



# CAPE COD HYDRANGEA SOCIETY

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# PRESIDENTS' MESSAGE

## Fall 2022

Have you read our CCHS mission statement lately? Our goal is "to advance and increase our knowledge and enjoyment of hydrangeas and share what we have learned with the community." As the year turns towards the holidays, we want to thank every one of you who enthusiastically embraced this mission and helped make 2022 an outstanding year.



We gratefully thank our officers and committee chairs for all of your hard work and dedication to our society. We also want to express our gratitude to the many unsung heroes engaged behind the scenes in promoting our events and projects. We could not have had such a successful year without you.

Our Heritage maintenance team and "Diggermen" work each year from early spring to fall, pruning, weeding, and beautifying our demonstration and test gardens so that others can enjoy and learn from them. We are so grateful for the important work that each of you does. Please consider joining this team of enthusiastic volunteers next year to support our mission while having fun and learning by doing.

The 2022 Hydrangea Festival was the most successful ever because of our many Hydrangea University volunteers, garden docents, and garden hosts. A record number of visitors toured our eight CCHS member gardens. Thanks to each of you who worked hard at this important fund and friend-raiser. We will begin recruiting volunteers, docents, and hosts for the 2023 festival early next year; please make volunteering for this event a priority next spring when you receive sign up material.

Finally, a big thank you to the volunteers who worked with Linda Coven and Joy Bogstad to design and plant a hydrangea garden at FORWARD at the Rock and then trained the clients to maintain the garden. We plan to sponsor other community projects in the future and are forming a committee to consider your suggestions.

Best wishes for happy holidays! We look forward to working and learning together in 2023.

*Joyce Halpert*

Joyce Halpert

*Emily Woudenberg*

Emily Woudenberg

# Members in the Spotlight

by Pat Daly



## Sue and Bill Cohen... Learning by Doing



Transplants from New Jersey, Sue and Bill Cohen moved to the Cape in August 2019. Neither one was an experienced gardener. What they did know, however, was that hydrangeas were synonymous with Cape Cod, and they wanted to plant them on their property.

Trying to figure out where and how to begin, they consulted the internet and found several options to pursue, one being a lecture sponsored by CCHS specifically on hydrangeas by horticulturalist, writer, and photographer Lorraine Ballato. This lecture not only provided the basic information they needed to begin selecting and planting hydrangeas but also

helped them understand that growing hydrangeas is an art, not a science!

Both Sue and Bill became members of CCHS and have taken advantage of many of the events, programs, and activities offered by our society. Bill also joined Mal Condon's "Diggermen" in the spring of 2020, volunteering at Heritage Gardens one morning a week.

The Cohens' plan to learn a little about hydrangeas soon became a much more serious endeavor. The skills and techniques Bill developed in the mornings at Heritage—pruning, transplanting, and irrigating—were regularly put into practice in his home garden that same afternoon. "Learning by doing" became his mantra.

CCHS and Heritage also supplied important social interaction during the height of the pandemic. Despite having to wear masks and remain socially distant, a camaraderie developed among the regular volunteers who worked together outside.

Sue and Bill were also recruited to act as docents during the Hydrangea Festival. They enjoyed sharing information with visitors and introducing them to the many aspects of Heritage Museums and Gardens. Frequent visitors to Heritage themselves, they take full advantage of the garden's seasonal displays. Consequently, in addition to hydrangeas, they have incorporated rhododendrons and daylilies into their garden.

Sue and Bill started out with fewer than 10 hydrangeas on their property but have increased that number to 45. Sue admits that it's difficult to make choices...hmmm...wonder what number 46 will be?



# Members in the Spotlight

by Pat Daly

## Beth Wills and Ashley Cadrin... A Chance Meeting

You never know who you will meet at a hydrangea lecture...

Beth Wills, having recently retired to the Cape from Holliston, MA, was on a quest. She was seeking advice about maintaining the hydrangeas planted at her newly constructed home in Falmouth. With questions in hand, she attended a lecture presented by our own hydrangea guy, Mal Condon. Unbeknownst to her, Mal's wife, Mary Kay, was seated directly in front of her and suggested that Beth join the Cape Cod Hydrangea Society.

