



*Shrewsbury Garden  
Club, Inc.*  
*Shrewsbury, New Jersey*

*2022-2023*

Founded 1956  
Incorporated March 30, 1959  
Constitution and Bylaws Adopted 1956

SGC Meetings held on Third Tuesday of the month at  
The Shrewsbury Historical Society unless  
otherwise noted

September 2022 through August 2023

Membership: 26

ORGANIZATIONAL MEMBERSHIPS  
The National Garden Clubs, Inc.  
Central Atlantic Region  
The Garden Club of New Jersey  
District VIII (Shore)  
Rutgers Gardens

*“You can bury a lot  
of troubles  
digging in  
the dirt.”*

*-Author Unknown*



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Membership in the Shrewsbury Garden Club is open to all.

If you are interested in learning more about the club,  
please email us at [shrewsburygardenclub@gmail.com](mailto:shrewsburygardenclub@gmail.com).

Active: \$35 - 4 meetings/year; may vote, exhibit & hold office.

Associate \$40 - 2 meetings/year; may not vote or hold office.

Additional Family Member of Active Member \$25

Sustaining \$45 - Any number of meetings/year; may not vote.

Life - \$0 conferred for exceptional service; may not vote.

Fiscal year is August 1st through July 31st. Dues are due April 1st.

# *National Garden Clubs, Inc.*

## **National Garden Clubs, Inc.**

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Theme: Plant America - Play Outdoors

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State Bird

State Butterfly

State Flower

State Insect

State Memorial Tree

State Tree

Eastern Goldfinch

Black Swallowtail

Violet

Bee

White Dogwood

Northern Red Oak



## New Jersey Gardening Facts 2022-2023

Hardiness Zone

7a

First Frost (Autumn)

November 22, 2022

Last Frost (Spring)

April 26, 2023

Frost free growing season is

155 days

### ***Mission***

*The Mission of the Shrewsbury Club is to stimulate interest in the knowledge of flowers, gardening and horticulture, to aid in the conservation of native plants and birds, to encourage civic planting, and to raise funds to finance such objects.*

# Shrewsbury Garden Club

## Officers

Co-Presidents	Judy Bonanno/Rachel Weston
Co-Secretaries	Emilee Carton/Mary Phillips
Treasurer	Carey French

## Committee Contacts

Amaryllis Fundraiser	Judy Bonanno/Rachel Weston
Archives	Ellen Preissler
Awards	OPEN
Design	Terese Blake
Environment	Susan Berdahl/Robin Blair
Spring Plant Sale	Susan Berdahl
Fundraising	Cynthia Ramirez
Horticulture	Nancy Schmaltz/Rachel Weston
Hospitality	Cynthia Ramirez
Membership	Carey French
Programs	Judy Bonanno/Rachel Weston
Publicity	Rachel Weston
Technical Support	Cynthia Ramirez
Yearbook	Judy Bonanno/Rachel Weston



AWARDS 2021-2022

The Garden Club of New Jersey Award:  
Certificate of Merit with Gold Seal for An Excellent Yearbook



# Note from our Presidents

*If the last two years gave us anything; it allowed us time to slow down, contemplate our priorities and interests, appreciate small pleasures and renew our commitment to the club's mission. We look forward to continue doing gratifying work in conjunction with municipal, county and community partners.*

*This season, our theme is Digging Deeper. Members will all receive a tiny golden shovel as a reminder that good things await if we only dig in. The wonderful cover illustration depicts some of the topics we can unearth as curious gardeners.*

*Our slate of programs will expand our knowledge about wildlife from the tiny hummingbird to the animals that live right among us but are often unseen. We'll delve into how we can all do more individually and as a community to create thriving habitats for creatures great and small. We'll ask ourselves why we do certain things such as collect houseplants and how we can be more sustainable in our floral design.*

*As a club, our commitment to giving back to the community runs deep. This year we are adding another layer by encouraging donations not just during the holidays but also at the beginning and end of our season to support our local food banks. SGC is now a recognized local partner for Wreaths Across America which means our contributions go even further for the project.*

*Sometimes we must look to the past to more clearly see the future. As we begin to gather in person regularly again, we can tap into each other's extensive horticultural knowledge and the club's vibrant history. Member's gardens will be visited. Milestones achieved by our dedicated membership will be celebrated. New ways to grow vigorously in the future will be envisioned together.*

