HAH Happenings
October 2019

The Horticultural Alliance of the Hamptons
P.O. Box 202, Bridgehampton, NY 11932-0202
631.537.2223  hahgarden.org
at the Bridgehampton Community House

HAH Monthly Lecture - Sunday, October 20, 2019 - 2 pm

Groundcover Plants - Beyond Pachysandra

Groundcovers can provide the solution to many of your garden challenges! In addition to providing soil cover and suppressing weeds, they add texture and color to your garden with minimal maintenance. This talk will cover a wide range of groundcovers that can thrive in all spots in your garden – in shade, in sun, on slopes or under trees. From evergreens to deciduous, herbaceous to woody, flowers to foliage, this group of plants will have something for you. Come explore beyond pachysandra and ivy!

Renée Marsh is a garden designer, an advanced master gardener, a horticulturist (aka a plant nut) and a flower farmer. She believes our gardens should be a healthy ecosystem where people, plants, animals and insects are in balance. Doing it right means fewer chemicals, less maintenance and more enjoyment.

Renee is the owner of a gardening design business, A Simpler Place, as well as a horticulture and cut flower business, Hilltop Blooms. For five years she was the Head Gardener for the Town of Monroe, CT where she designed and managed gardens at the parks and town buildings. She teaches gardening classes for the New York Botanical Garden and adult education programs, speaks to many community groups including garden clubs and writes on gardening topics for local publications. In her spare time she works on her 1803 homestead in Shelton, Connecticut. For much more about Renée, her passion for gardening and her blog, visit her website www.ASimplerPlace.com.

October Events at HAH

Sunday, October 6, The Karish Program with Doug Tallamy, see full details in Sept. issue or online
Saturday, October 12, Roundtable, details on page 5
Tuesday, October 15, Friends of the Garden, 10 am (rain date Oct. 17)
Saturday, October 19, Create a Myrtle Topiary Workshop, details on page 6
Sunday, October 20, Garden Tour in Sagaponack, 11:30-1:30, details on page 4
Sunday, October 20, Lecture by Renee Marsh, 2 pm, at BH Community House, details above
Tuesday, October 29, Amaryllis Planting Program starts, 4 pm, Montauk School, details on page 3
Dear HAH Members,

This month is shaping up to be a special one for us: a spectacular Karish program, more garden tours and a topiary workshop delivered by one of the masters of the art.

If we are lucky, we’ll have many warm days that will let us hold on to good gardening weather a while longer. This is a prime month for getting bulbs in the ground, even though the ground will be warm and soft into November. It’s a nice time to put the garden to bed, even though we’re learning that less is more in terms of clean up. That golden October light is consolation for the fact that the days are getting shorter.

We are planning a full suite of activities for the colder months – monthly roundtables, workshops and the return of our gardener’s book review group. We’re beginning to plan our winter Film Festival for Gardeners, and will have more to tell you soon. We still need volunteers for the Amaryllis Program in local libraries – it only takes two hours of your time at the most and has the payoff of delighting young gardeners with a fool proof planting experience.

Happy Gardening,

Alicia

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

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Susan Kennedy Zeller

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REPORT OF THE 2019 NOMINATING COMMITTEE
It is with great pleasure that the Nominating Committee proposes the following slate of officers for 2020 for the membership’s vote at the annual meeting in November:

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The Library Chairperson (who serves on the Board with a vote) is currently: Susan Kennedy Zeller
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At the general meeting of the membership in October, further nominations will be taken from the floor by the Nominating Committee. Nominations from the floor must be accompanied by a verbal or written consent of the nominee.

Respectfully submitted by the Nominating Committee,

Bettina Benson Erik Brockmeyer
Terry Coppola Pat Matheson
Elaine Peterson, chair
Holiday Amaryllis Planting Program

The HAH is again sponsoring a Holiday Amaryllis Planting Program that is offered free of charge to all participants for up to 15 children per Library, grades K-3. The HAH provides bulbs, containers and soil. We then help the children plant the bulbs and send them home with after care instructions. It is lots of fun!! A few wonderful Volunteers to help out would be most welcome and appreciated. Please contact Marie DiMonte, (631) 728-0292 or email at osprey23@optonline.net if you would like to participate at a library near you or another. Thank you so much!

Dates and times:

10/29/19  4:00pm  Tuesday  Montauk Library
11/4/19   4:00pm  Monday  Rogers Memorial Library, Southampton
11/7/19   4:00pm  Thursday East Hampton Library
11/12/19  4:30pm  Tuesday  Westhampton Library
11/12/19  4:00pm  Tuesday  Bridgehampton Child Care Recreational Center
11/13/19  4:30pm  Wednesday John Jermaine Library, Sag Harbor
12/6/19   4:30pm  Friday  Hampton Bays Library

HAH Library Footnotes1  October 2019
By Susan Kennedy Zeller

Open. The HAH Library is back in full swing for Fall and Winter. (Only HAH Members may take out books or magazines but anyone may come in and use during open hours). Our hours remain Tuesday and Saturday 10 AM to noon and after all the major lectures. Also if you are coming over for Roundtable, Workshops, or another special event you are welcome to browse the Library! Not a Member? … we are such a wonderful garden source you would get the most out of joining! Membership forms available on the Library desk.

