



Historic greenhouse is seen behind orphans from Brookwood Hall Orphanage.

1953: Hedge lined driveway leads to carriage house. Greenhouse is behind gardens with overhead irrigation.





Greenhouse was restored in 1993. First Project Bloom Season was 1994.





Photos show deterioration of wood frame and glass falling from structure. Wood frame is badly rotted.





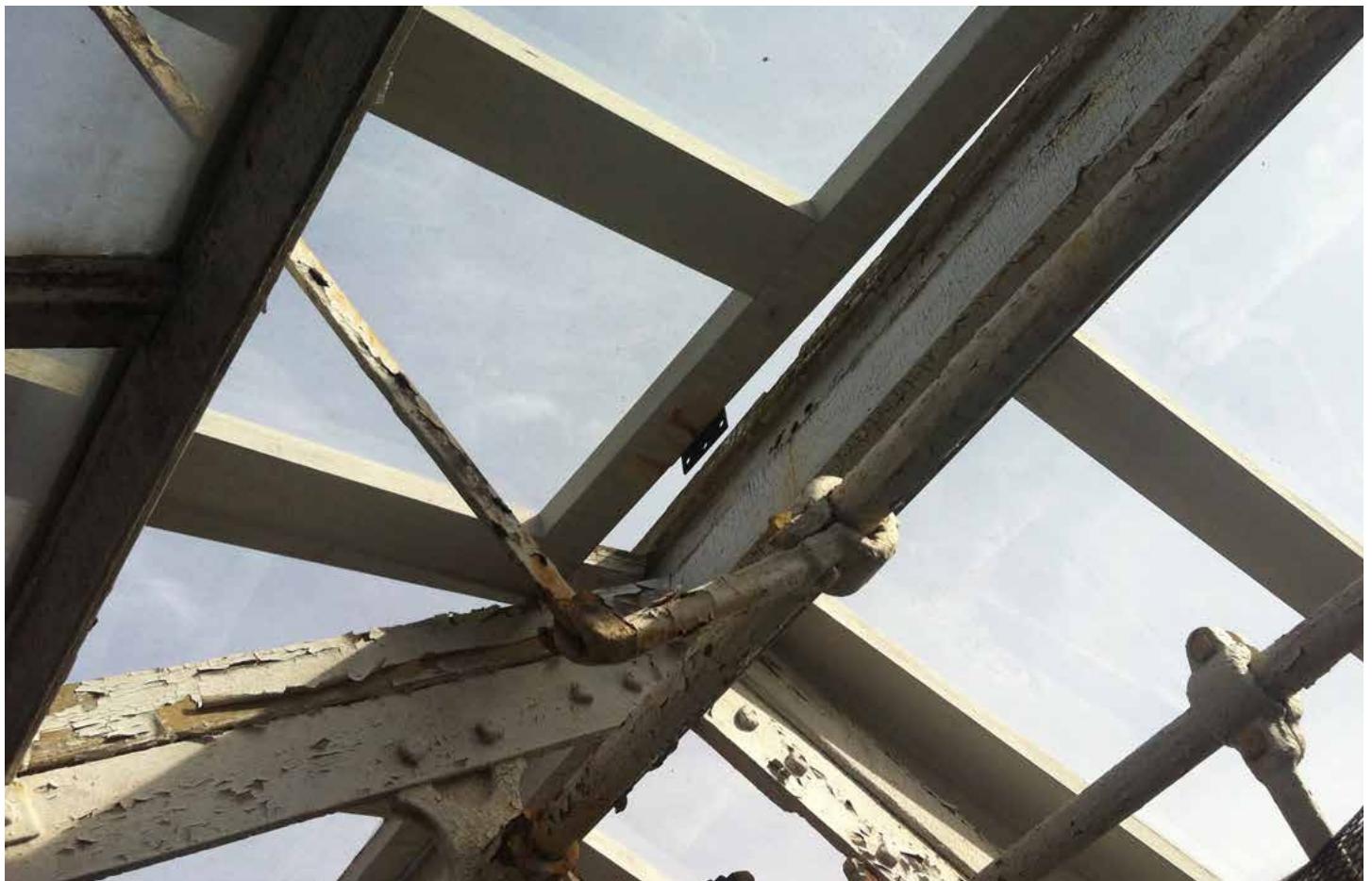
Top roof panel had been coming apart from roof and finally collapsed in June of this year.





Panes of glass are blown out by the wind, because the caulk won't hold. The roof panel is hanging by one hinge.





Top photo taken 9/21/16 shows another roof panel about to come off the building. Below, glass in the garden.





Missing pane of glass leads to makeshift repair by 89 year old gardener, who put a styrofoam panel and office chair on the top of the greenhouse benches to block freezing air from killing seedlings this spring.  
Below: Same pane of glass is still missing on left in photo taken August 17, 2016.





