



# Georgia Hosta Notes

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Hostas are growing well in GHS members Scott Smith and Mark Malaguerra's mountain home garden. For more pictures of our members' gardens, see page 7.



## President's Message

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By Greg Ferguson

I've never been so glad to see a brand new year. Aren't you?! If I could describe the year 2020, I would say that it was like a hosta garden enduring four hailstorms, a tornado, a vole attack, and the neighborhood dogs having a world class wrestling match. Well, like that beleaguered hosta garden, we're hoping 2021 can give us a new start and allow us to bounce back as our beloved hostas do each spring.

Georgia Hosta Society is SO anxious to get together again! The Board has met via internet, but in-person meetings have been at the mercy of the pandemic, safety, and common sense. We had to cancel 2020's general meetings, plant show and sale, and garden tours. We hope we can renew those later in 2021 – but we'll see. We don't believe it is safe to meet in person in the immediate future, but we are investigating alternative means to regain contact.

Our first 2021 general meeting will be a Zoom meeting, on the originally scheduled date, Saturday, February 13. This meeting will consist of interesting mini-presentations by four GHS members. You'll find the content elsewhere in this newsletter. We look forward to additional Zoom meetings during the year.

We are contacting individuals about garden tours – we'll have more information in the next newsletter. If the pandemic is still roaring, we may consider Zoom broadcasts from the gardens.

We hope to resume our May leaf show and plant sale. Our show committee is discussing modifications to the leaf show judging procedures and presentation methods to maintain safe conditions. The plant sale, held outdoors, presents challenges, but not as challenging as the indoor venue. The event is planned for May 8, the second Saturday in May.

Get your cameras ready to share photos of your gardens and plants. If you start seeds indoors, take some pictures. If you winterize plants indoors, in your garage, in a shed, in your basement, take some pictures. If you hybridize and develop hostas or other plants, take some pictures. If you do winter planning for your gardens, share those ideas and plans. As your plants start to pop up, take some pictures. Send those photos to Harold McDonell, our newsletter editor. Your input will enrich our newsletter and encourage our fellow members.

Now is the time for your involvement, more than ever. In these unprecedented times, let's stay connected as best we can.

I look forward to seeing you at our February 13 meeting.

Greg Ferguson

President, Georgia Hosta Society, 2020-2021

## Your Newsletter Editor Needs Your Help - Again



Yes, I am calling on our members again for much-needed pictures of your garden. This time, the theme will be garden art. Please take a few minutes to snap a few pictures of some of your garden art and send it to me at [haroldmcdonell@aol.com](mailto:haroldmcdonell@aol.com). Statuary, whimsy, rocks, unusual wind chimes, driftwood, and on and on - whatever you want to send me will be great. With your help, the next issue of the *Georgia Hosta Notes* will contain an exciting section of beautiful garden art. Please send me your pictures as soon as possible.

## Membership Dues Suspended for 2021

Just a reminder that GHS has suspended 2021 dues for our 2020 members. If you have already paid your 2021 dues, they will be applied to future years.

## February 13, 2021 Meeting to be Held On-Line via Zoom - 11:00 am

Due to the ongoing and worsening situation with the Covid-19 Virus pandemic, the Board of Directors has decided that it would be just too unsafe for our members to hold the February 13 meeting physically. We hope you understand and agree.

However, we feel that we need to move forward with some interactive form of meetings in order to help keep our members interested and informed. The Board has held its last two meetings via the Zoom meetings platform and we have found it extremely easy to access and use. Zoom allows all participants to take an interactive part in the meeting. Several of our members have stepped forward and agreed to present short programs for the meeting.

**Mark Malaguerra and Scott Smith will be talking about shade companion plants. Dexter Henry will present a 'tool time' program. Chuck Zdeb has agreed to talk about his experience in recently planting 2000 daffodil bulbs. Sandra Bussell will discuss her experiences in growing hostas in pots buried in the ground.**

There will also be a very short business meeting conducted by President Greg Ferguson.

We hope you can join us for the Zoom meeting on February 13. You can access it easily on computers, tablets, or smart phones. You will need to download the Zoom app to your device in order to get into the Zoom site for the meeting. The process is quite easy. Just look for the Zoom app in your app store on your device or go to [zoom.us](https://zoom.us) and follow the instructions.

