. A self-described weather geek, he has for almost 30 years lived his childhood dream as the New Jersey State Climatologist, the person the governor, farmers and home gardeners rely on for weather research and statistics.

Light refreshments will be served following Dr. Robinson's talk.

Date: Sunday, June 14

Time: 2:00 pm – 4:00 pm

Cost: FREE, but registration is required. Please note that this program is for members only.



Dr. David Robinson

25th Anniversary Lilac Party and Wine Tasting at Willowood Arboretum

Enjoy the intoxicating fragrance of lilacs in bloom at the Willowood Foundation's 25th Anniversary Garden Fundraiser. The Lilac Party and Wine Tasting feature artisan Spring wines. Stroll through spring gardens and taste tempting tidbits while listening to a cappella music provided by The Ten and Dixieland Jazz by Dan Levinson. Place your bids at the garden themed silent auction featuring unusual plants. For more information and to RSVP email: wwfoundation@willowoodfoundation.com

Date: Sunday, May 17, 2020

Time: 4:00 pm – 7:00 pm

Cost: \$100 per person, reservations are required.



Elegant Spring Centerpiece Demonstration

Professional Floral Designer **Marge Hulstrunk** demonstrates how to create an elegant spring centerpiece. She will share tips sure to make you confident about creating your own centerpiece at home. There will be a raffle afterward, and the lucky winners will take Marge's creations home.

Date: Wednesday, April 8

Time: 6:30 pm – 8:00 pm

Cost: \$20 members / \$25 non-members





Bus Trip to Jenny Rose Carey's Garden and the Morris Arboretum

Join the Friends on a tour of Northview Gardens in Ambler, PA, created by noted author and British plantswoman extraordinaire, Jenny Rose Carey. Jenny is currently senior director of the Pennsylvania Horticultural Society's Meadowbrook Farm, and previously director of the Ambler Arboretum. Jenny's remarkable 4 1/2 acre garden appeals to all five senses with interest in every season. It has 31 distinct areas, each with its own theme, and was originally part of an 1887 Victorian model farm. From there we go on to the Morris Arboretum, where we'll enjoy a sandwich buffet (included) and a special tour of the rose garden, which should be at its peak.

Date: Thursday, June 18

Time: 8:00 am – 6:30 pm

Bus leaves from The Frelinghuysen Arboretum

Cost: \$95.00 members/ \$105.00 non-members, no refunds after June 4th.



Northview Gardens

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Summer Science: Attracting Birds and Insects



Toadshade
Wildflower
Farm

Specializing in Native Green and Propagated
Perennial Wildflower Plants Native to
Northeastern America

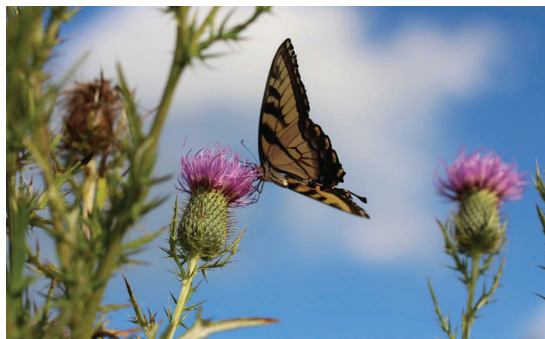
Come learn the importance of supporting our native wildlife within our gardens with Dr. Randi Eckel of Toadshade Wildflower Farm. Learn about some of the creatures that rely upon specific plants, and discuss the complexities of attracting rare wildlife (rare butterflies, for example) to our gardens. A large variety of plants will be for sale.

This program is eligible for 2.0 Rutgers Master Gardener CEU's.

Date: Tuesday, June 23

Time: 7:00 pm – 9:00 pm

Cost: \$15 members / \$20 non-members



cynthia's
cooking corner

Cooking Demonstrations

Lovely Leeks

Leeks are one of those vegetables we don't use often enough. They pair beautifully with a number of foods and are at their best this time of year. Take them on in this cooking demonstration with Cynthia Triolo, because once you know how to handle them you'll be using them regularly.

