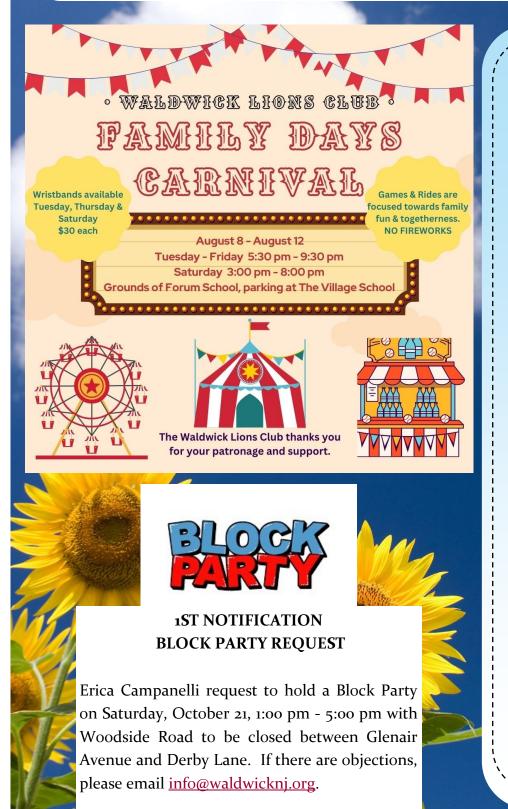
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TAX & WATER PAYMENTS DUE AUGUST 1

WALDWICK LIONS CLUB FAMILY DAYS CARNIVAL August 8-August 12. See flyer for details.

August 16 - SUMMER CONCERT SERIES, The Community Band of Waldwick, 7 pm Borough Park.

Scheduling WHITE GOODS COLLECTION for Monday, August 7. Call the Clerk's office at 201-652-5300 x238. Deadline to schedule is Friday, August 4.

Scheduling BULK COLLECTION for Thursday, August 17. Call the Clerk's office at 201-652-5300 x238. Deadline to schedule is Friday, August 11.

SchedulingELECTRONICSCOLLECTION for Monday, August21. Call the Clerk's office at 201-652-5300 x238. Deadline to schedule isFriday, August 18.

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Consider Organic Land Care: Reduce Watering and Mowing, Save Money, and Have a Healthy Green Lawn

Waldwick Trex Recycling Off to a

Great Start Starting in 2022, Waldwick residents have collected over 2000 lbs of Trex recyclables. Based on this volume Waldwick is on track to receive a total of four park benches from the Trex Corporation by the end of this year.

Composting Composting Kitchen and Yard Waste Can Improve Your Yard

Recycling Guide Not sure what to recycle? <u>Click here!</u>

Learn more about the <u>Waldwick</u> <u>Environmental</u> <u>Advisory Committee</u>



Summer 2023



New Rain Garden at Borough Hall is Ready for Rain!

You may have noticed a strip of land between the newly expanded Borough Hall parking lot and the M&T Bank property. This area is Waldwick's new rain garden. It collects rainwater from the parking lot and allows the water to slowly seep back into the ground, preventing any polluted surface runoff from reaching local waterways. In a heavy downpour, rainfall may fill the area and overflow into the storm sewer, but the water will still be cleaner, having passed first through the rain garden.

Rain gardens may look like ordinary landscaping, but are much more. Compared to a patch of lawn, a rain garden allows about 30% more water to soak into the ground. By capturing stormwater, rain gardens reduce nonpoint source pollution (i.e., road

sediment/salt, fertilizers, pesticides, eroded soil, grass clippings, litter, etc.) and help to protect local waterways. Waldwick's rain garden is planted with native NJ trees, shrubs and flowering perennials that are adapted to thrive in our climate while experiencing frequent flooding. These plants will spread across the garden over time. Native plants, having evolved along with our native NJ wildlife, such as insect pollinators and birds. will help increase biodiversity in Waldwick.



Anti-Idling Signs posted in Waldwick

The Borough recently posted signs around town encouraging everyone to minimize idling of car engines and thus reduce air pollution. Consistent with a <u>Borough Resolution</u> and NJ state law, which disallows idling for more than 3 minutes, signs were posted on Borough streets where

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Reminders

Styrofoam Recycling October 14, 2023 January 6, 2024 Recycling Center 9 am to 1 pm Click here to learn more

motorists may wait at times, such as areas near our schools.

Excessive idling causes an unnecessary release of air contaminants, including air toxics and fine particulates. Every year, hundreds of New Jerseyans die prematurely from exposure to diesel exhaust. Fine particle pollution may cause more deaths in NJ than homicides and car accidents combined.



NJ Native Perennial "Butterfly Milkweed" Planted in Waldwick's New Rain Garden



BULK COLLECTION FOR 2023



WHAT'S CHANGING?

Effective January 1, 2023 you can no longer put out bulk items on your regularly scheduled trash collection day.

NEW PROCEDURE FOR BULK ITEMS

Contact the Clerk's office at 201-652-5300 X238 to schedule your pick up.

MAXIMUM TWO ITEMS PERMITTED PER PICK UP NO METAL OR ELECTRONICS

If you are moving or cleaning out your attic/garage/basement, you must make private arrangements for pick up.

