

## HADDAM GARDEN CLUB 2019 PROGRAM CALENDAR



### **JANUARY 9**      ***Master Gardening***

Gail Reynolds of the Middlesex County Extension Center will present information about the UConn Extension [Master Gardener Program](#). The program started in 1978 and consists of horticulture training and an outreach component that focus on the community at large. She will also discuss good plant choices and design features for using less water in our gardens.

**Location:** Community Center located in Higganum Center

**Time:** 10 AM

**Open to the public. \$5 donation suggested**

### **FEBRUARY 13**      ***Outdoor Rooms***

Amy E. Sampson of [AES Landscape Designs](#) and instructor for the CT Nursery and Landscape Association's Annual Accreditation Program will present a program on creating outdoor rooms that will enhance the enjoyment of our yards. She is an experienced residential and commercial landscape designer and has created many attractive, functional and enjoyable landscapes and gardens throughout Connecticut and the Northeast.

**Location:** Community Center located in Higganum Center

**Time:** 10 AM

**Open to the public. \$5 donation suggested**

### **MARCH 13**      ***Magical Witches of Winter; a closer look at the Genus Hammamelis***

Adam Wheeler, Woody Container & Horticulture Manager from [Broken Arrow Nursery](#), will present varieties and the culture of witch hazel, one of the earliest blooming shrubs to grace our gardens. Adam is a past recipient of the Young Nursery Professional Award from the New England Nursery Association and is the current Vice President of the North American Maple Society.

**Location:** Community Center located in Higganum Center

**Time:** 10 AM

**Open to the public. \$5 donation suggested**

**APRIL 10                      *History of Ballek's Garden Center***

The Balleks have owned their farm since the 1660's. We will visit their [Garden Center](#) to hear about their history and their commitment to preserving and enhancing the beauty of nature through gardening.

**Location:** Ballek's Garden Center, 90 Maple Avenue, East Haddam, CT 06423

**Time:** 10 AM

**Members only meeting.**

**MAY 8                              *Civic Garden 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 touch with their team captains for start time and assignments. Lunch will be provided at the Community Center in Higganum following the morning's work.

**Members only meeting.**

**JUNE 12                              *Pot-Luck Lunch & Plant Auction***

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:** At a member's home, TBA

**Time:** 10 AM

**Members only meeting.**

**SEPTEMBER 11                      *Middletown Rooftop Garden***

The [Middletown Community Health Center](#) is opening their green rooftop garden for our viewing enjoyment. In 2012 an [Apex Green Roof](#) was installed that covers 12,500sf of rooftop with a perennial garden and walkway system. It employs nearly 40 species of plants, an innovative exterior green wall and many other unique design features. A guided tour is planned.

**Location:** Middletown Community Health Center, 675 Main Street, Middletown, CT

**Time:** 10 AM

**Members only meeting.**

**OCTOBER 9      *Pressing and Drying Flowers***

Haddam resident Anna Siderow, a self-taught mixed-media artist working in collage, printing and painting, will talk about pressing and drying flowers followed by a hands-on activity. Anna uses pressed botanicals in her collage notecards and framed pieces. Her work can be seen at local craft shows.

**Location:** Community Center located in Higganum Center

**Time:** 10 AM

**Members only meeting.**

**NOVEMBER 13      *Annual Luncheon Meeting***

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 only meeting.**

**DECEMBER 4      *Making 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 located in Higganum Center

**Time:** 10 AM

**Members only meeting.**