

# The BAILEYAN

<http://www.hort.cornell.edu/LHBGC/>

The Liberty Hyde Bailey Garden Club of Ithaca meets each month on the Second Tuesday at the Horton Room in the Floriculture Greenhouse, Tower Road Cornell University Ithaca, New York. The Club is open to all gardeners. Visitors are welcome.

**Save the date!**

**February 8<sup>th</sup>**

**Organization for 2011 &  
Hardwood Cuttings**

Horton Room

*The Board of Directors will meet at 6:30 PM. The regular meeting will begin at 7 PM*



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**From the President's corner**

I hope that everyone had a great holiday. Although the weather has been challenging, we are now seeing signs of Spring and warmer weather. Now is a great time to peruse those colorful nurseries and seed catalogs and place your orders.

I hope that all club members will sign up for the committees of their choice. Our committees are very important to the success of our club.

At the February meeting, we will be making some hardwood cuttings. Ken and I will be bringing some evergreen material and demonstrate how to select, treat and stick the cuttings. We will try to root *Buxus*, *Chamaecyparis*, *Juniperus* and *Thuja*. Soft wood cuttings can be struck later in the growing season.

Please bring ideas of what topics you would like discussed at our meetings. See you on February 8.



**March 8<sup>th</sup>**

**History of the American  
Chestnut by Shawn Kenaly**

*\* All photos are courtesy of Ed Cobb unless otherwise noted*

Ed Cobb, President

***Dues are past due:***

*If you have not done so yet, please send your check a.s.a.p. to our treasurer, Helen Swank - P.O. Box 6523, Ithaca, NY 14851.*

***Garden Club Calendars are still available***

*Telephone order to Helen Swank at (607) 257-7541.*

**December '10 Meeting Minutes** by Anna Stalter

President Robert Hillman called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm.

Fourteen members and two guests were present.

Bob reported that he had spoken with Chris Gartlein at



the Farmer's Market and had established guidelines for plantings at the berm. Something colorful was requested; if members have suggestions please pass them along.

A committee sign up sheet was passed around. Members who have ideas for speakers or natural areas to visit in 2011 should contact incoming President Ed Cobb. Joan suggested the club might like to visit the Cayuga Nature Center in August when the butterfly exhibit is open. Other topics suggested included the effects of climate change on gardens, and erosion control in Haiti (local expert).

Helen Swank reminded members that Garden Club calendars were available and that more could be ordered if needed.

Holiday visits to members are being arranged by Beverly and Helen.

The remainder of the meeting was spent constructing holiday wreaths and swags and consuming holiday goodies. Special thanks to Ray Fox for instruction and supplies and to Beverly and Bob Hillman for bringing lots of greens to work with. Several members went home with new holiday décor!

**Liberty Hyde Bailey Garden Club 2011 Meeting Schedule (and refreshments)**

**January 11<sup>th</sup>: Meeting cancelled**

**February 8<sup>th</sup>: Organization for 2011 & Hardwood Cuttings**  
(Ed)

**March 8<sup>th</sup>: History of the American Chestnut** – Shawn Kenaly

**April 12<sup>th</sup>: The Role of Plants in Drug Development** – Manuel Aregullin (Ken)

**May 10<sup>th</sup>: Plant Auction at the Horton Room**

**June 14<sup>th</sup>: TBA** (Elke)

**July 12<sup>th</sup>: Picnic?**

**August 9<sup>th</sup> or 13<sup>th</sup>: Butterfly Display at the Cayuga Nature Center** – Jack Little

**September 13<sup>th</sup>: Plant Exchange at the Horton Room**

**October 11<sup>th</sup>: Dish to Pass Dinner**

**November 8<sup>th</sup>: Election**

**December 13<sup>th</sup>: Holiday Decorations**



## Cornell Extension Activities

<http://counties.cce.cornell.edu/tompkins/events/index.html>

Unless another location is listed in the entry, events are held at the Cornell Cooperative Extension Education Center, 615 Willow Avenue, Ithaca NY

### Garden Travel Slide Show: Gardens of the Heartland

**Saturday, February 5, 2:00 - 3:30 pm**

Join Patricia Curran for this slide tour of several outstanding botanical gardens in the heartland of the USA. Pat traveled to Denver in early October and enjoyed a leisurely tour of the mountains before heading back east and visiting Denver Botanic Garden, Missouri Botanic Garden, and Cleveland Botanic Garden, among others. Slides of flowers, landscapes, garden sculpture, and Dale Chihuly glass will be shown. Refreshments and time to socialize will follow the talk. Free and open to the public but a suggested donation of \$3 helps support the Horticulture Program. Please call (607) 272-2292 for more information.

