## 2019 September Pollinator Pathways

Well, the temperature outside is certainly low enough to let you know that Fall is here. Fall is a wonderful time of year. Here in the North East it's a great time to get outside. Walking in woods and parks and fields without wilting in the sun is a nice thing.

It's also that time when we tidy and fix gardens for the coming Winter. If you think that the proper way of winterizing your garden is to cut back everything to make it neat, perhaps not. Chopping everything really isn't the best answer for your garden's needs.

On Sept. 19<sup>th</sup> Pollinator Pathways is having a Conversation about this subject.



## Pollinator Friendly Fall Clean up: Preserving Pollinator Habitat and Biodiversity

Thurs. Sept. 19, 2019, 7 pm – 8 pm \* Kingston Community Library\* Kingston, NH

With a few simple changes to your landscaping approach, you can provide over wintering habitat for pollinators like our native bees. And it also means less work for you too! Patty Laughlin of Lorax Landscaping discusses traditional fall landscape clean-ups and techniques for preserving garden and pollinator health for spring. Free and open to the public

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On your own property it's a good time to check out the wildflower plants to see if the seeds of the plants you like are ripe. They should be dark brown and falling out of the flower head. Seeds can be harvested and planted or saved for next year. Native seeds will grow well with care. Native plants are what our pollinators need. It's a rewarding project.

With this in mind, there will be a upcoming event talking about: seeds, how to harvest them, how to share them, and the best manner and time to plant them.

## Pollinator Conversations: Seeds for Next Year's Pollinators

Oct. 23, 2019, 6-7pm \* Kingston Community Library \* Kingston, NH

By planting milkweed and other plants, you can help monarchs, bees and butterflies in your yard or community. Come to our Fall seed swap and get some seeds to plant before (or after) the ground freezes. Learn:

- Tips for successfully planting seeds in the Fall
- Some seeds actually require winter cold to germinate
- Three different species of Milkweed and their water/soil/sun requirements.

Bring your questions and any seeds you'd like to share (**optional**). Please register by emailing marghi3maples@gmail.com

Have any of you ever gone to a cookie swap? The Pollinator Pathways thinks of this as similar...only it's a seed swap. Come have fun.

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If you have any questions please email me. We are so pleased to bring these programs to you.

We'd love to share your photos of your garden! If you have pictures please send them in. It's always rewarding to show off your work – don't be bashful! Looking forward to seeing you on the 19<sup>th</sup>!

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