The invitation for the meeting is included on the next page and it will give you the meeting ID and the Passcode which you will need to enter in order to join the meeting. This meeting has been set up by Scott Smith and he has volunteered to help any of our members to set up for Zoom or to access the meeting on the day of the meeting should you encounter any problems. His telephone number is included on the invitation at the bottom. Please do not hesitate to call him with any questions you may have.

This is our first effort at having an online general meeting and we hope it will not be necessary again going forward as we get control of the pandemic. We hope all of you will join us for this meeting on February 13 at 11:00 am.

**February 13, 2021 Zoom Meeting - Invitation**

Scott Smith is inviting you to a scheduled Zoom meeting.

Topic: Georgia Hosta Society General Meeting  
Time: Feb 13, 2021 11:00 AM Eastern Time (US and Canada)

Join Zoom Meeting  
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**Remembering Robert Lockwood**

We are sad to announce the recent death of Robert Lockwood, husband of GHS member Mikky Lockwood on January 10, 2021. Please keep Mikky in your thoughts and prayers.

# Editor's Message and Hosta Ramblings



by Harold McDonell

## Putting 2020 in the Rearview Mirror

Yes, it is definitely time to bid goodbye to an awful year - 2020. Another year, 2021, is finally here and it appears things are looking up for us. I certainly hope so. This year, I look forward to again having GHS meetings at Deen Day Sanders Garden House. I don't know about you but I have missed seeing all my hosta friends face-to-face. I have missed our programs, I have missed our sales and auctions, and I have most definitely missed all that great food everyone brings to our meetings.

I am looking forward to garden tours at member gardens. I am definitely in need of a hosta garden fix, having seen no garden but my own all last year. I am looking forward to our show and show plant sale. I am looking forward to a normal year. Only time will tell but Oh Lord, please let it happen!

When we do finally get together again, I am sure we will have much to talk about. No matter how bad 2020 was, life has gone forward and I am certain we will all be eager to share our experiences with each other. We already have some of our members lined up to speak at our meetings until we can get our programs going full-steam again. If you think you would like to participate in presenting a program to the group, just let Steve McMurtry, our Programs Chair, know. I am sure he would appreciate volunteers right now!

As the *Georgia Hosta Notes* editor, I would like to thank each of you who have provided pictures of your gardens for the newsletter. From the comments I have received, our members have thoroughly enjoyed seeing what other members are doing with their gardens. Hopefully, I will again have content to share with you this year of the 2021 national and regional meetings as well as of local garden tours, show results, etc. However, I think we are on to something with sharing more content provided by our own members, and I want you to continue to take pictures of your garden this year for future issues of the newsletter. Next up, I need pictures of garden art in your garden as mentioned earlier on page 3. Please send anything you can share to me asap. I am sure your personalized use of garden art will inspire our members in our own gardens.

Happy gardening in 2021 to all our members. May this year be a great one for each of you.



← **Homemade Bottle Tree in  
Eddie Raye Andrews  
Garden in Waller, Texas**

**Statuary in Donna  
Priester's Garden in  
Whites Creek, Tennessee** →



**Share your garden art  
with us in the next issue  
of *Georgia Hosta Notes***

## 2021 Hosta of the Year - 'Rainbow's End'

The American Hosta Growers Association has selected *Hosta* 'Rainbow's End' as the 2021 Hosta of the Year. To be selected as the Hosta of the Year, the cultivar must be a proven good garden plant in all regions of the country and must be readily available to the public at reasonable prices. *H. 'Rainbow's End'* certainly fits those criteria. It is a small/medium hosta with wildly streaked elliptic-shaped dark green and cream/yellow leaves. It has proven to be a strong grower in our southern gardens.

Reprinted below is an article about *H. 'Rainbow's End'* from *Georgia Hosta Notes* - Volume 34, No. 2, 2018.

