



Country Clippings

Easton Garden Club Newsletter

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Wednesday, October 13, 2004 - 7:30pm

Oakes Ames Memorial Hall

"Antique Containers" Henry Callan



Well known antique collector and appraiser, Henry Callan will give a lecture on antique containers and flower arranging.

Also, Mr. Callan has agreed to appraise up to twenty antique vases or containers. (Please, no jewelry, furniture, etc.) Call or email Denise Batchis before October 12th if you are interested in having your antique vase or container appraised.

Exhibits: "Election Night Party"

Horticulture: "Last Rose of the Year"

Topic: "Garden Clean-up"

Refreshments: Judi Bruno, chair
Maureen Curtin, Joyce Holster, Judy Tyler,
Suzanne Zaff, Dierdre Ames

Table Arrangement: Denise Batchis

Dates To Remember

October 27, 2004 (Wednesday) 9:00 am
The Fall Conference will take place at the Westford Regency in Westford, MA.

October 27, 2004 (Wednesday) 7:00pm
Board Meeting at the home of Darya Cotter

October 30, 2004 (Saturday) 9:00 a.m.
Digging and planting daffodils at Yardley/Wood Rink,
Depot Street, South Easton



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NRT NOTES: We want to thank everyone for all the help they gave for our NRT fundraiser 2004. Not only was the weather perfect, but also it was a fun and profitable day. Set up went smoothly. We had over 150 wreaths, dozens of grass bunches and bouquets, Chinese lanterns, lunaria, rosehip and bittersweet bundles. Our spot looked gorgeous. The numbers are not firmed up yet, but we took in \$4,661 as of Monday. There is still one check due in. Our expenses were probably around \$600. So we finally broke \$4,000 for the first time in the last few years. We had a lot of laughs the week prior to the fair. **FORTY-ONE MEMBERS** participated in this year's NRT, which is fantastic. We had some new members come to the workshops and do wonderful work. It was a big group effort; you all deserve a pat on the back. I'll have better numbers for you at the October meeting. Please resume saving wire hangers, elastics, tissue paper, dry-cleaning and large plastic bags for next year's NRT. Also don't forget to dry any roses you get. We had so many this year we weren't scrounging on Sunday. Also, start tearing out pictures of Christmas wreaths for the November workshops for the Greens Sale in December...HA HAHA...

Amy

Lost & Found: A gold hoop earring was found on our spot on Sunday. Contact Nancy Cohenno if it's yours.

Calling all clippers: October is Garden Club Amnesty Month. Amy has noticed that many of our clippers and glue guns have been misplaced. If anyone happens to have any EGC tools in their possession, please bring them to our October meeting. No questions asked. Also, if you have extra clippers, glue guns, or gluepots that you would like to get rid of, we accept donations.

New Member: We would like to welcome new member Cynthia Buckley to The Easton Garden Club.

New EGC Books: The program books for the 2004/2005-year have been mailed out to the membership. If you have not received one, contact Membership Chairperson Kim Bertram, or see her at the October Meeting. Also, if there are any inaccuracies please call or e-mail me (Nancy Cohenno) and I will be sure to publish them in the November newsletter.

Speaking of the Newsletter: If you love the newsletter in color, the credit goes to Maureen Curtin for suggesting we print it in color to submit for an award, Robin Kallfelz for the format and pictures (this is last years newsletter, the only change is the news and dates), and Vivian Bissett for donating her printer and ink to the EGC.

Cook Book Recipes: We are in need of your recipes as our deadline of November 15th approaches. At the present time ten members have contributed their favorites. We are hoping that our many talented members have been busy working on NRT but are ready now. Please go to our website and add your recipes, stories, and gardening tips. If you have any questions please contact a member of the Cookbook Committee: Maureen Curtin, Joyce Holster, Amy Morse, Claudia Peters, Monica Saba, Judy Tyler.

Yardley-Wood Rink: We will have a work party on Saturday, October 30th at 9:00 a.m. to prepare the soil for daffodils and hopefully plant the daffodils at the Rink along the guardrail. Anyone that can help, please contact Nancy Cohenno or sign up at the October meeting.

Email Update: If you have an email address and aren't on our *egclist* and would like to receive email from us, please let Rory Kallfelz, our Webmaster know. Also, if you want to be removed from the list, let him know. We occasionally email our members with reminders of workshops or other important news. This is one more way we can get our news out to our membership without calling each and every one of you. You may contact Rory at Rory@eastongardenclub.org

Flower Show 2005

There will be a free workshop, "*You Can Exhibit at the Flower Show*" Thursday, October 21, 2004, 10:00 a.m.

Massachusetts Horticultural Society
Elm Bank Horticultural Center
Hunnewell Building
900 Washington Street, Wellesley, Ma.

This is a workshop for anyone who is interested to, but never entered in the New England Spring Flower Show. You will learn how your lush horticulture and creative design talents can be displayed at the Flower Show. Anyone can attend who has never entered and has always wondered, "Could I do that?" To register, call Carolyn Weston, 617-933-4984, or email her at cweston@masshort.org by October 15.

Workshop Schedule:

10:00 a.m. - noon **Panel on Design Division Competitions**

Candid discussion on entering the Design Division Competitions. Design Division I is presented by and open to exhibitors who are members of the Garden Club Federation of Massachusetts, Inc. (That's us!). Design Division II is presented by the Massachusetts Horticultural Society and is open to all amateurs. Panelists will discuss how to choose which class to enter, how to choose and condition your plant material for the environment at the Bayside Expo Center, how to transport your exhibit and tips on mechanics.

Noon - 12:30 p.m. **Lunch Break, Informal Questions**

Bring a bag lunch if you plan to stay for the afternoon session. MassHort will provide beverages and dessert.

12:30 - 2:00 p.m. **Amateur Horticulture Competitions and Garden Club Gardens**

Discussion of Amateur Horticulture Competition opportunities for adults, children and garden clubs including Challenge Classes, Garden Club Gardens and Miniature Gardens.

You don't have to attend all day; you may attend only the section you are interested in. This year's show theme is "A Fresh Perspective". It was chosen to inspire exhibitors to bring the best of what's new to the show. In the garden displays, exhibitors will present a cornucopia of newly introduced plants, innovative landscaping materials, cutting edge techniques, and newly discovered artists. In the area of Amateur Competition, the committee has worked hard to create opportunities for exhibitors to experiment with fresh, ambitious design ideas and to show off their horticulture skills on exciting plants and combinations.