

# Woodbridge Horticultural Society Newsletter

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Oh, the incredible profit by digging of ground!

-- Thomas Miller

History of the Worthies of England (1662)

### **SPEAKER SEPTEMER 21**

Claudette Sims, on The Future of Gardening.



## LATE SUMMER CHORES

September...where fall and summer meet.

~Will Wallace Harney

It's the ideal time to dig and divide, re-locate and share perennials that flowered in early to mid-summer.

Plant new trees and shrubs to give them at least six weeks before frost. Water well to encourage plant's settling in while the ground is still warm.

If you missed the chance to deadhead perennials for a second blooming, leave spent flower heads for the birds to forage now and all winter.

Plant spring flowering bulbs and garlic.

Enjoy the last of vine ripened tomatoes. Or have fun experimenting with recipes for green tomatoes. https://pinchandswirl.com/fried-green-tomatoes/

Spread nutrient rich compost around the garden.

It's a never-ending chore, but pull out obvious weeds now to help reduce the number of weeds next year.

Collect seeds for next year's crop, and herbs for drying and freezing.





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Keep using and planting lettuce and harvest cold weather crops; Swiss chard, broccoli and kale, which will keep growing as far as November.

Check houseplants for pests before moving indoors.

Don't just drain your rain barrels for winter prep. Use watering cans or attach a hose to effectively drain, and not waste water. Deeply water roses, trees and shrubs at least once a week before frost sets in. Water acts like an insulator, both to a tree and the soil. Soil that stays moist will be warmer.

# THANK YOU!

Thanks to the dedicated volunteers who have been helping water Gail's garden. It is much appreciated and very important to keep it in tip top shape for our October meeting, featuring Gail's Garden through the Seasons. She sends great big hugs and thank you to all the best wishes for her recovery.

If you haven't yet had a chance to visit Gail's garden, her offer to drop in to the garden at 24 Twilight Terrace still stands. No need to call, just show up and enjoy her colourful lush grounds.



### IN MEMORIUM

Olga Julia Hawryliw "Ollie", a WHS member of many years ago, passed away peacefully in her sleep on Friday, August 18, in her 82<sup>nd</sup> year.



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