Beth is not a newcomer to Cape Cod. She had worked for years in academic administration which allowed her to spend summers in Pocasset with her daughter Ashley and also with her husband Don, who joined his wife and daughter on weekends. That was where Beth's love of gardening was born. In that sandy Pocasset soil, hydrangeas grew like weeds; but such was not the case in her new home in Falmouth. Its clay soil was proving to be quite a challenge.

Beth's daughter also now lives in Falmouth with her husband, Jeremy, and their two young boys. A career photographer and mother, Ashley's free time is somewhat limited. Nevertheless, both mother and daughter joined the Cape Cod Hydrangea Society to spend time together pursuing their mutual interest in gardening.

The first mother/daughter activities they attended were a lunch bunch gathering hosted by the Condons and later, Hydrangea University, the kick-off event for the Hydrangea Festival. Both events provided information and practical advice which they have been able to apply in their own gardens.

Beth has also volunteered on our display garden's maintenance team at Heritage and was a docent during the Hydrangea Festival. Although Ashley may not have the time to participate in as many of our society's educational activities as her mother, she says Beth is a most reliable reporter. Their membership has been a win-win—for them and for CCHS!

Choosing the right seat in the right location resulted in a chance meeting that brought two new members to the Cape Cod Hydrangea Society. What a wonderful mother/daughter endeavor. Welcome to you both!



*"No spring nor summer beauty hath such grace  
As I have seen in one autumnal face."*

—John Donne

# A New Pop Star is Debuting in 2023

by Suzanne Boas



A new pop star is poised to debut in 2023 but this star is not a human performer. Rather, it's a new *Hydrangea macrophylla* from Bailey Nurseries: Endless Summer® Pop Star®.

Says David Roberts, Bailey Innovations' Director of Plant Breeding, Pop Star is the most compact hydrangea we've developed as well as the strongest rebloomer we have ever trialed. Even when we cut it back to 3"-4" and removed most of the leaves and stems to simulate a hard winter freeze, new buds appeared in just four weeks. We have conducted trials in Winterville, GA, Yamhill, OR, and St. Paul, MN for the last 5 years and in every location Pop Star has rebloomed both heavily and consistently."



David Roberts

Roberts was hired by Bailey in 2016 to head up their breeding efforts and has worked since that time to bring Pop Star to market. He and his teammates at Bailey did not do the original work on this plant, however. That was done by Michael Dirr and his colleagues at Plant Introductions, Inc. who sold their genetic work to Bailey in 2015.

Maturing at 18"-36' tall and wide, Pop Star is perfect as a container plant where you can control its bloom color of either pink or blue. Alternatively, it will fit nicely in the front of a border. And, because it is a lacecap, it is attractive to pollinators. It also features thick leaves which makes it more heat tolerant than many other macrophylla varieties.

You should be able to find Endless Summer® Pop Star® at local Cape nurseries beginning next spring.



"Autumn is a second spring  
when every leaf is a flower."  
—Albert Camus



# Cindy and Fred Ecker...Stewards of Marsh Farm

by Mary Bowker



Thatcher Shore Road is one of the prettiest byways in Yarmouth Port—narrow, winding, tree-lined, and populated with homes notable for shingled exteriors and spectacular hydrangea gardens. Even among these beautiful homes, the antique cape of Cindy and Fred Ecker is a standout. One of the few ancients on the road, it was built in 1786 and known then, as it is now, as Marsh Farm.

A thick hedge of greenery mixed with blue macrophylla hydrangeas that mirror the color of the front door line the large garden of the full Cape-style home. Fred, an historian by profession, found the home's original door, then identified and copied its color.

Growing along the side of the ell that extend the home is a large tree-form paniculata that the Eckers transplanted from elsewhere on the property. Another multi-stemmed paniculata stands next to the barn, its white blossoms in stark contrast to the barn's dark wood sheathing.

Over 200 visitors toured the acre-plus property during the Cape Cod Hydrangea Festival when the Eckers generously opened their gardens for the benefit of the Cape Cod Hydrangea Society in July.

A long shell driveway with a grass strip running through the center leads from the road, along the house, under the shade of mature maple and ash trees, to the barn. The barn is remarkable. Built in the mid-1800s, it once housed salt marsh hay and even salt, products of a bygone era. Today the loft serves as Fred's workshop. In season, bales of oysters from a local cooperative are stored in the cool lower level. The first floor garden room, Cindy's domain, houses harvested garlic and onions drying under the watchful eye of Sassy, the barn cat.

