

NORTH HAVEN Gardens

Every Blooming Thing



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FALL IS FOR PLANTING!

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

All NHG programs are complimentary and open to the public unless otherwise noted. Visit our Events Page at www.nhg.com for added programs.

~ SEPTEMBER 2009 ~

SAT, SEPT 5

1PM • **Kids Seed Starting Class** FREE!
Details online. Ages 3+ welcome. Parents must be present.

SUN, SEPT 6

2:30PM • **General Orchid Care**
3PM • **Vandaceous Orchids** Sponsored by Greater North Texas Orchid Society.

First Sunday Farmers Market

SEPT 6th 10AM - 2PM Shop locally produced, organic vegetables, fruits, and more

SUN, SEPT 6

11AM - 4PM • **Texas Gardening 101**
Perfect for those new to the area, beginner gardeners or experienced gardeners looking for a refresher course. \$60 for Grow Card Members. Price includes the book **Easy Gardens for North Texas** (Retail value \$29.99), class handouts on soil amendments, planting, maintenance and more. **Application in-store, over the phone or at www.nhg.com**

FRI & SAT, SEPT 11 & 12

10AM-4PM • **African Violet Sale**

SAT, SEPT 12

9AM - NOON (or sold out) • **Iris Sale**

SUN, SEPT 13

10AM - NOON • **InSpire Beginner YOGA at NHG** by Ro Chapa. All levels of yoga participants invited! *Bring a yoga mat, towel or blanket, comfortable clothes and water. Limited space. FREE!*

SUN, SEPT 20 & 27

10:30AM - 2PM • **Landscape Design 101** by Bram Franklin, Landscape Designer, Bonick Design. Join us for this **2-day** class. Bram goes over basic concept design, site development, drainage, hardscape and more. Bring pictures of your landscape, a plot plan, pencils and a ruler. Lunch included. \$70 per person for a 2-day class (6 hours total). *Call to sign up early! Class fills quickly.*



SAT & SUN, SEPT 19 & 20

Fall Eco-Friendly Weekend Guaranteed to be lots of fun as we welcome the cool Autumn weather! Free programs! Plant specials and refreshments!

SATURDAY PROGRAMS

10AM • **Backyard Chickens** Program followed by Q&A time by Dan Probst, Bageniece Farms

11AM - 4PM • **City of Dallas Dog Adoptions**

11:30AM • **GreenDallas.net** Kevin Lefebvre, Environmental Coordinator, City of Dallas. What is the City of Dallas doing for our environment and how can you help? Learn here!

1PM • **Trees: Maintenance, Pest Control, Selection & more!** by Scott Geer, ISA Certified Arborist TX-3540A

2:30PM • **Square Foot Gardening** by Christine Hensley, NHG Nursery Coordinator, TCNP

SUNDAY PROGRAMS

1PM • **All Natural Solutions for a Safer Yard** by Tropical John, Local Organic Expert.

2:30PM • **Perennials for Sun & Shade** by Betseyanne Tippet, Dallas County Master Gardener

SAT, SEPT 26

10:30AM • **Herbs that Make Your Landscape Sing!** Marian Buchanan, Dallas County Master Gardener. Sponsored by the Herb Society of America.

1PM • **Attract Butterflies!** Dale Clark, President, Lepidopterist Society.

2:30PM • **Plant Fruit Trees this Fall** by Christine Hensley, NHG Nursery Coord., TCNP.

PUMPKINS ARRIVE LATE SEPTEMBER!

~ OCTOBER 2009 ~

SAT, OCT 3

9AM - NOON • **Bonsai Auction** benefitting the Dallas Bonsai Society.

1PM • **Why Bees?** by Janet Rowe, Bee Charmer. Sponsored by the Greenbee Organic Society.

SUN, OCT 4

2:30PM • **General Orchid Care**
3PM • **Orchid Judging** by GNTOS.

SAT & SUN, OCT 10 & 11

10AM - 5PM • **Orchid Show** Don't miss this unique opportunity to see award winning orchids and purchase varieties you won't find anywhere else! Sponsored by the GNTOS.

SAT & SUN, OCT 10 & 11

Fall Herb Weekend

Meet the local herb societies, attend free lectures and shop herb specials all weekend.