New Books Once a Year Opportunity. Perhaps you have a favorite author who has written a new book or a brand new author you have heard about and are interested in reading! (We automatically acquire books of authors who are our speakers) but there are several other garden, plant, biography, nature or ‘how to’ authors producing valuable reading. Once a year we purchase new, wanted titles for the Library so … drop us a note of your suggestions!

Book Talks. During the winter we shall hold our special Book Talks. For members it is a great way to participate and hear about titles, old and new. We do it differently from most traditional ‘book clubs.’ Instead of everyone reading the same book, each presenter chooses a book from the Library and reports their own evaluation … good, poor or indifferent thoughts! That way all of us learn about at least 4 titles! If you are interested in being a presenter do leave you name at the Library desk. We shall announce the dates and book titles in a later Library column. You do NOT need to be a presenter to attend, just grab your own coffee or tea (we provide the munchies) and pop over. Our coordinator of the past few years, Carolyn Gemake, has stepped out of those shoes and Ursula Thomas will now wear them. Thank you Ursula for volunteering to guide us forward and much appreciation to Carolyn!!
HAH 2019 LOCAL GARDEN TOURS PROGRAM CONTINUES IN OCTOBER

HAH Members Have Been Invited to a Private Tour of The Sagaponack Garden of Ngaere Macray and David Seeler (Owners of The Bayberry Nursery)

This garden has not been open to the public for 30 years, so this is a very special opportunity!

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 20th
11:30am – 1:30pm
514 Sagaponack Road

Built in 1984, the house and its formal garden are tucked into the Northwest corner of a 40-acre farm field between the Red Schoolhouse on Sagg Main Street and the Nature Conservancy Reserve off Sagaponack Road. One side of the house connects to 4 separate garden rooms. These are surrounded by Yew and Beech hedges to provide shelter from Sagaponack winds. They now also help keeping out the deer! One room is a formal English style garden and the others (separated by rose arbors) enclose the swimming pool and outdoor dining area. Other elements of the garden include:

- 2 ponds (3/4 acre and 1/2 acre respectively) built in 1995 and 2001
- 4 acres of meadow gardens (connecting the house to views over the farmland)
- A ‘Pet Cemetery’ in a giant circle of 75 European Beech trees (grown from seeds by the owners)

Directions from points west: from Montauk Highway in Bridgehampton, make a right turn onto Halsey Lane, then make a left turn onto Hildreth Lane, eventually merging with Church Lane. Continue to the 4-way intersection at Ocean Road. Go straight across, but slightly to your right, to Sagaponack Road and continue to #514.

Directions from points east: From Montauk Highway in Sagaponack, make a left turn onto Sagg Main Street. Make a right turn when you reach Sagaponack Road (at the schoolhouse) and continue to #514.

Since the tour ends at 1:30, you will have plenty of time to return to the Bridgehampton Community House auditorium for our Sunday lecture at 2pm.

--See you there! Pamela Harwood
THE HAH ROUNDTABLE PROGRAM BEGINS A NEW SEASON
SATURDAY, OCTOBER 12, 2019
10am to Noon

Moderated by Pamela Harwood

TOPICS:

1) Plants that Look Great in September, October, and November (and may be on sale now at local nurseries or available from other HAH members!)

2) What to Do Right Now in Your Garden for Maintenance and Improvement

3) Questions and Answers from the Group

The Olde Towne Garden Club Annual Luncheon is to be held on Thursday November 14 at The Vineyards in Aquebogue
Floral Design Program by Denise Kelly, Marders
Doors open at 10:30 AM for Chinese Auction Program starts at 11:30 AM
Tickets are $45
To purchase either call Cornelia 631-283-1015 or send check to Olde Towne Garden Club POB 2812 Southampton, NY 11969

2020 HAH Sunday Lecture Dates

January 12 – Julie Moir Messervy
The Designer’s Way: Creating Gardens (and Lives) of Beauty and Meaning

February 9 – Chris Woods
Gardenlust: A Botanical Tour of the World’s Best New Gardens

March 8 - Stephen F. Byrns
Untermyer: A Garden for the World

April 5 – Tony Avent
My Favorite 100… Perennials I Wouldn’t Garden Without

May 3 - Lois Sheinfeld
Outstanding Trees for the Home Garden

June 14 – Bill Cullina
What do you Mean I’m Not a Perennial?!
Native Shrubs & Small Trees for Perennial Companionship

