### RAKE AND HOE GARDEN CLUB of WESTFIELD NJ

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September 11, 2006- Rake & Hoe Board Meeting
At Barbara Mullin's- Main course



Inge Bossert's trio of desserts





Arrangements made by Barbara Mullin for the Rake & Hoe Auction Pink one went for \$13.00 and Sunflowers one for \$8.00



September 20, 2006- Markendorff Creative Design Class- Tubular Design Debbie Moran and Florence Leysenne designs using PVC pipe containers









September 21, 200 Miller Cory Clean-Up
Barbara Mullin cutting back and cleaning up the Peony bed

September 25, 2006 Symposium- Creative Design by Judges







September 25, 2006 Symposium- Creative Design by Peggy Nuse











September 27, 200 Flower Show School- Traditional Designs by Peggy Nuse







September 27, 200 Flower Show School- Traditional Line Mass by Judges



















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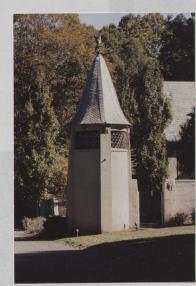






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October 19, 2006- Dedication of Tree in Memory of Karen (Tate) Oros







October 19, 2006- Dedication of Tree in memory of Karen (Tate) Oros Karen's Family

Rake & Hoe General Meeting 12-13-06 at Nancy-Smith's -Luncheon







Rake & Hoe General Meeting 12-13-06 at Nancy-Smith's –Desserts and Some Members





### January 8, 2007- R & H Board at Fran Braders









January 10, 2007- Rake & Hoe Meeting
Refreshmenst by Erica Fried, Marianne Murray & Barbara Mullin- Paperware by Kay Cross





January 10, 2007- Rake & Hoe Meeting

Nancy Wallace Trophy Competition- Cookies, Cracker, Biscuits and tea Breads with Herbs

Margot Partridge\_Rosemary Cookies the winner









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The Chef from Echo Lake Country Club was the Judge







March 5, 2007- Centerpiece at Board Meeting Rake & Hoe at Colleen Schmidt's



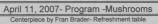
March 14, 2007- Rake & Hoe General meeting Centerpiece by Bobbie Grecco

March 14, 2007 Rake & Hoe General Meeting
Refreshment table















# April 11, 2007- Judy Kampe Competition Elfin Magic The Winning Design was by Peggy Smith





April 11, 2007- Judy Kampe Competition

Elfin Magic

Jane Gross, Erica Fried, Fran Brader, & Barbara Mullin











## May 8, 2007 Rake & Hoe Plant exchange at Barbara Mullin's- various members who brought and took plants























May 9, 2007-Rake & Hoe Meeting
Exquisite Design by Jill Sitcer and tasty refreshments

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Program "Owls of the Northeast"- Lauren Butcher of the Raptor Trust with a living Owl





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May, 2007- Franklin School accepting gifts from The Rake & Hoe- Karen Jolley-Gates presenter

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### Rake and Hoe Secret Garden Tour

Welcome to the Secret Garden Tour. We invite you to explore five beautiful gardens. While each garden is unique, there is one similar element, the gardener. Each gardener shares a passion for gardening that is evident throughout the tour. We encourage everyone to visit the gardens in order so that each gardener can be there to answer any questions that you may have. After our tour, we will end our day with lunch at Tracy Criscitiello's house.

- 1. Jill Sitcer 20 Barchester Way Westfield, NJ
- 2. Barbara Mullin 227 New Providence Road Mountainside, NJ
- 3. Alice Cowell 1417 Orchard Road Mountainside, NJ
- 4. Pam Seither 274 Woodacres Court Mountainside, NJ
- 5. Jeff & Mary Stoffer 257 Central Avenue Mountainside, NJ
- 6. Tracy Criscitiello 465 Bayberry Lane Mountainside, NJ

#### JILL SITCHER'S SECRET GARDEN

When we moved to this house 20 years ago, there were only foundation plantings and little or no garden. We moved 6 white pines from next to the deck to their current location near the street, opening up the yard to viewing.

