



**NEW ENGLAND CARNIVOROUS PLANT SOCIETY
(www.NECPS.org)**

January, 2013 Newsletter

**This month's meeting will be held on
Saturday, January 12th at 12:30 PM at:**

**Roger Williams Park Botanical Center
1000 Elmwood Avenue
Providence, RI**

<http://www.providenceri.com/botanical-center/>

NECPS Mission Statement

"The mission of the New England Carnivorous Plant Society shall be to share, to gain knowledge of, and to achieve expertise in all phases of growing, education, appreciation, and conservation of carnivorous plants in both culture and in native habitats."

President's Message

I have to be honest, when we started the NECPS 10 years ago this month, I never ever thought we would make it this far. I was hoping we could keep it interesting enough for the interested members to come a few times a year to meet and talk about plants. I honestly was shocked when we voted on whether we should meet each month or every other month...and the decision was every month! I still love to tell the story about how I once (ONLY once) tried to cancel a meeting due to terrible weather conditions, and got a reply in about .3 seconds from Dave Sackett saying that each member should decide if they could make it.

Through this society, I have always tried to help us all grow and learn about plants, life, each other, and ourselves. I strongly believe that a true friend is someone who helps you grow to your full potential, and one of the most wonderful aspects of being involved in this group is seeing the society help many people with that. I have seen a group of people come together, become friends, and help each other grow into better people. Each member has contributed something to the society over the years -- some more, some less, but EVERYONE has contributed.

I want to take a moment to thank everyone. The NECPS has been a huge part of my life and world for 10 years, and I know it has been that way for others also. As founder and president, I have seen us grow, seen the members do so much, ventured places I never dared to dream of. From that very first meeting to now, 10 years later, I have learned and grown a lot from being involved with you all. It has been a wonderful journey and lesson for me, and you all have helped me grow. There are very few things as satisfying and wonderful as watching a meeting of our Society, watching the members interact with one another, and watching the friendships grow. Knowing that 10 years ago we had nothing like this and seeing the joy of all the members is incomparable. It is at once completely satisfying, and humbling. And I would never have gotten to experience that without all the members who have been a part of the last 10 years.

Thank you all for that, with all my heart.

We start our next 10 years now, with this month. Judging from the past, who can even guess where it will take us? After all, some of the youngest members were not even born when we started this endeavor. Apps for iphones did not exist and now we have a member working on one. I can only hope that the Society will continue to grow, improve, listen to the members and go where we want, and move forward together.

With the help of everyone, with the input, new ideas, new plans, and continued involvement of all of us, we will take the NECPS on another 10 year ride to even more places we never dreamed of.

Thank you, all of you, who have made the 10 year Anniversary of the New England Carnivorous Plant Society possible.

With all my humble thanks to you all,
John Phillip, Jr
President and Founder
NECPS

NECPS Program for January: Saturday, January 12, 2013 at the Roger Williams Park Botanical Center

Always a highlight of the year, the January meeting at the RWP Botanical gardens will be the Annual Nepenthes Cutting Class and Swap. Members are encouraged to bring in an overgrown Nepenthes or two that need cutting back. Any and all plants are welcome, whether easy or difficult.

First there will be a class on taking vine cuttings of Nepenthes and on the “how and why” of cutting propagation. Afterwards, using the plants supplied by members and materials supplied by the NECPS, we will take multiple cuttings of plants for each member to take home and grow. We hope that we can all expand our collections, and make sure that plants are always available to society members.

This only works if generous members let others take cuttings from some of their overgrown plants, so if you have a plant that is vining and needs cutting, please consider bringing it! The NECPS will take care of the rest.

Note: if the weather is very cold please consider bringing a bag or cooler to keep the cuttings warm in on the trip home.

Announcements for January

- **10th Anniversary Celebration:** We are asking for a few simple things to celebrate our 10th anniversary:
 - Members are encouraged to bring a pot luck item of food, dessert, or a snack to help us celebrate
 - Members are asked to contact any old members who they may know and invite them to the meeting.
 - Members are asked to think about some of their favorite moments, events, funny things... anything, so we can share them at the meeting.
- **2013 Spring Flower and Garden Show In Providence, RI:**

Once again, we have been asked to have a display at the annual Glower and Garden show. Last year was our first year displaying and we took home the 3rd place award for vignettes. With more people helping and more plants to display we can do even better this year! We need ideas and plants that look spectacular!