Date: Sunday, April 26

Time: 1:00 pm – 3:00 pm

Cost: \$25 members / \$30 non-members

Ruby Red Rhubarb

Technically a vegetable, we've come to think of rhubarb as a fruit because of the way it's used in most kitchens. It became extremely popular in England in the 19th Century when a new variety named 'Victoria' was introduced as a commemorative of Queen Victoria's coronation in 1837. Learn some recipes, both old and new, that star this versatile vegetable/fruit.

Date: Sunday, May 31

Time: 1:00 pm – 3:00 pm

Cost: \$25 members / \$30 non-members

It's Picnic Season! Here's a recipe that is both fun to make and eat.

Chocolate Cake in a Jar

Ingredients:

1 stick unsalted butter, softened	1/4 tsp. salt
1 1/2 cups light brown sugar	1 1/2 cups cake flour
2 large eggs	2/3 cup sour cream
1 tsp. vanilla extract	2/3 cup brewed coffee
6 Tbsp. cocoa powder	
1 1/2 tsp. baking soda	

Cream the butter and the brown sugar together in the bowl of an electric mixer until light and fluffy. Add the eggs and the vanilla and mix well. In a separate bowl, sift together the cocoa, baking soda, salt and flour. Add to the mixer alternately with the sour cream, beginning and ending with the flour. Add the coffee slowly.

Fill 1/2 pint canning jars halfway with the batter. Place on a sheet pan so that the jars are not touching. Bake at 350 degrees for about 25 minutes. Makes 10 -12 cakes.

For the topping:

2 Tbsp. butter
3/4 cup light brown sugar
1/2 cup water
1 cup powdered sugar
1/2 cup pecan halves or pieces.

Melt the butter in a medium saucepan and add the brown sugar. Add the water and stir until the sugar is dissolved. Add the powdered sugar and stir in the nuts. Ladle the topping over the cakes. Cover the jars with a lid and you're good to go!

affiliate member programs

All are free and open to the public

African Violet Club of Morris County

Annual show & plant sale celebrating the 25th Anniversary of the African Violet Club of Morris County. The theme for the 2020 show is "Violets – a Silver Anniversary".

Saturday, April 4 1:30 pm – 4:30 pm and

Sunday, April 5 11:00 am – 3:00 pm

Wednesday, April 8 7:30 pm

General Violet Care

Tuesday, May 12 7:30 pm

Streptocarpus & Primulina – Growing & Showing These African Violet Cousins with speaker Joe Palagonia

Frelinghuysen Arboretum Gesneriad Society

Thursday, April 2 7:30 pm

Propagation Workshop – different methods of propagating Gesneriads (African violet cousins) will be demonstrated. RSVP required to Karyn Cichocki, kdc05@ptd.net as space is limited.

Thursday May 7 7:30 pm

Program to be announced, for more information contact Karyn Cichocki, kdc05@ptd.net

Great Swamp Bonsai Society

Tuesday, April 14 6:30 pm – 9:30 pm

Soils and Repotting Workshop

Tuesday, April 21 – Time of workshop to be announced
Workshop (paid) with guest artist Suthin Sukosolvisit, fresh from the Mid-Atlantic Bonsai Societies' Spring Festival in Hershey, PA.

Evening presentation 6:30 pm – 9:30 pm with same

Tuesday, May 12 6:30 pm – 9:30 pm

Topic to be determined.

Sunday, May 31st 9:00 am – 4:30 pm

Annual bonsai open house.

The Home Garden Club of Morristown

Wednesday, May 20 8:00 am – 5:00 pm

Fundraiser bus trip to NY Conservancy Garden and the Highline with guided tours. Leaving The Frelinghuysen Arboretum at 8:00 am returning at approximately 5:00 pm. Cost is \$75. For details or to register contact pdv51@optonline.net

Wednesday, June 17 11:30 am

Regular meeting

1:00 pm – Lecture entitled "Tempestuous Beauty" by art historian Janet Mandel will feature an astonishing array of images from a variety of historical periods as she describes how flowers and gardens inspire us, give us hope, nourish our souls and elicit pleasure and happiness.

The New Jersey Mycological Association

Sunday April 19 1:30 pm

Guest speaker: Christian Schwarz. Topic: Collecting Mushrooms
Christian Schwarz is a mushroom enthusiast, taxonomist and citizen science advocate from Santa Cruz, the land of milk (caps) and honey (mushrooms). He studied at UCSC, and now spends his time photographing, teaching about and making scientific collections of macrofungi. He is co-author of Mushrooms of the Redwood Coast, and is slowly building a mycoflora for Santa Cruz County. He also writes a blog called Notes of a Mycophile.

