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SPRING IS COMING!

Gardening 101 Planting A Perennial Garden

Lush flowerbeds overflowing with colorful blooms make you want to snip a few stems and take them inside. But you may be reluctant to plunder your garden, afraid you'll leave bare spots. Hesitate no more. Here are two strategies for producing plenty of cuttable flowers without destroying the look and style of your garden.

Plant a cutting garden. With a designated cutting bed, you can plant and cut without worry. Select an inconspicuous location — along a garage or in a back corner of your yard — and be sure your cutting bed benefits from lots of sun and rich, well-drained soil — just like your other beds. A cutting bed offers plenty of planting freedom. Its sole purpose is to produce flowers for you to cut, so don't worry about how it will look. You can mix and match colors, textures, heights, and varieties. Plant all your favorites.

Keep it simple. Make the bed simple to weed, feed, and cut by planting the flowers in rows. You might even make your cutting garden part of an existing



vegetable or herb garden. The crop-style

planting will blend right in, and your "production" gardens will be in one location. If you don't have

gardening space to spare, spread cutting flowers throughout your existing beds; don't cluster them.

Plan ahead. Planning will help you avoid creating gaps if your scissors do get too much exercise. Draw your existing beds on paper, noting varieties, bloom times, and heights. Then pencil in the flowers you want to cut. Use bloom cycles as your guide to create a mix.

Mix and match. Plant a balanced mix of perennials and annuals. Your favorite perennials will come back year after year, while annuals will let you experiment. Both types make excellent cut flowers. The more colors, heights, and textures you grow, the more fun you can have creating indoor arrangements.

Don't limit yourself. Use flowering hedges, aromatic herbs, and plants with interesting foliage to add pizzazz to your arrangements.

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Changes in Pet Laws

The Montgomery County Police, Animal Services
Division announces changes to Montgomery
County Animal Control Laws effective December
27, 2005. If you should want to file a
complaint, please call 240-773-5960.



At Large:

All dogs, except a service animal is at large if it is <u>outside the owner's</u>

premises and not leashed

unless it is a dog exercise area designated by the Maryland National Capital Park and Planning Commission or unless the dog is participating in a qualified activity. Any other animal (i.e. cat or livestock animal) is at large if it is outside the owner's premises and not leashed or immediately responsive to verbal or non-verbal direction. The common area of a homeowner's association, condominium or cooperative is not the owner's premises. Penalty for Violation: \$100

Unwanted Contact:

The pet owner must prevent unwelcome or unsolicited threatening physical contact or close proximity to a person or a domestic animal that occurs outside the owner's property that may cause alarm in a reasonbable person, such as biting, chasing, tracking, inhibiting movement, or jumping.

Penalty for Violation: \$500

Public Disposal of Animals:

An owner must not sell, trade or give a domestic animal to another person at a place open to the public, except a business licensed to sell animals under Section 5-404.

Penalty for Violation: \$100

Trash Disposal



Trash removal is provided twice weekly on Monday and Thursday by Waste Management. DO NOT PLACE YOUR TRASH OUTSIDE ANY EARLIER THAN

6:00 P.M. THE NIGHT PRIOR. <u>DO NOT PLACE</u>
YOUR TRASH OUT IF YOUR TRASH PICK-UP
FALLS ON A HOLIDAY AS IT WILL NOT BE PICKED
UP UNTIL YOUR NEXT SCHEDULED PICK-UP.

All containers for the storage of trash or garbage must be rigid containers of metal or plastic, having tight-fitting, overlapping lids, with a capacity of not less than fifteen (15) and not exceeding thirty-two (32) gallons according to county Code Section 48-24. Trash cans are to be stored out of sight. Items such as exercise equipment, furniture, screen doors etc. are NOT considered household trash and must be disposed of at the Shady Grove Transfer Station off of Shady Grove Road. Regular operating hours are Mon-Fri 7:30 a.m. to 8:00 p.m., Sat 7:30 a.m.-5:00 p.m. Household hazardous waster receiving hours are Thursday-Friday 1:00 p.m.-5:00 p.m., Saturday 8:30 a.m.-5:00 p.m. and Sunday 9:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m. Homeowners are responsible to have these items removed from

Recycling Do's and Dont's

Association MUST pay to have them removed from

the community which will cause the Association

the community. When items are left out, the

fees to increase!

Montgomery County WILL collect unwanted scrap metal items free of charge. Improper trash disposal can create unclean and potentially unsanitary conditions. Items such as household products harm the environment as well as human health.

Recycling is provided on Wednesday.
Instead of putting hazardous materials in
the garbage or pouring them down the
drain, take them to the County's conveniently located
collection site free of charge. Paper must be placed in
paper bags or boxes, NOT plastic bags while yard
waste must be placed in the appropriate paper bag.

Flea Market/Baby



The City of Gaithersburg announces a series of Indoor Flea Markets at the Montgomery County Agricultural Center,

16 Chestnut Street, from January through April. The Markets, held on Saturdays from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m., are June 15th scheduled for January 21, February 18, March 18, and June 23rd April 22, 2006. Admission to the Flea Markets is free.