*Your friends,  
Judy Bonanno and Rachel Weston  
Co-Presidents  
Shrewsbury Garden Club*



# Shrewsbury Garden Club

## Continuing Projects

Town gardens that have been developed and maintained by the Shrewsbury Garden Club



*Herb Garden at the Allen House Shrewsbury, New Jersey*

### Allen House Herb Garden

The Herb Garden at the historic Allen House was designed, planted, and dedicated by our club in 1974. Since then, our club has maintained the garden by tending to it each spring, adding and/or replacing herbs as needed, and continuing to label the plants for all to enjoy. Over the summer, club members are scheduled weekly to care for the garden by way of dead heading spent flowers, weeding the garden beds, and watering the garden when necessary. In the fall, we maintain the garden until frost then we add compost to enrich the soil before putting the garden to bed for the winter.

Contact: Terese Blake/Ellen Preissler

Members participating: 26

### Borough Hall Planters

The planters frame the entry way to the borough hall building. Our members design the planters with perennials and seasonal accent plants from spring until the holiday season.

Contact: Berdahl/Bonanno/Weston

Members participating: 26

## Butterfly Waystation-9/11 Memorial Gazebo

The 9/11 Memorial Gazebo was dedicated in 2004. The Waystation surrounding the gazebo was designed in 2019. Registered by Monarch Watch as the SGC Gazebo Garden for Monarch Butterflies it can be tracked on their website ([monarchwatch.org](http://monarchwatch.org)) The plantings surrounding the gazebo feature plants to support butterflies and offer colorful, attractive and appropriate host and nectar plants for butterflies and other pollinators. As an added bonus, the gazebo sitting area can be enjoyed with a chance of seeing some butterflies pass by. The gazebo is the pathway for all who pass from the Borough Municipal Complex to the Community Garden. Many town festivities are held here. For the 9/11 Anniversary, an arrangement is placed near the memorial statue at the entrance of the gazebo. During the holiday season, together with the Shrewsbury Borough Recreation Committee, greenery, lights and ribbons are added to the gazebo for all to enjoy.

Contact: Carey French/Emilee Carton

Members participating: 26

## Days of Service

Established in 2020, this new tradition has taken off. Throughout the SGC year, members will identify tasks that need to be accomplished in the gardens. An experienced member will provide support and guidance so gardeners of all levels will feel comfortable. Activities may include pruning, planting, dead heading and dividing. This is a great way for members to get to know each other and share ideas.

Contact: Judy Bonanno/Rachel Weston

Members participating: 26

## Eagle Garden/Shrewsbury Historical Society

An eagle sculpture donated in 2014, by the family of Dorothy Blair Manson, the first female Mayor of Shrewsbury and mother of Shrewsbury Garden Club member Robin Blair. This garden is in front of the Shrewsbury Historical Society Building, where our monthly meetings are held.

Contact: Robin Blair

Members participating: 26

## Heritage Rose Meditation Garden at Christ Church

The Heritage Rose Meditation Garden was established in 2013. Inspired by eminent horticulturist Stephen Scanniello, curator of the New York Botanical Garden's famed *Peggy Rockefeller Rose Garden* and President of the Heritage Rose Foundation. This garden was implemented by Stephen Scanniello, Robert Kelly, historian of Christ Church and members of the Shrewsbury Garden Club. The SCG received the coveted National Garden Club, *May Duff Walters Achievement Award*, in 2017 for the preservation of a church garden. SGC members continue to nurture the memorial's classic collection. In 2022 a new walkway was installed and a plaque to commemorate.

Contact: Nancy Stewart

Members participating: 26

## **In Memoriam**

SGC member, Belle Giblon celebrated her 100th birthday in 2020 and we lost her in 2021. We also lost life member Barbara Billings in 2021. A pair of "Pinky Winky" paniculata hydrangeas were planted in their honor at the Shrewsbury Historical Society. They have added four season interest to the garden.

Contact: Judy Bonanno

Members participating: 26

## **Operation Sleigh Bells**

A Family and Children Services signature program started in 1909 by Long Branch community leaders using their personal resources to buy toys and books for impoverished children. Our annual giving back to those in need project has been a project since 2012.

Contact: Judy Bonanno

Members participating: 26

## **Walled/Greenhouse Garden**

This garden, located at the entrance to Manson Park, is believed to be the greenhouse for the Wardell Estate. It is planted with David Austin roses, butterfly bush, irises, sedum, cat mint, and fragrant flowers. The walled garden utilizes rain barrels and has multiple containers to delight visitors through the seasons.

