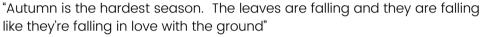
Woodbridge Horticultural Society



Newsletter



Issue 78, September 2023 www.woodbridgehorticulturalsociety.org



-Andrea Gibson

10 Fall Gardening Tasks to Make your Garden Sing Next Spring.

- 1. Evaluate your garden.
- 2. Remove your annuals. Store your pots in the shed/garage especially those easily cracked by cold/frost.
- 3. Transplant your perennials about 6 weeks before the "hard" frost. First light frost for Vaughan scheduled for Sept 23rd (according to expert prediction).
- 4. Plant spring bulbs. Factor their location beside later blooming plants, to prevent, noticeable bare spots in the summer.
- 5. Trim selected perennials down to the ground. Avoid pruning shrubs.
- 6. Dispose of diseased foliage/plants separately from your compost heap.
- 7. For the project-centered gardeners, gather all that your imagination perceives can be used in dried flower/plant arrangements; for example, a Thanksgiving centerpiece or an autumn door wreath.
- 8. Continue to deeply water the garden, at least once a week. There is still some root growth, albeit slow.
- g. Use your fallen leaves as a mulch: the leaves must be dry, shredded and placed as protection in the beds just as the ground begins to freeze.
- 10. Protect sensitive, newly planted perennials and shrubs with shredded leaves or evergreen boughs once they are dormant, especially if they lay in exposed, cold prone areas of your property.

Reference:

provenwinners.com/learn/fall/10-fall-gardening-tasks-make-your-garden-sing-next-spring

News

The special guest speaker for Monday, Sept. 18th, 2023 is Andrew Jinkinson. The topic will be "Gardening Tools for Successful Gardening."

End of the year bash and AGM is on Monday, Nov. 20. The AGM will include elections for the V.P. and two directors.

"Wine is the divine juice of September"

-Voltaire



Page 1

Woodbridge Horticultural Society



Newsletter



Issue 78, September 2023 www.woodbridgehorticulturalsociety.org

Tips for Transplanting

- 1. If possible, choose a cool, damp, overcast morning.
- 2. For fall transplanting, choose plants that bloom in the spring or early summer. For spring transplanting, choose plants that bloom in the mid to late summer.
- 3. Use a fork and a narrow shovel to first split then lift the plant. Split/lift away from the remaining foliage, to minimize its damage.
- 4. Remove any dead leaves before transplanting.
- 5. Transplant and water the transplant thoroughly.
- 6. Fertilize in the spring.

Raking Leaves

Cartoon illustrated by Nadia Granata http://www.theartofbunnyg.com