The New Jersey State Chrysanthemum Society

Friday, April 3

1:00 pm – 3:00 pm

Program: Be transported back in time and take a journey to Michigan's unique treasure, Mackinac Island. Discover the history of the island, the famous Grand Hotel and visit the beautiful homes and gardens. Doris Cuniff will share with us her recent visit to The Grand Garden Show on that more-than-picturesque island.

Mum topic: Preparing soil and getting ready to receive new plants

Friday, May 15

1:00 pm – 3:00 pm

This is a working meeting during which we pack mum orders for distribution. There is no public program.

Saturday, May 16

10:00 am – 12:00 noon

Mum school conducted by Doris Zurcher and Steve Avallone. Learn the details of chrysanthemum cultivation: how to obtain plants; potting up; care and feeding for maximum bloom; grooming your plants for exhibition. Advance registrants receive 6 mum cuttings. If interested, contact Cindy Hedin at cphedinb@icloud.com.

Distribution of pre-ordered

mums & geraniums

10:00 am – 12:00 noon

Friday, June 5

1:00 pm – 3:00 pm

Program: Join Judy Snow for a tour of beautiful gardens in Wales at the peak of early summer bloom. Starting in northern Wales, heading south through Snowdonia National Park and onward to southern Wales. Each of the gardens is unique, and the inspiring people who created them and care for them add much to the experience.

Mum topic: How and when to transfer plants to final growing location. When to debranch and disbud. When to shade. Why and how to apply B9.

North American Butterfly Association

Tuesday, April 7 - 7:30 pm

Don't Skip the Skippers – Sharon Wander's program will help us identify and appreciate this sometimes cryptic but always fascinating family of butterflies.

Tuesday, May 5

7:30 pm

Meeting Subject to be determined.

Tuesday, June 2

7:30 pm

Dragonflies and Damselflies of Northwest New Jersey - Damsels and Dragons – what could be more interesting? Tom Halliwell presents a program on odonates.

Northeast Judging Center of The American Orchid Society

Saturday, April 18, Saturday, May 16 and Saturday, June 20.

Educational Program:

10:00 am

Orchid Judging

12:00 pm

Anyone may bring an orchid to be judged or listen in on the education programs.

Tri-State Hosta Society

Saturday, April 25

12:30 pm – 3:00 pm

Annual plant sale.

This is a members only event, but anyone interested in purchasing the latest in hostas can gain admittance by purchasing a one year membership at the door for \$10.

morris county park commission programs

To register for any of the following programs, please call 973.326.7601 between the hours of 9:00 am and 4:30 pm.

Make and Take Workshops – Presented by Catherine Allison, MCPC Horticulture Program Specialist

Dates: Select Thursdays

Time: 7:00 pm – 8:00 pm

Cost: \$30 per person, call 973.326.7601 to register

Thursday, April 9: Early Spring Container Garden

Welcome in the spring season with this early spring container garden. Plant spring flowering bulbs and pansies and create a colorful arrangement of flowers to bring home.

Thursday, April 16: Essential Oils for Spring

Welcome in the spring season by creating your own essential oil cleaners and bug spray.

Thursday, April 23: Cold Weather Crop Strawberry Hanging Basket

The early spring season is the time for planting strawberries. We will plant them in hanging baskets to help keep the critters away.

Thursday, May 7: A Mother's Day Container Garden

Make an annual flower container garden for Mom or yourself and take it home to enjoy throughout the spring and summer season.

Thursday, May 14: Herb Container Garden

Discover the wonderful world of herbs and their many uses for culinary, medicinal and pest repellent purposes. Make your own herb garden and take it home to enjoy throughout the season.

This program is eligible for 1.0 Rutgers Master Gardener CEU's.

Thursday, June 4: Hummingbird and Butterfly Container Garden

Plant a beautiful planter that will attract hummingbirds and butterflies. Discover ways to entice them to your yard by planting the plants they love. Bring your planter home and watch for these amazing creatures throughout the season.

This program is eligible for 1.0 Rutgers Master Gardener CEU's.

