



The Garden Club of East Hampton Newsletter

Spring 2017

Seed Sowing Workshop "Marigolds and More"



HORTICULTURE COMMITTEE

Members of the Horticulture Committee met in December to transplant the seedlings we started from seed back in October. We moved each seedling into its own 2"x 2" cell (see above). Then 3 trays of seedlings were put on a bench next to a big, very sunny window. Many not only survived, but thrived.

They were transplanted a final time into the 4"x 4" pots, filled out cards describing each plant in detail, and then entered them in the Plant Exchange at the Zone III Annual meeting.



FLOWER SHOW COMMITTEE

Photography Program and Workshop

In June we had a program on Photography given by a GCA Photography Judge.

The program "The Best Camera is the One With You" and these days that might mean an iPhone or some other type of smart phone. The speaker gave us examples of various ways to use your cell phone and techniques to employ for improved results such as the apps available for use on the iPhone. The results are intriguing.

In July we held a fun, small Club Show (informal exhibit) for Photography called "A Picture of Summer" ... The schedule had seven classes open to GCEH members.



At our spring Program in NYC we learned about Ground Zero's Original Survivors' Tree and an offspring of the tree planted in East Hampton. Pictured above, the young tree (fenced to protect it from deer) with benches dedicated by the GCEH and LVIS provide comfort.

GARDEN MART WITH PARTY & AUCTION

The Garden Mart committees are in full swing preparing for our Memorial Weekend Garden Mart party with plant sale and auction ... our only fundraiser of the year.

A new Garden Club project is under way at the Thomas Moran house. The Garden Club has taken on the project of recreating the beautiful 100' x 7' garden that runs from the street entrance to the house. Some of the proceeds from the plant sale will help fund this project.

Please help to make this year's Garden Mart a huge success. Volunteer, donate and invite your friends.

MARY NIMMO MORAN GARDEN

The Garden Club of East Hampton is pleased to announce that the Robert D. L. Gardiner Foundation awarded us with a matching grant to restore Mary Nimmo Moran's border garden at the Thomas Moran House / Studio on Main Street.

The Robert D.L. Gardiner Foundation's mission is to educate, cultivate, encourage, and sponsor projects and institutions focused on preserving local history, art, culture, heritage, and traditions.

The historic home, with artist studio and gardens, is registered as a National Landmark and being restored to its former glory of the late 1800's. Installation of the Moran Garden will begin this Spring.

INTERNSHIP PROGRAM

The GCEH Internship Program has three great interns for the 2016-17 collaboration with the Third House Nature Center.

Each Sunday during the academic year the interns meet for three hours at the Big Reed Pond to explore and document the pond and its surroundings. They will continue studies started by previous interns and begin ones of their own.

A wonderful blog has been set up which enables us to closely follow what they have done each week. The interns also write about the one thing they found particularly interesting.

"BUNNY" SUCCULENTS

Just in time for Easter! The latest rage is a species of succulent called *Monilaria obconica* which has a unique feature, little rabbit ears! A fun find for young and old!

