



# HAH Happenings

## September 2024



The Horticultural Alliance of the Hamptons

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P.O. Box 202, Bridgehampton, NY 11932-0202

at the Bridgehampton Community House



**On Sunday, September 8, 2024 at 2:00 pm**

Please join us at the Bridgehampton Community House  
for a talk by **Darrel Morrison on Beauty of the Wild**

In this talk, Darrel will feature people and landscapes that have influenced him in a long career of designing landscapes inspired by nature—landscapes that not only incorporate native plants, but COMMUNITIES of native plants, permitting natural processes to enrich the original composition over time. His talk will be illustrated by photos of naturally-evolving landscapes as well as designed landscapes that were inspired by nature, and which exhibit many of the same qualities: e.g., mystery, complexity, coherence and legibility. Further, he will suggest that there is no conflict between ecology-based landscape design and aesthetics, i.e., beauty, and that they are in fact complementary.

Darrel Morrison is a renowned landscape architect and educator whose ecology-based approach to design has influenced generations of students and practitioners. He taught at the University of Wisconsin-Madison and the University of Georgia-Athens, where he was Dean of the School of Environmental Design, as well as additional faculty engagements at Conway School of Landscape Design, Columbia University, New York Botanical Garden, University of Michigan, Utah State University, Rutgers University, University of São Paulo (Brazil), and University of the Pacific (Columbia). He has been a long-time instructor at The Clearing in Ellison Bay.

Darrel has created influential designs for the UW-Madison Arboretum, Storm King Art Center, the Brooklyn Botanic Garden, and the Lady Bird Johnson Wildflower Center, among other places throughout the country. He is the author of *Beauty of the Wild: A Life Designing Landscapes Inspired by Nature*, published in 2021 by the Library of American Landscape History. In 2021 Darrel was awarded the Scott Medal by Swarthmore College and he received a Garden Club of America Medal in 2023.

### **HAH YARD SALE - SATURDAY, OCTOBER 12, 2024 - 9:30am - 12:30pm**

Please come to our annual Yard Sale on the grounds of the Bridgehampton Community House and inside the HAH Library. Enter from the convenient Parking Lot at the back of the building on School St.

Here is your opportunity to donate gently used items - tools, plant shelves, pots and containers, and other garden related items - for the benefit of the HAH LoGerfo Library. Non-plant donations may be dropped off at the Library during open hours, Tuesdays and Saturdays, between 10 am - 12 pm.

There will also be some plants to purchase from member's gardens. If you donate a plant, please pot it and label it. These plant donations may be dropped off on the day of the sale beginning at 8:30 am.

If you can assist on the day of the sale, please email Joan at [hahmember@gmail.com](mailto:hahmember@gmail.com)

Looking forward to seeing you!

Joan DiMonda, Library Chair



# PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE



Dear members,

And just like that: September! Without wishing to take any enjoyment away from the last days of summer, I have to say that I'm looking forward to autumn. I appreciate the still warm days and look forward to the reliably cooler evenings. I welcome the change in light and the calmer pace of life—it's nice not to fight the traffic on my browsing jaunts to our local nurseries! And of course I look forward to all of the activities HAH has planned this fall.

I want to thank Pamela Harwood and all of our garden hosts for the wonderful tours we've enjoyed this year. We have visited a fantastic and diverse collection of gardens—22 and counting!—each a reflection of their owner's personal style and touch. Seeing gardens is the best way to learn and be inspired—how fortunate we are to benefit from all of the creativity in our community!

Finally, a huge thank you to Joan DiMonda and her husband Ed for hosting our Member Summer Party in their beautiful waterfront garden a few weeks back. It was great catching up with so many of you in such a lovely setting.

