

Shoreham Garden Club Newsletter

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Member News

WELCOME NEW MEMBERS

Karen Burnson, Wardencliff Road, Shoreham. Karen is interested in bird, butterfly and shade gardens.

Bob Cavanaugh and Lorraine Maddalena, Circle Drive, Shoreham. Bob has a special interest in bonsai

Henri Ceruti and wife Christine, an associate member, Shoreham

Flora Garsten, Thompson Street, Shoreham. We love her name.

Madeline Lukins-Wejchert, Shore Road, Mount Sinai, with special interests in landscape design and cottage gardens

Brian McCarthy, Tower Hill Road in Shoreham

Linda Winter, Overhill Road, Shoreham, a special participant in Habitat-for-Humanity

Kudos to SGC.

Our membership has grown to **60** members.

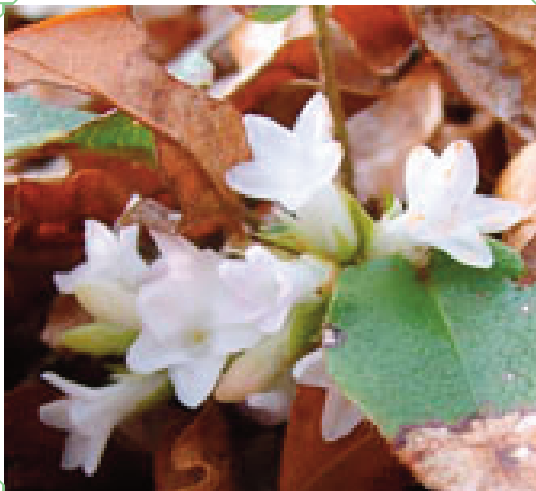
President's Message

by-Vicki McLane

Spring is here. The ice has finally melted and garden cleanup begins. The plants I ordered are starting to arrive and I have been out planting, hoping that we don't get another snow.

We have a full array of programs planned for the year. Please join us when you can. For April we have two speakers on Organic Vegetable Gardening, a much requested topic. I hope to see you there.

We need volunteers to help with Community Outreach. We hope to do another Habitat-for-Humanity landscape. The planting is exhilarating but labor intense so we will need members who are willing to work on setting it up. New member Linda Winter works part-time for Habitat and is anxious to help us get started on a new project. Please contact me if you are willing to put in some time to organize our effort 744-8765. Those who participated last year had a great time. It was astounding to see what could be accomplished in one day.



Trailing Arbutus, now at the height of its bloom

April Program Saturday, April 28th 10:30am Shoreham Village Hall

Get inspired to create your own organic vegetable garden. Frank Ludwig, a member of the Northeast Organic Farming Association (NOFA) and Meg Bush, Bush Farms, will be speaking on organic Vegetable Gardening.

Shoreham Garden Club Schedule 2007

Mon., Apr. 23 District II Spring Luncheon, 10 a.m., Crest Hollow Country Club

Sat., Apr. 28 Organic Vegetable Gardening, Frank Ludwig, Northeast Organic Farmers Association and Meg Bush from Bush Farms, Shoreham Village Bldg., 10:30 a.m., .

Sat., Jun. 2 SGC Plant/Tag sale

Sun., Jun. 24 Mid-Summer Night Garden Party, Sandy Romano's home.

Sat., Jul. 14 Garden Conservancy Open Day Tour

Sat., Aug. 18 Member's Workshop on Herbs, plus afternoon tea and garden tour, Vicki McLane's home.

Sat., Sep. 15 Fall Plantings, Christine Doctor, The Plant Doctor, Inc., Shoreham Village Bldg., 10:30 a.m.,

Sat., Sep 22 Tour of The Plantage Nursery.

Sat/Sun., Sep. 29-30 District II Standard Flower Show, Hofstra University.

Volunteers needed.

Sat., Oct. 20 Speaker on Growing Zones, Shoreham Village Bldg., 10:30 a.m.

Mon., Oct. 22 District II Fall Luncheon, 10 a.m., Crest Hollow Country Club
Nov. Three-Village Garden Club joint meeting.

Sun., Dec. 2 Holiday Party & installation of officers, 3-6 p.m., Diana Fuchs' home.

Philadelphia Flower Show

by Vicki McLane

Eight members of the Shoreham Garden Club joined the Three-Village Garden Club on their trip to the Philadelphia Flower Show on March 9. We met the bus in Setauket at 6:30 a.m. Due to an accident on the N.J. Turnpike we were late in arriving, but we put off the time of departure by an hour to make up for it. The theme of the show this year was "Legends of Ireland".

There were acres upon acres of exhibits. In addition to the large landscape and floral exhibits, there were individual design and plant entries, educational exhibits, lectures and events. There was also a marketplace and most of us came home with a new plants or garden ornaments. We boarded the bus at 7 p.m. exhausted, but glad we made the trip.

Our thanks go to the Three-Village Club for arranging it



Vicki McLane, Carol Fish, Elaine Squires, Barbara Foley, Sandy Romano, Carol Ryan, Pat Thompson (missing from photo Carol Willen)



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Vicki McLane, President
Karen Blumer, Vice President/Membership
Carol Ryan, Secretary
Mimi Oberdorf, Treasurer

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Other Events of Interest

Nathan Hale Garden Club Flower Show, Thurs., May 17, 1:30 – 7:00 p.m. & Fri., May 18, 10:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m., Old 1st Presbyterian Church, 125 Main St., Huntington. Donation: \$4.00.

FGCNYS District II Design Workshop, Wed., May 9, Montfort Missions.

National Garden Club Convention, May 23-28, Boston, MA.

FGCNYS District II Design Workshop, Tues., June 5, Montfort Missions.

Garden Conservancy Open Days -- Sandy Romano

A list of the Garden Conservancy Open Days is given below. We are planning a Club trip for the July 14 Open Day; details will follow in the next newsletter. Further information, descriptions of, and directions to each of these gardens can also be found at the Garden Conservancy Web site: <http://gardenconservancy.org/opendays>.

Garden Conservancy Open Days

Sat., May 5	Cutchogue (Penney Art Gallery Garden, Lee Garden)
Sun., May 20	Remsenburg (Little Birdstone, Meyer Gardens, Urshel & Rothstein Gardens)
Sun., June 10	St. James (Leighton Gardens)
Sat., June 23	East Hampton (Brody Garden, Bujese Garden, Kerr Garden, Mercer Garden)
Sat., July 14	Cutchogue (Conni Cross Gardens); Mattituck (Isaac Garden, Schrader & Smith Garden); Southold (Milford Garden)
Sun., July 15	East Hampton (Munroe & Rosendranz Gardens); Montauk (Kahn & Peterson Garden)

SGC Plant Sale Saturday, June 2 Pot Ahead!

Please remember to be dividing and potting up all those overgrown plants to share with others for the upcoming June plant sale. Now's the time -- when they are just waking up.



Vicki McLane and Peter Kahn travelled to the Galapagos and have some tales to share in our next issue

Below, frigate bird of the Galapagos in courtship display



DEER BE-GONE



Deer love the tasty tulips and day lilies just now emerging. We have managed to fend them off using a couple homemade anti-deer repellents. One, applied to the plants shown above on the right, is made with a few drops of cinnamon oil in water with cayenne; the other is a garlic-egg-cayenne-oil-water mix to spray or sprinkle on and around the leaves. Of the two, the garlic (plants to the left) has performed 100% effectively so far. It needs to be reapplied after rains but holds up better than the cinnamon and oil.

My next door neighbor has tried chopping up Irish Spring soap and sprinkling it around her plants to be defended. She says it works. -- Karen Blumer

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