SATURDAY PROGRAMS

10:30AM • **Vegetable Garden Tour**

11AM • **Smoothies & Chocolate Drinks: Demo & Taste** by Bliss Raw Cafe

1PM • **Herb Tour** by Kay Nelson, TCNP, NHG Garden Coach

2:30PM • **Canning for Beginners**

SUNDAY PROGRAMS

1PM • **Herb, Veggie & Fruit Smoothies: Demo & Taste** by Bliss Raw Cafe

2:30PM • **Herb Gardens 101** by Speaker TBA TCNP, NHG Garden Coach

SAT, OCT 17

Birdhouse Contest

Contest details on the Events page at www.nhg.com

GREAT PRIZES!

1ST PRIZE: \$100 NHG Gift Card

2ND PRIZE: \$75 NHG Gift Card

3RD PRIZE: \$50 NHG Gift Card

1PM • **Hummingbirds** by Carolyn Oldham

3PM • **Raptors!** Blackland Prairie Raptor Center introduces you to live hawks, owls and falcons of different sizes and species! Great for kids! www.bpraptorcenter.org



SUN, OCT 18

1PM • **Wildlife 911** Bonnie Bradshaw tells how to deter critters such as squirrels, raccoons and armadillos from our gardens and homes humanely. www.911wildlife.org

SAT, OCT 24

10:30AM • **Going Green & Clean in Your Home with Herbs** by Mary Nell Jackson, Collin County Master Gardener. Sponsored by the Herb Society of America. Become a member!

12PM • **Bats!** Dottie Hyatt tells us how to keep bats safe and dispels the myths that lead to their poor reputations. Live bats! Great for kids! www.batworld.org

2PM • **Winterize Your Landscape** by John Currie, Landscape Architect. Advance planning for plant protection, immediate plant protection needs, protection dos and don'ts, what to do if you have winter damage on plants and more!



North Haven Gardens Carries the Best Christmas Trees and Poinsettias in Town!

Don't forget to visit us this holiday season for quality fresh cut and living trees. Christmas trees and fresh greens and wreaths go on sale the day after Thanksgiving. Christmas trees can be delivered and set up in select areas in Dallas. Check www.nhg.com for Holiday Weekend details to come.



Organic Fall Lawn Care

Fall lawn fertilization is important to keep your lawn healthy through the winter months. It's important that you select fertilizers higher in potassium that will strengthen stems and leaves and encourage root development, making your plants more tolerant to cold temperatures. Our **NHG 6-3-0 Organic Fertilizer** or **Corn Gluten Meal** combined with **Sul-Po-Mag** creates a complete organic fertilizer. Sul-Po-Mag provides the necessary Potassium. The Corn Gluten Meal also acts as a weed suppressant and nitrogen source. Apply between mid-September and mid-October using 20lbs. per 1,000 sq. ft. Water in after applying. If you choose to apply a non-organic product, you can apply our **NHG 21-7-14**, a complete fertilizer for your lawn, trees and shrubs. Aerating your lawn when you fertilize will help loosen compacted soil and stimulate beneficial microbial activity. Visit us at the store and we can help with all of your lawn care questions.

Backyard Chickens

You may have heard some of the buzz going around about backyard chicken keeping. Here at NHG we're committed to helping you with your sustainable gardening and living needs. We feel that keeping small flocks of backyard chickens for fresh eggs and manure for the vegetable garden is a natural component of healthy sustainable living. We carry feed and supplies as well as coops. Check out our chicken keeping books and dvd's. If you're interested in learning how you too can keep chickens in the city, be sure to attend one of our regular educational seminars on chicken keeping. Several of our staff have personal experience with keeping chickens, including Jill, Brandon, Mark and myself and we're always happy to answer your questions and help you get started. Keeping chickens is both rewarding and fun and is a great activity for the whole family. Don't miss the next free Backyard Chicken program Saturday, September 19th at 10AM, during Fall Weekend!