Contact: Terese Blake

Members participating: 26

## **Weeding and Water Summer Maintenance**

Through the summer members sign up for several weeks each to weed and water the planters at the municipal building, the area surrounding the flagpole, the planters, the gardens in front of the Shrewsbury Historical Society/eagle statue, the walled/greenhouse garden, the 9/11 gazebo/butterfly waystation, Heritage Rose Meditation Garden and the Allen House herb garden.

Contact: Judy Bonanno

Members participating: 26

## **Wreaths Across America: GCNJ Special Project**

Shrewsbury Garden Club is a local group supporter of Wreaths Across America. We donate to honor an American hero at the Presbyterian Church at Shrewsbury cemetery. What better way to ensure that the legacy of duty, service and sacrifice of a veteran, is never forgotten? Suggested donation \$15 for one wreath.

Contact: Rachel Weston

Members participating: 26

# Shrewsbury Garden Club

## *New Projects 2022-2023*

### **Allen House Herb Garden**

In preparation for the 50th anniversary of the Herb Garden in 2024 and the renovation of the Allen House, club members will plan to reinvigorate this 18th century colonial kitchen garden. In conjunction with the Monmouth County Historical Association and other community organizations we will update the design to include historically accurate herbs, vegetables, and flowers to add to or replace the ones presently in the garden. Some replacement germander was added this summer.

### **Eagle Garden/ Shrewsbury Historical Society Beautification**

Plans will be made to remove the remaining turf grass in front of the Shrewsbury Historical Society. A new design will include more native and drought tolerant perennials to provide four seasons of interests for all to enjoy and more support for pollinators. Special attention will be given to the Eagle Garden to prepare for it's upcoming 10th anniversary in 2024.



# **Welcome Back Gardeners! Theme this year... Digging Deeper!**



***Due to Covid-19, projects, challenges, speakers, workshops, and fundraising may be cancelled, rescheduled, or held virtually. The SGC will adhere to State of New Jersey's guidelines. Check for up to date details online at [www.covid19.nj.gov](http://www.covid19.nj.gov). Policies at meeting places will also be adhered to as well.***

# SEPTEMBER 2022

## **September 11, 2022**

In Observance of the anniversary of September 11th, Shrewsbury Garden Club will provide a floral display in front of the Memorial Statue, at the 9/11 Gazebo, Municipal Complex, 419 Sycamore Avenue, Shrewsbury.

## **September 20-22, 2022 - NGC Fall Board Meeting - St. Louis, MO.**

## **September 20, 2022 (5:30pm) - Meeting/Horticulture Presentation**

*Note location/time!*                    **“Digging Deeper!”**

The get together will be held outside at SGC member Michele Rankin’s home. Michele will dig deeper into bonsai trees grown from seed. A business meeting will follow to present the programs, objectives, projects, and trips of the upcoming year. Please RSVP as to your attendance and refreshments by 9/15. Members are asked to bring an appetizer or dessert. Members are also asked to bring a bag of non-perishable groceries or monetary sum to be donated to the food pantry at Monmouth Day Care Center, Red Bank, NJ.

Location: SGC member’s home.

## **September 22, 2022 Autumn Equinox**

## **September 24, 2022 (8:00-10am) - “Day of Service”**

We will concentrate on collecting seeds from spent plants and cleaning out the gardens. Bring your gloves and tools.

Location: 419 Sycamore Avenue, Shrewsbury, NJ.

## **September 26, 2022 - GCNJ Board Meeting**

## **September 30, 2022 - Amaryllis/Daffodil Bulb Fundraiser orders due.**

Return your checks and forms to Judy Bonanno, 11 Samara Drive, Shrewsbury, or via [shrewsburygardenclub@gmail.com](mailto:shrewsburygardenclub@gmail.com) and Venmo @shrewsbury-gardenclub.



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# OCTOBER 2022

**October 6, 2022 - GCNJ Judges Council**

**October 12-13, 2022 - GCNJ Symposium**, Holiday Inn, East Windsor, NJ

**October 15, 2022 - Tavern Fest** - Monmouth County Historical Association.  
Information and tickets at [www.monmouthhistory.org](http://www.monmouthhistory.org)  
Location: the Allen House, 400 Sycamore Avenue, Shrewsbury, NJ.