Garden Tours – The Sunday Garden tours begin at 2:00 pm and cost \$3 per person (exact change is appreciated). Learn the history of each site and enjoy the changing beauty of these exceptional gardens with a knowledgeable tour guide.

Sunday Garden Tours at The Frelinghuysen Arboretum

Meet in the lobby of the Haggerty Education Center for the tour of the grounds of The Frelinghuysen Arboretum.

Dates: Every Sunday from May through October

Second Sunday Tours at Willowood Arboretum

Meet in the parking area for the tour of this beautiful garden.

Dates: Sunday, May 10 and June 14

Third Sunday Tours at Bamboo Brook

Meet in the parking area at the top of the stairs for a tour of the gardens at Bamboo Brook.

Date: Sunday, June 21

Mother's Day at The Frelinghuysen Arboretum

Celebrate Mother's Day with a family tour of the beautiful grounds of The Frelinghuysen Arboretum. Make a small flower arrangement and craft to give to Mom on her special day. Play some family garden games and enjoy some light refreshments.

Date: Sunday, May 10

Time: Noon – 4:00 pm

Cost: \$10 per child. Mom is free (and so is Dad).

National Public Gardens Day Tours

Celebrate National Public Gardens Day with a tour at one of the Morris County Park Commission's exceptional horticultural sites. Please wear sturdy walking shoes.

Date: Sunday, May 17

Time and Locations: Willowood Arboretum – 10:00 am

Bamboo Brook Outdoor Education Center – 11:30 am

Frelinghuysen Arboretum – 1:30 pm

Cost: FREE

New Jersey Public Gardens Day Tours

Celebrate this event with a tour of one or more of the Morris County Park Commission's exceptional horticultural sites. Please wear sturdy walking shoes.

Date: Friday, June 5

Time and Locations: Willowood Arboretum – 10:00 am

Bamboo Brook Outdoor Education Center – 11:30 am

Frelinghuysen Arboretum – 1:30 pm

Cost: FREE

Forest Bathing with Rich Collins, ANFT Guide

A Japanese walking meditation reminds us that we are part of nature not separate from it. This program is a mix of meditation, mindfulness, wellness promotion, and ends with a Japanese Tea Ceremony. Space is limited – *Ages 12 & Up*.

Dates: Saturday, April 18 – Willowood Arboretum

Sunday, April 19 – The Frelinghuysen Arboretum

Saturday, May 16 – Bamboo Brook Outdoor Education Center

Sunday, May 17 – The Frelinghuysen Arboretum

Saturday, June 20 – Bamboo Brook Outdoor Education Center

Sunday, June 21 – The Frelinghuysen Arboretum

Time: 9:00 am – 11:30 am

Cost: \$20 per person

Pruning Workshop at Bamboo Brook

Turn to the Morris County Park Commission's gardeners for their expertise and learn the science behind pruning and what tools to use. Practice your new skills on the trees and shrubs in the gardens. Dress for the weather, and bring your garden gloves and pruners. Rain date Sunday, April 19.

This program is eligible for 2.0 Rutgers Master Gardener CEU's.

Date: Saturday, April 18

Time: 10:00 am – 12 noon

Cost: \$20 per person

6th Annual Tubbs Lecture: Lilac-A Purple Haze

The Tubbs Lecture at Willowood Arboretum honors the memory of Henry and Robert Tubbs. This year's guest speaker, Jack Alexander, held the position of Plant Propagator for 40 years at the Arnold Arboretum of Harvard University. Jack has had a long interest in the propagation of woody plants and has a special interest in lilacs. He will share his expertise in growing lilacs and give a guided walk through the lilac collection at Willowood Arboretum.

This program is eligible for 2.0 Rutgers Master Gardener CEU's.

Date: Sunday, April 26

Time: 1:00 pm – 3:00 pm

Cost: \$30 per person.

Walk & Talk Shade Perennial Gardening

Program Specialist, Catherine Allison, leads you on a guided tour of the shade gardens of the Frelinghuysen Arboretum.

This program is eligible for 1.0 Rutgers Master Gardener CEU's.

