

SATURDAY, MARCH 17

8:15 AM Check-in and coffee service

Silent Auction, Plant & Book Sales*
open and continue throughout the day.

**9:00 AM Welcome: Janice Thomas, HPS President
Sharee Solow, Programs Chair**

**9:15 AM Lloyd & Candy Traven
Take Back Your Yard! Using Edible Plants
IN Your Landscape**

Edible plants are the fastest growing segment of horticulture, not just for the usual rows of veggies and herbs, but as part of the entire landscape—used as much for their ornamental attributes as their food value, for visual interest as much as for utility. See some of the wonderful new plants that breeders are producing and get tips on how you can successfully use them in borders and eat well, too.

**10:15 AM Rita Randolph
Outdoor Rooms**

Garden design made simple. Come see Rita’s beautiful photos of gardens that fit into any space. A wall, a fence, some stone, or an arbor. . .almost anything can be the beginning of a garden vignette. From the feeling of “I don’t have room to garden” to the insurmountable task of “Where do I begin?”, Rita demonstrates how many opportunities you may have to customize your yard into enjoyable Outdoor Rooms.

11:15 AM Lunch
Silent Auction, Plant & Book Sales continue

12:30 PM Silent Auction Closes

**12:45 PM Ellen Zachos
Hardy Succulents**

To most of us, cacti and succulents are classic desert plants. In fact, many cacti and succulents tolerate a wide range of growing conditions, and many are surprisingly cold hardy. When correctly sited and cared for, these plants add outstanding texture and shape to your landscape and, once established, most of them require little maintenance. Learn which cacti and succulents will perform best in your garden and how to give them the care and conditions they need.

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SCHEDULE (continued)

**1:45 PM Will Giles
Exotic Plants for Temperate Climates**

With their bold foliage, exuberant colors, and luscious scents, exotic plants ignite curiosity and thrill the senses. Fortunately for gardeners in temperate regions, it’s not necessary to live in the tropics to experience spiky agaves and brilliant cannas. Will is experienced with many plant groups, including aroids, bananas, gingers, bromeliads, cacti, yuccas, ferns, and palms. His cultivation advice enables gardeners of all levels to make informed choices from an expansive plant palette in this inspirational and authoritative lecture.

2:45 PM Closing Remarks

Thank you for joining us today!

***PLANT/BOOK SALE & SILENT AUCTION**
Cash and checks only.

Non-member registrants: Consider joining HPS/MAG and receive the members’ registration rate. (Annual membership in HPS/MAG is \$25. Membership forms are available at www.hardyplant.org.)

**DIRECTIONS TO DELWARE COUNTY
COMMUNITY COLLEGE
Large Auditorium, Academic Building
901 S. Media Line Rd, Media PA 19063**

Route 476: Exit 9 (Newtown Sq/Upper Darby) Rte 3 West (West Chester Pk) towards Newtown Sq, pass Rte 320, turn left at 3rd light (Media Line Rd), 2 miles to college entrance on left.

I-95 North or South: Exit marked 476 (Chester/Plymouth Meeting). Follow 476 to Exit 5 (Rte 1, Lima/Springfield). Turn left on Rte 1 South (Lima). Follow Rte 1 to Media/Rte 252 Exit. Make right onto Rte 252, cross Springton Reservoir, and make a right at the next light at sign for college.

From West Chester: Take Rte 3 East to Rte 252 South. Turn right on Rte 252 South and go to 3rd light (Media Line Rd). Turn left. The college entrance is on the right.

REGISTRATION FORM

**March Into Spring XVI
Saturday, March 17, 2012**

Name(s) (Please list by full name all persons paid for with this registration form.)

Address _____

Phone (____) _____

E-mail _____
(For Registration Confirmation)

FEE: \$75 for members of The Hardy Plant Society/Mid-Atlantic Group; \$85 for non-members. Fee includes morning coffee service and box lunch with a vegetarian option.

All reservations must be accompanied by **check payable to HPS/MAG** and postmarked by March 4, 2012. Confirmation will be sent by e-mail.

_____ Member Registrations @ \$75	\$ _____
_____ after 3/4/2012 @ \$85	\$ _____
_____ Non-Member Registrations @ \$85	\$ _____
_____ after 3/4/2012 @ \$95	\$ _____
Total due: \$ _____	

Box Lunch (choose one lunch for each registrant listed on this form)

- ___ **Honey-Baked Ham** with havarti on croissant, potato salad, oatmeal cookie
- ___ **Chicken Salad** with havarti on croissant, pretzels, heath bar cookie
- ___ **Tuna Salad** on wheat bread, tomato/cucumber salad, chocolate chip cookie
- ___ **Chef Salad** with swiss & provolone (no meat), apple, oatmeal cookie

Mail completed form and check made out to HPS/MAG to
Sharee Solow,
7914 Park Ave, Elkins Park PA 19027

No refunds unless event is cancelled.



THE HARDY PLANT SOCIETY
MID-ATLANTIC GROUP
Lynn Betson
1752 Coldspring Rd
Pottstown PA 19465



The Hardy Plant Society
Mid-Atlantic Group

March Into Spring XVI *A Symposium for Gardeners*

Hot Garden Trends

Saturday, March 17, 2012



Will Giles Rita Randolph
Ellen Zachos Candy & Lloyd Traven

Academic Bldg, Large Auditorium
Delaware County Community College
Media, PA 19063

SPEAKERS

WILL GILES has been pushing the boundaries of what can be grown in an English garden for the last 30 years in his 1-acre plot in Norfolk, England and is well known in the UK for growing plants outdoors that are more commonly associated with the tropics. He has written several books on the subject including *The Encyclopaedia of Exotic Plants for Temperate Climates*. Will also does a regular phone-in on BBC Radio Norfolk and has written numerous gardening articles.

LLOYD & CANDY TRAVEN have owned Peace Tree Farm for 30 years and are committed to the use of advanced technology combined with sustainable and organic growing techniques in plant breeding and propagation. Peace Tree Farm was named US Grower of the year in 2005. They grow more than 800,000 plants annually using sophisticated environmental control systems that have made them widely respected among international horticulturists. Lloyd conducts seminars and presentations to the industry and is the author of numerous articles for professional publications.

RITA RANDOLPH, with husband Hamp, is owner of Randolph's Greenhouses and a nationally known speaker with cool humor. Part of the year, she travels around the country as a garden writer, photographer, and plant collector, always looking for new plants to add to her collection and introductions. . .turning her business into a plant-lover's paradise. She writes for an assortment of magazines and has her own cable TV show—*Green Thumb Gardening*. You're guaranteed to leave this lecture inspired!

ELLEN ZACHOS, owner of Acme Plant Stuff, a garden design, installation, and maintenance company in NYC, is an instructor at the New York Botanical Garden. Ellen received certificates in horticulture and ethnobotany from the NYBG. She is the author of five books and has been published in numerous magazines, including *Horticulture*, *Green Scene*, *Better Homes & Gardens*, *Woman's Day*, and *Gardening How-To*. A former Broadway performer, she has released a CD combining her two passions, plants and music—*Green Up Time*, a botanical look at Broadway.