Long Island Master Gardeners



LIMG Meeting Jan. 18, 2023

Holtsville Ecology site 249 Buckley Rd, Holtsville, NY

Hours- 10:00am - 12:pm **Location - Main Greenhouse** Parking-Coffee &

Your welcomed to contribute a tasty homemade or bought contribution.

Current LIMG Board of Directors

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Member at Large: open position

The Board and I wish to extent our best wishes to all our members and their families for a truly Happy and Healthy New Year

President's Line January, 2023

Looking forward to greeting you, the members of Long Island Master Gardeners, to the January 18th t meeting. December's meeting was enjoyed by all, and the Board extends its thanks to all who contributed to the fabulous dishes and desserts. We've no doubt experienced a couple of shaky years for various reasons, and fortunately there is some resemblance of normalcy returning. Barring any unforeseeable event, the Holtsville site has been booked through May of 2023.

I'd like to also say a few words about your board members. Their encouraging assistance and knowledge about operating our organization gave me some new insight into what our goals and constancy should be. With their dedicated assistance I am confident that 2023 will be a banner year for LIMG.

Tania has arranged for Alice Raimundo from Cornell Cooperative Extension to present a program on Orchid care. Anna and I have a half dozen in our porch some several years old and they will bloom repeatedly each year, at times even twice.



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A reminder that we have resumed to accept membership renewals for the upcoming 2023 year. The various membership fees and application is posted on our website and within this newsletter. We ask that you submit your renewal as soon as possible. Your membership fees are an important source of funding to ensure that we can present programs such as the above.

George

Early Gardening Chores

The one constant at least for me, and I am sure for many of you, is the gardening cycle we each hopefully accomplish throughout successive years. Successes and failures no doubt have been an inherent part of my gardening as will as yours. But have no fear, by combining our knowledge and absorbing new knowledge through LIMG membership, we increase our successes.

Even though the year may be in its infancy, I am already preparing to plan some gardening year essentials. One main one is the purchasing of seeds. No doubt you will have noticed the price of seeds have skyrocketed these past two years. Not only has the price increased but the amount within the packets was reduced. We can lay the blame on several factors, but the point is to get your seeds and other plant material as soon as available.

If you have seeds left over from the previous year, I suggest that you see if they are still viable. Take a few, let's say 5 to 10, plant them now and see how many germinate. All that is required is that you see most of the seeds sprout. Many varieties of plant seeds may have extended viability. While it may be too early to start your tomato plants, at least you'll know they are still good. If none appear, then I suggest that you seek out your seeds source for replacement as soon as possible.

Time permitting after the speaker's presentation, I'll see if we can have a question-and-answer period on the subject of starting seeds. I am sure that there are many members who can contribute their insight into that topic.

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Member Gardening Contributions Page

Here is an opportunity for you to contribute a gardening note or picture to the LIMG Newsletter. You're welcomed to email me your entry request and I'll edit it into a future newsletter. A picture or two and a brief description of your entry will do. As we hopefully progress with the newsletter we may be able to add addition entries to it.

My e-mail address is gclv2fish@msn.com and I look forward to your selection.

Christmas LIMG Meeting Dec. 21, 2022









Long Island Master Gardeners 2023 Membership Application

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Ms. Lorraine Leacock				
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Blue Point, NY 11715				
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Please note that prompt return of	this membership application	with your	check saves LIMG c	considerable labor and
mailing costs.				
Thank you!				

Nancy Lynch LIMG Membership Director