Miniature Golf

"Come Play A Round!" of Miniature Golf at Bohrer Park, Summit Hall Farm. Whether it's a daytime visit or an evening out, a round of miniature golf is a great activity for all!

Come play with us! Our birthday party package includes: one round of golf, drink, ice cream and upgraded plates, cups, forks and spoons for the paid participants. The birthday child will be given a special birthday T-shirt. Call 301-258-6350 for more information.

Architectural Control

All homeowners are reminded that an Application for an Architectural Change must be submitted PRIOR to making any modifications to the exterior appearance of your home.

If an Architectural Application has not been approved by the Board of Directors prior to making any changes to your home, you will be found in violation of the covenants, and will be required to modify any changes at your expense.

School Calendar

April 10th-13th April 14th & 17th April 19th May 29th June 14th

Holidays* - Easter Holidays* - No school for students and teachers Report Card Distributed Holiday * - Memorial Day Last day of school for students; early dismissal Professional day for teachers Report cards mailed



Bark in the Park!



Reward the loyalty and devotion of your

favorite four-legged friends by bringing them to the City of Gaithersburg's Annual Bark in the Park celebration. Join us on Saturday, April 22, 2006, from noon to 3 p.m., the event includes a dog obstacle course, a bone hunt and even a costume parade! Bark Admission for all this fun is only in the Park takes place at Bohrer Park, Summit Hall Farm, 506 South Frederick Avenue, for what a \$2 discount if tickets are promises to be a day of fun and frivolity.

The entire afternoon is devoted to our canine citizenry and their owners. Your dogs can strut their For more stuff in the "Dog Gone It Parade" or show off their hunting prowess in the "No Bones About It" bone hunt. A dog trainer will be on hand to teach old dogs new tricks

and vice versa. There will also be a dog obstacle course, a photo booth, and plenty of useful information from a variety of vendors. New this year are three exciting additions: a Flyball demonstration, a Frisbee Dog demonstration, and a K9 musical free style demonstration.

\$10 per dog. Dogs residing in the City of Gaithersburg receive purchased in advance. Tickets may be purchased at the Activity Center, also located at Bohrer Park.

information, contact Dianne Coup at 301-258-6350 or dcoup@gaithersburgmd.gov.

Crime Statistics

N2 Beat

An armed rape was reported in the early morning hours of Saturday 2/04 that occurred in the lot of the Hungerford Brothers Lumbermill, 14535 Clopper Road. The victim was forced into the suspect's vehicle at knife point at the Metro at Minnesota Avenue in Washington, DC. The suspect drove to several locations in 5D and 6D. After parking at the Lumbermill, he displayed a knife. He threatened to kill her if she didn't cooperate. Afterwards, she was allowed to exit the vehicle. She fled to a citizen's house who then called MCP.

Suspect: B/M, 32-40, 5'11", 200 lbs, mustache, wearing a gray T-shirt, jeans, blue jacket, blue b-ball hat, gold tennis shoes

Vehicle: Dark blue 4-door Chrysler

* A residential burglary was reported in the 13300 block of Rushing Water Way on Tuesday 3/21. No further details are known, this information is via the CAD. This victim also reported a burglary on 2/28.

N1 Beat

An armed robbery occurred in front of the Bank of America ATM, 19707 Germantown Road, on Tuesday 1/31 at 1833 hours. The suspect approached from behind and demanded money. He then showed the victim a black gun. Nothing was reported taken. (Noted in last week's report).

Suspect: B/M, 30-25, 5'5"-5'10", 110-160 lbs, black warm up jacket, black knit hat



Helpful Phone Numbers

Police Non-Emergency	301-279-8000
PEPCO	202-833-7500
WSSC Emergencies	301-206-4002
Animal Control	301-279-1823
Recycling/Leaf Coll	240-777-6410
Consumer Affairs	240-777-3636
Abandoned Cars	301-840-2454
Comcast	301-424-4400

QUESTIONS, COMPLAINTS OR CONCERNS?

If you should have issues regarding trash, landscaping etc. you must write to the Board of Directors c/o Vanguard Management at P.O. Box 39, Germantown, MD 20875 or email Nancy Keen, your Community Manager at NKeen@vanguardmgt.com. All complaints must be in writing to be considered. Management has a limited amount of authority and most times must receive direction from the Board of Directors <u>prior</u> to taking action.

Web Site!

A "list serve" has been added to the Kingsview Ridge web site. If you would like to receive email messages regarding community information and updates, go to www.Kingsviewridge.com and click on "mailing list" to enter your email information. Shortly after you enter your information, you will receive a confirmation email. Just click on the link and you will have been added to the list.



Daylight Savings Time

As you are aware, Daylight Savings
Time began Sunday, April 2nd @
2:00 AM. Clocks were moved one
hour ahead the evening prior. This is
the time to replace all bulbs outside
of your home that are not working
along with the batteries in your

smoke detectors.

Fire, like any
disaster is
devastating
especially when
it could have
been prevented!



Meeting Date

All Board Meetings are scheduled to be held on the 1st Wednesday of every other month at Germantown Recreation Center. The next meeting of the Board of Directors will be held on Wednesday, June 7th @ 7:30 pm. All are welcome!