

HAH Happenings August 2019



The Horticultural Alliance of the Hamptons P.O. Box 202, Bridgehampton, NY 11932-0202

631.537.2223 <u>hahgarden.org</u> at the Bridgehampton Community House

HAH ANNUAL SUMMER PARTY (for HAH members only) SUNDAY, AUGUST 18, 4:00 - 6:00 pm

at the home of Lori Barnaby, 81 Sebonac Inlet Road, Southampton

Please bring sweet or savory dishes that can be eaten as finger-food. Wine, lemonade and water will also be served. As always, please keep in mind that no refrigeration can be provided and please complete preparation and assembly at home.

The HAH enjoyed a great trip on July 16th to the New York Botanical Garden to see the astounding tribute to Roberto Burle Marx. Thanks to Estelle Rosen for organizing the tour and to NYBG's VP of Horticulture and Living Collections, Todd Forrest, for speaking with us.

The show is on through the summer, so if you missed the trip do try to get there on your own before it closes on September 29.











SAVE THE DATE - SUNDAY, October 6, 2019 THE HAH ANNUAL KARISH PROGRAM

Doug Tallamy on 'A Chickadee's Guide to Gardening'

Garden Tour, Lecture, Plant Sale and Reception - Full details in this Newsletter Insert

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE



Dear Fellow Gardeners,

I hope that you're enjoying the summer and all the good things that are part of this season. Is it just me, or are you seeing more fireflies this year? Maybe our use of fewer insecticides is paying off. Of course this makes me think of our upcoming Karish Program with the eminent entomologist Doug Tallamy. He makes a compelling case for the use of more native plants that are friendly to the insects that are vital for pollination and for serving as food for the birds. See details about this October program in this newsletter.

Our Summer Party is being hosted this year by gardener extraordinaire Lori Barnaby. We're doing it later in the day - a good time for cocktails and not as warm - and you will love Lori's garden if you haven't seen it. She grows amazing shade plants as well as having a big vegetable garden. She also constructed a rill - a wonderful water feature. Lots of inspiration here, so come along to the party with some food treats to share.

Many of you have mentioned your frustration with the acoustics in the Community House. We are working with the town of Southampton to try to resolve some of these issues — Pamela Harwood is taking the lead on this — but at the end of the day, we are committed to doing our part to improve our sound equipment. Janet Ollinger and technology guru Gerry Gilberti are researching better speakers, but unless the town addresses the structure, we will still be using a very large space that is not "sound friendly." Cross fingers that we'll have some improvements in place by the time we resume lectures in September.

Happy gardening,

Alicia

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'SAVE-THE-DATES' for these upcoming HAH Events

Please watch your email, our website and newsletters for details.

September - October

HAH Local garden tours - dates in formation

Sunday-Monday, September 22-23 -

HAH Trip to Duchess County, NY gardens - Innisfree and more.

Sunday, October 6 - see insert in this newsletter

Karish Program - Doug Tallamy - 'A Chickadee's Guide to Gardening'

Saturday, October 19 - 'Create a Myrtle Topiary' Workshop at Landcraft Environments with Dennis Schrader.

Saturday, November 23 - Camellia Group meets



BOXWOOD BLIGHT ID & MANAGEMENT SHEET FOR HOMEOWNERS

From the Garden Club of East Hampton

1) BE VIGILANT: Scout your boxwood yourself carefully after each rain especially when temperatures are consistently above 60 degrees or humidity levels are consistently high. Look for brown spots on leaves and dark streaks on twigs. Here are photos to help you:





- 2) REQUIRE LANDSCAPERS TO USE **ONLY** SHEARS YOU PROVIDE WHEN PRUNING YOUR BOXWOOD. The disease often travels from property to property on shears and other equipment.
- 3) DISINFECT SHEARS WITH 70% ETHYL OR ISOPROPYL ALCOHOL: Do this after pruning any shrubs you suspect of being diseased and especially before moving on to the next plant.
- 4) DON'T BUY ANY NEW BOXWOOD IF YOU ALREADY HAVE A VALUABLE BOXWOOD COLLECTION.
- 5) NO OVERHEAD IRRIGATION ON BOXWOOD: Check that your lawn sprinklers don't hit your boxwood and adjust if needed. Use drip only.
- 6) NO LEAF BLOWERS. Tell the various landscape professionals who work on your property not to use leaf blowers around your boxwood. Leaf blowers can spread the disease before it's been detected.
- 7) IF LAB TESTS CONFIRM YOUR PLANTS HAVE BOXWOOD BLIGHT: Prune out infected areas and contact a New York State Certified spray applicator to use an appropriate fungicide.
- 8) DISPOSE OF DISEASED PLANT MATERIAL CAREFULLY: Double bag it and take it to the *nonrecyclable bin* at the Town Dump. Do not put it in your compost pile or the Town's compost pile. Be sure to rake up diseased leaves on the ground and dispose as above.
- 9) APPLY CLEAN MULCH ANNUALLY. Apply an inch of clean mulch annually at the base of the plants to help block infection from soil splash.

HAH 2019 SUNDAY MONTHLY LECTURES - 2 PM - BH Community House

All lectures are free to members, \$10 for not-vet-members. Memberships start at \$45. Please join us! There are no lectures in July & August September 8 Lee Buttala - Twenty Heirloom Varieties, Their

Stories and Why they Belong in Your Garden

Pachysandra *November 10 Ian Ross* – The Essence of Flower Photography

October 20 Renee Marsh - Groundcover Plants - Beyond

December 8 Annie Novak – Grow Up! Rooftop Farming

MORE EAST END GARDEN EVENTS August 2019

For all Peconic Land Trust Programs, register for an event by calling (631) 283-3195 or emailing events@peconiclandtrust.org. More info: peconiclandtrust.org

Events at Bridge Gardens, 36 Mitchell Lane, Bridgehampton, NY 11932:

Tuesdays, August 6, 13, 20, & 27, 3:00 pm to 5:00 pm - Paul Wagner Lawn Care Advice. FREE.

Tuesday, August 27, 3:00 pm to 4:30 pm - What's Up With My Lawn? Renovation and Repair Workshop with Paul Wagner of Greener Pastures Organics. FREE. Space is limited, reservations requested. Rain or shine.

Events at Quail Hill Farm, Deep Lane, Amagansett, NY 11930:

Tuesday, August 6, 10:00 am to 11:30 am -- Flower Arranging with Kat Siladi. The former Quail Hill apprentice and flower designer will lead a field walk and summer flower arranging class. Free for Quail Hill members, \$10 nonmembers. Space is limited, reservations required. Rain cancels.

Tuesday, August 13, 10:00 am to 12:00 pm -- Bees and the Bee Keeper with Mary Woltz. FREE. Rain cancels.

Marders Garden Lecture Series. All lectures start at 10:00 am. FREE. 120 Snake Hollow Road, Bridgehampton, NY 11932. More info: marders.com

Sunday, August 4: Pruning Hydrangeas (Paige Patterson)

Sunday, August 11: Herbal Teas and Tonics (Sarah Shepherd)

Sunday, August 18: Cooking from the Garden (Paige Patterson)

Sunday, August 25: Flowers from the Garden (Paige Patterson)



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