Plant Spring Blooming Bulbs for a Perfect Spring Garden!

by Leslie Finical Halleck MS

September is the best time to begin selecting your favorite varieties of Spring Flowering Bulbs and planning your spring bulb display. Our first shipment of Spring Flowering Bulbs will arrive mid-September, then again in mid-October and mid-November. Popular Tulip varieties, such as 'Menton', 'Maureen', 'Kingsblood' and others sell out quickly, so don't wait until December to visit! Did you know that NORTH HAVEN GARDENS is the only nursery in town that will store and pre-chill your tulip bulbs for you? Select your bulbs early and leave them with us until planting time. Storage at the right temperature, about 45°F, for 60 to 70 days is necessary for your tulips, hyacinth, crocus and other spring flowering bulbs to bloom. Our expert Garden Advisors can provide you with great tips on planting your bulbs and cool-season color as well as help with color and variety selection. Don't miss **Bulb Day November 8th** with free programs on the best bulbs to plant in North Texas and great planting tips. Visit www.nhg.com for details.



PLANTING TIME

Plant Tulips, Hyacinth and other spring-flowering bulbs between Thanksgiving and the end of December, when soil temperatures reach 45-50°F. Daffodils, however, can be planted anytime after October 1st and through mid-January.

WE'LL DO THE CHILLIN'

When you purchase \$100 worth of bulbs, we'll store them for you at just the right temperature for just the right time. We'll call you at the beginning of December to let you know when it's time to plant.



NOW is the TIME...



SEPTEMBER

- Plant cool weather color: Petunias, alyssum, dianthus, cyclamen, primrose, & flowering kale are just a few options you can try. Plant chrysanthemums in containers for color anywhere or plant in the garden to perennialize.
- Select and purchase spring-blooming bulbs mid-September. Select from daffodils, tulips, hyacinths, and specialty bulbs. Shop now for the best selection!
- Plant roses now! Many varieties bloom heavily this time of year. Continue thorough watering, but decrease as rainfall becomes more frequent.
- Plant beets, carrots, cauliflower, broccoli, cabbage and cool season herbs September and October! The cooler temperatures often produce heartier and healthier crops than spring plantings. Don't forget to plant cool season herbs such as dill, cilantro and parsley.
- Fertilize lawns, trees, roses and shrubs at the beginning of September. Between mid-September and mid-October, apply corn gluten meal to turf as an organic weed pre-emergent in your lawn. Use 20 lbs. per 1,000 sq. ft. Or, apply a complete fertilizer such as NHG 21-7-14 to turf.

OCTOBER

- Plant cool-season annuals: mums, snapdragons, dusty miller, cyclamen, Iceland poppies, kale, herbs and much more. Pansies & violas can be planted anytime during fall and winter.
- If you did not fertilize turf in Sept., fertilize now with slow release "winterizing" lawn fertilizer such as NHG 21-7-14 or an organic compost to prepare your lawn for winter.
- Select and purchase spring-blooming bulbs mid-October. Select from daffodils, tulips, hyacinths, and specialty bulbs. Shop now for the best selection!
- Add Compost to veggie beds & mulch all beds, shrubs & trees in preparation for winter.
- Purchase frost cloth to be prepared for unexpected cold weather. Having extra on-hand never hurts!
- Fertilize herbs and veggies with NHG Organic Herb & Veggie Food!
- Keep your lawn green! Over-seed your lawn with cool-season grass. Choose rye for your sunny spots and fescue for shadier areas.
- Fall is the perfect time to plant (and transplant) trees and shrubs! Cooler temperatures and increased rainfall make for easier maintenance.

Fall Vegetables

by Christine Hensley, TCNP, NHG Nursery Coordinator

Now is the time to plant your fall garden! Here in North Texas, fall is the best time to plant your vegetable garden. It's cooler, there is less pest and disease pressure, and we usually start getting some rain by September. Start with either seeds or transplants. Which one you use depends on the time of year and what is available in the nursery. Right now, transplants of the cole crops, broccoli, cauliflower, brussel sprouts, cabbage, kale, and collards are available. Other cool season vegetables are easily started from seed. These include fava beans, carrots, beets, turnips, spinach, Swiss chard, cilantro, lettuce, radish, mustard, and peas. All these vegetables will perform well as the temperatures drop and many will tolerate a light freeze. If you do have some vegetable plants that are damaged by a freeze don't despair, you can replant this same set of crops in late January for an early spring garden before the heat arrives! Visit *NORTH HAVEN GARDENS* through fall and winter for a great selection of vegetable transplants and seed. For more great vegetable info, check the Events page at www.nhg.com to see a schedule of FREE vegetable programs.

