

Saturday- July 14, 2018

Centerville

Whelden Memorial Library: Howes' Garden, 1124 Old Stage Rd., Centerville *OPEN 9am-12pm*****

The Howes' Garden holds numerous flower gardens with many different perennials and bulbs. Their specialty is hybridizing day lilies! They have seedlings from plants cross-pollinated in 2017, yearlings planted in the spring of 2017, and close to 100 plants saved from crops as far back as 2004. The best hybrids get a Cape Cod name (such as Cape Cod Lemonade), and registered with the American Hemerocallis Society. If you are curious about hybridization, or simply want to see an array of beautiful blooms, this is the garden to visit!

Dennis

Barnstable Education Foundation: A Flair For The Dramatic, 42 Depot Street, Dennis Port

This garden is an example of how a small property can be turned into a colorful, flower-filled oasis. You'll see the coy ponds, with a combination of perennials and tropical plants filling the perimeters. Discover tall, impressive varieties of plants and those with colorful foliage. Be surprised by the fanciful ornaments placed in ponds and gardens...you might even meet a Hollywood celebrity or two! Be sure to note the welcoming front door patio and ask John any questions about ponds and water gardens.

Accessibility: Discretionary - uneven land, soft ground.

Harwich

Nauset Garden Club: Serenity, 148 Kendrick Rd., East Harwich

Serenity features many shrubs and interesting young trees and a good sized perennial bed. The newest addition to this one-acre garden is an Asian style garden. Discretionary: uneven land, soft ground, or sets of stairs. Proper judgement is advised.

Orleans

Orleans Improvement Association: "SEASIDE SERENITY", 3 LOCKWOOD LANE, ORLEANS

Overlooking Paw Wah Pond, Little Pleasant Bay, and the Atlantic Ocean, this peaceful seaside garden features shady sections with hydrangeas, native blueberries, hosta, rhododendrons, and azaleas, laid out to complement the setting. Additional highlights include 41 different specimens of Japanese maples which are signed with the common and Latin names along with owner comments. Hardy plants which do well in a sometimes-harsh seaside setting are a specialty of these homeowners. A newly designed fairy garden, colorfully planted containers, and garden art also add interest to this peaceful park-like setting.

Orleans Improvement Association: "BUNGALOW HEAVEN", 59 GIBSON ROAD, ORLEANS

This Arts and Crafts bungalow with its companion cottage in the rear is nestled on a hillside with peeks of Town Cove. The owner saved these houses from being torn down over 20 years ago and had the exteriors redesigned to reflect the Arts and Crafts style. The owner, a tireless gardener in his own right, hired a landscape designer to develop guidelines for the landscaping to complement the houses. He then planted what he liked while maintaining a calm but colorful and informal layout. Highlights include peach, apple, fig and pear trees along with hydrangeas, carefully arranged to draw the visitors along various paths surrounding the house.

Orleans Improvement Association: "IN TOWN SECRET GARDEN", 79 SOUTH ORLEANS ROAD (RT. 28), ORLEANS

This totally organic, multi-level secret garden with surprises at every turn is on the site of a 50's neighborhood dumping ground of neglected overgrowth. The plants, garden layout, garden art, and whimsical features reflect the owner artist and her years living in the Pacific Northwest. This yard shows how a completely grass free garden can create a peaceful and intriguing environment. Challenging topography and a city lot transformed by large rocks, green visual barriers and a large Zen garden contribute to a sense of privacy and enclosure. The winding path through the garden begins with a drip basin, bamboo gate, and then winds along a created dry stream, ending at a small bridge and dry pond. A Japanese maple then begins the path into the hydrangea portion of the garden.

Nauset Garden Club: Seamist, 34 Sea Mist Drive, East Orleans

Seamist is a series of garden rooms beginning with a formal parterre filled with lavender and roses and then moving into the front garden with a rhododendron border anchoring a mixed border filled with native cedars, flowering shrubs, perennials and annuals. This leads to a small shade garden where hostas, ferns, and astilbes foreshadow a small white garden. The rear garden features a Japanese garden under the deck and two borders anchored by a Buddha head, a Yoshino cherry, and dogwoods. This area is filled with several species of hydrangeas, roses, perennials, and shrubs that give way to the wooded landscape below and picturesque Uncle Harvey's pond.

Garden Directions: Take Rt 6 to Exit 12 Orleans. Take a right onto Rt 6, another right onto Eldredge Parkway and go to the second light, which is Main St. Take a right on Main until the road splits at the Barley Neck Inn. Take a right at the split and bear right onto Barley Neck Rd. Go about a mile. Sea Mist Dr. in on the left. Follow to last house on the left. Garden Parking: Good street parking; Garden Handicapped Accessibility: Discretionary

Nauset Garden Club: An Edible Landscape, 6 Viking Road, Orleans

Fruit trees and berry bushes are scattered among plots of veggies and wildflowers, providing food for pollinators as well as food for the gardeners. The four-season beauty of these trees and bushes are especially lovely when they flower in the spring, are fun to observe as they produce their various fruits in the summer and then turn lovely colors for autumn and have beautiful profiles in the winter. Visitors are like to leave with an edible souvenir, depending on what's ready for harvest. More important, we hope they will be inspired to try a bit of edible landscaping on their own property. "Discretionary" is the best description. It's neither Accessible nor Difficult, but there is a sloped, unpaved pathway down from the street.

Nauset Garden Club: Hint of England, 10 SAGES WAY, EAST ORLEANS

Full sun perennial garden, small raised vegetable garden, expansive deck adorned with container plants overlooking quiet, private pond. Discretionary: uneven land, soft ground, or sets of stairs. Proper judgement is advised.

Nauset Garden Club: Ruby's Garden, 196 Rock Harbor Road, Orleans

Gardens surround the house and the lot's outer perimeter. The outer gardens are divided by a rock walkway and feature Stewartia, dogwood, weeping cherry, spruce and lilac trees, plus a variety of sun and shade perennials. Discretionary: uneven land, soft ground, or sets of stairs. Proper judgement is advised.

Nauset Garden Club: Garden on Sarah's Pond, 150 Quanset Road, South Orleans

Extensive, multi-acre garden bordering two ponds and surrounded by over 100 acres of conservation land. This unique property includes meandering paths through a woodland shade garden of native plantings. The garden also incorporates close to a hundred hydrangeas in sun and shade, dozens of roses, flowering shrubs, plus daylilies, grasses and perennials incorporated into sunny perennial borders. Discretionary: uneven land, soft ground, or sets of stairs. Proper judgement is advised. PORTIONS not suggested for wheelchair or walker.