Over the years, as I incorporated many plants that I admired, the garden has expanded to its current scope. Who knows where it will end? Each year I find other plants I cannot live without, so I add a bed for them to grow in. I do most of the work myself, employing my lawn people for large shrub replacement. I enjoy the physical and psychological aspects of gardening to keep me in shape and joyful when looking out my kitchen window or sitting on the porch.

About 10 years ago, due to some needed drainage work at the back edge of the property, we added the fish pond. The original goldfish have resulted in as many as 15, but now we have 10, due to marauding herons and maybe raccoons or cats. Several are original members of the family.

The newest area I am working on is near the fence under the evergreens where I have planted Lady's Mantle and daffodils. I hope to add more plantings this season to expand the view from my deck.

#### BARBARA MULLIN'S SECRET GARDEN

The house was built in 1928 and except for some trees and shrubs Robert Mullin planted when he move here in 1953, there was never any real garden. In 1971, Barbara Mullin arrived and a garden has been evolving ever since. Bringing lots of perennials with me, I gradually planted what I like, mainly flowers. This is a small garden crammed full of plants of over 200 types. Except for sidewalks and major walls, most of the gardens were done without outside assistance. Paths, small walls, raised beds and mow strip edging were all done by the current gardener. Wood chips are used to handle the problems created by Maple trees' roots and as pathways between the raised beds. The garden features over 60 peonies, hundreds of Hemerocallis, Iris, about 500 Lilies and thousands of spring flowering bulbs. There are lots of plants for shady areas, including Hosta, Fern, Astilbe and Heuchera, as well as sun loving plants. My goal is to have flowers blooming from April through November each year to use for floral arrangements for my church and in my home. 102 Asiatic and Oriental Lilies were planted in 2007 for summer bloom as well as many new perennials and shrubs. I have also been propagating lots of things from cuttings, stem plantlets and layering. This is great fun!

There is also a solarium full of plants and this room is available for your viewing. Feel free to open any drawers or cupboards and look inside. Also open for your view is the shed for storage ideas.

#### ALICE COWELL'S SECRET GARDEN

These gardens are a labor of love. We have added, moved or re-moved much of the original landscape. I moved plants here even before we owned the house!

There are 3 perennial, 2 shade and 1 rose bed. Many of my perennials are from you over the years. Uncle Angelo's weigela, Aunt Ester's lithium, a white fig tree from a Long Island neighbor and a peach tree from a Brooklyn neighbor completes the landscape.

Notice our street light. It hales from a salvage place in Connecticut. It is the top of a street lamp originally from England. The bulb has never been replaced in all of the 25 years we have owned it. Also, the window box – it was two boxes from my mother's house in Brooklyn. I had it cut and welded to fit our upstairs windows. I had a metal box made for the plants.

Hope you enjoy all that we have done.

#### PAM SEITHER'S SECRET GARDEN

Woodacres Court could not be named more appropriately. The backdrop of the woods gives it a secluded feeling and the sunsets in the evening are beautiful. The seasons at #274 are an ever-changing tapestry of ferns, coral-bells, hosta, hydrangeas and ornamental grasses. Different blooming perennials and annuals are continually changing the pattern of color on the hills. On display is a combination of statuary from the Far East, giving the allure of the Orient. Please enter my sanctuary and enjoy.

Peace, Pam.

#### JEFF & MARY'S STOFFER'S SECRET GARDEN

This garden is the biggest surprise of all! None of us has ever seen it. Jeff always wanted to have a garden tour at his home and we are more than happy to oblige him.