Cindy is an organic gardener, using no herbicides or insecticides on their vegetables and fruit trees. Behind a nine-foot tall mesh fence protecting the garden from a healthy and hungry deer population in the nearby marsh, Cindy grows peppers, squash, asparagus, tomatoes, Asian eggplants, carrots, beets, strawberries and other produce, some for her kitchen and some for sale at a small farm stand set up near the road.

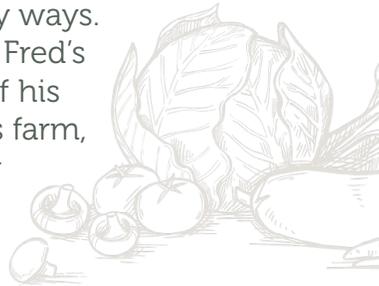


The Eckers augmented the few venerable apple trees in the orchard with cherries, pears, peaches and hardy nectarines as well as Macintosh, Cortland, Gala, Red Delicious, Honey Crisp and Granny Smith apples. The yield looks so promising that they plan to make cider for the farm stand this fall.

Both Cindy and Fred pulse with energy. They clearly love working in their garden and orchard. Even while hosting a visitor, Cindy is plucking weeds and Fred is marking the progress of the edibles. They are farmers now; farmers don't stop.

They were drawn to purchase the property eight years ago after a thorough Cape-wide search for an historic home. Marsh Farm hit just the right cord: mature, overgrown gardens, an historic house with preserved details in good condition, an off-the-main-road location and most importantly, a barn.

This property spoke to them in so many ways. After the purchase they discovered, on Fred's family tree, a marriage between one of his ancestors and a Dorothy Thatcher. This farm, once owned by Thatchers, was clearly awaiting their stewardship.



## Improving Cell Phone Photos of Your Garden



Photography professional Lynne Damianos was the featured speaker at the September CCHS membership meeting. Following is some of the important advice she shared for improving the quality of your cell phone photos:

- Turn your flash off and use natural light
- Don't try to zoom past the highest auto lens setting on your phone; either move closer to your subject or zoom in later on your computer
- Consider using the portrait mode when taking close ups of individual flowers to blur background distractions
- When possible, select an overcast day for your photography
- Alternatively, shoot your photos in the "golden hour" just before sunset when the light is soft. Light in the middle of the day is often quite harsh
- Photos taken horizontally will have a more relaxed feel; those taken vertically will have more energy



Editor's Note: Society members who would like a further opportunity to improve their cell phone photography skills may want to check out a multi-module online course that I have found helpful: "Iphone Academy" taught by Emil Pakarklis: <https://secure.iphonephotoschool.com>.



# Another Hydrangea Paradise... the Azores

by Suzanne Boas



Cape Cod has long been known for its abundance of blue macrophylla hydrangeas. Less well known, but also boasting millions of blue hydrangeas, are the Azores islands, an autonomous region of Portugal located in the mid-Atlantic. This subtropical archipelago is made up of nine unique islands, the largest of which is Sao Miguel. Direct five-hour flights from both Boston's Logan airport and Providence's T.F. Green airport to Sao Miguel are available on SATA International.

To see the Azorean hydrangeas at their peak, you need to go in the month of July. In addition to the miles and miles of hedgerows and roadside hydrangea plantings, the Azores boast volcanic calderas, fascinating geothermal activity, dramatic mountain vistas, rugged coastlines, verdant fields and prolific wildflowers.

Hopefully, these photos will tempt you to consider planning a short get-away in the future to this hydrangea paradise.



# Small Hydrangeas with a Big Impact

by Natalie Carmolli



You don't have to live on Cape Cod to agree that hydrangeas have been a longstanding favorite for generations. Their beautiful blooms can be enjoyed on the plant for weeks on end, and they can be cut for fresh bouquets and dried for fall splendor. The possibilities are endless! That is if you have the space to grow them.

Conventional hydrangeas can reach upwards of ten feet. Seriously! *Hydrangea paniculata* 'Grandiflora' puts on a spectacular show at 10' to 20' tall/wide, which is grand if you have the space for it. But for those with fully established gardens or smaller lots, adding even a 5-6' hydrangea may simply be out of the question.

The fact is that housing trends favor larger homes that take up more of the building lot, leaving less space for landscaping. In addition, more people are choosing to live in apartments or condominiums where in-ground planting simply isn't an option.

