



The “Show-Me” Gardener

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Volunteers Needed - Metro Garden Fall Clean-up - Sat. Nov. 11th - Starting at 9 am

Volunteers are needed for the Metro garden fall cleanup to be held from 9:00 am on at the Metro garden at the corner of Rock Hill Road and Lockwood Avenue in Webster Groves on Saturday, November 11, 2023. Donuts, bagels and water will be on hand for volunteers.

Volunteers should bring hats, gloves, long pants and bug repellent. Long-handled pruners, hedge clipper style pruners and shovels will be needed. The cleanup mainly involves cutting back the **native plants** by half so that they do not go to seed and cause a weeding problem next spring. Some mulching may be done as the ground is exposed by the pruning. The Metro garden does have nice restrooms for use during the event.

This is a great opportunity to meet other WGGC members, socialize and learn about native plants. Please contact Mike Tierney at 314-308-1117 with any questions or concerns.

WGGC Meeting - Mon. Nov.13th

The November 13, 2023 meeting of the Webster Groves Garden Club will feature a panel discussion; panel members include: Carol Evans, Dorothy Lockard and Mary Lou Farrow.

What I wish I knew before the garden season started

1. How the season started (slowly!)
2. What problems encountered over spring, summer and fall
3. What I learned the hard way--what worked, didn't work
4. Single most favorite 2 flowers, 2 bushes,
5. Most important things to keep in mind as you design

The meeting will be held at the Webster Groves Recreation Center and will start at 7:15 pm. Refreshments will be served.

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WGGC Holiday Party - Mon. Dec. 11th at Cyrano's

This year we have a new location (as CJ Muggs changed ownership) and we are looking forward to a festive event in this new location. Menu choices will include beef, chicken, and salmon, plus salad and dessert. Please see the attached registration form for additional details!

Date/Time: The Webster Groves Garden Club Christmas / Holiday Party is Monday, Dec. 11, 2023 beginning at 6:00 p.m. with a cash bar.

New Location: Cyrano's Restaurant, 603 E. Lockwood, Webster Groves, MO 63119

Upcoming News

First, we have a call to all our members who might be interested in a membership on the board or an officer position. Please contact our President, Mary Telker, at President@mgcwg.org if you have any questions.

Second, we will be sending out a member survey in early November and thank you for participating. Copies of the survey will be available at the Nov. program meeting.

Gardener's Corner (aka Carol's Corner) November 2023

We had our first cold snap this past weekend. The leaves are turning colors and are so beautiful at this time of year. We also had some much-needed rain which should help our gardens weather the coming winter.

There are several tips and tasks from the **Missouri Botanical Garden (MBG)** for November. Continuing to water trees and shrubs until the ground freezes is important. Winterize your roses after heavy frost by placing a 6-10 inch layer of mulch over the plant. Now is not the time, however, to prune your climbing roses.

If you are applying mulch around trees, make sure you use the “donut” approach rather than “volcano mulching. Putting mulch too close to the base of a tree can cause plant damage.

MBG suggests you remove foliage from hostas, daylilies and irises. They also say to remove spent flowers of perennials if they are frost damaged. Plant your tulips until the ground freezes.

To protect mums and encourage survival over winter, leave the flowers and foliage intact. This will help protect the plant's crown.

And speaking of watering trees and shrubs, the **University of Minnesota Extension** has some handy tips in an article entitled *Watering Established Trees and Shrubs*. It can be found at this site, <https://extension.umn.edu/planting-and-growing-guides/watering-established-trees-and-shrubs>

What to do with tree leaves is a question many of us are asking now. **Kansas State University Extension** has a short article on how to use those leaves to benefit your lawn and garden. You can find it here: <https://www.ksuhortnewsletter.org/newsletters/what-to-do-with-tree-leaves3161558>

There are a couple of online programs of interest this month. They include:

Wednesday, November 1, 12 p.m. - 1 p.m. **Kansas State University Extension** will present a webinar on *Plants Gone Wild! Controlling Invasive Plants*. Register at: https://ksu.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_IXljvtedRu-pvfFA6Kzvxw#/registration

Tuesday, November 2, 3:00 – 4:00. **Ohio State University** will present *Fall Foliage: The Science Behind Changing Colors*, with Ann Chanon. Register at: https://osu.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_C3Sos2BTRN65c74YQgdTDA#/registration

Thursday, November 16, 12:00 p.m. – 1:00 p.m. The **Xerces Society** will present *Life of Western Monarchs: A Community Science Approach to Conservation*. This event will be recorded and posted to: The Xerces YouTube Channel in the *Life of Western Monarchs: A Community Science Approach to Conservation*. You can register for the webinar at: https://us06web.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_TfoDvPeGQemJLEr34Ce5hg#/registration

Tuesday, November 28, 1:30 - 2:30. The **University of Illinois Extension** is presenting *Planning and Growing Vegetables throughout the Season*. Register at: <https://registration.extension.illinois.edu/start/four-seasons-gardening-webinar-planning-and-growing-vegetables-through-the-seasons-11-28-23>