**October 18, 2022 (7:00pm) - Meeting/Floral Demonstration**

**"Grown In Monmouth"** - Join Crane Kanthajan owner of Cranery Gardens, a seasonal cut flower gardener who uses sustainable growing methods. Crane is part of Grown in Monmouth. On weekends, mason jar bouquets are for sale in front of his house, 206 Hope Rd, Tinton Falls, NJ. Updates on availability on Instagram: @cranerygardens. The residence was once owned by former President of Navesink Garden Club, Gotti Kelly. Since buying the property 3 yrs ago, Crane and his husband have maintained the house and gardens to Gotti's original plan and make additions keeping to the spirit of her original design. Crane will demonstrate how to make a seasonal bouquet with his own sustainably grown flowers, herbs and greens. We will make our own mason jar arrangements to take home. Must RSVP by 10/12 to attend. Free to SGC club members. Guests \$20.00. SGC short business meeting after demonstration.  
Location: SHS, 419 Sycamore Avenue, Shrewsbury, NJ.

**October 20, 2022 GCNJ Leadership Conference for Club Presidents** - virtual

**October 22, 2022 (8:00-10am) - "Day of Service"**

We will meet at the Municipal Complex then we will disperse to the Allen House first to lift tender plants then on to the gazebo, walled/greenhouse garden, SHS and municipal complex to clean up the gardens and divide perennials. Bring your gloves and tools. Location: 419 Sycamore Avenue, Shrewsbury, NJ.

**October 23, 2022 (4pm-7pm) - Shrewsbury Historical Society Harvest Party**

Location: Home of Phil and Rachel Carnes, Meadow Drive, Shrewsbury, NJ  
Tickets and information: [www.shrewsburyhistoricalsocietynj.org](http://www.shrewsburyhistoricalsocietynj.org)

**October 24 GCNJ -Board Meeting**

# NOVEMBER 2022

**November 2-3, 2022 - CAR Conference**, Seven Springs Resort, PA

**November 1, 2022 (6:00pm) - "Amaryllis/Daffodil Fundraiser Workshop"**

Club members will share their knowledge of amaryllis bulbs and help participating residents plant up their bulb for the holidays. We then will sort the amaryllis fundraiser orders and package with gift boxes, labels and bows.

Location: Sunrise Senior Living of Shrewsbury, 766 Broad St, Shrewsbury, NJ.

**November 15, 2022 (7:00 PM) Meeting/Presentation - "Creating a Humming-bird Habitat"**

Hummingbirds are masters of beauty and disguise. By understanding a little bit about their unique biology, you can design your garden or window box to be more inviting to them. We will discuss choosing and positioning the plants they love so you can enjoy watching these fascinating creatures. Presented by Ann Sherwood of the Rutgers Master Gardeners of Monmouth County. She received her PhD in microbiology/cell biology from Rutgers and spent her career studying how human cells work.

Location: SHS, 419 Sycamore Ave., Shrewsbury, NJ.

**November 19, 2022 (8:00-10:00am) - "Day of Service/Decorate "**

We will meet at the Municipal Complex to decorate the gazebo and planters for the holiday season in coordination with Shrewsbury Recreation. Afterwards we will rake the leaves and help the environment by placing the leaves in our beds to provide feed for the earthworms and beneficial microbes and to provide insulation from the cold for tender plants. Bring your gloves and tools.

Location: Municipal Complex, 419 Sycamore Ave., Shrewsbury, NJ.

**November 26, 2022 (4:00pm) - "Annual Shrewsbury Tree Lighting"**

Listen to music, sip some hot chocolate, enjoy the decorations, and wait for Santa to arrive on the fire engine.

Location: 9/11 Memorial Gazebo, 419 Sycamore Avenue, Shrewsbury, NJ.

**November 28, 2022 - "Operation Sleigh Bells and Wreaths Across America"**

Operation Sleigh Bells is a Family and Children Services signature program, started in 1909 by Long Branch community leaders, using their personal resources to buy toys for impoverished children. Our annual giving back to those in need project. Also, SGC is a community partner with Wreaths Across America at The Presbyterian Church at Shrewsbury cemetery. Please bring a holiday gift for Family and Children Services and your suggested \$15.00 wreath donation to Judy Bonanno, 11 Samara Drive, Shrewsbury, NJ or via shrewsburygardenclub@gmail.com and Venmo @shrewsbury-gardenclub.