Date: Thursday, June 11

Time: 7:00 pm – 8:00 pm

Cost: \$15 per person

morris county park commission programs

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children's programs

Sprouts Ages 2 – 5 with an adult

Plant the seeds of love for nature in this preschool program! Each session features a different theme and includes an indoor activity and an outdoor exploration of the Arboretum. Dress for the weather. Call 973.326.7601 to register.

Dates: Select Wednesdays

Time: 10:00 am – 11:00 am or 1:00 pm – 2:00 pm

Cost: \$5 per child

Wednesday, April 1: Spring Beginnings

Wednesday, April 8: April Showers

Wednesday, April 15: Good Enough To Eat

Wednesday, April 22: Tree Huggers

Wednesday, April 29: Delightful Daffodils

Wednesday, May 6: Terrific Tulips

Wednesday, May 13: Gardener's Best Friend

Wednesday, May 20: Crazy Plants

Wednesday, May 27: Bug Safari

Wednesday, June 3: A Leaf Can Be...

Wednesday, June 10: Here Comes Summer

Garden Buds Ages 4 - 5 with an adult

Instill a love of gardening in preschoolers in this 10-week hands-on gardening series. Little gardeners with their adult helpers plant, harvest, and even taste vegetables straight from their gardens.

Dates: Tuesdays, April 14 through June 16

Time: 1:00 pm – 2:00 pm

Cost: \$70 per child

Arboretum Artists Ages 8 – 12

Dates: Select Thursdays

Time: 4:00 pm – 5:00 pm

Cost: \$10 per child

Thursday, April 23: Spring Watercolor

Practice layering different artistic media in this spring inspired watercolor class!

Thursday, May 21: Bold Blooms

Using pastels, create a magnified image of a flower in this modern art class!

Arbor Day Celebration

Celebrate Arbor Day with New Jersey's largest living things- trees. Learn how to plant, identify, and appreciate our local trees. Take a tour of the Arboretum's Big Trees, do a tree craft, and take home some seedlings to grow in your own yard.

Date: Sunday, April 19

Time: 1:00 pm – 4:00 pm

Cost: Suggested donation \$5 per family

Teeny Tiny Tea Ages 6 – 12

Just in time for spring's arrival, young designers will create a flower arrangement in a tea cup.

Date: Thursday, April 16

Time: 4:00 pm – 5:00 pm

Cost: \$20 per child

Moss Balls for Mom Ages 6 – 12

Science meets art meets history in this hands-on workshop in the ancient, but updated, craft of kokedama or Japanese moss ball gardens. Learn the history as well as the art of this type of garden design. Create a moss ball of your own to give to mom on her day.

Date: Thursday, May 7

Time: 4:00 pm – 5:00 pm

Cost: \$20 per child

Family Edible Garden Day

Create your own edible container or herb garden. Get tips on how to plant and get the most from this small space. Tour the Barkman Garden to experience French Intensive gardening. Bring your garden home and harvest your crops all season long.

Date: Sunday, May 17

Time: 1:00 pm – 3:00 pm

Cost: \$30 per garden

Welcome Tiny Friends Ages 6 – 12

Using tiny plants, tiny decorations and big imaginations, young designers will create a fairy dish garden perfect for table top.

Date: Thursday, June 18

Time: 4:00 pm – 5:00 pm

Cost: \$20 per child

Fairy Day

Fairies will once again be visiting The Frelinghuysen Arboretum. To prepare for their stay, houses need to be built. Families are invited to celebrate the 14th Annual Fairy Day on the Sylvan Terrace and build a home for these visiting wee folk.

Date: Sunday, June 28

Time: 1:00 pm – 3:00 pm

Cost: \$30 per house

Family Photo Scavenger Hunts

Grab a camera or phone and stop by the Haggerty Education Center for a nature photo scavenger hunt. Visitors can pick up the list, head outside and shoot away. Take a picture of every item, return to the Education Center and pick up your prize. Scavenger lists will change every month. April's theme is "Kinda Blue"; May's is "Going Green"; and the theme for June is "Here Comes Summer".

Time: Families welcome to participate any time between 9:00 am and 3:30 pm

Cost: \$10 per family

Gardenworks Horticulture Volunteers Needed

Gardenworks volunteers donate their time, experience, and skills to make valuable contributions to our public gardens. By working alongside our professional horticulture staff, volunteers assist in beautifying our arboretums. Volunteers perform tasks such as planting, pruning, propagating, edging, weeding and raking. This is a perfect opportunity to learn new horticultural skills while enjoying the company of fellow garden enthusiasts. Gardenworks begins in the early spring and continues into the fall season. Tools and refreshments are provided.