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PLEASE CALL CLERK'S OFFICE BY 2PM ON THE FRIDAY PRIOR TO YOUR DESIRED PICK UP DATE.

BULK COLLECTION DATES FOR 2023

BULK PICK UPS WILL TAKE PLACE ON THE THIRD THURSDAY OF EACH MONTH:

January 19 February 16 March 16 April 20 May 18 June 15 July 20 August 17 September 21 October 19 November 16 December 21

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Homemade Spotted Lanternfly Spray

A Complete Guide

The Spotted Lanternfly is one of the most destructive pests that eat up flowers, vegetable plants, crops, fruits and almost any plant that comes its way. Though they don't bite, they can make it difficult for people to stay in infested outdoor areas. There are several ways to prevent and control the spread of spotted lanternfly. However, most people look for natural remedies to get rid of such pests.

In this guide, we talk about using a homemade spray for Spotted Lanternfly. We also discuss other natural methods to control these pests safely and keep your outdoors protected against damage.

Considering the damage these nasty pests cause, there are plenty of options for insecticide solutions in the market targeted at lanternflies. However, they exist and attack in huge numbers, making it difficult to control them. A homemade spotted lanternfly spray offers an effective way to get rid of these creatures naturally.

You can make a homemade spotted lanternfly spray using any combination of natural ingredients effective at repelling these pests. Some of the best sprays are made with rubbing alcohol, vinegar and water. You can also use dish soap and apple cider vinegar to make an effective combination that deals with lanternflies.

These sprays help you eliminate these infestations without coming in contact with any harmful chemicals that are unsafe for pets and kids. Sticking to homemade solutions ensure you always know what you are spraying.

WHAT KILLS LANTERN FLIES ON CONTACT?

There are many natural remedies that effectively kill lanternflies on contact. One of the best ways to get quick control on lanternflies is vinegar. You can use white vinegar filled in a spray bottle to kill lanternflies almost instantly. Another effective ingredient is neem oil. You can spray this oil on these bugs to kill them on contact. You can also make neem oil traps and use them around suspected areas.

Essential oils are also effective at killing lantern flies on contact. You can add a few drops of tea tree oil, peppermint essential oil or lavender oil to water and spray the solution directly on the flies to repel and kill them instantly. The strong smell emitted by these oils makes it difficult for lanternflies and other insects to survive. Dish soaps are also powerful enough to kill these bugs when sprayed directly.

LANTERN FLY SPRAY DAWN DISH SOAP HOW IT WORKS?

Lanternfly bugs can be easily killed using a mixture of dish soap. Dawn dish soap is effective at controlling these bugs though any brand of dish soap works. Though it is not a completely natural method to get rid of lanternflies, it is much safer for children, pets and even adults. A lot of people prefer using Dawn dish soap to kill lanternflies as it kills them on contact.

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You can make homemade lantern fly spray by mixing equal amounts of Dawn dish soap and water in a spray bottle. Spraying this mixture directly on the bugs kills them. The mixture is sticky and drowns the lanternflies coming in contact. You can even use this mixture to destroy lanternfly eggs. Make sure you clean the dead bugs and their eggs after using this spray or they leave a mold that damages the area. This solution can be easily sprayed over plants, trees, shrubs and other places you spot these bugs. They will be instantly killed by this powerful solution.

HOW TO KILL LANTERNFLIES WITH DAWN DISH SOAP?

One of the easiest ways to get rid of lanternflies is to use a homemade lanternfly trap using Dawn dish soap. You can leave the trap on the suspected area for a long time and it continues killing bugs. To make this trap, mix dish soap with apple cider vinegar in a mason jar and stir properly. Next, you can place this jar wherever you spot the bugs. You can place it on the ground, hang on the trees or use anywhere you want. You can use multiple jars to target a bigger area.

Apart from these natural lanternfly traps, Dawn dish soap can be used in several other ways to get rid of these pests safely. You can directly use the dish soap on the bugs where you spot them to kill them instantly. You can also mix other natural repellents with the dish soap and make a spray that you can easily use outdoors on plants and trees.

WHAT ATTRACTS SPOTTED LANTERNFLIES?

Spotted lanternflies are attracted to a wide variety of host plants and trees and their preferences keep changing with their lifecycle. Nymphs, for example, feed on almost any host plant while adult bugs target specific trees. There are more than 65 species of plants that spotted lanternflies can feed on, including fruit trees like blueberries, vines like grapes, vegetables and even ornamental trees such as lilac.

Nymphs of spotted lanternflies are attracted to Tree of heaven, maple, willow, apple, grapevine, pine, cherries, plums and other fruit trees and others. Adults are typically attracted to the Tree of Heaven and willow. Spotted lanternflies are also attracted to common Milkweed so planting more of these trees can help keep them at bay. These insects don't know that it is poisonous, so they feed on them and get killed. The poisonous sap also slows them down so that they are easier to destroy.

Spotted lanternflies are a real nuisance for garden and yard owners. However, there are some natural, safe and effective methods to get rid of them without using harsh chemicals. We hope this guide helps you make homemade spotted lanternfly spray with ease to keep these bugs at bay.