**November 28, 2022 - GCNJ Board Meeting**

# DECEMBER 2022

## **December 13, 2022 (6:00-8:30pm) Meeting/holiday celebration**

Please join us for our annual holiday celebration at the home of Joanne Beagan. Members are asked to bring an appetizer or dessert to share. Also, Please bring a bag of groceries to be donated to Fulfill Foodbank of Monmouth and Ocean County. More information to follow. RSVP by 12/1/22. Location: SGC member's home.

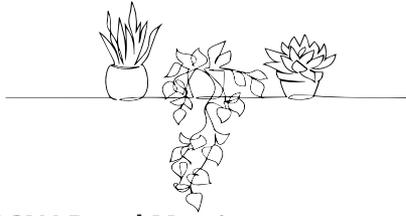
## **December 17, 2022 (11:00am) - Wreaths Across America Day**



# JANUARY 2023

**January 17, 2023 (11:00am-1:00pm Tuesday) Meeting/Presentation 12:00pm**  
note time and location change.

**"Trending House Plants and How to Propagate"** We will meet at the greenhouse of Barlow's for a social with light refreshments, a short business meeting, shopping (before and after) then a presentation in greenhouse from The People at Barlow's. Location: Barlow's, 1014 Sea Girt Avenue, Sea Girt, NJ.



**January 23, 2023 GCNJ Board Meeting**

**January 28, 2023 (10:00am-12:00pm) "Day of Service"**

We will meet at the Municipal Complex to clean out the holiday decorations from the planters and gazebo. Bring your gloves and tools.

Location: Municipal Complex, 419 Sycamore Avenue, Shrewsbury, NJ.

# FEBRUARY 2023

**February 8, 2023 GCNJ Judges Council**

**February 21, 2023 via ZOOM (7:00pm) - Meeting/Speaker**

**"Beyond the Potted Palm: How Victorians Gave us House Plants"**

Garden historian and writer, Lesley Parness will present via zoom at 7:00 pm sharp and we will learn about the many plants that populated Victorian parlors, how to care for them and simple ways to bring a Victorian touch to plantscaping your home. Business meeting to follow.

Location: Zoom, from the comfort of your own home.

**February 27, 2023 GCNJ Board Meeting**

# MARCH 2023

## **March 18, 2023 (8:00-10:00am) - "Day of Service "**

We will meet at the Municipal Complex cut back the roses, clean out the beds, etc. Bulbs will be rising; leaves will be in bud and hopefully the sun will be shining. Bring your gloves and tools.

Location: Municipal Complex, 419 Sycamore Avenue, Shrewsbury, NJ

## **March 21, 2023 (7:00pm) - Meeting/Presentation**

**"Digging Deeper into Local Wildlife"**- Shrewsbury Garden Club member Emilee Carton will do a presentation on her wildlife photography and the lengths she goes to get the shots.

Enjoy her work on Instagram: @jerseshorewildlife. Business meeting to follow.

Location: Shrewsbury Historical Society, 419 Sycamore Ave., Shrewsbury, NJ.

## **March 20, 2023 Spring Solstice**

## **March 27, 2023 GCNJ Board Meeting**



# APRIL 2023

**APRIL is National Garden Month:** Spring is in the air! Explore the beauty of gardens, or get some dirt under your own nails, whether from pots by the window or a flowery expanse of your own.

## **April 5, 2023**

**Spring plant sale fundraiser pre-orders due!** Return your forms and checks (payable SGC) to Sue Berdahl, 72 Beechwood Dr, Shrewsbury, NJ or to shrewsburygardenclub@gmail.com or Venmo @shrewsbury-garden-club.

## **April 17-21, 2023 GCNJ Flower Show School**

### **April 18, 2023 (7:00pm) - Meeting/Presentation**

**"Homegrown National Park"** - Esteemed entomologist and author, Douglas Tallamy, is also co-founder of nonprofit, Homegrown National Park. We will view a short series of videos that overview this grassroots call to action to regenerate biodiversity and ecosystem function by planting native plants and creating new ecological networks. Learn how small actions by many people can make a difference. Resources will be provided for suggested keystone native plants for our area. Members will be encouraged to get on the Homegrown National Park map. Business meeting to follow.