The theme of this year's show is "Celebrating 20 years of The Flower Show." As they are celebrating 20 years, and we are celebrating 10, we HAVE to come up with some idea! We will discuss this at the meeting – please bring ideas for a 10' x 10' display! The dates of the show are **February 21-24, 2013.**
- **Call for Website Help / Webmaster:** The NECPS website (NECPS.org) is a very important part of the society. Unfortunately, it too often is not updated in a timely manner. We need a person or persons (committee?) dedicated to updating the website each month at the very least. This does not take a

lot of time (1 to 3 hours per month, maybe?) but it is important to the society that it gets done each month. It is currently being covered by board members who are overstretched in their duties, so **the NECPS is looking for one or more people to serve as webmasters this year.** If you have a basic knowledge of websites, or would like to learn how to update, please contact John Phillip (johnatthebeach@cox.net) or Emily Troiano (emily.troiano@gmail.com).

- **Bog Maintenance:** One of the greenhouse staff mentioned that we have fallen behind a bit in maintaining (essentially weeding) the NECPS bog at the Roger Williams Park Botanical Center. It would be very helpful if any members who arrive early to the meeting could spend a few minutes weeding the bog. 5-10 people weeding for 10 minutes can make a huge difference.
Thanks!

Library News:

Below is the current NECPS Library Listing:

Title	Media	Date Taken	Date Returned	Signed out by NECPS Member	Author	Donated by
Best Worlds 2 DVD set (copy)	DVD				Redfern Natural History Productions Limited	John Phillip, Jr.
Carnivorous Plants of the World	Book				James and Patricia Pietropaolo	Shaun Montminy
Gardening with Carnivores	Book				Nick Romanowski	Shaun Montminy
Growing Carnivorous Plants	Book				Barry A. Rice	Shaun Montminy
Micropterozoa crew	Magazine				allan gross & jerry carr	Dave Sackett
Teacher Plants of the Americas (softcover)	Book				Stewart McPherson	Shaun Montminy
Teacher Plants of the Americas (hardcover)	Book				Stewart McPherson	John Phillip, Jr.
The Nature and Properties of Oils	Book				Nyle C. Brady	Bob Rafka
PS Newsletters, multiple	Magazine				Random authors	Shaun Montminy
Genus Flytraps, Bladderworts, and Other Wild and Amazing Plants	Book				Monica Halpen, National Geographic Science Chapters	Black Jungle???
PS Newsletters, Apr 1972 - Dec 2006 (copy)	CD				Random authors	Don Gallant
Little Shop of Horrors (DVD) copy	DVD				Warner Home Video	Shaun Montminy
The Curious World of Carnivorous Plants	Book				Wilhelm Barthlott, Stefan Porembski	Black Jungle???
Death Trap (copy)	DVD				Nature	Shaun Montminy
Hungry Plants (grades 2-3)	Kids book				Mary Batten, Step into Reading	Black Jungle
Hungry Plants (grades 2-3)	Kids book				Mary Batten, Step into Reading	Black Jungle
Listening Carnivores	Book				Stewart McPherson	McPherson???
The Savage Garden	Book				Peter D ' Amato	Shaun Montminy
Best Worlds of the Guiana Highlands	Book				Stewart McPherson	Stewart McPherson???
Teacher Plants of the Old World Volume One	Book				Stewart McPherson	Stewart McPherson
Teacher Plants of the Old	Book				Stewart McPherson	Stewart

World Volume Two						McPherson
Allen Lowrie - Scientific papers/photos, Oct 2008, CP presentations at ICPS Conference - Sydney Sep 2008	CD (copy)				Allen Lowrie	Kenneth Sicard
Best Worlds 2 DVD set (original) not to be taken out	DVD	x	x	x	Redfern Natural History Productions Limited	John Phillip, Jr.
IPS Newsletters, Apr 1972 - Dec 2006 (original)	CD	x	x	x	Random authors	Don Gallant
Little Shop of Horrors (original) not to be taken out	DVD	x	x	x	Warner Home Video	Shaun Montminy
Death Trap (original) not to be taken out	DVD	x	x	x	Nature	Shaun Montminy
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- Please contact me to suggest books that should be purchased or if you have books to donate.

