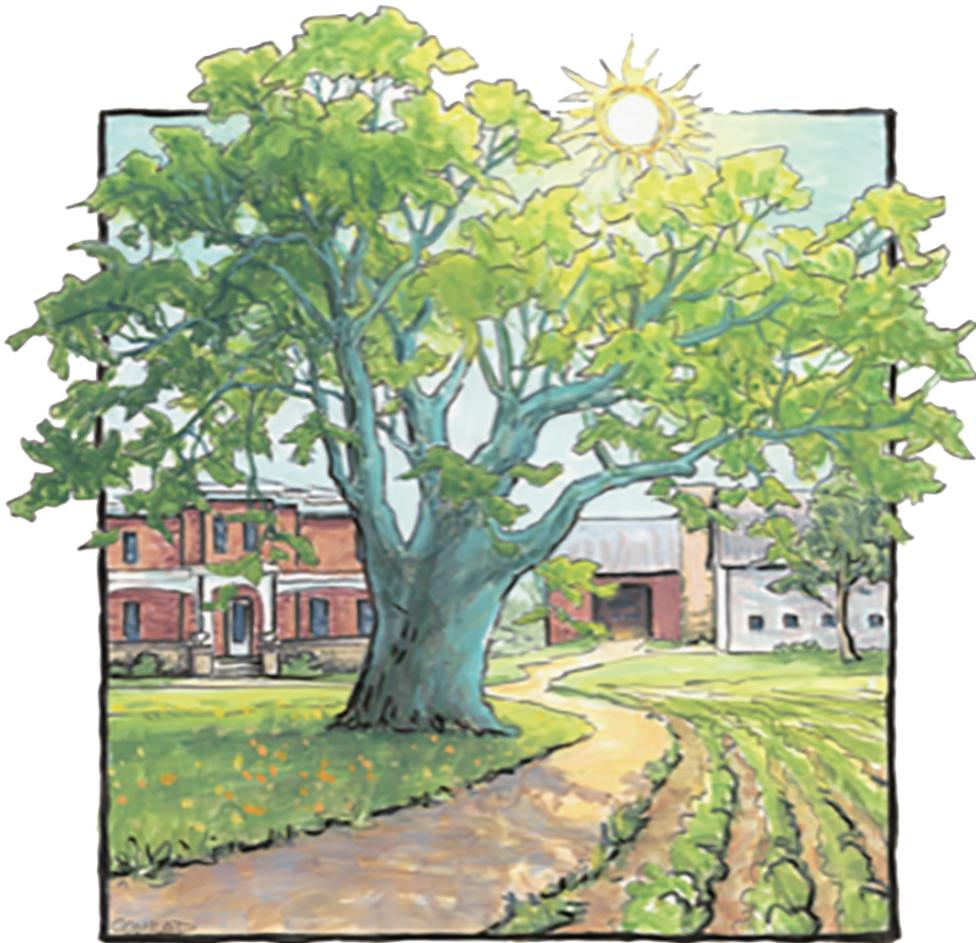


The Liberty Hyde Bailey Museum and Gardens presents

“Connecting With Nature”

The Third Annual Bailey Conference
Saturday, October 2, 2021



Lake Michigan College
125 Veterans Blvd.
South Haven, Michigan



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9:00 AM - 3:30 PM
Continental Breakfast and Lunch Included

Conference Focus

Despite the fact that Liberty Hyde Bailey wrote, edited, and co-authored over 1,300 articles and journals, 65 books, a collection of poetry, and 24 albums of plant photography, he is not well known in Michigan today. His legacy is waiting to be rediscovered. He is particularly relevant to the present-day crisis of agricultural sustainability.

Liberty Hyde Bailey was a monumental figure in the development of modern horticulture, agricultural education, nature study, and rural life in America. He defined the intellectual and spiritual foundations of what would become the environmental movement and an ethical relationship with the natural world. He worked to improve the lives of rural farmers and to preserve the land, popularized nature study in U.S. classrooms, lobbied successfully for women's rights on and off the farm, and spear headed Teddy Roosevelt's pioneering conservationism. Bailey's revolutionary thinking would go on to influence a generation of conservationists and the development of the University-based Cooperative Extension System and the 4-H programs.

Liberty Hyde Bailey developed the foundation of modern horticulture, nature study and ecology. He spent his life actively achieving his visions—to develop a scientific nomenclature of cultivated plants, bring agriculture as a recognized field of study, attract children into the world of nature, and for all of us to respect the planet. Born in 1858 and living for nine decades, he bore witness to his achievements and received public acclaim for them. His works are still lauded in the scientific community and are very relevant to today's general population. He was a humble and honest man, cared little about himself, but more about what he could do to improve the world. He lived his long life to procure the betterment of mankind, and in particular, those who spent their lives in contact with the earth.

Dedication to Maynard Kaufman

Liberty Hyde Bailey believed in a “political system” for common betterment, a community of ideals, concrete enthusiasms, and a means of effective training, racial and geographical cohesions, and programs to direct the lives of the people.” Southwest Michigan has been fortunate to have had just such a scholar among us. Maynard Kaufman of Arlington Township embraced and dedicated his life to encouraging, teaching and organizing others to understand that we only have one earth and it is our responsibility to care for it. His devotion to the work of the Liberty Hyde Bailey Museum and gardens enriched the community by being a servant leader.

