Sep 20 Message to Members

Chapter Members,

As we enter the final month of summer, we still are facing many of the COVID restrictions that we've had for most of the year. We continue to make modifications to our schedule. The latest schedule for the remainder of the year is in this message and can also be found on our website https://www.nv-asa.org/calendars.

Summer Azalean

As you are aware, the summer issue of **The Azalean** was lost somewhere in the Shreveport, LA post office in early July. After making a claim to the post office and raising it in congressional channels, we made the decision to reprint and mail. The printer offered to reprint at no cost to the society (though they were not to blame for the loss), and the postal service refunded the postage, so there was no cost to the society. The reprinted issues are currently in the mail and should arrive shortly. Work is currently well underway on the fall issue.

White's Nursery Open House - 12, 19 and 26th September 9am-5pm



Partial Selection of White Nursery Azaleas

Chapter members **Mike** and **Deb White** will be having an open house/inventory reduction sale at their nursery on 12, 19 and 26th September from 9am to 5pm. A flyer with more information is at the end of this message. They have a wonderful collection of quality evergreen and deciduous azaleas as well as rhododendron. It is a good opportunity, not only to obtain some quality additions to your garden, but also to get out into the country. It's also a good opportunity to support other chapter members. Note that Davis Mill Road is closed to through traffic. Directions to the nursery are in the flyer.

Meadowlark Gardens Plant Sale - 19 September

We have had to cancel a few plant sales this year due to COVID-19. We have the opportunity to participate in a plant sale at Meadowlark Gardens on 19 September. It will be a small operation and **Paul** and **Carolyn Beck** are organizing and staffing it. It would be helpful if a couple of other folks were able to assist. If you are able to help out or if you need more information, contact **Carolyn** at (carolyn.f.beck@gmail.com or (703) 860-5676).



Meadowlark Gardens

13th Annual Azalea Auction and Sale – 26 September



2019 Plant Sale

The 13th Annual Azalea Auction and Sale will be held this year without the auction. COVID-19 social distancing requirements made the auction infeasible. We will, however, be holding the plant sale outside of Kirkwood Presbyterian Church. Information on available plants will be on our website by 12 September (or possibly earlier). Chapter members will be able to pre-order plants and pick them up curbside on the day of the sale. Plants will also be available for purchase the day of the sale. A current, incomplete list is at enclosure 2. More information will be provided in

the next **The Azalea Clipper**. I hope you're able to attend and to volunteer in setting up, running and/or tearing down the event.

Klimavicz Legacy Garden Workdays

Workdays have recommenced at the Klimavicz Legacy Garden at Meadowlark Gardens. Several chapter members gathered on 29 July to weed and remove sticks from the Legacy garden. Our thanks go to Carolyn and Paul Beck, Ralph Habegger, Lars Larson, David Meadows and Dave Nanney.



Member Gardens

Thanks to chapter members who continue to share pictures of their gardens with other chapter members. Please continue to send your photos to me and I will publish them in future monthly messages.

Laura Grant Garden, Ontario, Canada – Last month we published pictures from **Laura's** garden. This month we have additional photos to share (photos by **Laura**).



Various plantings in rock garden

Waterlilies



Tropical Lilies in Pots



Hedychium and Crape Myrtles



Nymphea Gigantea



Front patio with wall of climbing roses

Larson Garden

I published photos from **Lars** and **Jean Larson's** garden last month. Here are some additional photos (all photos by **Lars**):



Hydrangeas



Cone Flower with Butterfly

Beck Garden (all photos by Carolyn Beck)

The **Beck** garden includes a large number of Legacy varieties as well as Satsukis. Some of their collection was in last month's message. Here are some additional varieties.



Klimavicz Hybrids - all photos by Joe Klimamicz

Last month I published photos of some of **Joe Klimavicz's** deciduous hybrids which are currently undergoing evaluation. As stated last month, of **Joe's** 1700 plants grown from seed, he expects to select one or two "really great" plants for registration and propagation.



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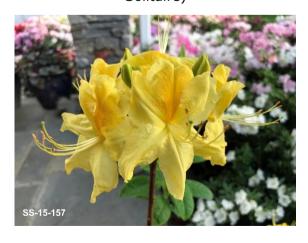
E200 SS-13-6 (Sunnyside Up x Golden Solitaire)



E200 SS-15-79 (Sunnyside Up x Golden Solitaire)



SS-15-95 (Sunnyside Up x Golden Solitaire)



SS15-157 (Sunnyside Up x Golden Solitaire)



SS-15-174(Sunnyside Up x Golden Solitaire)

National Convention 2021 - Charlotte, NC

You are all aware of the uncertainty created by the COVID-19 virus. This is especially a problem with events which require advanced planning and financial commitments. This is the case with the upcoming convention in Charlotte.

Planning continues on the convention, however given the uncertainties of the virus, it will be different in significant ways from previous conventions in order to facilitate social distancing. One of the planned venues, Bartlett Research Arboretum is featured in the summer issue of *The Azalean*. At this time, they are working with the organizers of the convention to come up with alternative ways of visiting the venue, while maintaining safety.

The society is continuing to plan on holding its convention in 2021. You will be kept apprised of any new information.

There was one more change to conventions. The 2022 convention will now be held in Lafayette, LA (sponsored by the Louisiana Chapter) and the convention in Alabama (sponsored by the Alabamense Chapter) has been moved to 2024.

Calendar of Upcoming Events -

Below is the schedule for the 2020. The calendar is also available on the chapter website at https://www.nv-asa.org/calendars. **Many activities are being canceled/rescheduled because of COVID-19.** Check the chapter calendar for the latest updates.

