

Thursday - July 12, 2018

Bourne

Aptuxet Garden Club of Bourne: 25 Michael Road, Pocasset

This cozy garden was started in 2008 by clearing a previously unused, jungle-like area of the property. After a year of work and removal of nine dump-truck loads of invasive plants and debris owners were ready to create the Woodland Garden. Today it's an oasis full of lush hydrangeas, perennials, small shrubs and trees. **Longtime club member, Laurie York, will host a complimentary 'Tea Party' from 10 am-1 pm in the central herb garden.** She'll share her vast knowledge of herbs and some tea recipes from her book "In Love with Herbs".

Aptuxet Garden Club of Bourne: 53 Bennet's Neck Drive, Pocasset

This show-stopping garden features perennial beds of Roses, hollyhocks, foxgloves, Nepeta, Shasta daisies, Alchemilla, lamb's ears, and tall phlox providing all season color and interest. The split rail fence beds at the front and side of the house contain Roses, Shasta daisies, white snapdragons and sweet autumn Clematis. The backyard features Rhododendrons, Hydrangeas, day lilies, ferns, Hosta and ground covers. Low maintenance practices and shrubs provide a bird-friendly environment while planters and flowers at the front of the house encourage pollinator visitation. **Club member and artist Jane Urso will be painting en plein air from 10 am -1pm**

Aptuxet Garden Club of Bourne: 55 Monument Neck Road, Gray Gables

This property has been developed by the homeowner for open-air summer living. The "greeting garden" forms an outdoor room at the front of the house. This charming area is contained by a classic white picket fence adorned with a perennial edge. As you make your way to the backyard you will find many varieties of hydrangeas, a great variety of perennials throughout, and a vegetable garden. Enjoy complimentary refreshments on the back deck while you peruse the hypertufa planters available for purchase.

Aptuxet Garden Club of Bourne: Valley Farm Community Garden – 892 County Road, Pocasset

Located on three acres of historic farmland on the old Barnstable County Hospital campus we returned the land to its past use with a contemporary twist—new age victory gardens. The farm boasts 97 plots. Four provide fresh produce for Bourne's Food Pantry. Our shed, thrift shop and perennial garden complete the landscape. Open April–November we grow a wide range of vegetables, fruits, and herbs. From 10am-1pm Carolee Packard will demonstrate garden crafts. **From 10am-2pm Liz Henry will demonstrate Japanese Saori weaving with some hands-on-weaving activities. Complimentary refreshments will be served.** (Restrooms with limited accessibility are available.)

FROM THE EAST: From Sandwich Rd/MA-6A to the roundabout take 2nd exit for Trowbridge Road

FROM THE NORTH: From 1-495S and I-195E to MA-25E/MA-28S/Bourne Bridge go over the bridge to the roundabout take 1st exit for Trowbridge Road

FROM THE SOUTH: From Macarthur Blvd/MA-28N take 3rd roundabout exit for Trowbridge Road.

Directions to GRAY GABLES GARDEN (55 Monument Neck Road)

Continue straight for 1.8 miles (Trowbridge Road, becomes Shore Road, then changes again to Monument Neck Road). Look for Hydrangea Festival Signs. #55 Monument Neck Road is on the left. Please park only on the left-side of this dead-end road. To proceed to the Pocasset gardens on tour, turn around and drive 1.2 miles up Monument Neck Road. Take a sharp right onto Shore Road.

POCASSET GARDENS:

53 Bennet's Neck: Drive Follow Shore Road for 1.1 miles. Turn left onto Beach Street, follow for 0.3 miles. Turn right onto County Road, continue straight for 1.1 miles. Look for Hydrangea Festival Signs. Turn right and keep to the right on Bennet's Neck Drive, #53 is on the left. Please park on the right-hand side of the road. Proceed to the next garden. Turn around on Bennet's Neck Road and go back to County Road. Turn right onto County.

25 Michael Road: Follow County Road for 0.7 miles. Look for Hydrangea Festival Signs. Turn right onto Michael Road #25 is on the left. Park on either side of the road. Proceed to the next garden. Turn around on Michael Road and head back to County Road. Turn right onto County.

892 County Road: Follow County Road for 0.3 miles. Look for Hydrangea Festival Signs. #892, Valley Farm Community Garden, is on the right. Turn right into their parking area.

Barnstable

Osterville Garden Club: The Cobb Astro Park, Barnstable High School, 744 West Main St., Hyannis

As gardeners, you will be fascinated by the wind sculptures, two unique water sculptures, and a Pathway of Discovery, which is home to 27 white marble busts of people who have changed the way we look at the universe, and ultimately ourselves. Search for the raised bed gardens maintained by the Garden Club of Hyannis and the Osterville Garden Club and the school's memorial garden. Volunteerism and 12 years of community effort have produced this gathering space for strolling, learning, meditating, reflecting, and socializing. Accessible. **Directions:** Take West Main St. off Rt. 28 in Hyannis to Barnstable High School. Enter the building through the Knight Auditorium Lobby in the center of the school. Parking is in the lots around the high school.

