

May 15, 2019: LIMG meeting and ANNUAL MEMBER PLANT SALE

The plant sale and meeting will be at the usual meeting location, Brookhaven Ecology Center, Holtsville.

Plant sale instructions:

Plant Sale volunteers will arrive by 8:30 AM. There will be blank pricing labels and markers. Plant sale setup 8:30 to 9:25 AM. Social time, coffee and goodies during plant sale setup.

LIMG members please arrive with your plants by 8:20 AM. Plants should be clean of all bugs and diseases. All plants should be in clean pots with fresh soil so we don't spread any unwanted visitors. Please be sure to bring the plant names as well, species if you know them (just family names are acceptable). This is our only fundraiser and opportunity to acquire more plants for member gardens. Cash or personal check only for purchases. Please bring small bills. Plant sale will take place **AFTER** the speaker's presentation.

Please remember to bring bags or boxes to transport your goodies, this would be very helpful. See George Costa for the fair orderly method of purchasing plants. No reserving plants before the plant sale begins.

Only members in good standing (paid 2019 dues) will be permitted to participate in the member plant sale. If you have not paid your 2019 dues you are **not** a LIMG member in good standing. To avoid any embarrassment, please see LIMG Treasurer, Lorraine Leacock, and pay your 2019 dues before you participate in the plant sale. LIMG cannot sell any items to anyone not a member because to do so would violate federal and New York State tax laws.

Plant sale VOLUNTEERS:

To volunteer please contact George Costa (631 357-0066, gclv2fish@msn.com). Please arrive **before 8:30 AM** so we can set up an orderly display. We need you to help each member who brings plants to properly label each plant with at least the correct common name (horticultural names are even better). Price labels and the markers will be available. No plants may be set aside for anyone to purchase later. No plants will be purchased before 10:40 AM.

During the plant sale volunteers will be needed to help listing and adding up each person's bill. Pads and pencils for this purpose will be provided. LIMG treasurer Lorraine Leacock will serve as cashier. She will check to see if each bill is added correctly and take cash or check. **NO CREDIT CARDS.** Thank you for volunteering to help. It'll be a fun day.

It has never happened before but in case two or more members desire the same plant, each will be given a free raffle ticket. The corresponding tickets will be placed in a container and one ticket will be drawn indicating who can purchase the contested plant.

Guest speaker:

9:30 AM to 10:30 AM guest speaker and LIMG member, Peter Akras, will present "Vegetable Gardening."

The LIMG member only plant sale begins at 10:40 AM. Those who have signed up with George Costa as plant sale volunteers will have the opportunity to choose plants before the actual sale begins and Lorraine begins to collect money. This will give volunteers an equal opportunity to choose plants.

After the plant sale members are asked to help clean up and return furniture to their proper places.

The LIMG executive board will meet after the plant sale cleanup.

REMINDERS:

LIMG will **not meet** at the Holtsville center until September 18, 2019.

Wednesday, June 19: the guest speaker, Tom Stemmler of Daisy Gardens, will tell us “What’s New?” **This meeting will be at Daisy Gardens, Sayville.**

Wednesday, July 17: **LIMG members will meet at SUNY Farmingdale College** where Professor Veraka will give us a presentation and a tour of the college’s Sustainable Garden.

August: The annual LIMG picnic will be at Post Morrow park. Time, date, and further information will be coming.