



October 2025 Newsletter - Leave the Leaves!



Hello everyone!

For many people fall is the time to clean up and make things 'tidy' before winter comes. Making things tidy means many things to many people. For some, having a lawn look like a golf course is their choice. For others, helping nature by leaving the leaves is a more important choice. The leaf layer is not just nature's refuse—it's a lifeline for countless species. Leaves are natural mulch and a natural fertilizer. From fireflies to mourning cloak butterflies, moths, salamanders and small mammals there is great diversity of creatures that need leaves to over winter.



By choosing to leave the leaves,
you can do your part to preserve
crucial wildlife habitat.

*Restoring Habitat,
One Yard at a Time*

There is an organization that tells about fall garden and lawn clean up much better than I would—**Xerces Society for Invertebrate Conservation** is a wonderful resource for everyone.

The following address gets you to their Leave the Leaves blog:
[Xerces.org/blog/leave-the-leaves](https://xerces.org/blog/leave-the-leaves)

Here in New Hampshire, the whole state is still in drought conditions. Drier summers mean gardens need extra planning. Soaker hoses work wonders and save water. Another garden tool is mulch. In winter it protects plants and their roots during cold, windy weather. In summer during dry conditions mulch helps retain moisture. Native plants are resilient -- they evolved here... They survive with less water.

Drought or not, the weather has been perfect for working outside , hiking, walking in the woods and enjoying nature.

Enjoy Fall everyone!

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PPNH Upcoming Event

Free Event! Everyone is Welcome!



Join Us...

November 15th
9am-2pm

**PPNH Native Plant
Seed Swap and Giveaway**

Kingston Recreation Center
24 Main Street, Kingston, NH
03848

November 19th
5pm-7pm

PPNH Monthly Meeting

Kingston Community Library
2 Library Lane, Kingston, NH
03848

Native Plant Seed Swap and Giveaway

Pollinator Pathways NH will hold its **7th Annual Seed Swap and Giveaway** at the Recreation Building in Kingston on November 15th, starting at 9 am.

All seeds are FREE at this event!

There will be 40+ species of pollinator friendly native seeds to pick from. They are native seeds that will grow into plants our native pollinators need.

Bring and share seeds from your property, and ask questions!

Learn the best way to plant native seeds. We will be offering free informational materials, as well as people who can answer your questions.

Come and join us—help make a difference in pollinator conservation. If we all work together, we can restore pollinator habitat **One Yard At A Time!**

Our Annual Seed Swap Giveaway is open to the public, and pre-registration is not necessary.