Osterville Garden Club: A Propagation Garden, 34 Tomahawk Drive, Centerville

The owners of this garden have been propagating trees, shrubs, perennials and annuals here for over 50 years. The couple is particularly knowledgeable about pollinator plants. Their greenhouse shelters the immature plantings and the composting bins provide soil filled with nutrients. As you explore the paths of the garden, you will notice many propagated hydrangeas including 'Niko Blue', 'Todi', 'Bombshell', and others. **Discretionary**

Directions: Take Old Stage Rd. north from Rt. 28 in Centerville. Take a left on Buckskin Path and follow to stop sign. Continue straight and take the 3rd left on Tomahawk Drive.

Osterville Garden Club: Cape Cod's Bountiful Landscape, 109 Old Stage Road, Centerville

In Centerville's historic village, this property surrounds a sea captain's house built in 1730. You can savor the sight of completely organic vegetables and flowers growing in a 50 ft. x 20 ft. year-round "hoop house". The homeowner will be on hand to share the how-to's of growing your own fresh produce year-round in an easily constructed hoop house heated by solar power. Accessible **Directions:** From the intersection of Rt. 28 and Old Stage Rd. go south towards Craigville Beach to address 109 on the right. Parking is in the long driveway.

Osterville Garden Club: Seaside Gardens A-Z, 132 South Bay Road, Osterville

Home overlooks beautiful hydrangeas out to the crystal waters of West Bay. Equally as spectacular is the elegantly designed raised beds vegetable garden with everything edible from A (artichokes) to Z (zucchini). All around this lovely property are flowerbeds bursting with blooms. The owner lovingly starts between 1500-2000 annuals and vegetable seedlings in her greenhouse every year. **Accessible. Directions:** Take West Bay Road off Main Street in Osterville. Turn left onto Bridge St. toward Oyster Harbors. Turn left after the bridge onto South Bay Rd. Continue around the bend all the way to the end of South Bay Rd. Parking is in the tennis courts.

Osterville Garden Club: Mass Audubon's Long Pasture Wildlife Sanctuary, 345 Bone Hill Rd., Barnstable

Long Pasture Wildlife Sanctuary features a perennial garden maintained by the Osterville Garden Club. Tour a native bird garden with breathtaking views of Barnstable Harbor. Explore the Butterfly Mosaic Trail filled with pollinator plants that attract many species of butterflies, dragonflies, and bees. Stroll a short boardwalk through a salt marsh and meander down many trails to discover habitats that encourage and sustain wildlife. Long Pasture's Visitor Center will be open for you to explore as well. **Accessible. Directions:** Take 6A to Bone Hill Rd. in Barnstable. Follow the road almost to the end. Long Pasture is the last left before the beach. Parking is in the Mass Audubon lot.

Whelden Memorial Library: Howes' Garden, 1124 Old Stage Rd., Centerville *OPEN: 9am to 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!

Housing Assistance Corporation: Garden of Angels, 360 Pheasant Hill Circle, Cotuit

Come visit the Garden of Angels in the new community of Cotuit Meadows. Many of the plants in this small, cottage-style garden come from the owner's previous home. Plantings include several varieties of Hydrangea, along with other perennials and annuals in shades of pink, white, and blue. The gardens are carefully designed so that each window of the home has a unique view that

changes with the seasons. Scattered amidst the plantings are stone angels, bunnies and, as a special surprise, a faerie resort. This garden is sure to delight both the young and young at heart.

West Dennis Garden Club: 2390 Main St. Route 6A, West Barnstable

"As you approach, the front yard displays beautiful Nantucket Blue Hydrangeas with a back drop of red geraniums in the window boxes. Proceed to the northeast side of the property and view the Zorro Hydrangeas, a row of Knock-out Pink Roses, and also a herb garden. In the back of the house you see kiwi vines in containers under the pergola on the patio, and a Climbing Hydrangea on the very back of the house. On the southwest side of the property, you see a fenced in vegetable garden, Baptista, Rosa Rugosa, and Angel's Blush Hydrangea Paniculata. Crawling on the stone wall are Japanese Skimmia, Lady in Red, Pinky Winky and Paniculata Hydrangea, as well as Creeping Phlox. Below the stone wall on the patio are Darlow's Enigma Roses and various hydrangeas. A wonderful variety and a colorful display!

Dennis

West Dennis Garden Club: 1 Thirza's Way, Wrinkle Point, West Dennis

Please come visit this garden by the sea. The property is surrounded by hydrangea bushes...many of these bushes were planted by the original owner and they still bring much joy to the garden today. Photos of the garden can be found in Joan Harrison's book Hydrangeas Cape Cod and Beyond. As you stroll through the yard mixed in with the colorful bushes will be other perennials including the Patrick J.Cronin Day Lilies propagated by the present day owner's grandfather. As you journey to the backyard the owner's small but much-loved English Garden springs to view along with a wonderful view of Bass River and beyond. End your visit by sitting on the inviting deck with comfortable rocking chairs or venture down to the dock and enjoy the calm that only the sea can bring.

West Dennis Garden Club: 45 Garfield Drive, Wrinkle Point, West Dennis

This garden is an amazing accumulation of the designer's efforts. Her garden designs are well known in the world of enchanted gardens in CT. where she lives when she is not in her Cape garden. Many specialty trees greet you as you approach the property. The white flowering bushes cause you to stop as you walk through the Wrinkle Point neighborhood. Stroll to the back yard where you will be greeted by the garden designs that will make your visit to this enchanted garden complete.