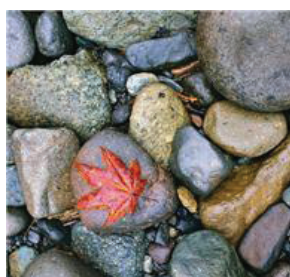




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# The GARDENER

**Celebrating Over 80 Years of Bloomin' Joy!**



Finally...A report that says flowers perk up people's mornings. That explains why every morning here at Bayport Flower Houses the staff and customers are always in such a great mood!

Yes, it's that easy...just surround yourself and your friends and family with flowers and let the good times roll. Seriously, sounds like fluff but it's true. It doesn't

take much, a sunflower in a vase on the breakfast table, a blooming mum on the porch...flower set the tone of your home. Read the article inside and take advantage of our new weekly flower fill ups...flowers are a great prescription for the morning blues.

Autumn is around the corner and you can already feel the change in tempo and temperature. Stop in and learn about ways to decorate you home, take care of your garden and see or chickens and have some fun with the kids at our Super Saturdays.

I hope to see you...it's my favorite season!

Karl



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*"The Best Deal In Town"*

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### Front Porch Edition!

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## Tent Sale

Sale begins Saturday, October 12<sup>th</sup>  
through Sunday, October 20<sup>th</sup>

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## Can Petal Power Perk Up Your Morning?

**A Harvard Study Says Yes.**

### *Top Floral Designer Offers Quick, Simple “How-To’s” on Fashioning Flowers for Positive Moods in the Morning*

Recent research confirms that flowers might be the perfect pick-me-up for millions of Americans who do not consider themselves “morning people.” Participants of a behavioral study conducted by researchers at Harvard University and Massachusetts General Hospital confirmed that they feel least positive in the early hours but reported being happier and more energetic after looking at flowers first thing in the morning.

“The morning blahs, it turns out, is a real phenomenon, with positive moods – happiness, friendliness and warmth, for example – manifesting much later in the day,” says lead researcher Nancy Etcoff, Ph.D. “Interestingly, when we placed a small bouquet of flowers into their morning routines, people perked up.”

Dr. Etcoff is referencing the fact that participants in the study responded to the flowers, which had been placed in rooms they frequented in the morning. Overall, the participants reported they liked to look at the blooms first thing in the morning, particularly in the kitchen. The final study results demonstrate that flowers impact people emotionally at home, causing them to feel less anxious and more compassionate. They even reported a boost of energy that lasted through their day.

“What I find interesting is that by starting the day in a more positive mood, you are likely to transfer those happier feelings to others – it’s what is called mood contagion,” says Etcoff. “And, the kitchen is the place where families tend to gather in the morning – imagine how big a difference a better morning mood can make.”

- Cut flower stems short and place flowers in interesting or everyday kitchen containers such as tea tins, jelly jars, salt and pepper shakers or even pretty wine glasses. Pick something to match your personal style.
- To make a big “wow” statement, choose lots of one type of flower. Take off the leaves below the waterline and place them in a big jug, teapot, coffee tin or water pitcher for a burst of cheer.
- Inspire neatness. Place flowers where kitchen clutter typically congregates to prevent future messes from settling there.



## WEEKLY FLOWER FILL UPS

A Menu of Stems Perfect For All Those Empty Vases Around Your House  
Kitchens, Bathrooms, Office, Entryways...

**\$10 bunch**

10 Locally Grown Sunflower Stems

**\$5 bunch**

10 Locally Grown Zinnia Stems

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NEW For 2013!

## Fall Harvest Vegetables!

**Kale - Spinach- Lettuce  
Broccoli - Swiss Chard**

Extend your veggie garden growing season this year with a second season crop! Enjoy fresh, home grown vegetables into the fall and winter season. You’ll find it a bit easier to garden due to fewer pests and cooler temps. You’ll also get the bonus of having a “cover crop” which will work organically to build and protect your soil.



## Send Your Plants on a Tropical Winter Vacation to the lush greenhouses of Bayport Flower Houses’ this year!



From Tropical Hibiscus to Gardenias and Lemon Trees and much more, the plants are given the proper growing environment throughout the winter. They are fed and pruned properly to insure top performance when they return home.

Most Plants/Shrubs/Trees spend October through May with us. For more information, fees and scheduling, please call **(631) 472-0014** or email us at [greenhouse@bayportflower.com](mailto:greenhouse@bayportflower.com)

## Did You Know...

That we take our ‘show’ on the road?  
We are available for talks on gardening, flower arranging and anything else horticultural! Give us a call for your next meeting - or school group - we’ll be sure to grow on you.