Luckily, modern breeding has been following these housing trends, developing smaller, denser hydrangea cultivars that fit in places conventional varieties can't.

So whether you live on a large piece of property or a condo with a balcony garden, it's time to get excited about making a big impact with reblooming hydrangeas for the front of the border or your favorite decorative container.

These cultivars are all under three feet tall/wide, so they'll fit in just about any place you desire.

Invincibelle Wee White® *Hydrangea arborescens* smooth hydrangea is like a tiny 'Annabelle' but better. It has stronger stems, a much smaller habit, and it's more floriferous. You'll love its compact frame, growing just 1-2.5' tall/wide. It's lovely at the front of the border as edging or a low hedge, looks precious potted up and is at home in mixed beds with perennials. This is a native cultivar with white flowers that undergo a natural color change to green as they age. Hardy in USDA zones 3-8.



*Hydrangea paniculata* 'Grandiflora'



*H. a.* 'Invincibelle Wee White'®



*H. m.* 'Let's Dance Big Band'®

Let's Dance Big Band® *Hydrangea macrophylla* combines bodacious, big mophead flowers with pure, true colors on a plant that survives winter better and reblooms better than older varieties. That means more flowers from the beginning of hydrangea season until the snowflakes fly! Let's Dance Big Band® may be small in stature at just 2.5' tall/wide, but its enormous vivid pink to royal blue florets create an impressive inflorescence that will make you want to dance with joy! New in 2022, it's hardy in USDA zones 5-9.

Let's Dance® Blue Jangles® *Hydrangea macrophylla* flowers on both old and new wood, so it flowers even after harsh winters or untimely pruning. This compact selection is just 1-2' tall and 2-3' wide, with a sturdy frame and abundant mophead flowers. The blooms are rich blue or pink, depending on soil. Hardy in USDA zones 5-9.

Wee Bit Giddy® *Hydrangea macrophylla* has large mophead blooms that are either red-pink or dark purple, displayed on a tight, 2-2.5' habit surrounded by green, glossy foliage. The best news yet is the strong reblooming! This hardy little fella is planted at Heritage Gardens and was blooming loud and proud this past summer when the conventional hydrangeas had lost their buds to a late-season thaw and frost cycle. Hardy in USDA zones 5-9.

If you thought you didn't have room for a panicle hydrangea, think again! Fire Light Tidbit® *Hydrangea paniculata* sports a low, mounding 2-3' habit that displays the fabulous blooms to extreme advantage! Flowering in late summer, it's the perfect option for continuing the hydrangea fun well into fall. Each large rounded flower emerges lime green, matures to white, blushes to pink, and finishes dragon fruit pink. Its foliage is at work in the autumn too, providing the "fire" for this show by blending into hues of orange, maroon, and red. When it comes to the front of the border or container beauty, this dwarf hydrangea provides just the captivating display you're looking for. Hardy in USDA zones 3-8.



*H. m.* 'Let's Dance® Blue Jangles®'



*H. m.* 'Wee Bit Giddy®'



*H. p.* 'Fire Light Tidbit®'

Finally, it's the tiniest, tidiest panicle hydrangea yet, Tiny Quick Fire® *Hydrangea paniculata*. Its 1.5-3' frame is easily tucked into just about any spot. You'll find it looks lovely in groups, pots, and even as a tiny little edging hedge. Quick to bloom, its foliage is practically obscured by brilliant white blooms in early July. By September, they've matured to rich, dark pink. Super hardy, down to USDA zones 3-8, it's so easy to care for that it will soon become your go-to plant. Look for it at better garden centers in spring 2023.

Editors' Note: Natalie Carmolli is a Public Relations Specialist for Spring Meadows Nursery and Proven Winners® Color Choice® Shrubs. Check out her video series at [www.mypwcolorchoices.com/hydrangea-info](http://www.mypwcolorchoices.com/hydrangea-info). For a video on planting hydrangeas in containers, visit [https://bit.ly/Hydrangeas\\_containers](https://bit.ly/Hydrangeas_containers).