Location: Shrewsbury Historical Society, 419 Sycamore Ave, Shrewsbury, NJ

## **April 22, 2023**

**Earth Day** is celebrated worldwide in support of the environment and to raise awareness for the environmental protection and care of our planet.

### **April 22, 2023, Saturday (8:00-10:00am) - "Day of Service"**

Clean Up - Spring is in the air! Clean-up of our town gardens in preparation for Spring! Don't forget to bring tools and gloves.

Location: Municipal Complex, 419 Sycamore Avenue, Shrewsbury, NJ.



# MAY 2023

**May 2-5, 2023, NGC Convention,** Greenbrier Resort, White Sulphur Springs, WV

**May 6, 2023, Saturday (8:00-10:00am) - "Day of Service"**

Clean Up - Spring is here! Clean-up of our town gardens in preparation for Summer. Don't forget to bring tools and gloves. Please RSVP

Location: Municipal Complex, 419 Sycamore Avenue, Shrewsbury, NJ

**2nd week of May, date/time TBD Plant Sale Delivery**

**May 12, 2023 (5:30pm) - "Plant Sale Workshop "**

We will set up and prepare for our in-person plant sale by creating pots and baskets using annuals, perennials and herbs. Bring your gardening clippers, gloves and shovels.

Location: SHS Municipal Complex, 419 Sycamore Avenue, Shrewsbury, NJ

**May 13, 2023 (Saturday 8:30am-12:30pm) - "Spring Plant Sale"**

There will be annuals, herbs, heirloom vegetables, containers, and specialty baskets for sale. Refreshments. Tell your friends to stop by. Location: SHS Municipal Complex, 419 Sycamore Avenue, Shrewsbury, NJ.

**May 22, 2023, GCNJ Board Meeting**

**May 23, 2023 (Tuesday 8:30am) - "Greenwood Gardens Trip"**

We will car pool to Greenwood Gardens for a docent led tour at 10:00am.

Greenwood Gardens is a former private estate. Greenwood is an enchanted hideaway, graced with terraced gardens woodlands, meadows, grottoes, fountains, and winding paths. Through their mission of connecting people with nature in a historic garden oasis, Greenwood offers all who drive through their gates a restorative sense of nature, beauty and history every time you visit.

Tour cost \$20.00. Lunch to follow with details and cost to come. Please RSVP and make payment by May 15th. Guests welcome.

Location: 274 Old Short Hills Road, Short Hills, NJ.



# JUNE 2023

## **June 1, 2023 GCNJ Judges Council**

### **June 3, 2023, Saturday (8:00am) Day of Service**

**Pre-Summer Clean Up** - Please make an effort for all to come out and prepare the gardens for summer to make it easier for everyone throughout the hot dry summer. Bring tools and gloves.

Location: Municipal Complex, 419 Sycamore Avenue, Shrewsbury, NJ.

**June 4-10, 2023: NGC National Garden Week** : Join NGC clubs across the country and celebrate. This is an opportunity to encourage pride in your community, interest new members, and work with other groups to be part of those efforts.

### **June 6, 2023: 97th GCNJ Annual Meeting (Time TBD)**

Bridgewater Marriott, 700 Commons Way, Bridgewater, NJ.

### **June 10, 2023 (10:00am) - "Celebration of 10 year Anniversary of Heritage Rose Meditation Garden"**

- Come tour this garden and meet the Shrewsbury Garden Club members responsible for its design and care.

Location: Christ Church, 380 Sycamore Avenue, Shrewsbury, NJ.

### **June 13, 2023 (5:30pm) Meeting/End of Year Party**

Come celebrate the end of SGC's 2022-2023 Year of Digging Deeper at Nancy Schmaltz's home. We will enjoy Nancy's beautiful gardens at 5:30pm and social will begin 6:15pm. Members are asked to bring an appetizer or dessert. Please bring a bag of non-perishable groceries to be donated to Lunch Break. Ideas for next season will be welcomed. Short meeting to follow.

Location: SGC member's home

## **JULY AND AUGUST 2023** **ENJOY THE SUMMER!**

During the summer months SGC members partner up and take several weeks each to maintain all municipal gardens and planters that beautify our town complex. Depending on the monarch butterflies in August we will have butterfly releases for the community to enjoy at the waystation.