**Registration Required** for all of our classes to ensure we've got enough supplies for everyone.  
Please call 631-472-0014 or stop in.

## Autumn Fun at Bayport Flower Houses

September 7<sup>th</sup> at 10 am

**DIG DROP DONE** - Spring Flowering Bulbs Made Easy  
FREE OF CHARGE Learn to layer bulbs for a wonderful spring container display. Technique can also be used in your home flower beds. Attendees will get GREAT Bulb Discounts!

September 12<sup>th</sup> Good Neighbor Day - Stop by on Thursday, September 12 for our annual **GOOD Neighbor Day** - Get 6 FREE Roses, Keep one for yourself then pass them on. It feels good to make someone's day!

September 14<sup>th</sup> at 10 am OR 3 pm

Autumn Porch Pots with Karl

\$40.00 material fee, Take the ordinary to Extraordinary. Refresh your entryway or back deck with a fall container garden that will look great throughout the season. This class will include the container, soil, time-release fertilizer, fall blooming plants, instruction and we do the cleanup!

**FALL EQUINOX** September 22, 4:44 P.M.

September 28<sup>th</sup> at 10 am

Making The Most Of Perennials

\$10.00 material fee, How to dig, divide, and transplant these prized jewels of the garden. Includes free fertilizer and Perennial coupon.

October 5<sup>th</sup> at 10 am

Spring Bulb Lasagna \$40.00 material fee., Learn to layer bulbs for a wonderful spring container display. Technique can also be used in your home flower beds.

October 12<sup>th</sup> at 10 am

Putting Your Garden To Bed For The Winter FREE OF CHARGE  
Donuts & Java for all! Our tips, tricks, secrets and more of Fall Gardening which will lead to your best Spring Garden ever!

November 16<sup>th</sup> & 17<sup>th</sup> at 10 am OR 2 pm

Evergreen Porch Pots with Karl

\$40.00 material fee, Refresh your entryway or back deck with a winter evergreen container garden that will welcome the winter season.

November 23<sup>rd</sup> at 10 am

Tabletop Flowers For Thanksgiving

\$40.00 material fee, Celebrate Thanksgiving with a one of a kind and unique arrangement, made by you. We'll provide the materials and you bring your creative flair—we'll help you make it.

## Mark Your Calendars For Winter Fun!

**Holiday Open House** November 16<sup>th</sup> & 17<sup>th</sup>

**NEW!**

**Festive Florals Weekend** November 23<sup>rd</sup> & 24<sup>th</sup>

**Tree Lighting & Santa Visits** November 30<sup>th</sup>

**Bus Trip to the New York Botanical Gardens & Holiday Train Show** - December 3<sup>rd</sup>



## BEWITCHING

Come Have A Ton of **BEWITCHING** Fun!  
Classes begin at **3:30 pm** Class fee includes the class & activity, **Hayride, Spooky Walk, & Halloween Maze**  
**Pre-Registration Required** to ensure we've got enough supplies for everyone.

September 28 at 3:30 pm

### Absolutely Autumn! - \$10 pp

It's the first week of Autumn - let's celebrate! The change of seasons is a great time for fun with a story, a couple of great crafts, some Autumn games and a cupcake treat!



October 5 at 3:30 pm

### Scarecrow Madness - \$10 pp

Bring Your Favorite Flannel Shirts and Old Jeans- we'll provide the scarecrow form, the "head", hay and some fun "extras" for you to build your own Scarecrow for this Halloween Season!

October 12 at 3:30 pm

### The Hunt For Creepy Creatures - \$10 pp

Just in time for Halloween, what creepy creatures will we find in the garden this year...oh my! They're helpful, really...learn while you "meet & greet" some of nature's creepiest creatures! This year will include some real "creepy" captive carnivores, thanks to **Seemore Gardens**.



October 26 at 3:30 pm

### Pumpkin-palooza - \$15 pp

Traditional Jack O'Lantern? Crazy Witch Pumpkin, Cute But Spooky Pumpkin? Your choice! We'll provide the tools, the pumpkin AND you get to leave the guts with us! This year you'll also get a real cool, twinkle light to safely light your pumpkin this Halloween!



*Of autumn's wine, now drink your fill;  
the frost's on the pumpkin,  
and snow's on the hill.*

- The Old Farmer's Almanac, 1993





## We've Got It All This Fall!

(AND We're Close To Home)

*Halloween Giftware & Décor*  
*Pumpkin Patch – Cold Weather Pansies*  
*Cornstalks – Hay Bales*  
*Indian Corn – Home Grown Mums*  
*Grasses – Pottery*  
*Ornamental Kale & Cabbage*  
*Spring Flowering Bulbs*  
*AND Carnivorous Plants!*



## Happenings at the Chick-Inn

Watching our flock of chickens grow has been a phenomenal act of nature. In just three, short months, small, pale balls of fluff transform into a regal animals with prize worthy feathers, bright red waddles and the ability to lay eggs! I know we always say that, as parents, where did the time go, but wow....