The Gardenworks Program runs as follows:

- Frelinghuysen Arboretum Tuesdays 9:00 am – 12:00 pm
- Willowood Arboretum Wednesdays 9:00 am – 12:00 pm
- Bamboo Brook Thursdays 9:00 am – 12:00 pm

Please contact Patti Millar, Horticulture Volunteer Program Coordinator, at pmillar@morrisparks.net or at 973-326-7629, for additional Gardenworks volunteer information.



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and The Morris County Park Commission invite
everyone to participate in their programs.
If you require an interpreter for the deaf or
other accommodations, please contact us at
973-326-7603 or TDD 1-800-852-7899. Please
provide two weeks notice.

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Early Spring Container Garden 6

15 Sprouts: Good Enough to Eat 7

16 Make and Take Workshop: Essential Oils for Spring 6

16 Teeny, Tiny Tea 7

18 Friends' Plant Sale Gardening Education Extravaganza 2

18 Pruning Workshop at Bamboo Brook 6

18 Forest Bathing at Willowwood Arboretum 6

19 Forest Bathing at The Frelinghuysen Arboretum 6

19 Arbor Day Celebration 7

22 Sprouts: Tree Huggers 7

23 Make and Take Workshop: Strawberry Hanging Basket 6

23 Arboretum Artists: Spring Watercolor 7

25 Tri-State Hosta Society Annual Plant Sale 5

26 Cooking Demonstration: Lovely Leeks 4

26 6th Annual Tubbs Lecture at Willowwood Arboretum 6

29 Sprouts: Delightful Daffodils 7

May

Ongoing Family Photo Scavenger Hunt – Going Green 7

Ongoing Gallery Exhibit: Watercolors by Debbie Tintle 3

Ongoing Sunday Tours of The Frelinghuysen Arboretum 6

1 Members Only Plant Sale 1

2 & 3 Friends of The Frelinghuysen Arboretum's

Annual Plant Sale 1

6 Sprouts: Terrific Tulips 7

7 Moss Balls for Mom 7

7 Make and Take Workshop:

A Mother's Day Container Garden 6

10 Second Sunday Tour of Willowwood Arboretum 6

10 Mother's Day at The Frelinghuysen Arboretum 6

13 Sprouts: Gardener's Best Friend 7

14 Make and Take Workshop: Herb Container Garden 6

16 An Afternoon with Jan Johnsen 3

16 Forest Bathing at Bamboo Brook 6

17 Forest Bathing at The Frelinghuysen Arboretum 6

17 National Public Gardens Day Tours 6

17 Family Edible Garden Day 7

17 Annual Lilac Party at Willowwood Arboretum 3

20 Sprouts: Crazy Plants 7

21 Arboretum Artists: Bold Blooms 7

27 Sprouts: Bug Safari 7

31 Cooking Demonstration: Ruby Red Rhubarb 4

31 Great Swamp Bonsai Society's Bonsai Open House 5

June

Ongoing Family Photo Scavenger Hunt – Here Comes Summer 7

Ongoing Gallery Exhibit: Scenes of the Local Landscape

by Francesca Pelaggi 3

Ongoing Sunday Tours of The Frelinghuysen Arboretum 6

3 Sprouts: A Leaf Can Be 7

4 Make and Take Workshop: Hummingbird

and Butterfly Container Garden 6

5 New Jersey Public Gardens Day Tours 6

10 Sprouts: Here Comes Summer 7

11 Walk and Talk Shade Perennial Gardening 6

14 Friends Members Only Annual Meeting 3

14 Second Sunday Tour at Willowwood Arboretum 6

18 Bus Trip to Jenny Rose Carey's Garden

and the Morris Arboretum 4

18 Welcome Tiny Friends 7

20 Forest Bathing at Bamboo Brook 6

21 Third Sunday Tour at Bamboo Brook 6

21 Forest Bathing at The Frelinghuysen Arboretum 6

23 Summer Science: Attracting Birds and Insects 4

28 Fairy Day 7

See page 5 for a complete listing of affiliate member meetings and events.