# FUNDRAISERS

## **AMARYLLIS and DAFFODIL BULB SALE**

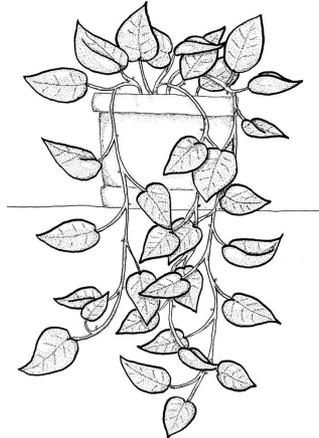
We would like to share with our members, friends and families our love of the beautiful daffodils and amaryllis. This will be a pre-order sale in time for the holidays.



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## **SPRING PLANT SALE**

Our club's longest running event is selling geraniums each spring to members, neighbors, and friends. Over the years, we have expanded our selection to include other companion plants as well as the geraniums. The sale will include annuals, herbs, vegetables and grab and go baskets for that special person. In person sale will be Saturday, May 13, 2023, at the Shrewsbury Municipal Complex, 419 Sycamore Avenue, Shrewsbury, NJ.



# NJ Gardening Resources

**Gardener News** ([gardenernews.com](http://gardenernews.com)) monthly agricultural, gardening, landscaping, and nursery publications, both online and in print, covering local, national, and regional farming, forestry, growing, cultivating, horticultural news, and events.

**Jersey-Friendly Yards** ([jerseyyards.org](http://jerseyyards.org)) Dedicated to developing landscapes for a healthy environment. Provides a variety of resources to help home and property owners learn about environmentally sound landscaping techniques.

**NABA-North Jersey Butterfly Club** ([naba.org/chapters/nabanj/](http://naba.org/chapters/nabanj/)) NABA's purpose is to promote the non-consumptive study, conservation, appreciation, and enjoyment of butterflies.

**Native Plant Society of New Jersey** ([npsnj.org](http://npsnj.org)) Dedicated to the appreciation, protection, and study of native flora of New Jersey. Conducts regular lectures and presentation on native plants and ecological landscaping.

**NJ Invasive Species Strike Team** ([njisst.org](http://njisst.org)) Strike Team is a statewide cooperative effort with a mission to prevent the spread of emerging invasive species across the state of NJ.

## **NJ Urban and Community Forestry -**

([state.nj.us/dep/parksandforests/forest/community/](http://state.nj.us/dep/parksandforests/forest/community/)) A division of the NJ Department of Environmental Protection. Provides information on tree care, pests, and diseases, champion trees in NJ, and a list of tree professionals for hire.

**NJ Forestry Association** - ([njforestry.org](http://njforestry.org)) Promotes forestry and forest management on public and privately owned woodlands throughout NJ.

**Rutgers New Jersey Agricultural Experiment Station** (NJAES) ([njaes.rutgers.edu/home-lawn-garden/](http://njaes.rutgers.edu/home-lawn-garden/)) Home, Lawn, and Garden resources with pdf fact sheets on numerous gardening topics, webinars, and event calendar.

## **Mobile Apps** for iOS and Android

**iNaturalist** - Joint Initiative by the California Academy of Science and National Geographic Society.

**Merlin Bird ID**- Free, instant bird ID help for 6,000+ birds from the Cornell Lab.

**Picture Insect**- Match your photo with over 1,000 species they have cataloged.

**Picture This plant Identifier** - Identifies a plant based on uploaded picture and provides plant care instructions.

# ***Native Plant Sources and Local Nurseries***

**Cicconi Farms** (cicconifarms.com) 1005 Farmingdale Road, Jackson, NJ (732) 363-1420 Retail and wholesale nursery.

**Earth First Native Plant Nursery** (EarthFirstNatives.com) 2501 Tilton Road, Egg Harbor Twp, NJ. (609) 287-5090 Online sales only. Shipping or pickup by appointment.

**Dentro del Sol**, Neptune City, NJ. (dentrodelsolnuresey.com) Online sales only. Owned by SGC member Carey French.

**Grown in Monmouth** (growninmonmouth.com) Directory of nursery and garden centers, farms and more in Monmouth County.

**Pinelands Direct** (pinelandsdirect.com) Columbus, NJ. (609) 379-3099. Online sales only.

**Rare Find Nursery** (rarefindnursery.com) 957 Patterson Road, Jackson, NJ (732) 833-0613 Online sales limited to open house days, or by appointment.

