

Notes from Evergreen



Quarterly Update

- Upcoming Fall Harvest Features Sale of Native Plants
- US Cellular Assists Education Outreach With Technology Donation
- Barn Renovations Begin

Fall Greetings!

You're invited to our Second Annual Fall Harvest on Sunday, October 15th from 1-4 pm at the Center/Farm at 15603 Trimble Road NW in Mt Savage, MD 21545. Admission is free.

Try your hand at old-fashioned cider-making (bring your own apples), enjoy "flavors of fall" food samples, tour the Evergreen Museum, shop the Mt Savage 4-H Club's Produce Booth and Evergreen Cupboard gift shop, and purchase pumpkins and mums. For kids, we'll have special make and take fall crafts.

This fall, we'll offer a 10% early bird discount on native plants pre-ordered by October 11. Native plants require less water because they're adapted to local environmental conditions, and provide much-needed habitats for local wildlife, including birds. Evergreen's plants are grown on-site from seed, and are sold ready for planting on a first-come, first-serve basis. **A copy of the pre-order form is available on page 2 of this newsletter.**

Available plant varieties for sale, include: anise hyssop, big bluestem, black-eyed Susan, blue false indigo, blue flag iris, blue-stemmed goldenrod, bottlebrush grass, brown-eyed Susan, butterfly weed, Canada milk vetch, common boneset, common milkweed, downy alumroot, great blue lobelia, great St Johnswort, hairy mountain mint, lanceleaf coreopsis, little bluestem, New England aster, orange coneflower, perennial blanketflower, prairie dropseed, rattlesnake master, showy goldenrod, sundial lupine, white wild indigo, and wild quinine.

Completed forms can be emailed to Hana or mailed to the Evergreen Heritage Center Foundation, 101 Braddock Heights, Frostburg, MD 21532-2345. Plant pre-orders will be available for pickup during the Fall Harvest event. Payment can be made by check, cash or credit/debit card.

Sincerely yours,

Janice Keene, Director

SUNDAYS @EVERGREEN

FALL HARVEST

OCTOBER 15TH FROM 1- 4PM

- Make your own apple cider (bring your own apples, please!)
- Purchase native plants, pumpkins & mums
- Shop the Mt Savage 4-H Club's Produce Booth & Evergreen Cupboard Gift Shop
- Taste the flavors of fall
- Tour the Evergreen Mansion & our beautiful grounds
- For Kids: Create make & take crafts

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Evergreen Heritage Center
15603 Trimble Rd NW
Mt Savage, MD 21545

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Sundays @Evergreen



Second Annual Fall Harvest on October 15, 2017 from 1 to 4 PM

SAVE 10% WHEN YOU ORDER YOUR FALL PLANTS BY OCTOBER 11th!

	Price	Quantity	Total
NATIVE PLANTS			
Agastache foeniculum (Anise Hyssop)	\$7.00		
Andropogon gerardii (Big Bluestem)	\$6.00		
Asclepias syriaca (Common Milkweed)	\$8.00		
Asclepias tuberosa (Butterfly Weed)	\$8.00		
Astragalus canadensis (Canada Milk Vetch)	\$7.00		
Baptisia alba (White Wild Indigo)	\$7.00		
Baptisia australis (Blue False Indigo, S. WV Ecotype)	\$7.00		
Coreopsis lanceolata (Lanceleaf Coreopsis)	\$7.00		
Elymus hystrix (Bottlebrush Grass)	\$6.00		
Eryngium yuccifolium (Rattlesnake Master)	\$7.00		
Eupatorium perfoliatum (Common Boneset)	\$7.00		
Gaillardia aristata (Perennial Blanketflower)	\$7.00		
Heuchera pubescens (Downy Alumroot)	\$7.00		
Hypericum pyramidatum (Great St. Johnswort, PA ecotype)	\$8.00		
Iris versicolor (Blue Flag Iris)	\$7.00		
Lobelia siphilitica (Great Blue Lobelia)	\$7.00		
Lupinus perennis (Sundial Lupine)	\$7.00		
Parthenium integrifolium (Wild Quinine)	\$7.00		
Pycnanthemum verticillatum (Hairy Mountain Mint)	\$7.00		
Rudbeckia fulgida (Orange Coneflower)	\$7.00		
Rudbeckia hirta (Black-eyed Susan)	\$7.00		
Rudbeckia triloba (Brown-eyed Susan)	\$7.00		
Schizachyrium scoparium (Little Bluestem)	\$6.00		
Solidago caesia (Blue-stemmed Goldenrod)	\$7.00		
Solidago nemoralis (Old Field Goldenrod)	\$7.00		
Solidago speciosa (Showy Goldenrod)	\$7.00		
Sporobolus heterolepis (Prairie Dropseed)	\$6.00		
Symphotrichum novae-angliae (New England Aster)	\$7.00		
SUBTOTAL			\$
SUBTRACT 10% (early discount)			
FINAL TOTAL			\$
Your name:			
Your phone/email:			

How it works

1. Fill out your order form.
2. Save it your computer.
3. Email it to hana66@gmail.com.
4. Pay (cash or charge) at pickup

or

1. Print and fill out your order form.
2. Mail it to:

EHC FOUNDATION

101 Braddock Hts

Frostburg, MD 21532-2345.