*H. p.* Tiny Quick Fire®



## Hydrangea Holiday Gift Ideas for You and the Hydrangea Lovers in Your Life

Hydrangea Wall Clock with Quartz Mechanism  
\$59.95  
[www.amazon.com](http://www.amazon.com)

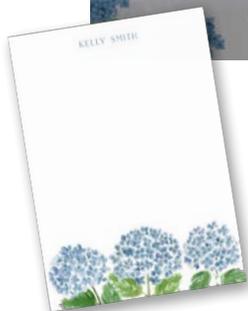


Sara Fitz Hydrangea Percale Comfoter Cover  
Various sizes; matching shams available  
Queen Cover—\$139  
[www.llbean.com](http://www.llbean.com)

Blue Hydrangea Door Mat  
\$29.95  
[www.zazzle.com](http://www.zazzle.com)



Blue Hydrangea Oblong Chiffon Shawl Scarf  
\$16.99  
[www.amazon.com](http://www.amazon.com)



Personalized Hydrangea Stationery  
Box of 25—\$51  
[www.minted.com](http://www.minted.com)

Hydrangea Weekender Bag  
\$85  
[www.Etsy.com](http://www.Etsy.com)



# What's Your Hydrangea IQ?



1. Two of today's commercially popular hydrangea species were first discovered in and are native to the U.S. TRUE or FALSE
2. *Hydrangea serrata* leaves are used by Buddhists to brew a sweet tea for cleansing rituals. TRUE or FALSE
3. Hydrangeas are ideal gifts for people with allergies. TRUE or FALSE
4. Hydrangeas were first cultivated in China. TRUE or FALSE
5. The name hydrangea is Latin in origin. TRUE or FALSE
6. The ideal pH level for your soil if you want blue hydrangeas is between 6 and 6.2. TRUE or FALSE
7. Native Americans used the roots of hydrangeas as a diuretic and the bark as pain relief. TRUE or FALSE
8. *Hydrangea arborescens* 'Annabelle' was discovered in Europe in 1930. TRUE or FALSE
9. Victorians believed that hydrangeas symbolized boastfulness or vanity. TRUE or FALSE
10. In some parts of the world, hydrangeas are known as hortensia. TRUE or FALSE

The answers to this quiz can be found on page 13.

# Need Some Garden Inspiration? Proven Winners' Has It For You

If you have been thinking about incorporating some *Hydrangea paniculata* varieties in your garden, you might want to take a road trip to Loudon, New Hampshire. Just a little over 2 hours from the Cape Cod bridges, Loudon is the home of Pleasant View, a Proven Winners' display garden. The *Hydrangea paniculata* planted in this garden come into their own in late August and continue to put on a fabulous display into October. Also featured are both perennial and annual companion plantings; all the plants are clearly labeled. As you can see from these photos, which were taken on October 1 of this year, interesting landscaping ideas abound.



Pleasant View Gardens  
7316 Pleasant St.  
Loudon, NH  
(603) 435-8361  
[www.pwvpg.com](http://www.pwvpg.com)

# Hydrangea Quiz Answers

From quiz on page 11.

1. **TRUE!** Philadelphia plantsman John Bartram discovered *H. arborescens* (smooth hydrangea) in the 1730s. In 1776, his son William Bartram discovered *H. quercifolia* (oakleaf hydrangea) in Georgia. Both types of hydrangeas remain popular today.
2. **TRUE!** Hydrangeas play a leading role in an important tea ceremony in Japan. Each year on the 8th of April Buddhists remember the day when Buddha was born. This important festival, called Hana Matsoeri, includes the drinking of hydrangea tea (甘茶). Bhuddists also pour tea over Buddha statues three times to anoint them. [WWW.THEJOYOFPLANTS.CO.UK](http://WWW.THEJOYOFPLANTS.CO.UK)
3. **TRUE!** Most hydrangea varieties are not allergy irritants. Their pollen is very sticky and even the strongest of winds generally won't blow it into the air. However, individuals who are highly sensitive to pollen might want to avoid paniculata and oak leaf varieties. [BETTER HOMES AND GARDENS](http://BETTERHOMESANDGARDENS.COM)
4. **FALSE!** Hydrangeas were first cultivated in Japan which has a maritime climate that is not unlike that of Cape Cod.
5. **FALSE!** The word hydrangea stems from the Greek words for water (hydra) and jar (angeion). While it may be hard to visualize, it is believed this name was given to the plant because of its shape, which was thought to resemble an ancient water pitcher or urn.
6. **FALSE!** To encourage blue hydrangea flowers, grow *Hydrangea macrophylla* and *serrata* plants in soil that has a low pH level, ideally between 5.2 and 5.5.
7. **TRUE!** Hydrangea root is considered by some to be an extremely effective diuretic with documented usage by early Native Americans. Through increased urine production and output, the root is said to remove impurities from the system and lessen the likelihood of infection along the urinary tract. Hydrangea root is also thought to prevent the formation of kidney stones. [STONE-RELIEF.COM](http://STONE-RELIEF.COM)
8. **FALSE!** *H.a.* 'Annabelle' was discovered near Anna, Illinois in 1910 and is supposedly named after the women or "belles" of the town, hence the name 'Annabelle'. It was not grown commercially until 1962.
9. **TRUE!** Gardeners in Victorian times considered hydrangeas to be both boastful and vain plants because they produced many showy blooms but dropped little seed to share. [PROFLOWERS.COM](http://PROFLOWERS.COM)
10. **TRUE!** Hortensia is an old-fashioned common name for mophead forms of *Hydrangea macrophylla*. It is also the word for hydrangea in French and Spanish. It can be traced to the common French name Hortense, which in Latin means 'gardener' or 'of the garden.' [PROVEN WINNERS](http://PROVENWINNERS.COM)