It is with great humility that the Liberty Hyde Bailey Board of Trustees dedicates its 2021 Conference to Maynard Kaufman.

Saving and Sharing Seeds



Bevin Cohen

This exciting presentation from author and seed saver Bevin Cohen will highlight the importance of community seed sharing programs. Planting, saving and sharing seeds is essential to the cultivation of sustainable neighborhoods and healthy communities. The traditional art of seed saving allows the gardener to develop deeper relationships with the plants in their care while also preserving their history, cultural heritage and genetic diversity. Bevin will have copies of his latest book, *The Artisan Herbalist: Making Teas, Tinctures, and Oils at Home*, available throughout the event.

Land Management for Social and Ecological Restoration



Naim Edwards

“Food deserts” do not exist. In Michigan and across the world, food can be produced almost anywhere, but we’ve designed our environment to be generally devoid of food. This presentation will highlight the wonders of edible landscapes as a means to build beautiful and resilient communities. From our yards to our streetscapes and parks, an abundance of perennial crops can be integrated into the landscape to feed people and enhance the environment.

Naim Edwards has been named the director of the Michigan State University (MSU) Detroit Partnership for Food, Learning and Innovation, and is on a mission to heal soils and communities in Detroit and beyond!

Humanity Began in a Garden: Liberty Hyde Bailey’s Garden Philosophy



John Stempien

Liberty Hyde Bailey (1858-1954)- author, philosopher, poet, naturalist, educator, scientist, and gardener par excellence-built a reputation as the father of modern horticulture and evangelist of what he called the “garden-sentiment”. This presentation introduces Bailey and his garden philosophy through his rich corpus of writings, simultaneously practical and spiritual, nourishing both body and soul.

John Stempien is co-editor of *The Liberty Hyde Bailey Gardener’s Companion: Essential Writings* from Cornell University Press. He served as the first director of the Liberty Hyde Bailey Museum from 2006-2012.

Beyond Butterflies and Bees: A brief guide to understanding the insects in our everyday lives



Jeremy Jubenville

Jeremy takes us on a walk through the most common orders of insects found in Michigan. In this presentation, he will discuss broader ecological roles and provide some characteristics to help us identify the insects in our everyday life.

Jeremy is the floriculture and greenhouse extension educator for southwest Michigan. He has a B.S. in Biology from Western Michigan University, where he focused on plant biology and chemistry, and an M.S. in Entomology from Michigan State University that emphasized spatial ecology, molecular entomology, and biological control. He brings professional crop scouting and advising experience to this Extension role with interests that include: diagnostics & troubleshooting, biological control, water quality, and greenhouse technology.

Natives and Nativars: Exploring the Difference



Abbie Bristol

As native gardens become more popular, varieties of Michigan natives are being cultivated for hardiness, reliability, and/or ornamental value. When the shape and makeup of a plant changes, so do the interactions with pollinators, predators, and other species relying on the specific characteristics of the plant. What does this mean for the nativars we are beginning to introduce to our gardens? This presentation will explore academic research on the topic and the recorded impacts of nativars.

Abbie Bristol is the SWxSW Corner CISMA Strike Team Coordinator, managing invasive plants throughout Berrien, Cass, and Van Buren Counties.

Mushrooms and Fungi



Chris Swinson

A brief introduction to fungi and their role in nature and the importance of mushrooms in our ecosystems and our diets. The nutritional and medicinal aspects of mushrooms will be highlighted.

A State of Michigan Certified Mushroom Expert, Chris is ever curious and rarely conventional. His lifelong interest in science and nature equipped him with the skills to pursue a passion which at the time had few resources for the average person. Chris conducts classes, sells at markets, produces, harvests, and a whole host of other day to day tasks.

Identifying Trees in Southwest Michigan



Aaron Priebe

Aaron Priebe is the City of South Haven's Community Arborist. Aaron is a graduate of Purdue University.

Michigan Botanical Club: Who We Are and What We Do



Craig Elston

Craig Elston is a Michigan native and has always been interested in nature and growing plants. He has led interpretive hikes at the Hudsonville Nature Center since the mid 1990's and presented lectures at Frederick Meijer Gardens, Hoffmaster State Park, and the MSU Extension Service. He is an Advanced Master Gardener and Michigan Master Naturalist. He is currently the President of the White Pines Chapter of the Michigan Botanical Club.

"It is a marvelous planet on which we ride. It is a great privilege to live thereon, to partake in the journey, and to experience its goodness." -L.H. Bailey

How to Graft Plants



Paul Surian

Paul Surian is co-owner of Blue Horizon Nursery in Grand Junction, MI. He has more than 25 years of experience in the nursery industry. Paul and co-founder Bill are collectors, always seeking out the newest plants with the most extraordinary characteristics.

They propagate most of their plants through grafting and rooted cuttings in addition to growing them from seed.

Nature Journaling: An Educational Escape



Juliet Golob

It is one thing to enjoy nature, but it is another to truly experience it. Nature journaling opens the door to a far more comprehensive understanding of our surroundings. Come and learn the basics to start your own nature journaling experience.

Juliet Golob is the current Educational Coordinator at Sarett Nature Center and has a degree in Conservation Biology from Lake Superior State University.



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