Get plants to go

Just because the temperatures are falling, doesn’t mean area sales are dying up. Now is a great time to find deals on shrubs, trees and annuals at many landscape plants at local gardens and nurseries. It’s also a fine time to score big by some of the horticultural groups that are holding annual plant sales this fall.

So far, we’ve scoped out parish, parson, parsonal and all kinds of town. If you are looking to get out and buy up a bunch, we’ve rounded up a sampling of sales happening today and in the coming weeks.

**Neta Jaye Church**

**Fancy power**

The church ladies are at it again. The Episcopal Church Women of St. Philip’s Episcopal Church in Durham aim to please with the power of plants. These cool season stalwarts are regionally grown and come in various colors, from native to white, yellow and antique rose. Get a sat for Oct 14.

**Tommy Ray Clark**

**Perennials forever**

Propagated and grown at the N.C. Botanical Garden, the selection of姿态 perennial shrubs and trees of the Botanical Garden is selected and grown by the staff and Master Gardeners — will be showcased this extravaganza. The experts — when they arrive — will be on hand to talk about and answer gardening questions.

**Susan Quinby-Honer**

**Composting with wigglers pays off in more ways than one**

Worms can’t handle just any food. Sherman said. “There’s too much turning. You have to mix it around every other day. In three to six months, the resulting worms can be composted and used as fertilizer. Vermicompost has significant effects on plant growth,” Sherman said. “It increases germination, flowering, growth and yield, to name a few.”

**Elsa Youngstedt**

**Monet’s garden**

Glimpse what the artist planted and painted in special coverage next month. His paintings will be shown at the N.C. Museum of Art.

**By Thomas Rusnak**

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**The Foxtage**

Architect | David Maurer
Designer | Maurer Architecture
Project Location | Raleigh
Bed/bath | 3/2
Heated square footage | 1,100
Key design concept | Affordable housing, open living
Cost | $120,000 (base price)

**Susan Quinby-Honer of Red Hen Enterprises raises worms for composting systems. At top, Quinby-Honer, right, shows the system to, from left, Sharon Jones, husband Will Jones, children Anthony, Lian (in his father’s arm’s) and Dejana, and Patricia Webb.**

**By Elsa Youngstedt**

**Gazing balls take seniors to the sky**

**By Kathy Swope**

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tabletops and walls. Some morning, when she

“People don’t think much of the

“You tell them about the envi-

“You can really use the facts

“Susan has been a wonderful re-

“Not only are the facts

“I think you would like

“I would tell them, you order

“If I could, I’d make it

“Red Hen was founded in 1994,

“Here Red Hose does what needs to be done to your

“Mary York, a retiree and Cary

“Some parents tell their

“Sara Self recruited Quinby-

Sara Self recruited Quinby-Honer after she saw the worm bins at work at her home.

Quinby-Honer became a believer in vermicomposting when she saw the worm bins at work at her home.

The Foxgate is the result of a city of Raleigh “production home that captures the historic character of the neighbor-

The Larsons love their kitchen, which opens to the living and dining rooms.

We are looking for designs to feature in Home and Garden magazine for its March and April issues. A panel of architects and architects will review entries and select the top 10 for a potential article.

CALLING ALL ARCHITECTS

North Carolina is invited to submit design concepts for the J.C. Raulston Arboretum. The single family home must be for one construction or a renovation in a mosh pit of an urban design. The design should include private family and friends of the J.C. Raulston Arboretum members. Nonmembers must purchase a membership (minimum is $25 for the membership program, and $50 for families.)

architect’s aim

A portion of David Martin’s practice is devoted to providing quality affordable housing. His goal for the Foxgloves is a part of that commitment, which is the foundation for his company’s Tompkins, and Goodwin Partners. The business provides nonprofit and forprofit housing providers. As with the Foxgloves, it attempts to "provide quality house designs that fit a more modest budget" and that are "a model of sustainable, environment sensitive and liveability in an efficient and affordable footprint."