### 'Rainbow's End' - Better Than a Pot of Gold!

One of the most storied myths we learned as children was that there is a pot of gold at the end of every rainbow. Not only that, but that the pot of gold is guarded by a tricky little leprechaun. In our wonderful world of hostas, however, it turns out that in lieu of a pot of gold, there is an exciting little hosta at the end of our rainbow named 'Rainbow's End'. *H. 'Rainbow's End'* was discovered as a sport in a tissue culture run of *H. 'Obsession'* by that big master hosta leprechaun, Hans Hanson, who couldn't help but notice the dazzling mix of colors - clear dark



Photographer Unknown

green leaves with very streaky bright cream-to-yellow centers. It would be a challenge to find any two leaves exactly alike due to the wildly variable streaking.

Registered in 2005, *H. 'Rainbow's End'*'s clump size is listed as 11" high and 21" wide. Like its sport parent, it has 16"-19" showy burgundy scapes sporting lavender flowers to further dress up this already dressed-to-the-hilt hosta. The elliptic-shaped leaves are registered as 6" long by 4" wide. *H. 'Rainbow's End'* is a somewhat slow-growing hosta but it is well worth the wait to get it to full size. It grows quite well in containers and makes a beautiful little specimen plant, whether in a container or in the ground.

For us hopelessly addicted hosta addicts, *H. 'Rainbow's End'* is better than that fabled pot of gold!

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### Fun Facts about Hostas

The longest registered name is *Hosta 'Crows Landing Rippled Truffles'*, registered by P. A. Stygall in 2011. The name has 27 letters. The ICNCP requires that all names consist of no more than 30 characters. On another note, the most difficult-to-spell registered name is *H. 'Academy Brobdingnagian Viridity'*, an introduction registered by Steve Chamberlain in 2006.

The first year hostas were registered was 1969. That year, four hostas were registered: 'Golden Nugget', 'Midwest Gold', 'Rough Waters', and 'Roundabout'. The first three are still available from various retail sources.

Courtesy of Don Rawson

## From Our Members' Gardens

As promised in the last issue of *Georgia Hosta Notes*, we are publishing more pictures taken by our members of their gardens this summer. You really came through when your editor requested pictures last fall to help provide content for this and the last issue. We have received many compliments about the pictures in the November 2020 issue. We hope you will enjoy these as well. Hopefully, we will receive many more pictures of GHS member gardens in future years!

### Sandra Bussell's Athens, Georgia Garden



Oakleaf Hydrangea



Virginia Bluebells



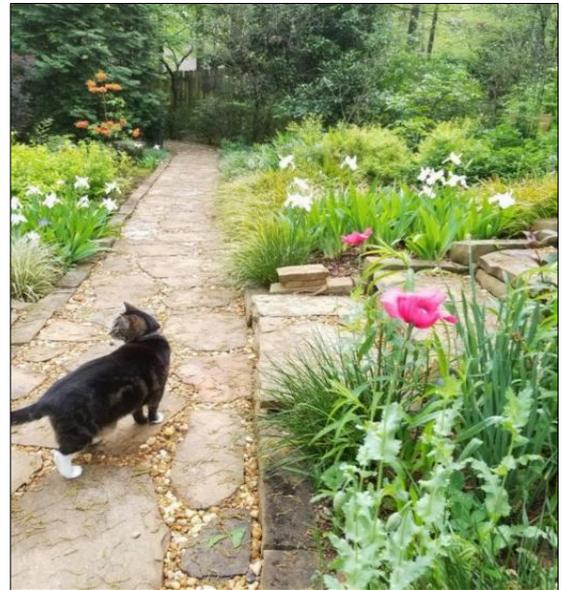
*Epimedium x versicolor* 'Sulphureum'



*Hosta* 'Empress Wu' and Others



Iris and Poppies



Julie enjoys a stroll in the garden.

