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**LEAGUE OF WOMEN VOTERS OF THE HAMPTONS HOSTS PUBLIC FORUM ON  
“LAWNS: A DANGEROUS OBSESSION?”  
Monday, June 14, 7 p.m.**

On Monday, June 14 at 7 p.m., the League of Women Voters of the Hamptons, in conjunction with the Hampton Library at 2478 Main Street in Bridgehampton, will present an environmental program entitled “Lawns: A Dangerous Obsession?,” that includes both a film and panel discussion.

The 30-minute film, “American Lawn,” which was produced by East Hampton resident Cile Downs on behalf of the Accabonac Protection Committee, examines the American obsession with the perfect lawn and its environmental consequences.

The panelists, who will discuss the film and answer questions, include Kevin McAllister, the Peconic Baykeeper, who acts as a pollution watchdog over East End bays and estuaries; Westhampton-based landscaper Suzanne Ruggles (“The Barefoot Gardener”), who specializes in wild, native, organically-managed planting; and Beth Fiteni, program director of the Sustainability Institute of Molloy College, who educates the public about organic lawn care techniques.

The forum, which will take place in the Hampton Library’s new community room, will be taped by SEA-TV for later televised viewing on Southampton Town’s Channel 22. Refreshments will be served at the beginning of the program.

Further information is available from LWV Natural Resources Committee chair Sue Avedon at 631-329-1830, or the Hampton Library at 631-537-0015.

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