

## Yes, I want to join AHSplantnet

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Email Address \_\_\_\_\_

I have read the rules and I agree to them. I realize that when I post to the AHSplantnet that all group members can see my e-mail address. I also understand that no advertising will come to me because of my participation on the AHSplantnet.

Signed \_\_\_\_\_ date \_\_\_\_\_

The Annapolis Horticulture Society is setting up a communication vehicle called a List Serve. AHSplantnet is a closed 'group' and only Society members and professionals the AHS Board chooses to include may participate. The site cannot be found using Google or other search engines. The site is hosted by Yahoo groups but group members **DO NOT HAVE TO SUBSCRIBE TO YAHOO** in order to participate.

When you turn in the top portion of this form, you will receive an email invitation stating that you are invited to join the AHSplantnet list serve. If you do not want to join Yahoo, follow the directions to accept the invitation using the **MAIL option**. You may have to scroll down to see the "Join the Group" click bar. After joining, you will see a message saying "membership pending." You can sign up to receive messages either individually or in a Digest (sent after a specific number of postings are made or every 24 hours.) I will receive a notice asking for approval to include you in the 'group'. When Yahoo receives my approval, you are 'in' and should receive a notice that says you are an accepted member of the group.

**Important!** After you join, be sure to add AHSplantnet@yahoogroups.com to your computer address book. Then to respond to a message, **do not hit Reply**, instead, create a new posting that incorporates (or includes) a portion of the original message so that others will understand the issue being discussed. (Copy/paste works)

It is not necessary to respond to a request using AHSplantnet. For example, if someone asks if anyone is going to the Arboretum on May 5, you may send an email to only him/her. However, if someone asks "How many are going to the Arboretum on May 5?" it might make sense to respond through the "List". This would make it easier to find others to share rides with.

Please use the subject line to indicate your posting topic. While we are not archiving postings now, we may decide at some point to do so and the subject is important to finding what you want in the archives.

**RULES:** They are few but precious!

1. **The List is for all things horticultural --first and foremost.**
2. Garden jokes are allowed but not political, religious, or chain messages.
3. "Flaming" is not to be done. If you are upset about a product, nursery, etc. a simple statement of the situation or asking if others have had the same problem is fine, but tearing into the manufacturer or sales person is unacceptable. Frame all your posts as though you were speaking to each other face to face.

If you have any problems getting set up call me. Tish Iorio, List Moderator 804-227-2036 or email letitia39@centurylink.net