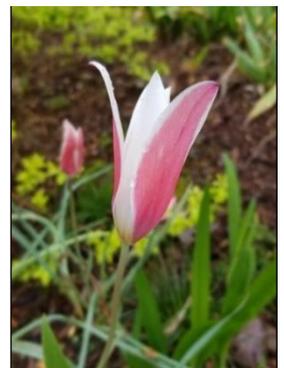


*Lonicera sempervirens*

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*Corylopsis spicata*  
'Ogon'



'Lady Jane' Tulip

## From Our Members' Gardens

Harold McDonnell's Fayetteville, Georgia Garden



*Hosta 'Deep Blue Sea'*



*Chloranthus sessilifollus 'Get Shorty'* (Left) with Ferns and Hostas



*Aucuba japonica 'Limbata'*



*Arachnoides standishii* - Upside Down Fern



*Rohdea japonica 'Taiyouden-no-tora'*



*Hosta 'Annabel Lee'*



Large Sedum - Cultivar Name Unknown



*Epimedium ilicifolium*



*Carex 'Eversheen'* (Left)  
*Oxalis triangularis* (Right)

## From Our Members' Gardens

### Jack Driskell's Powder Springs, Georgia Garden



*Hosta 'Squash Casserole'*



*Hosta 'So Sweet'*

*Native Cross Vine - Bignonia capreolata*

## From Our Members' Gardens

### Judy Beeler's Atlanta, Georgia Garden



### Judy Burns' Montevallo, Alabama Garden



*Clematis* 'Josephine'



*Hosta* 'Crowned Imperial'

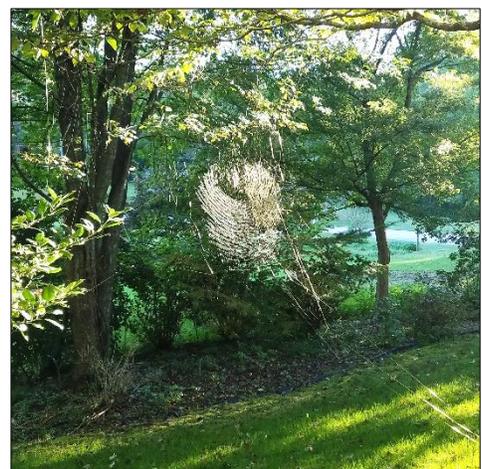


*H.* 'Humpback Whale'

### Marianne Tucker's Suwanee, Georgia Garden



### Julia and George Lyons' Dawsonville, Georgia Garden



**From Our Members' Gardens**

**Scott Smith and Mark Malaguerra's Waynesville, North Carolina Garden**



***Hosta 'Holy Moley'***



***H. 'Stained Glass'***



***H. 'Hudson Bay'***



***H. 'Munchkin Fire'***



***Hosta - Lockwood Sieboldii Seedling***



## Fairy Wings

By Barbara Evans

(Reprinted from the Western New York Hosta Society's *Hosta la Vista* newsletter - November, 2020 Issue.)

Fairy Wings! Who wouldn't want such a delightfully named flowering plant in their garden? And it truly does look like the delicate wings of fairies when in bloom around May in our area.

Fairy Wings is a common name for *Epimedium*, a genus of flowering plants in the family Berberidaceae. These hardy and dependable plants with heart-shaped leaves and sprays of tiny dancing fairy flowers in May have a number of common names. As 'horny goat weed', the plant is prized in Asian cultures for its medicinal value as a libido-enhancer, so named after a licentious goat. Other nicknames include 'Bishop's cap' and 'barrenwort'. All these names for plants only recently available at our nurseries.



***Epimedium* 'Amber Queen'**



***E.* 'Cherry Blossom'**

While there is not a native species in the bunch, Epimediums are worthy plants none the less. Touted as being the perfect plant for dry shade, they are easy and long lived. Blooming in spring in all shades except blue; those with long spurs resemble dancing spiders - a description only a gardener would appreciate. Their blooms are lovely seen interplanted with daffodils and other late spring bulbs. Their foliage will fill in the bare spaces left when the spring ephemerals go dormant.

In general, Epimediums range in height from 6" to 24" in bloom. Expect early leaflets around April, then sprays of flowers followed by another round of foliage taller than the initial spring growth. Their shallow rooted rhizomes of various lengths sit at or near the soil surface and can remain without disturbance for many years.

Needing little to no boost from fertilizer, the only care they require is an annual haircut in spring before the new foliage and bloom stalks appear. Cut the old foliage off of the evergreen varieties also since they will then give you a whole new crop of fresh leaves.

