

KITTS CREEK LANDSCAPING COMMITTEE

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Highlights:

- Prune the suckers off your maple, crape myrtle and other trees as soon as they appear. This will keep your tree healthy. The sprouts are called suckers because they suck nutrients from the tree.

Before:



After:



- The Landscape Committee meets the 1st Tuesday of the month at 5pm at the clubhouse

LATE SUMMER LANDSCAPING AND GARDENING TIPS

- Prune sprouts or “suckers” from your maple and crape myrtle trees as soon as they appear to keep your tree healthy.
- Fertilize shrubs in August and then not until spring
- This is not the time to plant perennials or shrubs. Wait until late September or October.
- Schedule your lawn aeration and re-seeding now for September/October timeframe.

“Prune the suckers off your maple, crape myrtle, and other trees as soon as they appear. This will help your tree remain healthy.”

For more information on lawn maintenance, check out this website from the NC State Extension. <https://content.ces.ncsu.edu/tall-fescue-lawn-maintenance-calendar>

For information about gardening and local events The Triangle Gardener website is an excellent resource. <https://www.trianglegardener.com>

UPCOMING WORKSHOP & EVENTS

Conservation Gardening 101: Landscaping with Native Plants Series

August 20, 27, September 3, 10, 17, 24, 6pm-9pm

A six-part, evening class series designed to provide home gardeners and emerging landscape professionals with foundational concepts of landscape design, species selection, implementation and maintenance of compellingly beautiful and ecologically productive native plant gardens based on conservation principles. Fee. Preregistration required. North Carolina Botanical Garden, Chapel Hill. ncbg.unc.edu.



All about Weeds in Your Landscape: How to ID and Make Them Go Away

August 26, 10am–11:30am

Gardening Adventures with Extension Master Gardener Volunteers. Fee. Pre-register. JC Raulston Arboretum, NC State University, Raleigh. 919-515-3132. jcra.ncsu.edu.

Pollinator Workshop

September 7, 10am-11am Fee. Learn pollinators and their plants. Course includes a take home pollinator plant. Fee. Bee Better Naturally with Helen Yoest, Raleigh. beebetternaturally.com

Arboretum Tour: Guided tours are available **every Sunday at 2:00 pm** from March–October. Learn about the Arboretum's plants, people, history, future, and mission in a one-hour guided walk through the JCRA's collections and gardens. JC Raulston Arboretum, NC State University, Raleigh. 919-515-3132. jcra.ncsu.edu.

QUESTIONS?

The Kitts Creek Landscaping Committee meets at the clubhouse at the first Tuesday of every month at 5 pm. **If you have ideas or questions, please feel free to stop by.** We may not have the answer, but we can point you in the right direction. Contact us at www.kittscreek.com.