Greenhouse full of plants in the spring. Plants are distributed to volunteer adopted garden spots throughout Islip. Every square inch of the greenhouse including the floors is full in May when we get ready to hand out plants.





Marigolds, Geraniums, Zinnias, and Cosmos are sorted and ready to be picked up by the volunteer groups. Since 1993, Volunteer gardeners meet twice a week from February to May to tend to the seedlings.





Over the past two years we've undertaken a renovation of the gardens around the greenhouse. Coreopsis bloom in the pollinator beds around the vegetable garden. This organic Community Garden has 30 Vegetable Beds.





Above: The vegetable garden in June, and below, in mid August of 2016.



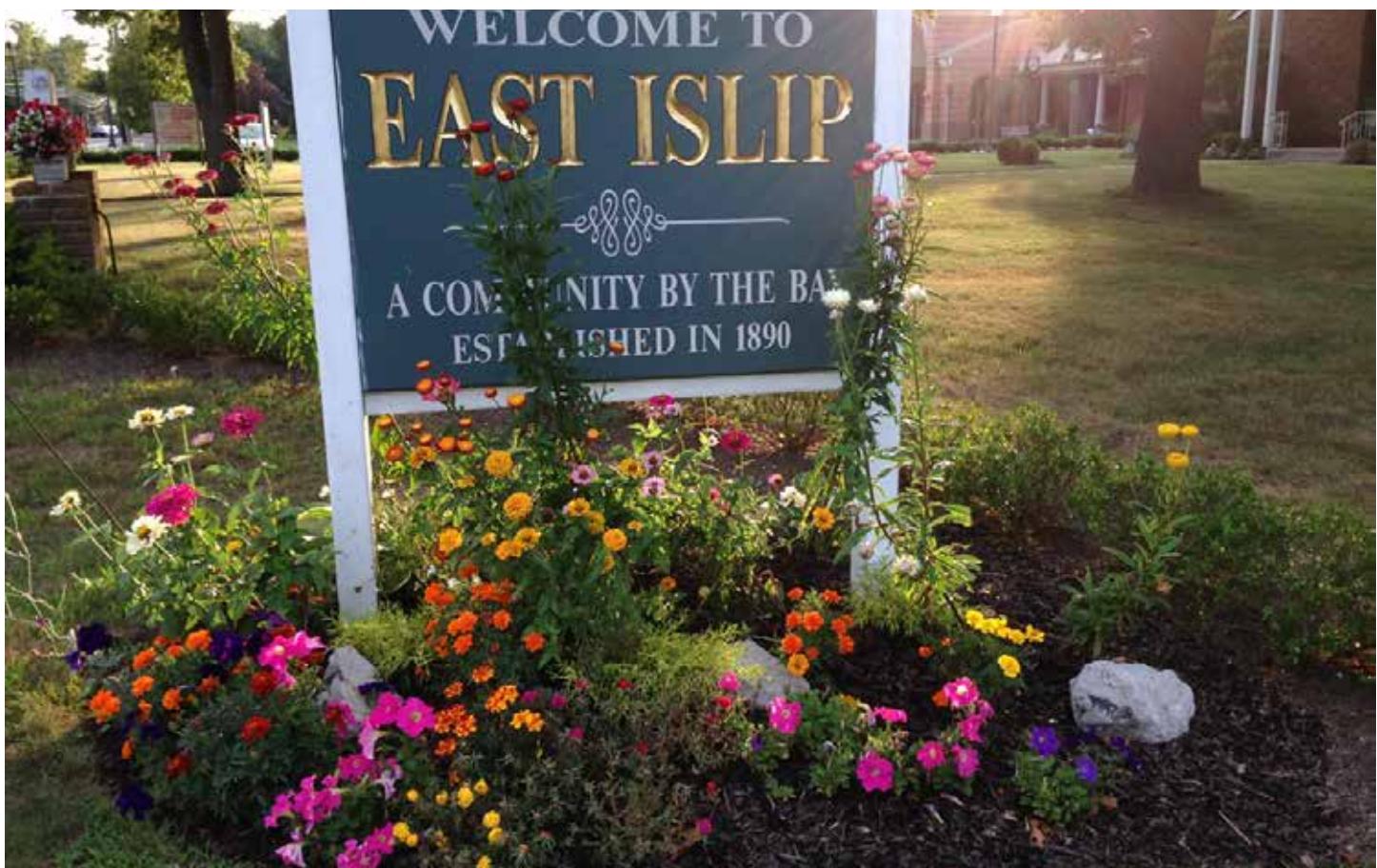


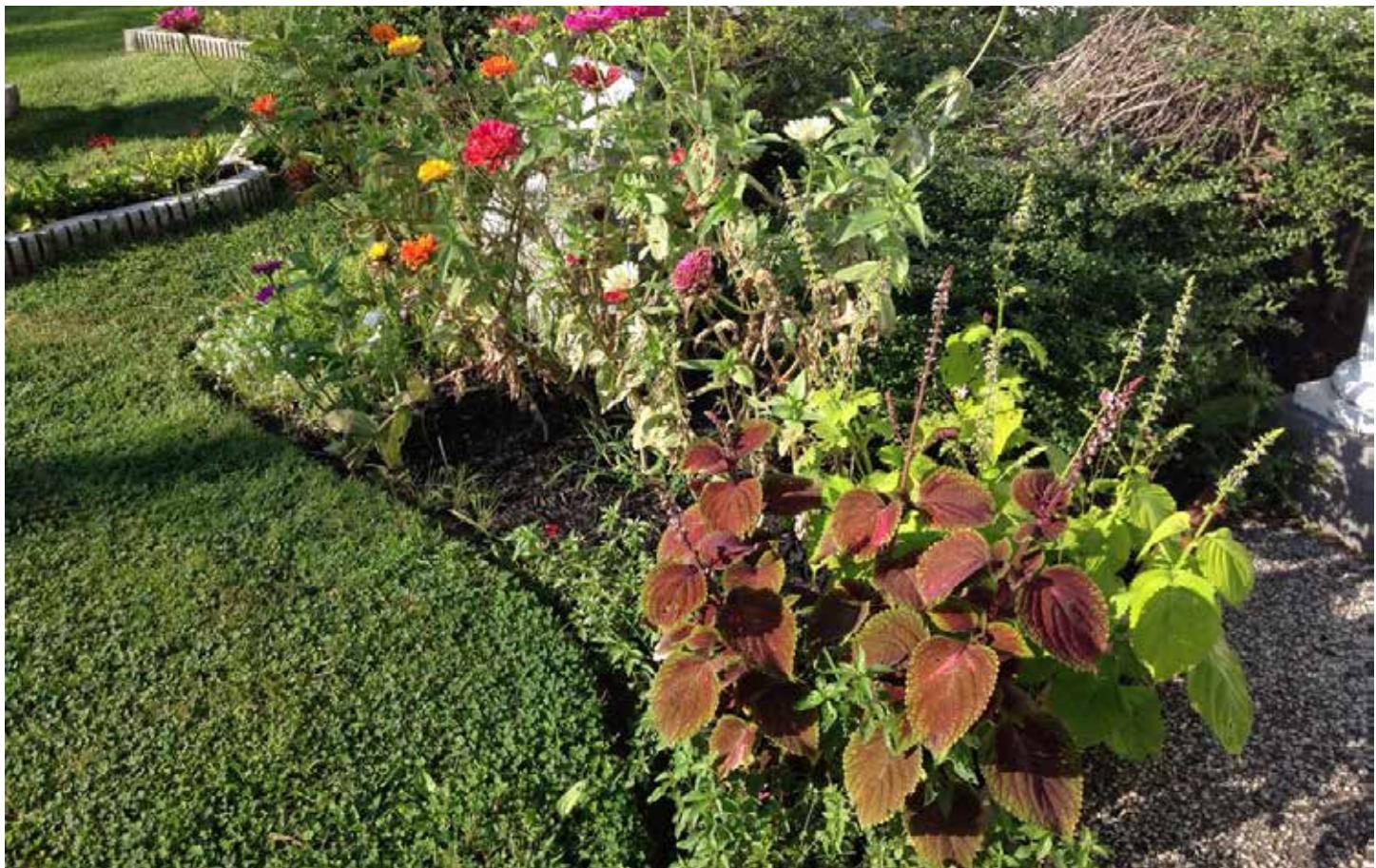
Some of the plants we grow from seed are planted at gardens we created at Brookwood Hall, including this pollinator garden near the lake. All of the plants and shrubs in the gardens were donated or started from seed.





The garden next to the greenhouse was also restored, including old rose bushes and asters. Pavers were donated. The volunteers who receive plants from Project Bloom establish and maintain gardens around Islip Town.





Eagle Scout garden at American Legion Hall, Islip uses coleus, zinnias, marigolds, and more from Project Bloom. The garden bed at Islip High School was planted with flowers from Project Bloom.





The Common Ground in Sayville has tall zinnias from Project Bloom lining the entrance walkway.

Below: This neighborhood garden is at Fulton and Commercial in Brentwood.

Both of these gardens won our “Great Garden Award” in September at the Keep Islip Clean community meeting.



Some of the educational signs we created for the Project Bloom Brookwood Hall Gardens.



These photos are fairly representative of the type of replacement greenhouse being quoted for us by Green Island Distributors. These examples show the building installed at ground level.





The greenhouse at Meadow Edge in Sayville was just totally restored. Above: Before restoration, under plastic tarp. Below: Beautiful restoration of wood, metal and glass was completed by Statewide Roofing in Ronkonkoma.