3. Enclose a check for your order or pay (cash or charge) at pickup.

Questions? Call Hana Yoder at
919-302-1408.

Quantities available may vary;
plants sold first-come, first-serve.

If selected varieties are sold out,
you will receive a full refund.

Thank you for your kind support of
the Evergreen Heritage Center
Foundation!

US Cellular Donates Devices

Wifi-enabled devices will be used in environmental outreach programs

Many thanks to US Cellular's Women In Action group for their generous donation of four Android tablets to Evergreen. The Android wifi-enabled tablets will be used for the 2017-2018 school year primarily for off-site environmental outreach and after-school programs led by Evergreen's Director of Education, Elaine Raesly.

The Androids will be used to "talk" to air particulate meters (AirCasting Air Monitors) that Evergreen will borrow from the Maryland Association for Environmental & Outdoor Education. (The AirCasting Air Monitors retail for \$250/each.) The monitors can be used indoors and outdoors to help students better understand how air quality can impact their environmental health. Using this technology, students will be able to record and map temperature, humidity, CO and NO2 gas concentrations recorded by the monitors through an app called Air Casting (<http://aircasting.org>).

Why is this unique?

It's a different and innovative technology that teachers in our region may not have access to. It's a special opportunity for Evergreen to augment learning opportunities and introduce this technology to ACPS students and educators. Elaine participated in a full-day training program to understand how the



monitors work and how to implement them as part of her lesson plans.

Initially, the tablets and monitors may be used in Westmar's after-school program, the Career Center's environmental science program, and possibly as part of Evergreen's field trips at the SERF building at FSU.

Evergreen Receives 2017 Resource Conservation Award



The Evergreen Heritage Center was recently presented with the 2017 Resource Conservation Award by the Allegany Soil Conservation District on August 24. The award was presented in recognition of Evergreen's use of best practices in environmental conservation, including its 2016 decision to protect Evergreen for future generations through a conservation easement and its year-long project to repurpose diseased ash trees impacted by the Emerald Ash Borer epidemic.

As experienced by many North American landowners, the Emerald Ash Borer, native to Northeastern Asian, has been a destructive insect outside of its native region. At Evergreen, the invasive species attacked the majority of Evergreen's ash trees: over 400 trees on the property. Evergreen's Matt Diehl developed a plan to harvest the infected trees on a schedule that would ensure the ability to repurpose the trees for use on the property. Matt and other Evergreen staff harvested the trees while they were still viable and milled them in Evergreen's Heritage Saw Mill.

The 400 ash trees yielded over 700 logs and 4,000 boards of various sizes that are being used for projects, including the repair and restoration of Evergreen's 200-year old barn. (See page 4.)

Restoring the Evergreen Barn

The Evergreen Heritage Center and its partners are repurposing the historic Evergreen Barn to serve as an additional venue for Evergreen classes, workshops, and events to help subsidize its education programs. The barn will feature displays and interpretative signage to tell the story of early Maryland's agricultural history and showcase 18th century barn architecture, artifacts, and workmanship.

For two years, the Evergreen Heritage Center Foundation has been working with Historic Structures Consultant Douglass Reed, Structural Engineers Keast & Hood, and Architectural Firm Cho, Been and Holbak. The parties performed a structural feasibility study (to verify the structure's viability), and developed specifications and drawings for the repair and renovation of the building.

The construction work began in early September. One aspect of their work will be repair of the threshing floor on the upper barn floor and the addition of flooring to the side hay mows. As ash was recommend for this work, Evergreen is using lumber from the property's ash trees that had been attacked by the Emerald Ash Borer. The lumber has been milled and dried specifically for this purpose.

Repair and restoration of the Evergreen Barn is being funded by grants from the Community Trust Foundation, the France-Merrick Foundation, and the Evergreen Heritage Center Foundation donations made in memory of Marianna Trimble Keene, who grew up on the farm and passed away this past March.



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We Host Events!

Our secluded location eliminates distractions, yet is a short drive away. We are outside Mount Savage, only 15 minutes from Frostburg and Cumberland. Our green facility can accommodate your meeting or event for up to 50 people. Guests may enjoy tours of the historic Evergreen Museum, barn, and walking trail. Catering services available.

For more information, contact us at 301-687-0664 or foundation@evergreenheritagecenter.org.