All my best, Erik

## HAH 2024

### OFFICERS: (an officer serves for a 1 year term)

President	Erik Brockmeyer
First Vice President	Greg Wiseman
Second Vice President	Janet Ollinger
Recording Secretary	Alicia Whitaker
Corresponding Secretary	Marie DiMonte
Treasurer	Patricia Matheson

### DIRECTORS: (a director serves for a 3 year term)

Valerie Hanley	'24
Erika Shank	'24
Pamela Harwood	'25
Michael Longacre	'25
Kathie McGinty	'26
Alex Sipkes	'26

**The Library Chair person** (who serves on the Board with a vote) is: Joan DiMonda

On occasion the board may appoint someone to fill an unexpired term if necessary.

**NEWSLETTER EDITOR** - Elaine Peterson

**WEBSITE EDITOR** - Michael Longacre

**MEMBERSHIP & MAILING** - Bettina and John Benson

**PHOTOS** this month - Erik Brockmeyer, Joan DiMonda, Janis Murphy, Janet Ollinger, Elaine Peterson, Erika Shank

## HAH Member Favorites

My "Garden Favorite" – The Garden Glider from  
Gardener's Edge

What a back saver it truly is....It is all it is advertised to be and then some. It smoothly slides over grass, concrete, brick, dirt, gravel without marring surfaces and transports heavy, awkward to move items like potted plants, bagged materials, stone, pavers, firewood, etc. It can't tip and has no wheels to go flat or dig into soft surfaces. It is the best \$59.84 I ever spent. Check it out – you'll be glad you did!

Marie DiMonte

## SAVE-THE-DATE

And watch your email for an afternoon time!

**SATURDAY  
SEPTEMBER 14  
GARDEN TOUR  
in East Hampton**

## Introducing Mary Woltz, Founder of “Bees’ Needs” Saturday, September 14, 2024, 10am At Quail Hill Farm, Amagansett

Bees’ Needs is an artisanal honey company founded by Mary Woltz. The honey she produces is raw, unheated and unfiltered and comes exclusively from her hives at 10 locations where it is seasonally extracted and bottled. Her honeys have earned 6 Good Food Awards. Since we will be with the bees, there will be an opportunity to have a taste of their honey.

At our Workshop, Mary will introduce us to the bees and emphasize the importance of bees as pollinators. She will provide context for the plight of the honey bees and share her experiences with these incredible animals and discuss why we should care and how we can help.

Mary’s honey is available for sale at the Quail Hill Farm.

**RECOMMENDED:** Bring sunglasses, wear light clothing and use tick protection.  
Do not use any perfumes that might irritate the bees.

**DIRECTIONS:** Meet at Quail Hill Farm at the Deep Lane entrance.  
Use the parking area across from the Deep Lane entrance.  
Look for the HAH signage.

**REGISTRATION:** Please register at [hahgarden.org/tickets](http://hahgarden.org/tickets) There will be no fee for this Workshop.

### Let me introduce you to a native plant

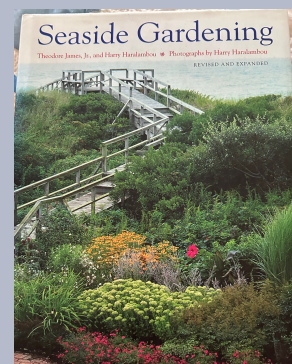
Opuntia humifusa, common name eastern prickly pear

It grows 6-8 inches tall, requires full sun and is deer resistant.

No one was more surprised than me to hear Master Gardeners raving about this cactus, which they used when they reclaimed the land around the Medford Train Station for a welcoming garden many years ago.

It took me years before I could buy one for my own garden...it just seemed weird! Being drought tolerant and salt tolerant however, this shallow rooted plant which can be planted in sand, won me over. With large yellow flowers that bloom from the top of the fleshy pads in summer, it is really a beautiful and unusual plant. When cool weather arrives the pads wrinkle up and flatten down. No cause for alarm as they perk up as the days get warmer.

It is the right plant for rocky outcrops, sandy coastal soils, and dry meadows.