September 13 – Lori Chips
Troughs: Gardening in the Smallest Landscape

October 18 – Judith Tankard
Gardens of the Arts & Crafts Movement

November 8 – Margery Daughtery
Battling Diseases in the Garden

December 13 – David Culp
A Bountiful Year: Six Seasons of Beauty from Brandywine Cottage
Create a Myrtle Topiary

Workshop - Saturday, October 19, 2019

Time: 10am – 12pm

Location: ‘The Greenhouse’ at Landcraft Environments
1160 East Mill Road, Mattituck, N.Y. 11952

Please join us for this very special “Make and Take” event led by Dennis Schrader, plantsman par excellence. Under Dennis’ guidance, we will be re-potting, staking and trimming a 5” Myrtle topiary.

You’ll need to bring your own very sharp scissors.

This workshop will be limited to 20 people, so sign up early as this event will fill up quickly.

Directions from Southampton:
Take 27 East to 24 heading through Flanders to 105 North. Take 105 North to Northville Tpk. (Rte. 43) Turn right on Rt. 43 and go to the end (about 1/8 of a mile). Make a right at the end onto Sound Ave; travel east approximately 7 miles (Sound Ave. will become a 4 lane road when you get into Mattituck.) Make a left at Wickham Ave. Stay left at the fork and Wickham will become Grand Ave. Proceed north on Grand to the intersection of Grand and East Mill Rd. Make a left on East Mill Rd., go approximately 2000 feet to # 1160 (# on mailbox.) on left. Drive up to the top of the hill and park along the greenhouses.

Registration Form:
Please sign me up for the Saturday, October 19, 2019 Myrtle Topiary Workshop.

Name(s) ____________________________________________________________

Phone (cell preferred) ________________________________________________

Email ________________________________________________________________

I would like to purchase tickets:

HAH Member $30: $__________  Non- Member $40: $__________

Total Amount included: $__________

Please make checks payable to HAH and mail to HAH, P.O. Box 202, Bridgehampton, NY 11932, Attention: Workshops no later than October 1, 2019.

Questions:  Call Marie DiMonte: 631-782-0292 or email her at: osprey23@optonline.net
CREATE A CANDLE RING FOR YOUR HOLIDAY TABLE

Saturday, November 30, 2019
10:00 am, HAH Library

Join us for this fun workshop and bring home a beautiful candle ring. Ornaments, ribbons and fresh flowers will be provided.

Please bring clippers, gloves and a Lazy Susan if you like; a variety of greens from your garden in a bucket of water, pinecones, berries, rose hips and pods.

Create a Candle Ring for Your Holiday Table
$20 members, $30 non-members

Name _____________________ email _____________________

Please make checks payable to HAH and mail to: HAH, Attn. Workshops, P.O. Box 202, Bridgehampton, NY 11932-0202

Deadline: Friday, November 1, 2019
Questions: Lydia Wallis lydiapbw@optonline.net
HAH 2019 SUNDAY MONTHLY LECTURES - 2 PM - BH Community House

All lectures are free to members, $10 for not-yet-members. Memberships start at $45. Please join us!

October 20  Renee Marsh – Groundcover Plants – Beyond Pachysandra

November 10  Ian Ross – The Essence of Flower Photography

December 8  Annie Novak – Grow Up! Rooftop Farming

MORE LOCAL GARDEN EVENTS  OCTOBER 2019

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

Saturday, October 19, 10:00 am to 11:30 am - Basic Pruning for Trees and Shrubs. Summerhill Nursery, 342 Town Lane, Amagansett. Preparing your trees and shrubs for winter’s harsh winds and heavy snow takes some know-how. To learn what you should be doing, meet the Peconic Land Trust at Summerhill Nursery for the fundamental concepts behind pruning a variety of plants. Then take a walk through the tree nursery to see examples of formal pruning techniques like pollarding, and topiary and learn how and why these techniques are applied in the landscape. $5/person. Reservations requested. Rain cancels.

• Events at Bridge Gardens, 36 Mitchell Lane, Bridgehampton, NY 11932:
  Tuesdays, October 1, 8, 15, 22 & 29, 3:00 pm to 5:00 pm - Paul Wagner Lawn Care Advice. FREE.

• Wednesday, October 30, 6:15 pm, Kiftsgate Court Gardens: Three Generations of Women Gardeners, an illustrated talk by Anne and Johnny Chambers with reception and book signing to follow. The General Library Society, 20 West 44th Street, New York, NY 10036. $35 with code GARDEN19 (from the Garden Conservancy, event cosponsor). For more information and to register: https://www.royal-oak.org/events/2019-fall-nyc-kiftsgate/ or call Kayla Smith at (212) 480-2889 ext. 201

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

Sunday, October 6: Dried & Silks (Denise Kelly)  Sunday, October 13: Bulbs, Bulbs, Bulbs (Paige Patterson)