Some are clump formers and others are steady spreaders forming colonies of textural ground covering. Tuck them here and there in the garden: under large leaved hostas, around tree roots to protect from lawn mowers, and as filler for any empty areas. Some varieties have amazing foliage color changes in the fall and some provide winter interest due to being semi-evergreen or evergreen in our zone 5-6 gardens. Since not all of them behave in the same manner though, check on-line if possible before purchasing. A spreader will not stay in one special spot and a clumper won't fill in between tree roots. Note also that some are good in rock gardens and troughs. Those with mini leaves and stature make good mates for mini hostas.

Similar to other plants said to like dry shade, this doesn't mean that epimediums prefer that condition but that they tolerate it very well. In the wild, many are found in moist and often sunny sites. Planted in 1/2 to 3/4 sun increases the boldness of their fall foliage coloration. A few do require more moisture than others, although all benefit from extra water when first planted out. Thus, while tolerating the dry-ish and less fertile areas under trees, they are also great as edging for beds and borders. In short, they are highly versatile plants. A further plus is that they have no disease or insect problems to mention. New hybrids and newly discovered species, mostly from China, have added to their diversity, both in cultural preferences and growth habits. Lots of additional information can be found on-line at Garden Vision Epimediums and Plant Delights Nursery.



***Epimedium grandiflorum* 'Spring Wedding'  
with Spectacular Spring Foliage**

(Editor's Note: Epimediums grow extremely well in north Georgia and bloom from late winter through spring in the Atlanta area. Clumping varieties are best for mixed perennial shade gardens. Good sources for epimediums include Edelweiss Perennials - [www.edelweissperennials.com](http://www.edelweissperennials.com), Garden Vision Epimediums - [www.gardenvision.com](http://www.gardenvision.com), Plant Delights Nursery - [www.plantdelights.com](http://www.plantdelights.com), and Sebright Gardens - [www.sebrightgardens.com](http://www.sebrightgardens.com).)

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**Colorful Scene from Steve McMurtry and Ricky Cox's Late Fall Garden**

## Florida Sugar Maple - The Ideal Maple for the Suburban South?

We are always looking for that ideal tree to complement our gardens and we all are familiar with the magnificent northern sugar maple (*Acer saccharum*) which provides so much color in the forests of the northeast in the fall and from which is derived that special waffle condiment - maple syrup. However, did you know that there is also a sugar maple that is native to the southeastern United States? There is.

The Florida Sugar Maple (*Acer barbatum*, *Acer floridanum*, or *Acer saccharum* subsp. *floridanum*) is a wonderful tree that should be used much more in our gardens. It is native to the southeast, growing sporadically from southern Virginia down into the Florida panhandle and as far west as Louisiana and Arkansas.

It is an absolutely beautiful tree that looks like its well-known northern cousin in many ways. However, Florida Sugar Maple normally only grows to a mature height of about 40-50 feet although it can get taller under ideal conditions. It has the dense rounded canopy of the northern sugar maple when mature but its spread is considerably smaller. The smaller height and spread makes it a better tree for smaller landscapes. It has brilliant fall color varying from gold to orange although the color is not quite as brilliant as northern sugar maple. Its

leaves, which are about 2/3 the size of northern sugar maple leaves, have the same distinctive shape. Most importantly, it is quite at home in our hot southern climate which often stresses the northern sugar maple.

For some reason, the Florida Sugar Maple is virtually unknown in the commercial landscape arena. That is a shame because it is such a great little tree. It is not easy to find but with diligence, one can connect with a plant. If you are looking for a tree that is graceful with beautiful fall color, and which fills the size niche between Japanese maples and our larger red maple varieties, this is the tree for you.



**Florida Sugar Maple (*Acer barbatum*) displaying its brilliant golden fall color in the McDonell garden in Fayetteville, Georgia.**

## Memories of Fall - Part 1

In response to the editor's request, many of our members sent in pictures taken in their fall gardens. Our fall started slow but ended quite well, especially the Japanese maples, as the pictures indicate. Thanks to all of you who contributed. More fall garden pics will be featured in the next newsletter. Also, please remember to send me some shots of your garden art as requested on page 3 in this newsletter.



