

# LONG ISLAND BOTANICAL SOCIETY NEWSLETTER

JUNE 1991

## NEXT MEETING

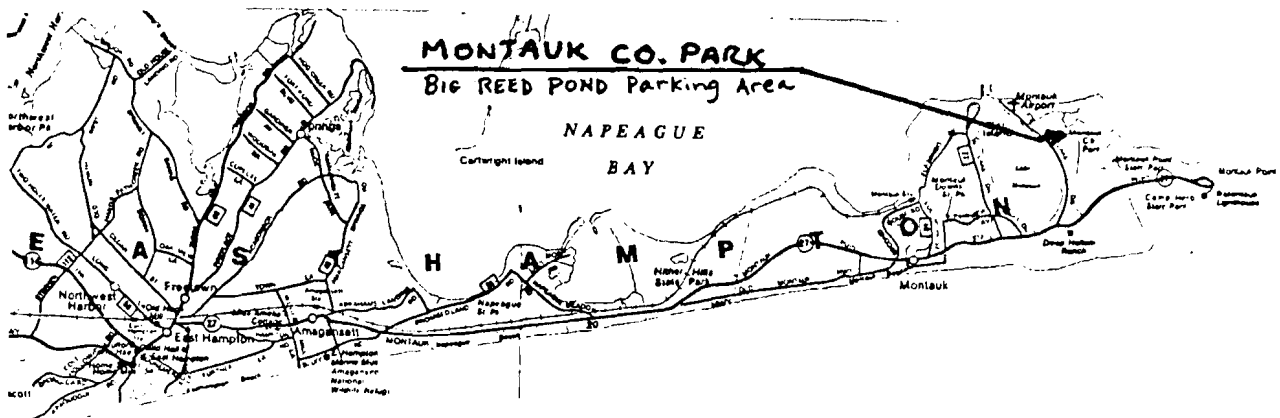
"Eastern Wildflowers au Naturel"

DATE: Tuesday, June 11, 1991 at 7:30 pm  
PLACE: Uplands Farm, Lawrence Hill Rd., Cold Spring Harbor  
The program will concentrate on those "rare but locally abundant" wildflowers whose cultural requirements are so exacting that they rarely survive in captivity, but still thrive in their native habitats. Joann Knapp, our speaker for the evening, is an instructor and photographer at Planting Fields Arboretum, and is well-known for her entertaining slide lectures.

## FIELD TRIPS

JUNE 7 - Montauk and Big Reed Pond  
Meet at 9:00 am in Riverhead, or at 11:30 am at Big Reed Pond in Montauk.

The South Fork has been a botanists' favorite for many years, and field trip leader Eric Lamont has a diverse excursion planned. For those interested in side trips on the way to Montauk, meet at the **McDonalds** on Route 24 -Flanders Rd. (LI Expressway Exit 71), just beyond the traffic circle in Riverhead, at 9 am. We will stop at Deerfield for *Hottonia inflata* (featherfoil) and at Napeague for *Liparis lucelli* (bog twayblade). To meet the group at Montauk, be at the parking area to Big Reed Pond off East Lake Drive at 11:30 am. This area is noted for deer ticks. Light clothes and insect repellent are appropriate.



On JULY 6, LIBS heads north to the Bashakill Wildlife Management Area in Sullivan County. We will be carpooling from C.W. Post College in Greenvale at 7:30 am with plans to arrive at Bashakill around 10:00. A flyer will be sent out in mid-June with details and directions for this and the rest of the summer's field trips.

## May Field Trip Report

On May 18, a group of 12 LIBS members met at Planting Fields Arboretum for a tour of the woodland trails, led by Carol Johnston. Undaunted by the grandeur of every azalea imaginable in full bloom, our first stop was to examine an unobtrusive mystery mustard along the edge of the drive. Botanical highlights included several locations of the white form of the pink ladyslipper, and *Isotria verticillata* with four plants in flower. For a grand (non-plant) finale, a fledgling great horned owl made an appearance. Of course, everyone in our group first identified the spruce in which it sat, before admiring the bird.