- The NECPS Library inventory and library policy has been attached to the end of the newsletter.

~ Don Gallant, Librarian

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New England Carnivorous Plant Society

An organization for the appreciation and enjoyment of carnivorous plants

Meeting dates and locations

Generally the society meets the second Saturday of each month at the greenhouses at the Roger Williams Park, Providence, RI at 12:30pm. Meetings are occasionally held at other locations. Visit the website for information on the next meeting and for travel directions:

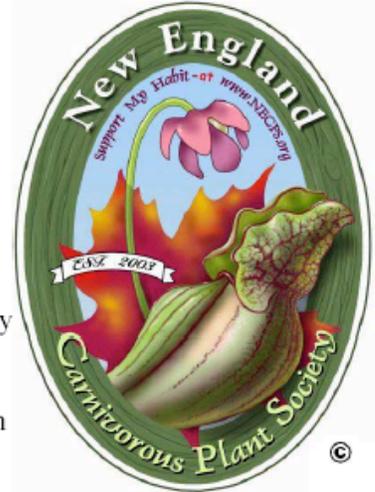
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Membership

Regular, \$20/year
Family, \$25/year
Student (any age), \$10/year

For more information contact:
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Please fill out form below and submit with payment to Shaun Montminy, Membership Secretary.

New England Carnivorous Plant Society - Membership Application and Renewal Form

Check one of the following: Application for: New Membership Renewing Membership

Type of membership: Student Membership (\$10) Regular Membership (\$20) Family Membership (\$25)

Type of payment: Cash Check (Please make check payable to "New England Carnivorous Plant Society") Check number _____

Please print the following clearly:

First Name _____ Last Name _____

Family names to be included and separated by semicolon ";" (if applying for family membership only):

Mail Address 1: _____

Mail Address 2: _____

City _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Phone Number _____ Email: _____

How did you hear about the NECPS? _____

Would you be able to attend the RI meetings? No Yes Yes, but I need to carpool

All new members please be sure to inquire about our welcome packs as well as getting your temporary membership card

NECPS Library Policy

The loan period for all items including: books, magazines, and videos are 1 month with one renewal period. No renewals are allowed for books, magazines and videos on reserve.

All material will be stored at a secure location deemed by the library committee and confirmed by the Executive board.

Failure to bring back books within 2 months will result in loss of borrowing privileges!

Any member wishing to check out any NECPS library materials must present a valid membership number. Cards are not transferable. You are responsible for any materials checked out in your name.

NECPS library patrons may take out one (1) item, as they are willing to be responsible for. NECPS library patrons may sign up for one (1) additional book such that at the end of the meeting if no one has already signed up for the item you will be allotted to take that item for the duration until the next meeting. When there is a high demand for a particular item, there will be a limit of one (1) item per person. The only exception to the above rules are for approved functions by the Executive board that are sponsored by the NECPS may reserve any and all material providing a months notice is given to guarantee that material will be available.

The NECPS Library reserves the right to determine charges for lost or damaged materials and the right to deny borrowing privileges to anyone who has library materials overdue for more than two (2) months to the NECPS library or owes fines amounting to more than ten dollars (\$10.00) from the NECPS. The NECPS library also reserves the right to deny borrowing privileges to any parent or guardian whose child and/or children have the above delinquencies.

All material taken from the NECPS library is the responsibility of the NECPS library patrons. For one of a kind items NECPS library has the right to refrain from loaning the material and may keep it as a reference item to be viewed solely at meetings and functions.

Please be kind. Rewind the videos before returning them to the NECPS library. Patrons are responsible for damage to videos, so please be careful. Never leave the tape partially rewound as this can cause damage to the tape. Also, videocassettes and equipment are to be used at room temperature as extremes of heat and cold may damage the video or equipment. Also exposure to magnetic fields can cause erasure or distortion.

The NECPS library is not responsible for damage to patron's VCR that may result from damaged or defective videos.

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