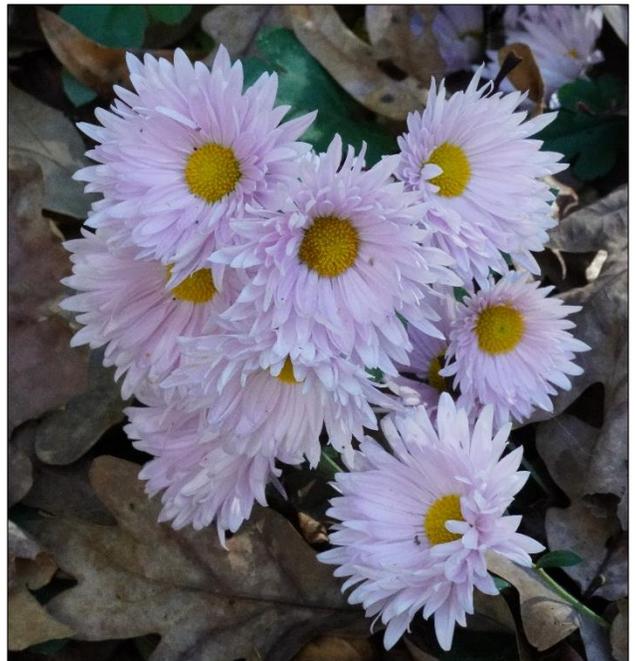
**Japanese Maple 'Lionheart'  
in Linda Alston-Binic's Garden**



**Steve McMurtry and Ricky Cox's 'Mary' Garden**



**Hosta 'Catherine' showing its fall color  
in Cozart Smith's Garden**



**Heirloom Chrysanthemum in Harold  
McDonnell's Garden**

## Memories of Fall - Part 1



**Uninvited Beauty in Ginny Wolf's Fall Garden**



**Linden Viburnum in Jack Driskell's Garden**



**Magnificent Japanese Maple In Judy Beeler's Garden**



**Jane Law's Fall Garden appears to be on fire!**

**THE GEORGIA HOSTA SOCIETY  
MINUTES OF BOARD MEETING  
January 16, 2021 Via Zoom**

Current restrictions on group gatherings because of the corona virus required the Board to hold the quarterly meeting online as a Zoom conference.

The meeting was called to order by President Greg Ferguson at 9:38 a.m. Participating were: Dexter Henry, Harold McDonell, Katie Lindquist, Pat Brussack, Scott Smith, Mark Malaguerra, Chuck Zdeb, Julia Lyons and Judy Beeler.

Minutes of the October 31, 2020 board meeting were published in the November 2020 issue of *Georgia Hosta Notes*. Chuck moved and Harold seconded that the minutes be accepted as published. The motion was approved.

Dexter presented the treasurer's report. Upcoming expenditures will include annual payments for the website domain and the State of Georgia registration as a non-profit organization. Pat moved and Scott seconded that the report and the proposed budget for 2021 be accepted. The motion was approved.

The required annual audit of the treasurer's records will be delayed until we have an in-person board or general meeting. Greg, Harold and Mark offered to conduct the audit at that time. Scott moved and Harold seconded a motion delaying the audit; the motion was approved.

Because of continued concerns about the Covid-19 pandemic, the general meeting scheduled for February 13 will not be held. At this time, we will continue to plan for the in-person April 10 meeting and plant auction.

Pat and Katie reported that other gardening groups have been holding successful and well-attended Zoom lectures. Being very eager to maintain contact and interest with our entire membership, we agreed to organize a Zoom meeting for the date originally planned for our general meeting, February 13. The webcast will be from 11:00 am to 12:30 pm and will consist of short presentations by some of our members on topics of interest. Chuck will provide a virtual tour of his massive daffodil planting; Mark will discuss companion plants; Dexter will offer some gardening techniques; and Sandra Bussell will discuss planting hostas in in-ground containers. Scott will make necessary arrangements and details (including how to access the presentation) which will be included in the upcoming newsletter.