It's been an education, to be sure, raising the ladies of the "Chick-Inn". The wealth of "chicken knowledge" from folks around the world continue to amaze every day. For instance, a quick visit to the Eggs Daily website, let me know that a fragrant sachet of rose petals, lavender stems and herbs added to a nesting box would soothe the ladies, improve their air quality

(and ours) and make them better layers. A spa-like setting is good for our chickens, who knew?

Who also knew that they love cherry tomatoes. In fact our White Leghorns love cherry tomatoes so much that they walk around with them stuck to their beaks. Kind of like a Chicken Clown.

And we've had our first eggs. It's a very egg-citing time to say the least! Everyone loves to be the finder of the morning egg. The ladies all get really loud and very protective of the "layer" when an egg is on it's way. And according to both Karl and Abigail, they're mighty tasty too!

Stay tuned and we'll have a live update from the flock in our next newsletter or, better yet, stop by and see for yourself, the ladies of the Chick-Inn.



### CARNIVORES IN CAPTIVITY

We are all aware now of the growing trend to be greener in our lives, and to be more enviro-friendly in our lifestyles. Everything from the food we eat, to the houses we live in, are being refined to improve our quality of life and to help in educating us in being good stewards of this wonderful planet for future generations to enjoy. An easy way to get started, is with one of our basic recreational pastimes, "gardening". Would you believe that there is a species of plants that require no fertilizer or toxic chemical sprays to survive and love to be to be over-watered? Well, there is and they are called CARNIVOROUS PLANTS.

Their basic requirements are lots of sunlight and pure water (not tap water which contains chlorine that affects the plants). In return, they will grace you with beautiful, long lasting flowers in the spring and will provide four seasons of intrigue. All by sustaining themselves on the obnoxious and biting flying insects that are all around us.

Carnivorous plants are unique and easy to grow. They are great for gardens and ponds, decks, patios, sunrooms and window sills. The locations are almost boundless.

Thank you,

Eric Kunz, Seemore Carnivorous Gardens - Available at Bayport Flower Houses

P.S. - TAKE A BUG-OUT



## Re-Purpose ALERT!!

Once you've harvested all those juicy and delicious tomatoes, why not re-purpose your tomato cage for some Halloween fun!



1. Turn the cage upside down.
2. Form a ball out of newspaper and place it among the prongs to give a round shape.
3. Wrap white Christmas light around cage
4. Drape white sheet or fabric over entire cage.
5. Add eyes out of black felt!
6. Happy Spooking!

## Autumn Gardening Chores



If you haven't brought your house plants in yet, do it before you have to start heating your home. This gives them a chance to adjust. Wash them thoroughly before bringing them in to rid them of any pests and eggs.

Plant spring bulbs as long as the ground is workable. Plant the following bulbs soon: trout lily, tulip, narcissus (including daffodil), snowdrop, winter aconite, star-flower, and crown imperial. For crown imperial, add a little lime to the soil.

Onions are nearly ripe when the tips of the leaves turn yellow. Break them at the necks. This will speed the final ripening

process. Loosen the soil to encourage drying, and after a few days turn them up and let them cure on dry ground. Always handle them very carefully — the slightest bruise will encourage rot to set in.

Potatoes are ready for harvest when their tops begin to turn brown.

This is a great time to plant new trees and shrubs because the new roots will have plenty of time to become established before the spring.

Delay pruning trees and shrubs until early next spring; however, you should remove any broken and diseased branches.

As you empty annual beds, clean out all dead plants. A clean garden will have fewer diseases next spring. Add manure, compost, and leaves to provide it with more organic matter.

In emptied vegetable gardens, consider planting cover crops such as buckwheat or annual rye that will protect the soil until you're ready to plant again.

Fall is the best time to start lawn grasses from seed. Till the soil before sowing and provide several light waterings each week.

Fertilize your lawn. Lawns fertilized in the fall are better equipped to survive the winter. Reseed in bare patches.

Watch for frost forecasts. Harvest tomatoes before the first killing frost. Ripen indoors away from sunlight.

Harvest brussels sprouts & parsnips once they've been exposed to frost.

**NEW FOR FALL CLEANUPS**  
**BAMBOO RAKES!**

And don't forget your paper leaf bags, now a law in Brookhaven Town.