

Organizing Café:

*May 11 - 7 PM West Deptford Public Library, NJ— Decorate Your Home Without Spending a Cent. Free registration at **856-845-5593**.*

May 20— NJ Junior Women's Clubs Convention, Parsippany, NJ—Clutter Control (

Kitchens at Work

What's the hardest working room in your home? The kitchen, of course. If you actually yell, "timber" when you open the pantry, this month's topic is for you!

Throw away food or buy more because you can't remember what you have? There are ways to deal with those dilemmas. Organized the essentials can help you financially and keep you healthy.

Consider This:

According to the 80/20 rule, we use about 20% of our stuff about 80% of the time, and we almost never use the other 80% of stuff!

Now's the time to take stock of all the special dishes, gizmos, and back-of-the pantry foods that clutter the kitchen.

Display your prettiest dishes for a change in décor and to free up space!

A Menu of Change

- Roll-out shelves can be easily added to any size cabinets with just a few screws to make getting to the back of things a snap.
- Customize adjustable shelves for what is being stored.
- In older cabinets with fixed shelves, use the undersides of shelves and reduce stacking with special hanging storage.
- Swap a table with an island/counter with storage underneath.
- Storing plastic? Use it to organize instead. [Modular Mates](#) store neatly and keep food fresh, eliminating unwanted pests.
- Use a larger container or drawer for all plastic lids, standing them upright and visible.
- Check out cool [FridgeSmart](#) containers that actually prolong the life of fruits and veggies by weeks! No kidding! Orders taken via HeartWork Organizing by June 1 benefit the National MS Society.

Simple Tip: Keep garden snips in the kitchen and trim stems every other day for long lasting cut flowers.

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