### Know your Ash – Planning for the Emerald Ash Borer

**Tuesday, February 15, 7:00 - 9:00 pm**

Do you have ash trees on your property? Are they healthy? Will the Emerald Ash Borer be a threat? The workshop will include information on ash identification, a review of common ash diseases, and signs of Emerald Ash Borer. **Jeanne Grace**, City of Ithaca Forestry Technician will provide an overview of the common ash species in our area and how to identify them. **Dr. George Hudler**, Cornell Plant Pathologist specializing in woody plant diseases, will talk about ash dieback and decline. **Mark Whitmore**, Entomologist with the Dept. of Natural Resources will talk about what to expect from Emerald Ash Borer and how to plan for the pest. The workshop is FREE and open to the public. Pre-registration is requested due to limited space at the Cooperative Extension building. Call (607) 272-2292 to sign up.

### 4-H Forestry Exploration - "Who's Awake Now?"

**Saturday, February 19, 10:00 am - 12:00 pm**

4-H Acres, 418 Lower Creek Road, Ithaca, NY 14850

This session of the 4-H Forestry Exploration program will focus on finding signs of mammal and bird life in the winter. Youth will learn about who lives in the woods, what they do, and how we can observe them.

Participants may attend one or all of the sessions. You do not need to be a 4-H member to attend. Please preregister by calling Sherron at (607) 272-2292 or emailing [scb42@cornell.edu](mailto:scb42@cornell.edu). For a list of all topics, visit <http://ccetompkins.org/4h-forestry>.

### Free Guided Tree Walks

**Saturday, February 19, 2:15 - 4:15 pm**

EcoVillage - Song Common House, Rachel Carson Way, Ithaca, NY 14850

Join Akiva Silver, tree lore raconteur extraordinaire of Primitive Pursuits, and kindle your own passion and appreciation for the world of trees. If you want to go beyond simple tree identification and learn their edible, medicinal and utilitarian uses, then this is the walk for you. For adults, and children with supervision. *Pre-registration is not required, but is recommended in the event that we must cancel the walk. Please come dressed for the weather.*

**Directions:** The walk will be held at Ecovillage. Take 79 West from Ithaca for a few minutes (about a mile outside of the 35mph zone), then take a left on to Rachel Carson Way. Follow the driveway all the way to the back and stay to the right. We will meet in the parking lot near the Song common house. It will be appreciated if you don't speed when driving down Rachel Carson Way. If you have any questions call the Primitive Pursuits office at (607) 272-2292

### Getting Started with Vegetable Gardening

**Wednesday, February 23, 6:30 - 8:30 pm**

Learn where to site your garden, how to prepare the soil, how to start seeds, how to plant, when to mulch, which easy veggies to try first, and so on. Pat Curran, Horticulture Educator, also will discuss favorite varieties, container gardening, and harvesting tips. \$5/person. Please pre-register so we can prepare a sufficient number of handouts!

### Make your Own Maple Syrup Workshop

**Saturday, February 26, 9:00 am - 12:00 pm**

Hamley's Sugar House, 70 Frost Hollow Road, Barton, NY 13734

\$10 registration includes class materials and pancake breakfast. Call Schuyler County Cooperative Extension (607) 535-7161, or email [cab377@cornell.edu](mailto:cab377@cornell.edu) for more details.

### Winter Worm Composting Class

**Saturday, March 5, 10:00 am - 12:00 pm**

Learn all you need to know to set up and maintain a worm composting bin. Every household leaves with a starter bin and worms. Children are welcome with an accompanying adult. Fee: \$10 includes starter bin & worms. Register early at (607) 272-2292. Space is limited! Contact Adam Michaelides at [acm1@cornell.edu](mailto:acm1@cornell.edu) with questions.

<http://freebies.about.com/od/homegardenfreebies/tp/seed-catalogs.htm>



### **The Plant List** from Barbara Littlefair

<http://www.mobot.org/theplantlist/default.asp>

As the 2010 United Nations International Year of Biodiversity comes to a close, the Missouri Botanical Garden (MBG) and the Royal Botanic Gardens, Kew (RBG Kew) announce the completion of **The Plant List**. This landmark international resource is a working list of all land plant species, fundamental to understanding and documenting plant diversity and effective conservation of plants.

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