

HADDAM GARDEN CLUB 2020 PROGRAM CALENDAR



January 8 ***Climate Reality*** Maurice Adams

Maurice Adams will address how New England will be affected by climate change. He is sharing information gleaned at Al Gore's conference on climate change in Atlanta last spring.

Location: Community Center located in Higganum Center

Time: 10 AM

Open to the public. \$5 suggested donation

February 12 ***Tussie Mussies*** Flower arranging workshop with Jane Aldieri

The phrase "**tussie mussie**" comes from a medieval word that means "sweet posy." Originally, they were fragrant, floral/herbal nosegays carried by both men and women to help mask foul odors and protect themselves from disease in Victorian times

Location: Community Center located in Higganum Center

Time: 10 AM

Members and Membership Applicants only meeting.

March 11 ***Moon Gardens*** Nancy DuBrule of Natureworks

"A **moon garden** is simply a **garden** that is meant to be enjoyed by the light of the **moon**, or at nighttime. **Moon garden** designs include white or lightly colored blooms that open at night, plants that release sweet fragrances at night, and/or plant foliage that adds a unique texture, color or shape at night." The presentation is scheduled to begin at 11:30.

Location: Community Center located in Higganum Center

Time: 10 AM

Open to the public. \$5 donation suggested

April 8 ***Water Gardening in Containers***

Balleks Nursery will present a program promoting both the creation of small (patio) water features and waterside gardening.

Location: Ballek's Garden Center

Time: 10 AM

Members and Membership Applicants only meeting.

May 13 ***Civic Work Day***

This is our major work-day dedicated to the maintenance and enhancement of our town's welcome signs and civic gardens. Members should be in contact with their team captains for start time and assignments. After we finish gardening, a sandwich lunch will be provided at the Community Center around noon.

Members and Membership Applicants only meeting.

June 10 ***Plant Auction and Potluck***

This meeting is our annual pot-luck lunch and plant auction. Members are asked to divide their garden plants or start seedlings which will be auctioned-off as a fund raiser

Location: The home of Dodie Ruimerman, 351 Saybrook Road, Higganum

Time: 10 AM

Members and Membership Applicants only meeting.

September 9 ***Bonsai***

Mr. Eng of Bonsai Gardens of Connecticut will speak to our club about these trees or plants cultivated in a container yet representing the beauty and volume of a tree grown in a natural environment.

Location: Community Center located in Higganum Center

Time: 10 AM

Open to the public. \$5 donation suggested

October 14 *Organic Seeds*

Petra Page-Mann, wife of Higganum native Matthew Goldfarb, will come from NY State to talk about their creation of Fruition Seeds, an organic, regionally adapted seed company.

Location: Community Center located in Higganum Center

Time: 10 AM

Open to the public. \$5 donation suggested

November 11 *Annual Luncheon*

This meeting celebrates our achievements throughout the year. We take time to recognize special members and elect new officers for the following year as we enjoy lunch among members at a local restaurant.

Location: TBA

Time: 11 AM

Members and Membership Applicants only meeting.

December 2 *Civic Holiday Arrangements*

At this meeting, we will be making holiday arrangements for municipal buildings throughout town. Members are asked to bring any holiday decorations, ribbons, and containers that are suitable for using in arrangements, as well as any fresh-cut greens from their yards. They will all be shared among us as we make our creations. A pizza lunch will be provided.

Location: Community Center in Higganum Center

Time: 10 AM

Members and Membership Applicants only meeting.