# Mal's Corner... Plant Relocation Success!

by Mal Condon

In September 2021 the Heritage "Diggermen" team executed a major plant relocation in the hydrangea gardens. We excavated a *Hydrangea paniculata* 'Grandiflora', an old and once very popular 'PeeGee' from the upper perimeter of the arbor bowl immediate to our display garden. It was then moved and replanted in the lower portion of the test garden at the bottom of the grand staircase. It took several work mornings to get the ancient plant ready for transport and replanting.

We were very pleased with the outcome of this formidable replanting. The new site provides superior soil conditions and plenty of sun exposure. Surface irrigation was installed the day after the planting. But despite these important pluses, I had some reservations with winter just a couple of months away. True, a paniculata is the most cold-tolerant species of the genus, but the plant we had moved was a very old specimen that had been surviving in a hostile location for many years.

The root ball diameter was good but the root depth was very shallow. I staked the plant in a traditional 3-point manner using very sturdy stakes and webbing for the tying. Traditional fertilizing is normally not an autumn event, but I did give the plant three 3-gallon watering cans of a 1:128 dilution of liquid kelp fertilizer. And finally, I said a few prayers for good measure.

Thankfully, winter 2022 was modest and the serious cold-snap on March 27 & 28 that punished our *H. macrophyllas* at Heritage had little effect on the late bud-breaking *H. paniculatas*. While this is an important species characteristic, in this instance it was personally patience-straining as the 'Grandiflora' cultivar is especially slow. Bud break finally did come late in April and our plant showed very encouraging early stem development in the plant's upper crown. By the end of May the potential for good flower bud expansion was clearly evident. Success! The "Ancient One" had not only survived but was on the way to producing a modest blossom density!