**Toadshade Wildflower Farm** (toadshade.com) 53 Everittstown Road, Frenchtown, NJ. (908) 996-7500 Online sales or pickup pre-orders.

**Well-Sweep Herb Farm** (wellsweep.com) 205 Mount Bethel Rd, Port Murray, NJ (908) 852-5390

**Wild Ridge Plant Nursery** (wildridgeplants.com) 170 Mountain Road, Alpha NJ. (908) 319-7230.



# Websites for Online Learning

Many botanical gardens now offer virtual course options in addition to on-site classes for free or varied fees. Recordings of previous sessions are often available.

Brooklyn Botanic Garden

[https://www.bbg.org/learn/adult\\_programs](https://www.bbg.org/learn/adult_programs)

Chicago Botanic Garden

[https://www.chicagobotanic.org/adult\\_education/online\\_classes](https://www.chicagobotanic.org/adult_education/online_classes)

Longwood Gardens

<https://longwoodgardens.org/education/online-learning>

Mt. Cuba Center

<https://mtcubacenter.org/programs/classes-on-demand/>

New York Botanic Garden

<https://www.nybg.org/learn/adult-education/>

United States Botanic Garden

<https://www.usbg.gov/onlineprograms>

Wave Hill

<https://www.wavehill.org/discover/virtual-wave-hill>

## **New Jersey Resources**

Reeves Reed Arboretum

Summit, NJ

<https://www.reeves-reedarboretum.org/learn/>

Rutgers Cooperative Extension Monmouth County Master Gardeners

<https://monmouth.njaes.rutgers.edu/master-gardeners/>

<https://www.facebook.com/MonmouthCountyAG/>

Rutgers NJAES

<https://www.youtube.com/user/RutgersNJAES/videos>

# ***NJ Gardens to Explore***

***Bamboo Brook Outdoor Education Center***, 11 Longview Rd, Far Hills, NJ 973-326-7600. Once the home of Martha Brooks Hutcheson, one of the first American female landscape architects, these 100 acres include fields, woodlands and formal, yet naturalistic gardens which demonstrate classic design principles using a palette of primarily native plants.

***The Cross Estate Gardens***, 61 Jockey Hollow Rd, Bernardsville, NJ [crossestategardens.org](http://crossestategardens.org). The Cross Estate Gardens, a project of the New Jersey Historical Garden Foundation in cooperation with the National Park Service. The gardens include a formal perennial garden, characteristic of the Arts and Crafts period, a wisteria-covered pergola, a mountain laurel ailee, and a garden of native plants. Parking is free, and there are no entry fees.

***The New Jersey State Botanical Garden*** is a part of Ringwood State Park, New Jersey Division of Parks and Forestry, Department of Environmental Protection. Explore Italianate, Octagonal, Azalea, Lilac, Magnolia, Peony, Perennial and Wildflower gardens. Admission is free, paid parking in summer.

***Princeton University***, Princeton, NJ ([princeton.edu](http://princeton.edu)). Beatrix Farrand was the only woman among the founders of the American Society of Landscape Architect and the Princeton University landscape architect from 1912-1943. She helped design the landscaping for the dormitory courtyard that will bear her name, located among Henry, Foulke, Laughlin and 1901 halls as well as for Princeton's Graduate College, Prospect Gardens, Blair Walk, Hamilton and Holder courtyards, and other areas of campus.

***Rutgers Gardens***, 103 Log Cabin Rd., New Brunswick NJ. 732-932-8451 ([rutgersgardens.rutgers.edu](http://rutgersgardens.rutgers.edu)). 180-acre botanic garden, consisting of designed gardens, plant collections, a student farm, farmers market, and natural habitats.

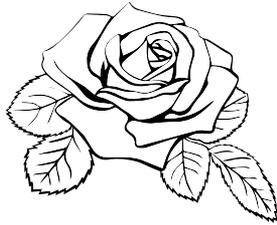
***Willowwood Arboretum***, 300 Longview Rd., Chester Township, NJ. 973-326-7600 ([willowwoodarboretum.org](http://willowwoodarboretum.org)). More than 3,500 kinds of native and exotic plants may be seen at this 1334-acre property, which includes a federal style residence, circa 1783. Collections include lilacs, hollies, magnolia and viburnum. The arboretum is home to many Champion trees, assortment of garden statuary and a small conservatory. Willowwood is a plant lover's dream.

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2016-2018	Judy Bonanno & Susan Hellman		
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