Looking ahead, we will continue to plan for local garden tours in the spring if conditions allow. Greg will contact members who might be willing to open their gardens. It was suggested that one of our hosta show vendors be invited to participate in each tour by bringing a select number of plants to offer for purchase by tour participants.

The gardens of Pat Brussack and Sandra Bussell will be included in the Athens, GA Garden Tour on April 17.

We discussed a fund-raising venture of purchasing a wholesale order of a trio of unique hostas from Bob Solberg and selling/auctioning them at our in-person meeting in April. Scott will follow up on this idea.

At this time, we will go forward with plans for the 2021 annual hosta show and sale, scheduled to coincide with Tucker Day on May 8. It may be necessary to make drastic changes to the show procedures, especially in the area of judging which normally involves close contact between numerous people. Chuck offered to draft modified judging procedures, minimizing interaction among the judges. If we cannot ensure safety, we may need to eliminate judging and have a "display" show only. As a last resort, we may forego the show all together and provide only the vendor sale, which is held out-of-doors and is less risky.

There being no further business, Harold moved that the meeting be closed. Chuck seconded and the meeting was adjourned at 10:56 a.m.

Judy Beeler, Secretary

# THE GEORGIA HOSTA SOCIETY

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**Claudia Walker:** AHS National Show Chair  
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## The Georgia Hosta Society

The Georgia Hosta Society offers a yearly hosta show, four **Georgia Hosta Notes** newsletters and four general meetings, garden tours and workshops, an annual plant sale, and many other benefits. Annual membership dues are \$15 per Individual, \$25 for a family membership. Send membership inquiries and dues to Becky Paris – VP Membership, 4980 Exodus Court, Marietta, GA 30062. For further information, go to [www.gahosta.org](http://www.gahosta.org).

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## The American Hosta Society

The American Hosta Society offers participation in all national activities, including a national convention; two issues annually of **The Hosta Journal**, each with nearly 100 pages, many interesting and informative articles, and dozens of color and black and white pictures; and one annual **Online Hosta Journal**. ENewsletters are also published periodically to keep members informed. Membership dues are \$30 individual and \$34 family membership per year (US). Contact Sandie Markland - Membership Secretary, PO Box 7539, Kill Devil Hills, NC 27948 or go to [AHSMembershipSecretary@Charter.net](mailto:AHSMembershipSecretary@Charter.net). For additional information, go to [www.americanhostasociety.org](http://www.americanhostasociety.org).

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## Dixie Region (AHS Region 3)

All members of GHS and AHS are automatically members of the Dixie Region. The region offers annual meetings, garden tours, judging clinics and other activities. For information, go to the Dixie Region Website: [www.dixiehosta.net](http://www.dixiehosta.net).

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## Hosta Cultivar Registration

For all questions about registering hosta cultivars, contact Gayle Hartley Alley, ICRA for Hosta at [www.hostaregistrar.org](http://www.hostaregistrar.org).

## 2021 Calendar of Events

February 13, 2021 - General Meeting - Virtual Meeting via Zoom -11:00 am

March 6, 2021 - Board Meeting

April 10, 2021 - General Meeting - Deen Day Sanders Garden House - 11:00 am - GHS Blowout Spring Auction

April and May - Garden Walks - Dates and Details in Later Newsletters

May 8, 2021 - Hosta Show and Plant Sale      Show Set-up - May 7 - Tucker First Baptist Church, Tucker, Georgia

August 14, 2021 - Board Meeting

September 11, 2021 - General Meeting - Deen Day Sanders Garden House

October 16, 2021 - Board Meeting

November 13, 2021 - General Meeting - Deen Day Sanders Garden House

## GHS Membership Registration– 2021

**Please note: 2021 Membership Dues Waived for 2020 Members**

**Name:**

**Address:**

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*Georgia Hosta Notes* newsletters will be sent to members via email to save production and mailing expenses unless you specify that you prefer a paper copy. Please check here if you want a paper copy \_\_\_\_.

**Annual Dues are \$15 for individuals or \$25 for a family (two or more persons living in the same household).**

**Please make check payable to The Georgia Hosta Society.**

**Send completed form and payment to:**

**Becky Paris – VP Membership, 4980 Exodus Court, Marietta, GA 30062**

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