"Grow Your Own" Fruit Trees

by Mickie Chenault, NHG Staff

The holidays are just around the corner! Can't you smell the aroma of home made pear tart? Is your mouth watering for fresh fig preserves? You can have all this and more when you plant your own fruit trees! With the resurgence of interest in "grow-your-own", you must make space for your own small orchard. You'll feel confident knowing what has gone into your fruit. No more chemicals and they'll always be picked fresh. Here at NHG we have chosen varieties of fruit that will do well in the North Central Texas area. Come in and choose from our selection of pears, plums, peaches, figs & more. We have all that you need to make your backyard orchard a success. Be sure to enter your best fruit pie in our **Fall Harvest Pie Contest November 14th**. First prize is a \$100 gift card to NHG and \$50 gift card to Sevy's Restaurant. Details at www.nhg.com! *NORTH HAVEN GARDENS* also has an excellent selection of red grapes, white grapes, blueberries and blackberries that arrive mid-September.

Fall Organic Products

by Brandon Sorenson, NHG Rosarian

Fall is an excellent time to get out in the garden and give your friends some extra attention with a feast of organic products to keep them healthy as we enter into the cooler season. For trees, use **MaestroGro's Texas Tee** or **Espoma's Tree-tone** to help build their resilience and strengthen their roots through the winter. You can also use Texas Tee for your shrubs. Or, try a good foliar feed such as **Nature's Guide Garrett Juice**, and mix with **Maxi-Crop Liquid Seaweed** or **Liquid Fish**. Roses should be lightly trimmed and dead-headed, and fed with **NHG Organic Rose Food**. Any of your perennials can be given a foliar feed or **Espoma's Garden-Tone** or **Plant-Tone**. Cool season herbs and veggies perform great with **NHG Organic Herb Food**. Need more help keeping your plants healthy this Fall? We're here to help! Come to *NORTH HAVEN GARDENS* 7-days-a-week or, visit our Garden Forum at www.nhg.com.

Visit our website for more tips and information www.nhg.com

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CUSTOMER SURVEY • FALL 2009

Your honest opinions are appreciated. When finished filling out the survey, just tear off this page and mail it or bring it back to us on your next visit. Thank you!

From your last visit to NORTH HAVEN GARDENS:

(1 being the least and 4 being the best)

Did you feel welcomed? 1 2 3 4
Was help available when you wanted it? 1 2 3 4
Did the nursery appear clean and orderly? 1 2 3 4
Was checkout efficient and courteous? 1 2 3 4
Was signage helpful and easy to read? 1 2 3 4
Did you enjoy your shopping experience? 1 2 3 4
Did you find what you needed? 1 2 3 4

On a scale of 1-4, how important is a green/sustainable lifestyle to you? (1 being less organic, 4 being most)

1 2 3 4

Do you visit our Farmer's Market or another local market? Yes No

If yes, which one?: _____

What would make you visit ours more often? _____

What service or product would you like NHG to offer that we currently do not? _____

Do you compost at home? Yes No
If not, why? Don't know how No space
 Don't feel it's necessary

True or False "I would compost at home if I had more education"

How long have you shopped at NHG? ___yrs ___mos

How did you first hear of NHG? Friend

Advertisement Website Radio Personality

News source Free Event/Program

Do you grow vegetables? Yes No

If yes, which season? Spring Fall

Summer Winter

What veggies do you grow? _____

Would you grow more veggies if you had more instruction from NHG? Yes No

Have you found inspiration by visiting our on-site

Vegetable Display Garden? Yes No

Do you visit www.NHG.com? Yes No

How often? daily 1-2 times per week

1-2 times per month Other _____

Which section at www.nhg.com do you find most useful? _____

Do you use our online forum? Yes No

What would you like to see on our site that is not currently there? _____

Do you attend programs at NHG? Yes No

What is your favorite program? _____

What program would you like to see? _____

If not, why? Distance Time No Interest

How likely are you to refer us to friends & family?

Circle one. 1- least likely. 10- most likely.

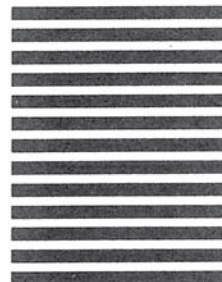
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