



Newsletter

North American Rock Garden Society
Connecticut Chapter September/October 2014

SEPTEMBER MEETING SEEDLING SALE

Sunday, September 14, 2014 10:15 am
Comstock, Ferre & Co.
263 Main St. Old Wethersfield, CT

Speaker: Todd Boland

Todd Boland of St. John's, Newfoundland, is a graduate of Memorial University of Newfoundland with a Master's of Science degree in Plant Ecology. He is currently research horticulturist at Memorial University of Newfoundland Botanical Garden and edits the MUN Botanical Garden newsletter, is past director of NARGS and currently chairs the Newfoundland Chapter, and has just published **Wildflowers of Nova Scotia**, (available through Amazon), a field guide to over 700 species. Todd will present on *Alpines of Eastern North America: Appalachians thru Newfoundland*.

The seedling/division sale will take place shortly after the speaker's presentation. Please bring plants for the sale prior to the talk so they can be priced and so attendees have ample opportunity to see what is available. It looks like there may be some gems for sale so don't miss this event!

The **October meeting** – date and location tba – will be a *plant your trough or pot with bulbs for an extended bloom time* hands-on workshop. Bring your recently made Styrofoam trough (appropriately sized plastic pots will be available for those without troughs). Planting medium and a selection of bulbs, including a choice of either late winter blooming *Colchicum hungaricum* 'Valentine' or *Fritillaria camtschaticensis*, will be available. There is a fee of \$15, well below the actual value of the supplies. To register, please contact Maryanne Gryboski, email strollgarden@aol.com or (860) 822-6589 and mention your choice of either the colchicum or the fritillaria; there are limited numbers of each and will be available on a first come basis.

Anyone interested in volunteering their yard for this workshop should contact Maryanne.

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The **Tri-State Meeting** will take place Sunday, October 26, from 10am -2pm, at Ross Hall, NY Botanical Garden. **Mike Kintgen** will give two presentations: *Rocky Mountain Alpines* and *Rock Gardens of Europe*. Mike is Senior Horticulturist at the Denver Botanic Garden and oversees the Alpine Collection and nine gardens including the Rock Alpine Garden and the South African Plaza. He has interned at the Chicago Botanic Garden and the Rhododendron Species Foundation.

We hope to have a car pool going to this event. Anyone interested in attending may contact Maryanne.