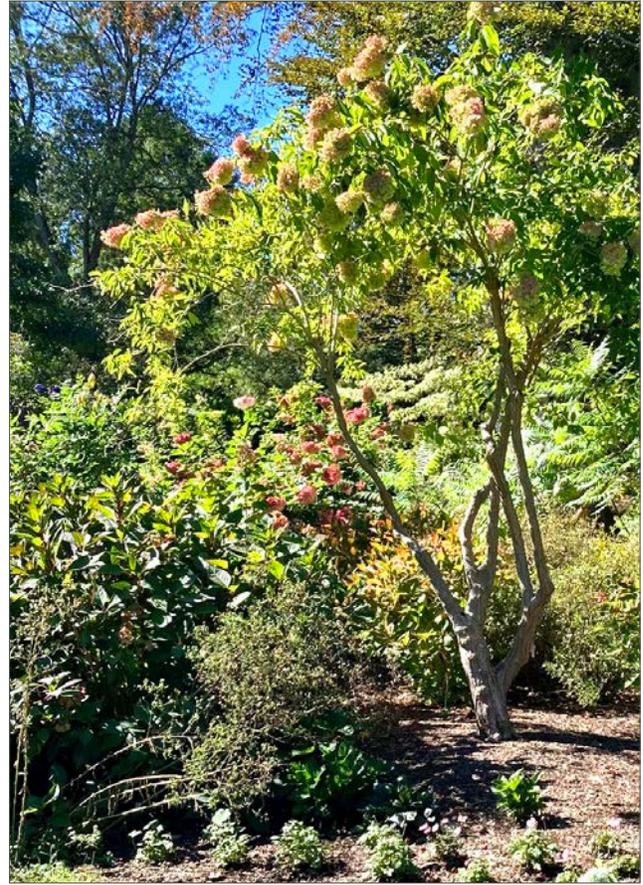
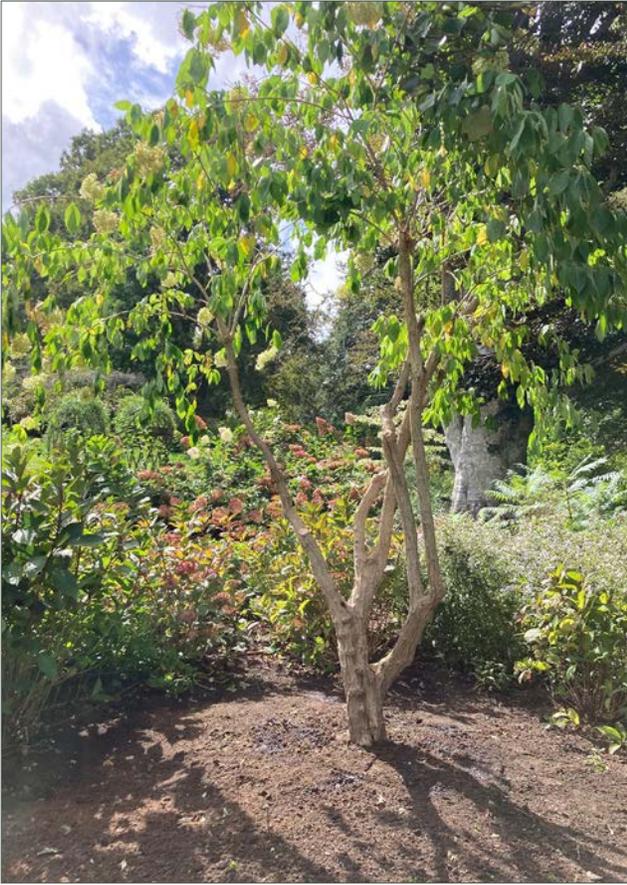
On the following page is a little photo summary of what's happened over the last 12 months to this transplanted *Hydrangea paniculata* 'Grandiflora' specimen:



The Heritage "Diggermen" team (L-R): Bennett Ojserkis, Rick Murray, Bill Cohen, Mal Condon, Barry Guryan, Paul Keohan and Joe Ruggio  
Not pictured: Peter Berrien, Frank Burkhard, Frank Davin, David LaLima, Tom McCabe and Bruce Morgan



Heritage's *H. paniculata* 'Grandiflora' (PeeGee).



It is a bit difficult to clearly define the newly replanted PeeGee on the left, but it was simply a skeletal framework devoid of any foliage network. On the right is the current view, September 28, 2022.

In the photo on the left, the current blossom set is quite good considering that the total upper foliage development is just from this summer's growth.

Needless to say, this old 'PeeGee' is now thriving in a better place. We will prune it early in December along with all the many other *H. paniculatas* at Heritage. Do come and see this plant. And, if you'd like to participate in our annual paniculata pruning event at Heritage in December, please contact me at [mcondon@heritagemuseums.org](mailto:mcondon@heritagemuseums.org). It will be a great hands-on learning experience.

## Mal

The Hydrangea Guy



*"Nature is, above all, profligate. Don't believe them when they tell you how economical and thrifty nature is, whose leaves return to the soil. Wouldn't it be cheaper to leave them on the tree in the first place?" —Annie Dillard*

## WELCOME NEW MEMBERS

Stephen Bernardi  
Framingham, MA and North Truro, MA

Martha Drake  
Yarmouth Port, MA

Cindy Ecker  
Yarmouth Port, MA

Caroline Goodman  
Mashpee, MA

Diane VerSchure  
Mashpee, MA



## UPCOMING EVENTS

### Mid-Winter Virtual Meeting

TBA

### Hydrangea University

Date: Friday, July 7, 2023

### Spring Business Meeting

Date: Wednesday, May 17, 2023

Time: 6-8 pm

Where: Harwich Community Center

### Cape Cod Hydrangea Festival

Date: July 7-16, 2023

Time: 10 am - 4 pm

Where: Garden tours each day

## CCHS Board of Directors 2021-2022

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