

Mark your calendars for the upcoming Garden District's

Spring Perennial & Seed Exchange

Saturday, May 14 from 10 am - Noon

At the Community Garden on 6th Street between Howard and Norwich, east of the Water Tower

Come early to get set up, make friendly contacts and to look over the many items for trade and for the best selection.

This is a completely **FREE** event. Just bring both your divided or no longer wanted/needed perennials along with seeds that you have collected from your garden that you can exchange with others doing the same. This is a wonderful way to expand and beautify your gardens and our neighborhoods without spending any money!

If you are bringing seeds to trade or giveaway, please try to have them separated into individual quantities (zip lock snack storage bags, envelopes, old prescription pill bottles, or other small containers are great for this purpose) and labeled for identification purposes for those gardeners that want your items.

One of the Garden Committee's goals is to expand the opportunities for **FREE** planting items that residents within our "Garden District" can receive without cost. The spring perennial and seed exchange also gives those attending the chance to network, talk and make contacts with other Garden District gardeners so that you may end up getting even more plants, seeds and information from people you interact with at this event.

We would also love to have more interested gardeners join our committee. You get to learn and hear from various speakers on gardening topics, provide input and direction for the district as well as help out on various projects and activities. We meet on the first Tuesday of each month at 6:30 pm @ The Water Tower, 4001 South 6th Street, 3rd Floor (elevator accessible). Ask a garden committee member for more details or e-mail me at cary@milwaukeeegdna.com if you have more questions and are interested.

Please plan on attending the exchange and be sure to bring some of those divided or dug up perennials and especially seeds that you want to exchange and get some other interesting and new ones in trade.

We hope to see you there (please stop in even if you don't have anything to bring or exchange - you can still leave with some plants and seeds for **FREE**).

Please spread the word to all you know within your neighborhoods. The more that attend the more plants, seeds and options everyone will have.

If you don't have any seeds or perennials now, you can always start planning for **the 2016 fall exchange on September 10 from 10am-noon.**

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