Joan DiMonda, Library Chair

### **The Olde Towne Garden Club Annual Luncheon is to be held on Wednesday, November 13 at The Vineyards in Aquebogue**

Program by Erin Meaney, Topiaire Flower Shop, Southampton  
Doors open at 10:30 AM for Chance Auction/Wine-Liquor Raffle

Program Starts at 11:30 AM

Tickets are \$60

To purchase Tickets either  
contact Cornelia at 631-283-1015 or [cb8487@gmail.com](mailto:cb8487@gmail.com)  
Or send checks to The Olde Towne Garden Club



A very special thank you to Chris Paparo, "The Fish Guy", for leading our "A Sailing We Will Go" Workshop on July 15, 2024. We had lots of fun and also gained a newfound respect and understanding of our local waters. Thank you also to our Captain, Chris Winsor, who expertly and safely piloted us around and to Katie Santoro for her patience in answering all our questions. A wonderful time was had by all.

Marie DiMonte



## HAH SUMMER PARTY

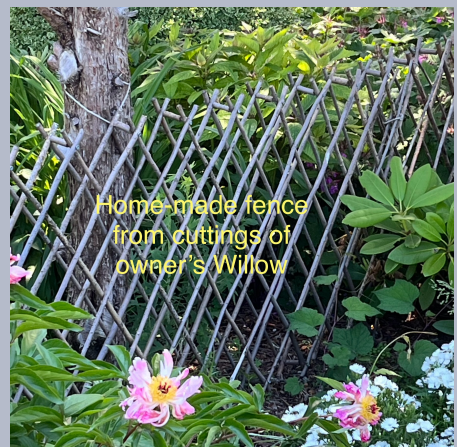


## HAH SUMMER GARDEN TOURS

We are so fortunate that HAH members enjoyed garden tours throughout June, July, and August in nearly every village and hamlet from Montauk to Hampton Bays. Thank you so much to our generous garden hosts: Elaine Peterson, Louis Meisel, Katrina Vanderlip, Judy Faer, Preston Phillips, Barbara Macklowe, Kathy Kennedy, Kitty Charde, Mike Egan, Bettina and John Benson, Ryan Brandau, Larry Boschetto and Steven Kinder, Tish Rehill, Peter Hallock and Craig Mowrys, Nan and David Adams, Janis Murphy, Grant Wilfley and Sal Piazzolla, Jim Berkrot and Michael Staples, Derek Scolpino and Ron Lense, Valerie Smith, Ellen Johansen and Howard Harris, and Tim Blaquiere and Craig Kahler.

More to come we hope, so stay tuned for email announcements.