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

Welcome to new LIBS members Joseph Grupp, Richard and Barbara Lane, Marie Madigan, and Mary Rose Ruffini.

## MINUTES

### MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE LONG ISLAND BOTANICAL SOCIETY

Tuesday, May 14, 1991  
at S. U. N. Y., Stony Brook

Acting President Lois Lindberg called the meeting to order at 7:58 P.M.

The following announcements were made:

- Sat., May 18 - L.I.B.S. Field Trip at Planting Fields Arboretum, led by Betty Lotowycz and Carol Johnston, at 9:30 A.M. at the Center.
- Tues., May 28 - Memorial Service for Joe Beitel at 11 A.M. at the N.Y. Botanical Garden.
- Sat., June 1 - Lois will lead an aquatic habitat workshop all day at Garvies Point and Welwyn.
- Sat., June 8 - Eric Lamont will lead a L.I.B.S. Field Trip to Montauk. Meet at the Riverhead McDonald's on Rte. 24 at 9 A.M. We will stop at Deerfield to look for Featherfoil, at Napeague for Liparis lucelii, possibly Arethusa bulbosa, at Montauk Point, and arriving at Big Reed Pond at 11:30.
- Tues., June 11 - L.I.B.S. Meeting at Uplands Farm, CSH. Joanne Knapp of Planting Fields Arboretum will do a slide show entitled "Wildflowers au Naturel." Skip will chair the meeting, and it will be the last regular meeting of the season. Meetings will start again in September.

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Sat., June 22 - N. Y. Flora field trip of the Upper Hudson valley..

Sat., July 6 - L.I.B.S. field trip to **Bashakill** - car-pooling will be arranged,

Sat., July 27 - L.I.B.S. field trip to the Calverton Ponds system, led by **Chris Mangels**, Skip Blanchard and John Turner.

Sat., Aug. 3 - L.I.B.S. field trip to Massapequa Preserve to see *Platanthera*, led by **Al Lindberg** and (hopefully) **Carole Neidich-Ryder**.

Sat., Aug. 24 - L.I.B.S. field ~~trip~~ to Muttontown Preserve, led by **Al** and **Lois Lindberg**.

In the works **are:**

a workshop with **Gordon Tucker** on the flora of Fisher's Island  
a field day with **Andy Greller** in September, co-sponsored by **Torrey B. C.**

**Skip** announced that he, **Eric** and **Steve Clemants** had attended a N. Y. Flora meeting in Albany recently, in which **Steve** was elected President, and **Eric**, Secretary,

**Louise Harrison** talked about the surface water supply on Fisher's Island, and noted that **Gordon Tucker** and **Ed Horning** are working on a water supply study there. When completed, computerized information will be available,

It was announced that **Karen Blumer** took the L.I.B.S. display to Earth Day at Planting Fields on **May 4th**, and distributed fliers that **Lois** made up for her which were handed out to us, as well. **Bob Laskowski** urged that we have a better show than last year at the Flower Show at Planting Fields Arboretum in October,

**Lois** announced that our membership is down to 60 from a previous 100.

Botanical reports

*Isotria verticillata* in bloom on **Peconic Dunes** - **Eric**

**Bluets** in previous years at **St. John's Cemetery** on **25A**, Oyster Bay - **Barbara Conolly**.

**Ladys' Slipper** - in between a primary and secondary dune in **St. James** - **Elsa L'Hommedieu**.

The business meeting **was** concluded at 8:30 P. M., following which **Eric Lamont** gave a graphic description of the difficulties of classifying the Joe-Pye-Weed group of the Eupatoriums. His work is extensive and impressive.

Those in attendance **were:**

Eric Lamont  
Lois and Al Lindberg  
Dr. & **Mrs Hastings**  
Betty **Lotowycz**  
Barbara Conolly  
Skip Blanchard

Glenn Richards  
Ray **Welch**  
Louise Harrison  
Bob Laskowski  
Elsa **L'Hommedieu**

62, Respectfully submitted

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