



## Have You Heard?

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### ENERGY AND APPLIANCES

Replacing an old appliance with a new one can do more than enhance one's decor. With today's energy efficient models, it can save hundreds of dollars over the lifetime of the new appliance.

Some appliances, such as ranges and dryers, have always operated efficiently. Others, such as microwave ovens and trash compactors, use such little energy that savings on new models is minimal. But when it comes to

after January 1, 1993. The Department of Energy has ruled that these newest models must improve their energy efficiency ratio to an average of 25% higher than present models.

To determine the true cost of a new appliance, consider the purchase price as only the down payment. Multiply the yearly cost of operating the appliance by its life expectancy and add this figure to the purchase price. To help consumers gauge the yearly cost, the Federal Trade Commission has

developed rules for labeling appliance energy consumption. Look for the black, yellow and white EnergyGuide label in the form of a hangtag, flaptag or sticker. This label will display a single estimated annual cost figure based on "typical use."

To maintain energy savings, the new appliance should be used efficiently. Read and follow the manufacturer's recommendations. In addition, the new appliance should really replace the old one. If the old one is simply moved to a new location and used as a "spare," its high monthly operating expense continues.

refrigerators, washers and dishwashers, most 15 to 30 year old models can be classified as energy guzzlers compared to their newer versions. Savings in operating costs, along with the benefits of new design, technology and features, many make them good candidates for early replacement. For

example, a refrigerator manufactured today uses about 47% of the energy that its 1972 counterpart consumes. For washing machines, the figure is about 28%, based on 8 cycles per week; for dishwashers, about 30%, based on 6.2 cycles per week. More big changes are in store for refrigerators and freezers manufactured

# Great Gardens Of The World Bloom At Philadelphia Flower Show

PHILADELPHIA (Philadelphia Co.) — Scotland's most beloved and beautiful historical gardens bloom en masse when The Pennsylvania Horticultural Society's 1993 Philadelphia Flower Show celebrates "Preserving the Past, Presenting the Future", March 7 - 14 at the Philadelphia Civic Center.

Enchanting treasures of the Garden Trust for Scotland are brought to life in the Show's 7,000 square-foot central feature display. Behold the "Lion Parterre" of The Great Garden at Pitmedden, an intricate tapestried maze of curving boxwood designs ablaze in yellow and blue flowers. Gaze up at the Garden's sculpted yew hedges, evergreen giants capped with topiary finials. As visitors round the massive cast stone walls, an intoxicating sight appears: the Garden of Crathes Castle. To the north, its sunny perennial border of hollyhocks, delphinium, and digitalis is canopied by a framed screen of espaliered apple trees and an abundant vegetable garden. To the south, a floral tribute to renowned Scottish plant collector, George Forrest provides a subdued contrast of pastel perennials and flowering shrubs. The exhibit traces Forrest's great Himalayan expeditions and horticultural findings, which have contributed mightily to the contemporary American landscape. The largest and most prestigious indoor flower show from past to future as 55 other major displays lead visitors through six acres of luxuriant rose gardens, leafy green

glens, and an orchid paradise.

Delight in a flamboyant contemporary vista inspired by the celebrated works of Brazilian landscape designer, Roberto Burle Marx where an assortment of abstract sculpture lends energy and drama to a brilliantly colored spectrum of tropical plants. Visit a rainforest's 21st century biotech orchid laboratory on the cutting edge of plant tissue research. Catch a 3-D view of the gardening world beneath the soil and reflect on the ancestral beauty of an heirloom garden, which combines antique beauties with modern hybrids. From Legendary to Future Shock, the Philadelphia Flower Show showcases gardening styles, floral combinations and botanical gems to excite one and all.

More than 1700 entries of window boxes and bonsai, garden club landscapes depicting "The Royal Gardens", room settings, mammoth flower arrangements and others the size of thimbles, vie for the Show's coveted major awards in hundreds of artistic and horticultural categories. Free lectures and demonstrations on gardening, flower arranging and photography are held daily in the Civic Center's Pennsylvania Hall. One hundred vendors offer everything for the garden plus birdbaths, handmade baskets, and cut flowers in the Show's Marketplace.

The Philadelphia Flower Show is a mecca of gardening treasures and it is more:

Revenues generated by the Show help support the Pennsylvania

Horticultural Society's self-help greening program, Philadelphia Green, the largest comprehensive community gardening program in the nation. The Society is pleased to announce the generous support of PNC Bank as presenting sponsor of the 1993 Philadelphia Flower Show. PNC's contributions to the Show will help further the Society's goal of providing educational and technical assistance to more than 700 community groups throughout the City. Revenues also support the Society's efforts to revitalize and restore Philadelphia's gateways and central green spaces through landscaping and horticultural maintenance.

The Philadelphia Flower Show will be held March 7 - 14, 1993 at the Philadelphia Civic Center, 34th Street and Civic Center Boulevard, Philadelphia, PA 19104. Show hours are Sunday, 10 a.m. to 6 p.m.; Monday through Saturday, 10 a.m. to 9:30 p.m. Tickets are available at the door, \$11.50 for adults; \$5.75 for children under 12. Group tickets are available in advance from the Pennsylvania Horticultural Society, 325 Walnut Street, Philadelphia, PA 19106-2777. For additional Show information, travel or accommodation information, please call (215) 625-8253 or write PHS.



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