Date	Event	Organization	Location
Sep 12 (new) 19 and 26 (new) 9 am – 5 pm	White's Nursery Open House	White's Nursery	22531 Wildcat Road Germantown, Maryland 20876
Sep 19	Meadowlark Gardens Plant Sale	Meadowlark Gardens	9750 Meadowlark Court, Vienna, VA 22182
Sep 26 1-5 pm	Fall Sale	NV-ASA	<u>Kirkwood Presbyterian Church</u> <u>Springfield, VA</u>
Oct 25	Fall Meeting with Speaker	NV-ASA	Kirkwood Presbyterian Church Springfield, VA
Oct 25	Executive Committee Meeting	NV-ASA	Kirkwood Presbyterian Church Springfield, VA
Dec 6	Holiday Social and Annual Meeting		Paul and Carolyn Beck's Home

Other Activities/Notes -

Miscellaneous -

Nature's Best Hope (New) Sept 14 10 -11am – Margaret Vogel brought this free Zoom talk by **Douglas Tallamy** to our attention. It discusses landscape designs to promote bio-diversity. If you are interested in viewing the presentation, a flyer with more information is at enclosure 3.

Plant information (New) – Carolyn Beck is looking for any information, description or photos, of the following azalea varieties. If you have anything

to share, please send it to **Carolyn** at (carolyn.f.beck@gmail.com or (703) 860-5676).

Amoena Red Delicious, Hager Fairy Tale Girard's Caroline Girard's Kelly Marie Gold Piece, Hershey Kennedy White Kiwa Amoena Leon's Amy Neil Goza, Goza Nico Red Nuccio's Blue Ice Penco, labeled as a Pennington Pink Clusters Ring's Kiusianum Rose Bengal Shin-no-Noe, Kurume Strawberry Delight, Kohli Tee Pee

Photos for *The Azalea Clipper*/Facebook – Barry is looking for pictures of your garden to share with other members on our chapter Facebook page and in the *Clipper*. Now is the time to show off a little. Send your pictures to Barry at bsperling@cox.net. We are also always looking for articles for *The Azalea Clipper*. They don't have to be long and can be on any azalea related subject (e.g., gardens (public or private), hybridizers, companion plants etc.). Pictures are also always appreciated. Please consider writing an article. Contact Barry if you have any questions bsperling@cox.net or 703-765-7062. *Clipper* articles can also be the basis for later submissions to *The Azalean* (see below).

The Azalean – The editors of **The Azalean** depend on member submissions of articles of interest to the general **ASA** membership. If you have an article to share, send it to them at $\underline{\text{theazalean@gmail.com}}$. Articles should be submitted as Microsoft Word documents. Illustrations are highly encouraged and should be at least 4 x 6 inches at 300 dpi.

Speakers – We continue to strive to provide speakers on topics of interest to our members. If you have heard, or are otherwise aware of, speakers who might be of interest to our chapter, please contact **Diane Marcus** at dianelynn@starpower.net or (301) 983-1098.

I hope to see you at the sale on the 26^{th} . Rick

- 3 Enclosures -
- 1. White's Nursery flyer
- 2. Partial list of plants for sale
- 3. Nature's Best Hope flyer

White's Nursery Fall Sale

22531 Wildcat Road Germantown, MD 20876

End of Season Inventory Reduction Sale Many varieties and sizes will have reduced pricing

Dates: September 12, 19 and 26 Time: 9 am. to 5 pm

Fall is the best time to plant your azaleas and rhododendrons! Come by to add beautiful azaleas and rhododendrons to your garden to enjoy spring blooms

Directions to White's Nursery can be found on our website: whites-nursery.com

Note: Road closure on Davis Mill Road

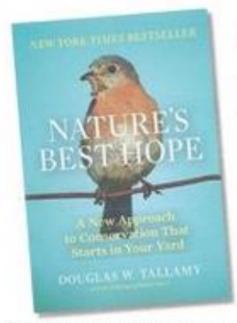
Davis Mill Road is currently closed to through traffic. If you are coming from Father Hurley Blvd (Route 27), turn onto Davis Mill, then make a left onto Watkins Road. Next turn right onto Wildcat Road at the three way stop, the nursery is a short distance on your left.

For more information contact: Mike White (301) 788-3293 or Deb White (301) 471-5958 We look forward to seeing you!

Enclosure 2

Plants Available at Chapter Plant Sale (Partial List)

Aaron Cook, Stewart Afternoon Delight, HS Allison Ann, Stewart Aozora, Satsuki Becky's Blush, HS Brocade Pillow, HS Chinzan, Satsuki Chojuho, Satsuki Dan Krabill, Stewart Debra White, Stewart Frances Louer, Stewart Jeffery Alan, HS Jill McDowell, HS Kakuo, Satsuki Kobai #2, Satsuki Lady Lauren, HS Mariner's Sunset HS Monique Marie, Stewart My Beloved, HS Nightingale, HS Peggy Vines, HS Rose Gutierrez-Kolb, HS Saint Moritz, HS Shanghai Suzie, HS Stormy, HS Susan H. Bauer, Stewart Tsuki-no-Shimo, Satsuki Winter Wine, HS



Online Author Talk DOUGLAS TALLAMY

Nature's Best Hope

A New Approach to Conservation That Starts in Your Yard

Recent headlines about global insect declines and three billion fewer birds in North America are a bleak reality check about how ineffective our current landscape designs have been at sustaining the plants and animals that sustain us. Such losses are not an option if we wish to continue our current standard of living on Planet Earth. The good news is that none of this is inevitable.

Author Douglas Tallamy will discuss simple steps that each of us can—and must—take to reverse declining biodiversity and will explain why we, ourselves, are nature's best hope.

Monday, September 14 10:00-11:00 am

https://zoom.us/j/95945486073

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