Changes to the Program Registration Process

The Morris County Park Commission (MCPC) has changed the registration procedure for programs presented by its staff. These include children's programs, outdoor workshops, and others. To register for these programs, **you must call 973-326-7601 between the hours of 9:00 am to 4:30 pm to pay by credit card, or stop by the front desk at the Haggerty Education Center (HEC) to pay by check.** Be sure to identify yourself as a Friends' member to receive the member's discount. Although the MCPC programs will still be shown for informational purposes on the Friends' website, **it will no longer be possible for you to register for MCPC programs there.** To receive a refund for MCPC programs, cancellation must be made at least 7 days in advance, by sending an email to

afahey@morrisparks.net with your name, the name of the program, and the number of spaces you are cancelling.

There is no change to the registration procedure for programs sponsored by the Friends. Please continue to register online at www.arboretumfriends.org, mail in the form below with a check, or stop by the Friends desk at the HEC to drop off the form and check. Lisa Bencivengo is available at 862-325-7754 on Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday and Friday to answer questions about **Friends' programs only**, or you can email her at lbencivengo@morrisparks.net.

registration form

- Registrations for **Friends' sponsored programs** are accepted on a first-come, first-served basis and will be confirmed when payment is received.
- Credit cards are accepted at our website: arboretumfriends.org. Be sure to follow the Paypal instructions to complete the transaction. Bring your receipt to the program.
- Make checks payable to "Friends". Mail registration form and checks to: Friends, PO Box 1295, Morristown, NJ 07962-1295
- All activities are scheduled in the Haggerty Education Center at The Frelinghuysen Arboretum, 353 East Hanover Avenue, Morris Township, NJ, unless otherwise noted.
- In order to receive a refund, cancellations must be made at least 7 days in advance of the program. To cancel your registration, please send an email to cancellations@arboretumfriends.org. Please include your name, the name of the program and the number of spaces you are cancelling.
- For questions or more information, call 862-325-7754.

Use this form to register for the Friends' sponsored programs shown below only. To register for all other programs call 973-326-7601.

Name _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Home phone _____

Secondary phone ☐ Work ☐ Cell ☐ Other _____

Email _____

Would you like an email confirmation? ☐ Yes ☐ No

No. attending	SPRING PROGRAMS	Cost
_____	Plant Sale Preview Talk	FREE
_____	Friends Plant Sale	
	Gardening Extravaganza:	FREE
	<input type="checkbox"/> 9:30 am – Planting Paradise Gardens	
	<input type="checkbox"/> 11:00 am – Plants that Thrive in the Shade	
	<input type="checkbox"/> 1:00 pm – "Black Gold" for Your Garden	
	<input type="checkbox"/> 2:30 pm – Fight Invasives and Plant Natives	
_____	Members Only Plant Sale	FREE
_____	An Afternoon with Jan Johnsen	_____
_____	Members Only Annual Meeting	FREE

No. attending	SPRING PROGRAMS	Cost
_____	Cooking Demonstration: Lovely Leeks	_____
_____	Cooking Demonstration: Ruby Red Rhubarb	_____
_____	Bus Trip to Jenny Rose Carey's Garden and the Morris Arboretum	_____
_____	Summer Science: Attracting Birds and Insects	_____
_____	Elegant Spring Centerpiece Demonstration	_____

To register for all other listed programs please call 973.326.7601

membership form



Yes, I would like to join the Friends of The Frelinghuysen Arboretum.

Name _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Home phone _____

Secondary phone ☐ Work ☐ Cell ☐ Other _____

Email _____

- ☐ Individual Membership\$25
- ☐ Family Membership\$35
- ☐ Extended Family Membership\$45
- ☐ Associate Member\$50
- ☐ Supporting Member\$100
- ☐ Contributing Member\$250
- ☐ Patron\$500
- ☐ Student Membership\$15
must be 18+ and provide appropriate ID

Make checks payable to "Friends" and mail with membership form to: Friends, PO Box 1295, Morristown, NJ 07962-1295

Please write a separate check for membership, and do not combine with program registration fees.

For more information about membership call 862-325-7754, or visit arboretumfriends.org



As a member of the Friends of
The Frelinghuysen Arboretum you
can enjoy discounts at our Retail
Partners. Please show your Friends'
membership card at time of purchase.