Pamela Harwood and Erik Brockmeyer, Garden Tour Co-Chairs



## MORE LOCAL GARDEN EVENTS FOR SEPTEMBER 2024

- **Garden Conservancy Programs. Saturday, September 7, times vary by garden. Open Days:** Five gardens from Water Mill to East Hampton. Pre-registration is required. Capacity is limited and no walk-ins will be allowed. No paper tickets or cash payments will be accepted on-site. For more info and to register: [gardenconservancy.org/open-days/open-days-schedule/suffolk-county-ny-open-day-33](https://gardenconservancy.org/open-days/open-days-schedule/suffolk-county-ny-open-day-33) Also happening in Bridgehampton on September 7 is the **Digging Deeper program: Late Summer on Long Island, 4 to 6 pm.** \$30 members, \$40 non-members. [gardenconservancy.org/open-days/open-days-schedule/digging-deeper-late-summer-on-long-island](https://gardenconservancy.org/open-days/open-days-schedule/digging-deeper-late-summer-on-long-island)
  - **Thursday, September 12, 2pm. Virtual Program. Taliesin West, the Desert Laboratory.** \$5 members, \$15 non-members. For more info and to register: [gardenconservancy.org/education/education-events/virtual-talk-taliesin-west-the-desert-laboratory](https://gardenconservancy.org/education/education-events/virtual-talk-taliesin-west-the-desert-laboratory)
  - **Marders Garden Lecture Series.** All lectures start at 10 am. FREE. 120 Snake Hollow Road, Bridgehampton, NY 11932. More info: [marders.com/events](https://marders.com/events)
- Sunday, September 8: Which Herbs, Veggies & Flowers You Can Try Planting Now**  
**Sunday, September 15: Talking About Transplants. When Can You Start?**  
**Sunday, September 22: Fall Garden Care**  
**Sunday, September 29: How to Fight Voles & Moles**
- **Peconic Land Trust Events.** For more info or to register for an event: [peconiclandtrust.org](https://peconiclandtrust.org)
- Tuesdays, September 3, 10, 17 & 24. 3 pm to 4:30 pm. Paul Wagner Landscape Advice.** FREE. Bridge Gardens, 36 Mitchell Lane, Bridgehampton, NY 11932.
- Saturday, September 7, 2 to 4 pm. Turkey Tail and Chicken of the Woods: Foraging for Wild Mushrooms.** Quail Hill Farm, Deep Lane, Amagansett. \$5 Quail Hill Farm members, \$10 non-members. Space is limited, reservations required. Rain cancels.
- Saturday, September 21, 11 am to 12:30 pm. Autumn-Themed Floral Design Workshop.** North Fork Flower Farm, 48455 Middle Road, Southold, NY 11971. \$35/person. Space is limited, prepaid reservations required. Rain or shine.
- **Friday, September 6 & Saturday, September 7. LongHouse Landscape Legends: Learn, Lunch, Laud.** Honoring environmental artist Mary Miss and with presentations by Susannah Drake, Mary Miss, Deborah Nevins, and Beka Sturges. Programming in East Hampton at St. Luke's Church, 18 James Lane & at LongHouse Reserve, 133 Hands Creek Road. Tickets starting from \$100. For more info and to register: [longhouse.org/pages/longhouse-landscape-legends](https://longhouse.org/pages/longhouse-landscape-legends)
  - **Saturday, September 7, 1 to 4 pm. Southampton History Museum Insider's View Tour of Southampton Homes & Gardens.** Tickets from \$150. For more info and to register: <https://www.southamptonhistory.org/event-details/insiders-view-2024>
  - **Sunday, September 8, 10 am to 4 pm. Guild Hall: Garden As Art 2024.** \$150 for Guild Hall members, \$200 non-members. For more info and to register: [guildhall.org/events/garden-as-art-2024/](https://guildhall.org/events/garden-as-art-2024/)
  - **Saturday, September 14, 11 am to 3 pm. Southampton Rose Society Annual Meeting and Luncheon/Lecture** featuring Peter Ernst. The Meadow Club of Southampton, 555 First Neck Lane, Southampton, NY 11968. For more info: [southamptonrose.org/2024-events/](https://southamptonrose.org/2024-events/)
  - **Saturday, September 21, 11 am to 1 pm. The Layered Garden, A Container Garden for 3 Seasons with Kerry Ann McLean.** Landcraft Garden Foundation, 4342 Grand Avenue, Mattituck, NY 11952. For more info and to register: [landcraftgardenfoundation.org/events/](https://landcraftgardenfoundation.org/events/)
  - **Wednesday, September 25, 6 pm to 8 pm. An Evening with Dr. Michael Dirr.** Planting Fields, 1395 Planting Fields Road, Oyster Bay, NY 11771. \$25/person. For more info and to register: [plantingfields.org/happenings/an-evening-with-dr-michael-dirr/](https://plantingfields.org/happenings/an-evening-with-dr-michael-dirr/)
  - **Thursday, September 26, 8am to 4:30 pm. Cultivating with Purpose: Exceptional Woody Plants for Today's Landscape a day-long conference featuring Dr. Michael Dirr, Lynden Miller, and Vincent Simeone.** Planting Fields, 1395 Planting Fields Road, Oyster Bay, NY 11771. \$200/person. For more info and to register: [plantingfields.org/happenings/cultivating-with-purpose/](https://plantingfields.org/happenings/cultivating-with-purpose/)

## JACKSON DODDS, PRUNING TEACHER EXTRAORDINAIRE!



A tremendous thank you to Jackson Dodds for his wonderful Pruning Workshop at his Stillwater Tree Farm on June 15. We learned so much! Jackson demonstrated and taught us pruning techniques that will serve us well. He, and his able crew, Chris Zay, Kym Smith and Patty Piotrowski, were so patient and kind, answering all our questions and concerns. We had a great time and will use our new found knowledge to enhance our gardens well into the future.



