

Academy Garden Club Thymes

A NEWSLETTER FOR THE MEMBERS OF THE ACADEMY GARDEN CLUB OF LENOX

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Hello Garden Club Friends!

Can it really be October already?! Time to start thinking about garden clean up. (Not as much fun as planting the garden, but an important chore non-the-less!)

A Way to Garden.com gives a list of fall clean up chores. Margaret Roach, who used to be the garden editor for Martha Stewart Living, lives in Copake Falls, N.Y.

She is a chemical free gardener who uses native plants to attract birds and wildlife. Her website is a fountain of information including information on plants by categories, a how-to section, a section on nature, as well as a link to her podcast. Margaret holds tours of her garden, times for which are listed on her website. (Unfortunately, her spring, summer and fall open houses for 2020 were cancelled due to Covid.)



They have beautiful paths around the main building with surprises around every corner. It is fun to wander about looking at what plants they have used and how they have incorporated their garden “whimsy” into their garden displays. For those wanting a longer walk, I was told that the Appalachian Trail is just beyond their property. Here’s a sneak peek of some of what you’ll see when you go.



A bit closer to home, is Campo De Fiori in Sheffield. It is a shop with beautiful pots and garden decorations. And yet, it is more than a shopping destination.



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I couldn't resist including this next picture. My husband, Steve, hates squirrels and chipmunks. He dislikes the squirrels on the birdfeeders and the chipmunks digging holes in the yard. For his birthday, I bought him this cement squirrel from Campo de Fiori. It lives in the garden outside of our kitchen window. Look who is sitting on the squirrel's head! Priceless!!



On September 8, ten of our garden club members met at Lilac Park. Luckily it was a warm sunny day. The ladies wore masks and social distanced, and despite the present protocols, a good time was had by all who attended.

Have you sent your garden photo to Pat yet? She has a deadline of Tuesday, October 20th. Please send your photo(s) as soon as possible to her at pneri@earthlink.net

Happy October everyone. Enjoy the cooler weather!

Carol and Lynn