Retail Partners Program

arboretumfriends.org

ATLOCK FARM

545 Weston Canal Road, Somerset
732-356-3373 atlockfarm.com
10% discount all non-sale merchandise.

BACK TO NATURE HOME AND GARDEN

3055 Valley Road, Basking Ridge
908-350-7506 backtonature.net
10% discount all merchandise.

BARTLETT TREE EXPERTS

1-877-BARTLETT bartlett.com
15% discount tree feeding.

BLUE MOREL RESTAURANT & WINE BAR

THE WESTIN HOTEL

2 Whippany Road, Morristown
973-451-2619 bluemorel.com
10% discount all food purchases.

CONDURSOS GARDEN CENTER

96 River Road, Montville
973-263-8814 condursos.com
10% discount regular retail price on all
green goods. Not to be combined
with other offers. Offer does not
include gift certificate purchases or
delivery charges.

COUNTRY MILE GARDENS

1108 Mt. Kemble Avenue, Morristown
973-425-0088 countrymilegardens.com
10% discount all non-sale merchandise.

THE FARM AT GREEN VILLAGE

403 Green Village Road, Green Village
973-377-8703
TheFarmAtGreenVillage.com
10% discount all plant material.
Not to be combined with other offers.

HALL'S GARDEN CENTER & FLORIST

700 Springfield Avenue, Berkeley Heights
908-665-0331 hallsgarden.com
10% off anything with a root. Not to be
combined with other offers & excludes
fresh flowers.

J&M HOME & GARDEN

201 Main Street, Madison
973-377-4740 jmhg.com
10% discount all plant material.
Not to be combined with other offers.

KUPERUS FARMSIDE GARDENS & FLORIST

19 Loomis Avenue, Sussex
973-875-3160 farmsidegardens.com
10% discount all plant material.

METROPOLITAN FARM

119 Hickory Lane, Closter
201-767-0244 metropolitanfarm.com
10% off anything in store.
Not to be combined with other offers;
excludes fresh flowers.

METROPOLITAN PLANT EXCHANGE

471 Mt. Pleasant Avenue, West Orange
(locations also in Fort Lee and Paramus)
973-736-1997 metroplantexchange.com
10% off anything in store.
Not to be combined with other offers;
excludes fresh flowers.

MORRISTOWN AGWAY

176 Ridgedale Avenue, Morristown
973-538-3232 agway.com
10% discount plants & selected
merchandise.

NJ DEER CONTROL

PO Box 8365, Red Bank
1-855-DEER GUYS NJDEERCONTROL.com
10% discount for any subsequent
applications. Not to be combined with
other offers. Free Trial application.

PLANT DETECTIVES

45 US Highway 206, Chester
908-879-6577 plantdetectives.com
15% discount. Not to be combined with
loyalty club discount.

POPLAR WOOD FARM, LLC

240 Mitchell Road, Mansfield
908-399-7655 poplarwoodfarm.com
10% discount on plants, does not apply
to sale items. Note: Open to the public
on Open Farm Days only. Please check
website before visiting.

RARE FIND NURSERY

957 Patterson Road, Jackson
732-833-0613 rarefindnursery.com
10% of non-sale merchandise purchased
will be donated to The Friends.

STEVEN KRISTOPH NURSERY

9 Roberts Road, Millstone Township
732-446-1440 pstevenkristoph.com
10% discount on Azaleas,
Rhododendrons, Ornamental Trees,
Shrubs & Perennials.

SUNNYSIDE GARDENS

35 Route 206, Stanhope
973-347-3010
sunnysidegardenandgifts.com
10% discount on plant purchase.
Not to be combined with other offers.

WELL-SWEEP HERB FARM

205 Mount Bethel Road, Port Murray
908-852-5390 wellsweep.com
10% off Tuesday-Thursday, May-
September, excludes Special Event
Days and sale items.

WILD BIRDS UNLIMITED®

Denville Commons Shopping Center
3130 Route 10 West, Denville
973 629-7636 www.wbu.com/denville
10% discount off all items

WILLIAMS NURSERY

524 Springfield Avenue, Westfield
908-232-4076 williamsnursery.com
10% discount on all non-sale merchandise.