### HAH Sunday Lecture Programs 2025 - 2:00 pm

- January 12 - Merlin Sheldrake - *A Conversation with Merlin Sheldrake, author of 'Entangled Life'*  
February 9 - Carolyn Summers -  
*Native Plants: From the Wild to the Garden*  
March 9 - Heather Holm - *Native Predatory Wasps - Their Role as Pollinators and Beneficial Insects*  
April 13 - Sam Hoadley - *Knockout Natives*  
May 4 - Beronda Montgomery -  
*Lessons from Plants on Human Thriving*  
June 8 - Noel Kingsbury -  
*Planting Wild Style Gardens - What We Need to Know*  
September 7 - Nick McCullough - *American Roots*  
October 19 - Katherin H. Kerin -  
*Innisfree: Lessons in Slow Gardening*  
November 9 - Signe Nielsen -  
*Little Island: More than Meets the Eye*  
December 14 - Stephen Searl - *Sylvester Manor*

### HAH Roundtable Dates Fall 2024-Spring 2025

- Saturdays, 10 am to noon  
2024: October 5, November 2, December 7  
2025: January 4, February 1, March 1, April 5,  
October 4, November 1, December 6.

### HAH Winter Book Group 2024-2025

- Saturdays, 11 am to noon  
2024: December 21  
2025: January 18, February 15, & March 15

### POLLINATOR POETRY PARTY



On Friday, May 31, approximately 35-40 people gathered in the HAH LoGerfo Library for the Pollinator Poetry Party. Excitement filled the air as attendees introduced themselves to new poets or greeted ones they already knew. Eighteen poems were on the program representing teens as well as adults, women as well as men, locals as well as west coasters, newbies as well as professionals. An additional three poems were read by enthusiasts who showed up at the door with their poems in hand. It was such a welcoming and supportive group, many asking for another poetry party in the future! In spite of the work involved in preparing for this event I thoroughly enjoyed myself, I loved meeting new people and bringing people together in our library who share a common passion. Not to mention the poems were fantastic, rich in thought and filled with visual imagery. Thank you to Rosalie Luber for her help in organizing this event. And thanks to Governor Hochul who designated June as Pollinator Month...we certainly supported and celebrated her idea.

Joan Dimonda, Library Chair

**HAH Sunday Lecture Program 2024 - 2 pm**  
**At the Bridgehampton Community House, Main Hall**  
**2357 Montauk Highway, Bridgehampton, NY**

**September 8 – Darrel Morrison – *Beauty of the Wild***

**October 13 – Jeff Epping – *Gravel Gardens – Gardens that Rock***

**November 10 – Michael Hagen – *Native Plants for the Rock Garden***

**December 8 – April Gonzales – *The American Chestnut***

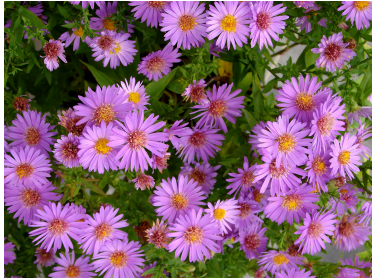
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**New Moon** 🌑 **Sept. 2 evening**

**Full Moon** 🌕 **Sept. 17 evening**

**First quarter Moon** 🌒 **Sept. 11 morning**

**Last Quarter Moon** 🌓 **Sept. 24 afternoon**



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