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Hidden Gardens of Amenia Tour

The annual Hidden Gardens of Amenia tour will be held on Saturday, July 10, rain or shine. Ten hidden gardens, including 3 new ones, will be available for viewing from 10 to 4 pm for \$20 for adults; children are free. Come and enjoy these extraordinary gardens, ranging from an English country garden to a hillside stroll garden that reflect the owners' unique personalities and skills.

One of the new gardens features a natural swimming pond and water garden surrounding an energy efficient home and studio built atop Macedonia Mountain. The swimming pond, designed and built by Chris Rawlings of Waterhouse Pools, utilizes a biomechanical filtration system and water garden designed by one of Amenia's finest gardening experts, Ana Hadjuk, to keep the water clean, clear and safe. The natural gneiss rock has been arranged artistically throughout the property, lending structural elements to the gardens and providing many ideal places for a picnic.

Tickets can be purchased the day of the tour at Four Brothers in the center of Amenia, or Friday, July 9th, at a free wine and cheese party from 5 to 7 p.m. at Mead Farm House on Perry Corners Road. Box lunches will be available (no reservations are necessary) for \$5 per lunch to be picked up at Bird Song on North Road, near FreshTown Plaza.

Donations to The Garden Club of Amenia, Ltd. are tax deductible, and proceeds from the tour are used for community projects that enhance the natural beauty of Amenia's hamlets. For more information, visit ameniagardens.com or contact Diana Hanbury King at 373-9097 or dking1066@optonline.net.