

NYACK COMMUNITY GARDEN

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Food Donations and Garden Contest

Most of us find ourselves with far too much bounty from our gardens to eat ourselves. One of the great things about this garden is the opportunity to share our produce with our needier neighbors.

You may have noticed the green bin near the shed. Place your extra vegetables in there and they will be picked up by Marc Pritsky on Mondays at 10:00 AM and delivered to [People to People](#) in Nanuet. This organization is the largest food pantry in Rockland County and assisted over 14,000 people last year. Last week, over 18 pounds of food was delivered.

Also note that if you are going on vacation, or will be too busy to harvest, let the Food Bank Committee know and they will pick your produce for you and add it to the donations. Please continue helping out! For more information, contact Jayne Stuecklen at bhorajayne@me.com.



The 36th annual garden contest is almost upon us, July 21st at 10:30 A.M. The contest is a tradition celebrating the garden and offers prizes in categories such as the most creative, best maintained, and best overall. There is also an award for the best cluster. You'll want to have your plot looking its best!

In the past, the contest has been judged by community leaders, such as Nyack Mayor Jen Laird White, Nyack Administrator Jim Politi, local business owners, and expert gardeners. The Journal News has also been present to [cover the contest](#) as well. Winners receive ribbons and prizes at the garden potluck in October. For more information about the contest, contact Marie Dilluvio at mvenus1220@aol.com.

TECH IN THE GARDEN

What kind of plant is that? Whether you're a novice or a seasoned gardener, technology can help you make the best use of your garden so you can have the most beautiful blooms and healthiest produce.

Problem: Is it too late to plant arugula? - These app helps you manage your garden once you track when you first planted and tracks your plant along the way with reminders to water, fertilize, transplant and harvest the plant. You can even track the best companions for your plants to optimize your garden. Not sure where to start? Put in your location and these app will even tell you what is suitable for planting right now. [Gardroid](#), Android, free; [Vegetable Tree](#), iOS, \$4.99.

Problem: What is that growing in the garden? - In this simple, user friendly app, you can just take a picture of the plant in question and find an answer in the extensive database. If you don't have a picture of the plant in question, you can winnow down the results through the extensive keyword search. [Garden Answers Plant Identification](#), Android and iOS, free.

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