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From: Bal1998 <bal1998@aol.com>
Sent: Sunday, July 24, 2022 4:34 PM
To: Clerk's Department; Mayor
Subject: From Susan Levine...To the Trustees ...About Voting to Continue Fall Leaf Pickup

CAUTION: External sender.

To the Mayor and the Trustees...

I am VERY Disappointed to learn that you have voted to continue the Fall Leaf Pickup Program in town rather than move Scarsdale into the 21st century and the world of "doing the right thing".

I followed the remarkable Michelle Sterling's example 4 years ago...and started Mulching my numerous Maple Leaves every fall...and both my gardener and my lawn could not be happier.

There are NO ill effects..There is NO downside whatsoever..and I do not have to repair my lawn every Spring from the areas where wet leaves were piled up for weeks before pickup...

My guess is that our Trustees may NOT Mulch their Leaves..so they do not understand or know how wonderful the process is and how it enriches the lawn..and keeps the streets where it is done free from intrusive piles of leaves...

**AND I have Never paid my Gardener more for Mulching my Leaves...
That is a Myth perpetuated by landscapers who like the status quo.
Some gardeners even have Mulching Trucks that do the leaf mulching work easily..
They use them in NEW ROCHELLE...Not in Scarsdale.

I have said for many years...Once you Try Mulching your Leaves you will wonder why you did not do it sooner....I leave my grass clippings on the lawn too...They are invisible and only add to its nutrition and beauty.
NO Bags of Grass remain to get Wet and tip over..to be picked up by the Village...
But you need to TRY doing it..or you will not understand...

I am Sad that this Board of Trustees Vote did Not take Scarsdale forward in the wonderful world of Leaf Mulching...and Grass Mulching...

I urge the Trustees to actually try it and see for themselves how valuable it can be for our lawns....and how it could save the Village all the money that we spend on Leaf Vacuuming and Grass Pickup...

Thanks for listening...

Susan Levine
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