

The Community Garden News



Welcome to our first edition of the Community Garden News! The champions of the Garden have eyes and ears open for newsy items and important announcements and will try to get newsletters out as often as we can fill a page. We could use some help with this. Please send in suggestions, questions, gardening tips and of course PICTURES. You can email to jlemieux72@comcast.net, or if you do not have email, please leave it in the newsletter box over by the porta-potty.

Wildlife in the Gardens

Wendell and Barbara Harper sent in news about a killdeer nest. As Barbara noted, "It's not much of a nest, just a shallow depression in the soil, with four eggs. This was in Garden A4 near the sign."



They didn't know the eggs had hatched until they drove to the gardens late one evening last week."

"The birds were already down for the night in Wendell's garden under their 'mama's' wings. When we stopped and got out, that disturbed them, and the four babies scattered. The momma continued 'talking' to them as they were running everywhere, but we know after we were gone, she gathered them again. We've seen them from time to time since. Over the years we've seen many killdeer nest in the gardens."

Any other sitings of wildlife?

Interested in Canning?

Gardeners interested in canning some of the fruits of all your labor (beans, tomatoes, carrots and such) but have never canned before—or need a refresher course—we can help. WSU Extension will provide qualified teachers. We can help find jars and kitchens. So keep that in mind and let us know. With the price of food going up and up, this might be a great way to cut food bills this next year.

Needing Help?

Did the cold weather and rain make an evil combination for your garden? If you find yourself getting behind don't give up. If you're new to the garden and need help to get back on your feet...well back on your knees in the dirt really, let us know. You can't wait too long or the weeds will win. Even some of the really experienced gardeners had to replant... sometimes more than once this year. This has been a tough spring. But weather reports now predict really hot weather.

Please save paper and printing expense! If you have an email address, please send it to Joan so you can receive the News via email.

Parking Reminder

When parking on the middle road, pull over as far as possible so others can get by. Otherwise your vehicle is going to plug up the whole system.

New Mailbox

Thanks to Kathy of "Kathy @ Steve Real Estate" for giving us our "newsletter" box.

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