#### TRACY CRISCITELLO'S SECRET GARDEN

Welcome to my garden. The first thing I am sure you have noticed is the lack of great landscaping in the front yard. Due to the many deer that enjoy my yard, I keep putting off landscaping this area. I am looking into deer proof plants, but it looks like the front will end up with boxwood and more boxwood. As you enter into the back yard, you will hopefully find a large assortment of hostas, ferns and other shade loving perennials. I am purposely not listing particular specimens as I am not sure what you will be seeing today. It is always a surprise to me in the spring to see what has survived from the year before.

The area around the pool is a constant work-in-progress as I have yet to be happy with any of the designs I have tried. Maybe one of you can give me some suggestions.

Hope you enjoy!

May 24, 2007- Rake & Hoe Secret Garden Tour

Jill Sitcer's garden







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Barbara Mullin's Garden





May 24, 2007- Rake & Hoe Secret Garden Tour Barbara Mullin's Garden-Jill Sitcer looking at Rhurbarb





### May 24, 2007- Rake & Hoe Secret Garden Tour Alice Cowell's Garden-Low Growing Deutzia & Weigelia





## May 24, 2007- Rake & Hoe Secret Garden Tour Alice Cowell's Garden-Columbine 'Nora Barlow'





Rake & Hoe "Secret Garden Tour"

Pam Seither's -A non members who opened her garden to us all



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### Rake & Hoe "Secret Garden Tour" Pam Seither's -A non members who opened her garden to us all





#### Rake & Hoe "Secret Garden Tour"

AT Jeff and Mary Stoffer's- A garden of impeccable neatness- also a non-member





Rake & Hoe "Secret Garden Tour"

At Tracy Criscitiello's garden with a pool-side lunch









Miller Cory House Peony Garden Planted by R & H in 2004



Peonies



#### The Rake and Hoe Garden Club, Inc. of Westfield Annual Meeting and Luncheon

Echo Lake Country Club 12 Noon Wednesday, June 13, 2007 Cash Bar

Call to Order and Welcome Pamela Kolh Introduction of Guests Pamela Kolb Introduction of New Members Nancy Smith **Program Announcements** Linda Winter Invocation Nancy Smith

Luncheon

Thank you

Hospitality Flower Arranging

Program

Fran Brader Tracy Criscitiello Colleen Schmidt

Linda Winter

Business

Treasurer's Report

Announcements

Awards Pamela Kolb Karen Jollev-Gates

**Bird Count Competition** Presentation of the Judy Kampe Trophy Presentation of the Nancy Wallace Trophy Presentation of the Agnes Eggiman Award Life Members Presentation Program

Installation of Officers 2007-2008

Onnolee Allieri

Pamela Kolb

Gavle Lechner

Ellen Cuddy

Letty Hudak

HAPPY SUMMER HAPPY GARDENING SEE YOU IN SEPTEMBER



Kay Cross and Linda Parker presented with Life Membership by Pam Kolb June 13, 2007 at echo Lake Country Club



Top Prizes for Body Adornment
Fran Brader ( ctr) First- Kay Cross, Bobbie Grecco, Jane Gross and Alice Cowell

June 13, 2007 Rake & Hoe Awards luncheon at Echo Lake country Club- Sample of Centerpeices







June 13, 2007- Annual Awards Luncheon at Echo Lake CC



Installation of Officers with Onnolee Allieri GCNJ Pres.

Maryann Peitruszki- Carole Smilloe, Linda Winter and Nancy Smith- Absent Marylyn Straight



Karen Jolley Gates presents Margot with Nancy Wallace Trophy for her Herbal cookies



Karen Presents Judy Kampe Trophy to Peggy Smith for her small design



Letty Hudak presents Bird Count award to Fran Brader and Sherry Elsasser tied



Maryann Pietruszki and Nancy Smith receive Agnes Eggiman Award



Erica Fried honored for becoming Flower Show Judge
Kay Cross and Karen Jolley-Gates look on



Erica Fried, Kay Cross and guest Onnolee Allieri bedecked with flowers

June 13, 2007- Annual Lunch at echo Lake County club