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Wareham Garden Club Newsletter



April 2022

President's Corner

It's a rainy day today. I managed to get some just-arrived bare root Virginia bluebells planted yesterday. I hope they like their new home. Hellebores are blooming for a pop of color in the gray-brown landscape. The happy yellow daffodils brighten the day, too.

What's growing in your garden? It's a bit early to find plants that need dividing, but soon you'll be able to spot the ones that have grown too big. It would be terrific if you could set aside a pot or two for our spring plant sale. This is our big fundraiser for the spring. We do buy some annuals to sell, but we make the most money when members share their perennials.

Wear something yellow and blue and/or something with roses.

Barb

Design

I would like to encourage our club members to look into entering some of this year's flower shows. There is the Heritage Flower Show in July, the Marshfield Fair in August and the Topsfield Fair in October and many others throughout the state.

We have so many members who do a great job in flower arranging and could easily win ribbons in flower shows, so please see Kathleen Coyle or myself if you are interested and we will show you how easy it is to enter a flower show.

It is always exciting to see our members getting involved with the local flower shows and representing our fabulous club. Happy Spring!

Judy Morgan

Programs

It's official. It's SPRING! The warmer sun and rains are making everything pop. My perennial plants are emerging from their winter's sleep and a palette of color is painted everywhere with daffodils, tulips, hyacinths and other ephemerals.

I encourage everyone to look for what you might thin out or share from your yard for offerings at our upcoming garden sale. Rose buds are budding up, just in time for this month's program.

Our program this month is all about roses. "**David Austin's English Roses for NE Gardeners**" - is the topic. Presenters Mike and Angelina Chute will discuss the history of English roses and David Austin's breeding program which combined charm and fragrance of old garden roses with vibrant color and repeat bloom of modern roses.

A last thought from a recent reading:
"My green thumb came only as a result of the mistakes I made while learning to see things from the plant's point of view."

Fred Dale

So, get outside and make some mistakes. Happy Gardening!

Diane

Check out their website:

www.rosesolutions.net

Part of Civic Beautification. Have you passed this site?



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Spring Plant and Yard Sale

Our plant and yard sale will be held at the Methodist Meetinghouse on Main Street. Here is the timeline and set up information.

Friday 5/13 11 to 1pm we set up for the sale, mark and price plants. Please bring all your plants in by 12:30. If you need to drop off plants earlier, put your plants behind the ramp to the back door. The parking lot will be blocked off on Saturday, but on Friday you can drive into the lot to unload.

Saturday 5/14 at 7:30am. We'll be setting up the outside areas, Please park in the TV Station or Nail Factory lots. Signage, tents and cones will be put in place as well as taping off the parking lot by 8 am.

Hall set up: Inside the hall will be the craft table, education table, bake table, and cookbooks. All the yard sale items will be on tables and tarps. The cashier table will be near the rear door. There will also be a cashier stand outside on Saturday.

Bake Sale items must be brought in by 8:30am on **Saturday only**.

Please check the signup sheet to volunteer for a day and time.

Thank you to everyone.

Judy Morgan

Sansevierias

From Joyce— Yes, they do flower!



Garden Therapy

On March 11th-

A big thank you to Lesley Reid and Chris Heywosz who created an arrangement done in "Pots of Gold" for St. Patrick's Day along with helpers Lorraine Yellick and Bunny Hayes! Everyone was delighted with their arrangement!



On April 15, 2022 at 10:30 - 11:30 at the WSC in the gym, Debbie Rogers and Pam Parsons along with helpers Barbara Smith, Mary Beth Cormier, Linda MacKenzie and Mabel Griffin look forward to creating spring arrangements with enthusiastic participants.

Pam Parsons

Humor for the Day

"Money can't buy happiness. But it can buy plants, and that's the same thing."

~Unknown

"Housework is for people who don't know how to garden."

~Unknown

Arbor Day

Arbor Day foundation sent redbuds already. After several phone calls this is the final answer: They have no more redbuds to send so they will send red maples. By the time you read this the redbuds will have been potted up.

We will hold another round of potting up red maples the weekend before our event. We can keep the redbuds.

So we need more containers - half gallon, 2 liter, jars from dog treats, all of it. We have potted up about 30 redbuds.

All the biggest rooted seedlings will be potted up for April 21. There may be freebies for members.

Thanks in advance to all the folks who volunteered for this event.

Joyce

Spring Ephemerals

Here's a good definition courtesy of Mike and Wikipedia:

An ephemeral plant is one marked by short life cycles. The word ephemeral means transitory or quickly fading. In regard to plants, it refers to several distinct growth strategies.

Here are a few spring ephemeral pics and April's quiz.

Send me 3 correct answers and win a trailing African violet or a tomato plant:

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Opportunity Drawing

Here are pictures of the 2 rose bushes you will have an opportunity to win at our April meeting on WEDNESDAY, April 13th.

The Alwick Rose—Soft pink with paler outside petals. Medium height. Strong fragrance.



Graham Thomas yellow flowers, apricot pink buds. Old rose shape. Strong tea fragrance. Blooms and flushes throughout the season. Very disease resistant. Zones 5 - 9.



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